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What are you thankful for?

Every year, as November rolls around, the topic of thankfulness makes its way to the forefront as we celebrate Thanksgiving. By the time you read this, your bellies will most likely already be filled with turkey and stuffing, so allow me to wash it all down with a nice, smooth glass of gratitude.

THE MINOR DETAILS

ADAM MINOR

This year, however, I'd like to present a short list of unorthodox things I am thankful for. Upon a first look, one wouldn't be very grateful for any of these things, but stick with me … I think you'll get where I am coming from by the end.

So without further adieu, I present to you: "Adam's Official Short List of Things You Wouldn't Think A Person Would be Thankful For, But I Am" — OK, that's awkward … maybe the title needs a little work, but here you go anyway!

1. Mistakes: In this business we are in, everything you do is in the public eye and open to criticism and/or acclaim. There are times when this is a great thing. When you do something well and people notice, it feels good to hear about it. I'm sure you can relate when I say that it feels good to be complimented. With the wrong attitude, I can see how people can develop egos when they expect to be lauded week in and week out.

But then there are times that you put something out there that isn't perfect, and my readers are so very good at keeping that ego in check!

I've made my share of mistakes, even as recently as last week, when in a headline I mistakenly declared in a headline that an incumbent senator had been re-elected…to the House of Representatives.

Nevertheless, mistakes keep you humble. And I am thankful that I am not perfect, because I never want to be the type of person that expects to be praised. May I ever remain a humble, hard-working journalist with both feet firmly planted in reality!

2. Criticism: I made this one different because this differs slightly from me, myself, making mistakes. Sometimes, I'll publish something that is perfectly fine that people just flat-out disagree with, and they make their points known (some more gracefully than others). Just this past weekend, for example, I had a disgruntled reader share his thoughts rather harshly on a photo placement choice I made, and he made it clear that I was … shall I say … lacking in the intelligence department. Sometimes, you just have to take the high road.

But I realized that I am thankful for people like him because sometimes they make you look at life a little differently, and that while I disagreed with him (and stand by my decision, by the way), people are allowed to have their opinions. This is America, after all. And even now, even in this post-election ugliness that I see when I look around me, I am thankful to live in this country that allows people to be critical of each other freely, and fairly.

3. A Full Inbox: This applies to both my voicemail and my e-mail! While some may view a full inbox of e-mail or a full slate of voicemails every day as "just more work," in this line of work, it is way more than that. It means that you are reading, you are participating, and most importantly, you are invested in what we do. I have my long days, and sometimes I may take a little bit to get back to you, but I am always listening, always advising, and always working to make this newspaper the best it can be for you!

Now that's something I can be thankful for.

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Jason Bleau photo

WOODSTOCK — The First Congregational Church of Woodstock has helped set the tone for a promising holiday season with Christmas on the Hill on Nov. 19. Pictured, volunteers cash out a customer purchasing a delightful Christmas decoration. For more photos, turn to page A10!

Community celebrates rebirth of Pomfret church

'WE'RE VERY BLESSED AND VERY THANKFUL'

BY JASON BLEAU
NEWS STAFF WRITER

POMFRET — It's been nearly three years since the Pomfret community was struck with tragedy. One of the town's most cherished historic landmarks, the First Congregational Church of Pomfret, was destroyed on Dec. 7, 2013, leaving the church family and the town wondering what happens next.

After almost three years of prayer, patience, dedication, and growth, that question has been answered unequivocally with a new building, a bright future, and a seemingly undying determina-

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Jason Bleau photos

The new First Congregational Church of Pomfret that was dedicated during a special service on Nov. 20, nearly three years after a December 2013 fire destroyed the former facility on the same site.

Glen Trematore, chief executive officer of Church Development Services, hands over the keys to the new First Congregational Church of Pomfret to Mike Bonitz, the chairman of the church's building committee, officially turning over ownership of the facility to the church family.

Friends of Assisi food pantry continues generous tradition

BY JASON BLEAU
NEWS STAFF WRITER

DANIELSON — Each year, organizations throughout the region kick into high gear in the month of November seeking donations to help local families in need with the Thanksgiving holiday, and to provide food and supplies for families as the Christmas season and winter grow closer as well.

However, few local food banks have a history of helping their community members in need like the Friends of Assisi Food Pantry in Danielson.

Each year, the pantry depends on donations and volunteer help to provide food and resources for more than 400 families. In 2015, the organization celebrated its 25th anniversary and, for the 26th year, it continues its mission in 2016 with even more demand.

Pantry Director Jean Cyr said each year brings more and more support to her organization and she couldn't be happier to see it's growth. Last year, the anniversary snuck up on her, but that's all due to her and her staff staying focused on the mission. In its 26th year, Cyr said public support for the pantry has only grown and the need for their services continues to be more and more apparent. The pantry held a last-minute food drive on Nov. 19 and 20 to bring in whatever they can from the generous public to meet the needs of their many dependent clients on distribution day, Nov. 22, for the Thanksgiving holiday.

"These donations are huge for us. The

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Jason Bleau photos

A little-known card game, but a popular one among those who know of it, the Star Wars card game had its own table and was one of several games based on the popular film series at Ellis Con.

FUN AND GAMES

KILLINGLY — For the 28th year, H.H. Ellis Technical High School hosted a day of gaming, brotherhood, and fun that has come to be known at Ellis Con on Saturday, Nov. 19.

For more photos, turn to page A7!

Utilizing measurements, calculated timing, and even building, the Star Wars X-Wing miniature game is one of the newer additions to Ellis Con over the last few years and continued to grow in popularity in 2016.

One year later

POURINGS AND PASSAGES CELEBRATES GROWTH, SUCCESS

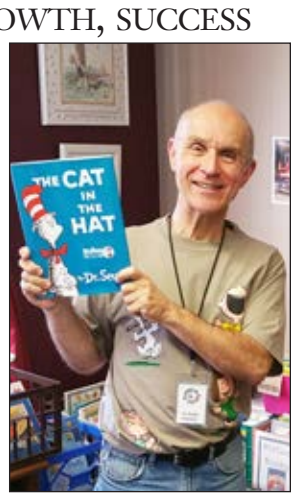
BY JASON BLEAU
NEWS STAFF WRITER

DANIELSON — In 2015, the long-running St. James Book Sale entered a new era with a permanent store established on Main Street in Danielson to make the book sale concept a weekly mission to benefit the St. James School.

A year later, the mission has proven to be a success, as Pourings and Passages has become a popular and much-embraced addition to the Quiet Corner community.

The community bookstore, which depends on donations to fill its stock with all earnings benefiting the St. James School the same way the yearly book sales used to, celebrated its one-year anniversary on Nov. 19, with proprietor Jim Weigel praising volunteers and the community for their endless support of the store and its mission.

"We feel great about it. We've had lots of nice donations over the last year and lots of people have come in to buy books and other items



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Pourings and Passages proprietor Jim Weigel shows off one of many selections in the Danielson store's children's collection.

we have here. We get new people every day, which is nice, and word of mouth seems to be the best publicity. It's just been wonderful to see this succeed," Weigel said. "We've actually stopped doing the book sales and now we have this permanent book sale where every Wednesday through Saturday people can come here and find

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Courtesy photo

Putnam resident Rebecca Shea, who will be appearing in Ballet Arts Worcester's "Nutcracker" this weekend.

The Nutcracker Ballet at the Hanover features local performer

WORCESTER, Mass. — The magic of dance, the wonder of Christmas, and the belief in dreams all come together when the Nutcracker Ballet returns to The Hanover Theatre this November. This exquisite performance is a much-revered holiday treat for audiences of all ages.

"The Nutcracker Ballet at The Hanover Theatre for the Performing Arts is a high-caliber performance in a world-class theatre featuring ballet professionals and rising ballet stars from the Worcester area," says Jennifer Agbay, Director for Ballet Arts Worcester.

More than 150 dancers share their love of dance and the joy of this ballet classic when they step on stage in the spectacular Hanover Theatre. Performing in this dance masterpiece is a dream come true for members of the ballet corps, a dream shared by children around the world every time they slip on their ballet shoes.

The Nutcracker, a two-act ballet by Pyotr Ilyich Tchaikovsky, was first performed in Russia in December 1892. The story revolves around Clara, a young girl who receives a nutcracker doll as a Christmas gift and then enters a world of make believe as the nutcracker and other characters come to life.

Shining in the principal role of Clara and Daughter of the Artistic Director is Sophia Agbay, a gifted 13-year-old from West Boylston. Agbay has been with Ballet Arts Worcester since she was three years old.

Director Agbay said that Sophia's dedication and training is a testament to the exceptional level of ballet dancers in the Worcester area.

The 2016 Nutcracker dance corps includes professional guest artists from Orlando Ballet, ABT 2 and the Royal Ballet, three semi- professional dancers from Ballet Arts Worcester, and 100-plus Worcester-area ballerinas, ranging in age from 7 to 30, including several members of the Youth Ballet of Worcester.

The dancers auditioned at the Hanover theatre in early September, in an open audition call. Once cast in their roles, the dancers immediately began a 10 week rehearsal schedule which blends a professional practice schedule and high standards with a positive, supporting environment.

The Nutcracker staff of Ballet Arts Worcester wants to provide the young dancers with an experience that is very close to working in a real life dance company," explains Agbay, adding, "Meeting high standards on an artistic and technical level is serious, and the dancers and the coaches work together in achieving this goal."

Audiences can enjoy this limited-engagement performance at The Hanover Theatre, running from November 25 to 27, 2016. Tickets range in price from $28 to $40, and group discounts are available, as well as AAA members and Price Chopper Advantage card holders.

Show Information:

- Friday, Nov. 25, 7 p.m.
- Saturday, Nov. 26: 2 p.m. and 7 p.m.
- Sunday, Nov. 27: 1 p.m. and 5 p.m.

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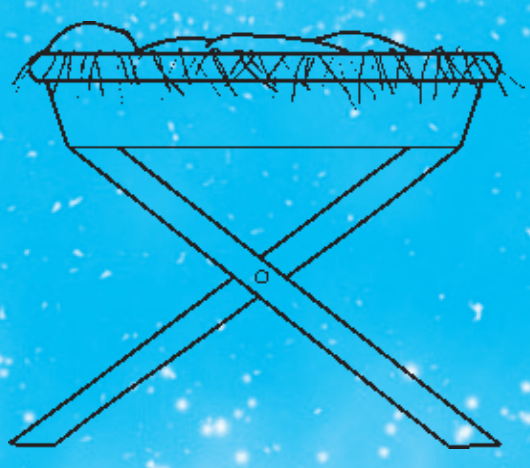

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Bird sightings at Connecticut Audubon Society Center at Pomfret and Wyndham Land Trust properties for the week of Nov. 14: Pine Warbler, Pileated Woodpecker, Evening Grosbeak, Flicker, Purple Finch, Brown Creeper, Junco, Cedar Waxwing, Great-horned Owl, Barred Owl, Great-blue Heron, Mallard, Canada Geese. Visit www.ctaudubon.org/center-at-pomfret.

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The trolley strike of 1916

Killingly at 300

MARGARET WEAVER

Phil Lemieux was quick to send a response to my query in the Nov. 18 column about what the letters "SF" stood for in the St. Joseph-K of C softball game. He said that it stood for "short fielder," a 10th position in slow pitch softball.

"The SF floats between the infielders and the outfield. The assumption is that the game was slow pitch…SF is not a position in baseball."

When reading the June 8, 1916 Windham County Transcript, I came across quite a few articles concerning a trolley strike that had recently occurred. To the area residents one hundred years ago this was a major inconvenience, especially for those who relied on it to travel to work or school. Few had automobiles at this time. The following extracts summarize the events and speak about how the residents coped with the situation.

"Trolley Strike is Ended. After a strike of six days duration the trolley strike ended and the cars resumed the running schedule Wednesday morning, and all the people said Amen!

"The company and men, both made concessions which ended in a satisfactory agreement, and each party to the brief controversy, seems equally pleased. The compromise offer of settlement came from the company and was very promptly received by the men.

"The agreement signed by the parties carries the following wage scale:

First year men — 26 cents per hour; Second year men — 27 cents per hour;

Third year men — 28 cents per hour; Fourth year men — 29 cents per hour;

Fifth year men — 30 cents per hour; After fifth year — 32 cents per hour.

The meal tickets demanded were cut from 50 cents to 25 cents, and the demand for time and a half for overtime, was cut to 10 cents extra per hour for overtime.

The maximum before the strike was 29 cents per hour and the minimum was 23. The demand of the strikers was for a 9-hour day and a maximum wage of 35 cents.

"The strike was rather unique in many of its features. It came on Wednesday night at midnight, as quietly as the falling of the dews of evening. It departed the next Wednesday morning as silently as the rising sun. There was no rioting, no violence, no disturbance of any kind. Our trolley men up this way are not built that way. When they left they simply said, 'We have quit.' When they came back they just smiled and said, 'We are here again.' The thing that seems to be about as pleasing to them as anything is the recognition of the union. It is creditable to the men and to the general condition of our town that there was no disturbance.

"The strike breaking effort which usually attends all strikes came into evidence Saturday morning, when a force came on from Norwich with grim determination written in their faces, and up and down the cars went with more or less regularity, but they went empty, while scores of well filled jitneys flitted around everywhere like butterflies among the flowers of summertime.

"But scarcely anybody took the cars. No fear of violence deterred them; they stood in no fear of brickbats or derailment, but the sympathy of the public was unmistakably, and to an unusual degree with the strikers. The good behavior of the men, their abstinence from all violence, their calm judicial poise and patient waiting was in striking contrast to all that is usual in strikes, and appealed to the sympathy of the people. The strike-breakers were coldly received, but without violent demonstration. They were excluded from hotels and boarding houses and shunned by tradesmen and merchants, and had to find quarters and supplies elsewhere. But even they remained fairly good-natured and philosophically accepted the situation as a part of their lot.

"The general public also accepted the situation with remarkable equanimity. They were put to great inconvenience. Freights were interrupted; trade was at a standstill. The school attendance thinned out and social intercommunication ceased. And yet no one lost his temper; nobody 'jawed'. The jitneys came to the rescue and the school boys and girls, and the rest of us too, indulged in a week of joy riding in the delightful weather of June. Rather more expensive; hardly as dependable, but all right for a brief sample. The Danielson Business Men's Association took a hand in stemming the interruption and we all lived through it, but were mighty glad when it was all over.

"Rev. Ignatius Kost of St. Joseph's Church at Dayville has been a good Samaritan during the strike, using his automobile morning, noon and night, to convey workers from Dayville, Attawaugan and Danielson, to their places of employment in various villages of the town and his thoughtfulness and kindness has been appreciated by all."

"The trolley strike revealed a strong feeling of partisanship in Dayville, all the citizens were with the conductors and motormen. Anyone who rode on the cars with the trolley strike breakers laid themselves open to ridicule, to say the least. The public have been seething with injustice over the copper zone system and the strike gave them a good opportunity to show the company the emulation of this feeling. An excellent jitney service was established with neighboring points so that our people were not greatly inconvenienced. On Saturday Putnam and Danielson businessmen established a service at the old trolley rates between West Thompson and Central Village. On Monday the union established a jitney service with Danielson for a nickel, making it possible for school children, business people and others to get as good service as the trolley gives. All the merchants and boarding house keepers refused to sell to or house the strike breakers who were housed at the Club House at the lake. Local trolley men attended the daily meetings at Norwich while the situation was being adjusted (Under East Killingly).

"The trolley strike knocked things here pretty well out of joint. This is one connecting point between the R. I. and Conn. companies, and the strike seriously interfered with both passenger and freight service. Besides, there is quite a large local travel between here and Danielson, Dayville and Putnam, and much inconvenience resulted. The auto service ad interim as a partial substitute and was duly appreciated. We are all glad however, that the strike is ended and we are back upon trolley service. It certainly does the public good sometimes to find by deprivation how much they depend upon the various public utilities, not only for luxuries, but also for the actual necessities of life."

I hope everyone had a happy Thanksgiving. No matter what our circumstances, we have much to be grateful for. I am thankful for all of you who have taken the time to share thoughts and memories. Please continue to either e-mail me or call the historical center.

Due to the Thanksgiving holiday, the Killingly Historical Center will be closed Saturday, Nov. 26. It will be open as usual on Wednesday, Nov 30.

Margaret M. Weaver is the Killingly Municipal Historian. Special thanks to Paul Lemieux for his clarification and to Marilyn Labbe for transcribing Transcripts. For additional information visit the Killingly Historical Center Wednesday or Saturday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. (or by appointment) or www.killinglyhistorical.org or call 860-779-7250. Mail for the Killingly Historical & Genealogical Society, Inc. or the Killingly Historical Center should be sent to P.O. Box 265, Danielson, CT 06329. Margaret Weaver may be reached at margaretmweaver@gmail.com.

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Woodstock PZC elects officers

WOODSTOCK — Woodstock's Planning and Zoning Commission at its meeting on Nov. 17 elected commission officers.

Commission Chairman: Jeffrey Gordon (re-elected to ninth term)

Vice-Chairman: Frederick Rich

Secretary: Dorothy Durst

Regulation Review Subcommittee Chairman: Jeffrey Gordon

Commission members are Joseph Adiletta, E. John Anastasi, Syd Blodgett, Gail Dickinson, Dorothy Durst, Jeffrey Gordon, Frederick Rich, Travis Sirrine, H. Dexter Young, Kenneth Ebbitt, Duane Frederick, and Doug Porter.

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NOW gives thanks for community response to recent theft

PUTNAM — On Wednesday, Oct. 19, Northeast Opportunities for Wellness announced that $610 in raffle proceeds had been stolen at the non-profit's A Taste for NOW – A Taste for Life event, held on Friday, Oct. 14, at The Mansion at Bald Hill Banquet facility.

The announcement was shared by local media and reaction from the community was swift. A little over a month after the theft was made public, NOW is happy to announce that through generous donations from businesses, organizations, and individuals, over $3,900 has been raised in response to the theft.

"This is truly a happy ending to a story that started off quite negative," stated NOW Fundraising Chairman Earl Rosebrooks. "We were shocked at the theft, which occurred at one of our most successful and positive events but we are touched at the overwhelming response from the community. Within hours of posting about the incident on the NOW Facebook page and sharing the news with our media friends, our executive director received dozens of calls and e-mails from all over the region."

One of the first donations came from the Killingly, Putnam and North Windham Verizon Wireless Zone stores in the amount of $610, the full amount that had been stolen. Over the past several weeks, more donations, ranging from $50 to $1,000 were received, totaling over $3,900. Donors include: Mitchell D. Phaiah Foundation, Verizon Wireless Zone, The G Seven Catering Company, WPTP Junior Football League, The Courthouse Bar & Grille, Black Dog Bar & Grille, The Lunchbox Catering Company, A&A Management, Linemaster Switch Corporation, J&B Transportation, The Killingly Business Association, Killingly-Brooklyn Rotary Club, Lynthia Designs, Flash Times Photo Booth, Angell House Design, Stephen and Lynn Bucknam, Rachel & Jake Dykeman, Lynn Bourque, Paul Desautels, Kathi Peterson, Earl Rosebrooks, Joshua Longiaru, Eric & Julie Quinn, Andrew & Emily Morrison, Michele Geragotelis, and Troy & Alissa Gladu.

NOW Executive Director, Sarah Mortensen commented, "It has been heartwarming to receive not only the donations but also words of encouragement and support from so many in the NECT community. Our mission is focused on laying a healthy foundation for children living in this area, and this kind of support speaks to how much the people of this region believe in what NOW offers." The funds, in addition to the proceeds from the 5th Annual A Taste for NOW event, will support NOW's youth scholarship program as well as the organization's free fitness and nutrition programs and events.

Northeast Opportunities for Wellness is a 501 (c)(3) non-profit dedicated to the promotion of youth wellness by providing education in nutrition and instruction in fitness and sports, regardless of access to financial resources. For more information on NOW and their programs, visit: www.NOWinMotion.org.

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NECASA announces regional 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.

Courtesy photos

Pam Brown and Missy Bonsall received a plaque as retiring Board of Director's members after both serving more than 20 years.

Victoria Embree received a Volunteer With Youth Award.

10TH ANNUAL JUDITH NILAN AWARDS

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.

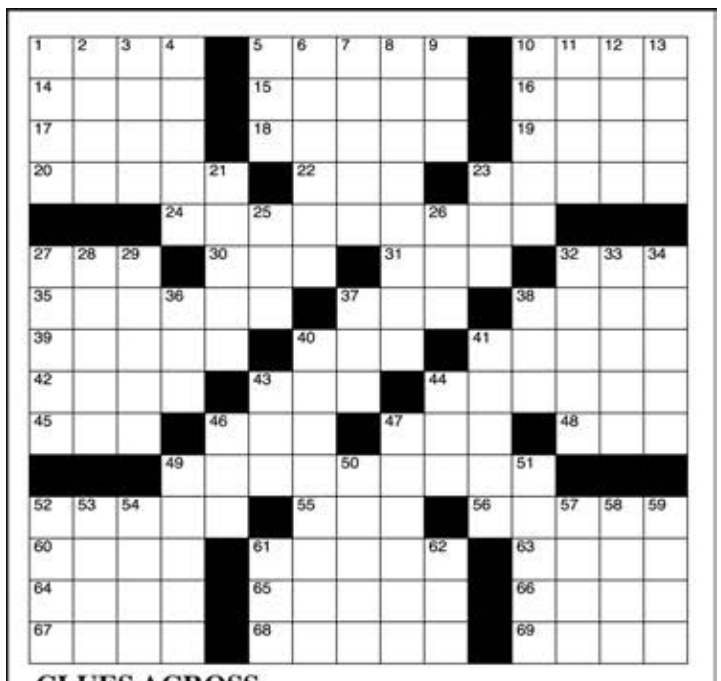
• Lisa Mooney: Lisa Mooney is the Social worker at Putnam High School. In 2009, Lisa started the Students Against Destructive Decisions (SADD) group at the High School. Many programs have been brought to the High School due to Lisa's leadership including speakers, safety demonstrations and murals. She 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.

Lisa Mooney (pictured with NECASA Executive Director Bob Brex) received a Judith Nilan Award.

Joe Couture received a Volunteer With Youth Award.

Chuck Leavens (pictured with NECASA Executive Director Bob Brex) received a Judith Nilan Award.



CLUES ACROSS

1. Sensitivity
5. Greek island
10. Up to the time of
14. Wife
15. Composer Ned
16. Edging to street path (Brit.)
17. Lose energy
18. Biblical parable
19. Celery (Spanish)
20. Arm bones
22. Japanese family emblem
23. Customary practice
24. Acceptance
27. Very fast aircraft (abbr.)
30. Cool
31. Indian state
32. Young boy or girl
35. Astronomy unit
37. Confederate soldier
38. Famed German composer
39. Alternate name
40. Used to pave driveways
41. Artery
42. Type of powder
43. Inquire too closely
44. Northern Ireland
45. Connects two points at right angles
46. Hot drink
47. A newt
48. Engine additive
49. Wealthy Connecticut town
52. Not invited or requested
55. Embrace
56. Spiritual leader
60. Wild or sweet cherry
61. __ Day, actress
63. Daughter of Ion
64. Recline
65. Type of acid
66. City in Utah
67. Lazily
68. Music term
69. Divulge a secret

CLUES DOWN

1. Short skirt worn by ballerinas
2. Between leaf stalk and stem
3. Popular in Nebraska
4. Dessert
5. Cognitive retention therapy
6. Wandered
7. Mistake
8. Adolescent
9. Medical term
10. Russian tsar's edict
11. Type genus of the Nepidae
12. High school math class
13. Double-reed instrument
21. Painful places on the body
23. Fiddler crabs
25. Resinous substance
26. Person of wealth (Brit.)
27. Series
28. North American plant
29. Warble
32. Pastries
33. Group of eight
34. Twyla __, dancer
36. Pouch
37. Singer Charles
38. Cattle genus
40. Eye infection
41. Where couples go to marry
43. Long bench with backs
44. Unrestricted free agent
46. ___ Talks
47. Causal agent
49. Nincompoop
50. Relating to the aura
51. Person of conspicuous wealth
52. Type of mottled fruit
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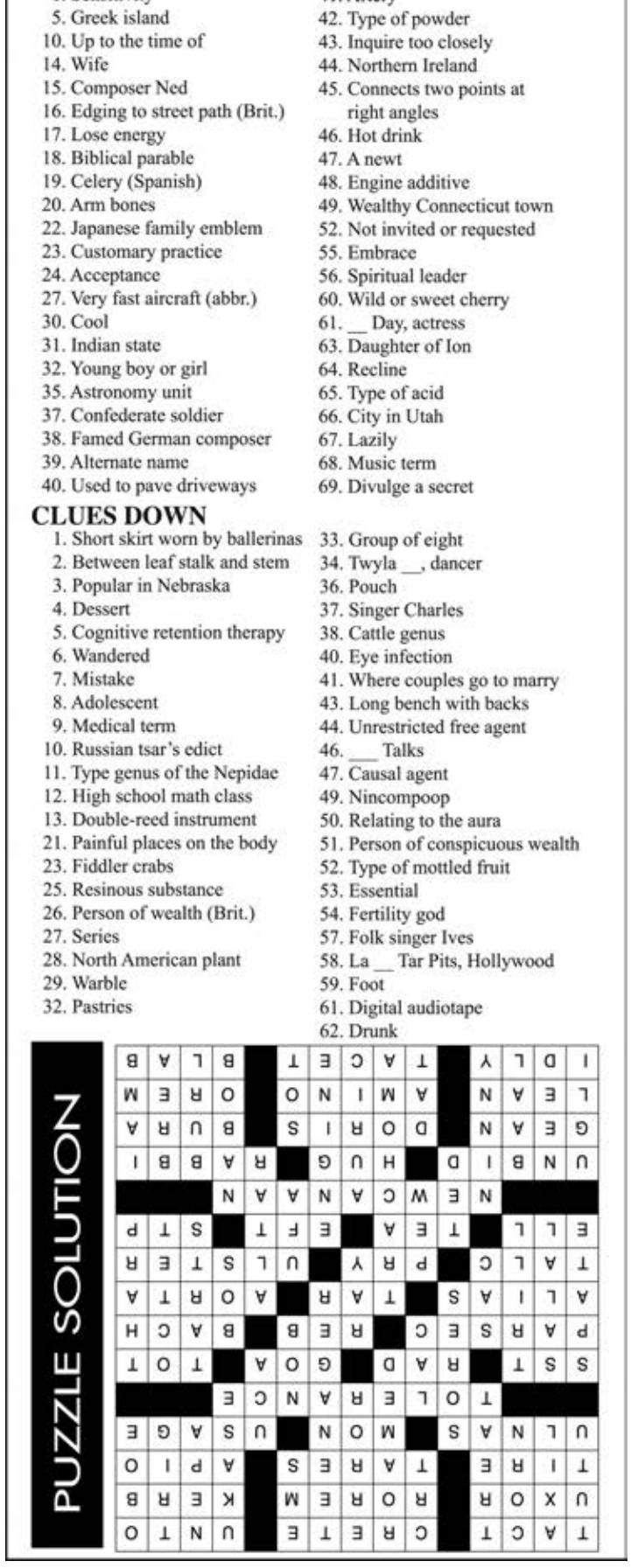

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Movie night at the Killingly Public Library

Charlie Lentz photos

DANIELSON — Killingly Public Library hosted a free movie night last Tuesday, Nov. 15. The feature was "Finding Dory" and complimentary freshly popped popcorn and punch were served. The next free movie on the schedule is "Jack Frost", to be shown at 5 p.m. on Tuesday, Dec. 20, and free cocoa and cookies will be served on the next movie night. The library is located at 25 Westcott Road in Danielson and further information on its activity schedule is available at info@killinglypubliclibrary.org.

Stephen and Hannah Davis

Kayla Fontaine

Jeannie Gorky

ain with her children, Grace, left, Clare, middle, and Avery, right.

Angie Pember with her children, Keely, left, and Teagan, right.

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Costa-Mellow enlists in U.S. Air Force

DANIELSON — Civil Air Patrol Cadet, Harvard H. Ellis Technical High School graduate and Dayville resident Zachary R. Costa-Mellow has enlisted in the United States Air Force as an Explosive Ordnance Disposal (EOD) technician.

EOD members apply classified techniques and special procedures to lessen or totally remove the hazards created by the presence of unexploded ordinance. This includes conventional military ordnance, criminal and terrorist homemade items, and chemical, biological, and nuclear weapons. In addition to manufactured munitions, EOD technicians also deal with improvised explosive devices. They are also experts in chemical, biological, incendiary, radiological and nuclear materials. Costa-Mellow will be receiving his basic training at Lackland Air Force Base (AFB), Texas.

Lackland AFB is the only site for enlisted basic military training for all non-prior service Airman for the regular Air Force (AF), Air Force National Guard (AFNG) and Air Force Reserve AFR). From basic training he will be attending the EOD preliminary screen course at Sheppard AFB, Texas. The 20- day academic AF program gives Airman a well-rounded vision of their duties while mentally and physically challenging them. The course exposes the EOD candidates to the full spectrum of what they will encounter in training and NAVSCOLEOD, the Naval School of Explosive Ordinance Disposal. From the preliminary EOD course, Zachary will be attending NAVSCOLEOD, at Eglin AFB, Florida. NAVSCOLEOD is where all four Services (Army, Navy, Air Force and Marines) receive initial training as EOD technicians. EOD technicians attend the grueling course of instruction at Eglin, AFB Florida, where they learn the principles behind recognizing, disarming and neutralizing explosive material. The school is not easy because of the very high standards necessary.

Zachary Costa-Mello spent three years in the Civil Air Patrol – Danielson Cadet Squadron. He earned the rank of C/MSgt and received the Charles A. Lindberg achievement. His training as a CAP cadet will help him meet the challenges that EOD training will present. The Danielson Cadet Squadron wishes Zachary a safe and successful journey and thanks him for his service. Semper Vigilians!

Courtesy photo

Civil Air Patrol Cadet, Harvard H. Ellis Technical High School graduate and Dayville resident Zachary R. Costa-Mellow (pictured in middle with T-shirt) has enlisted in the United States Air Force as an Explosive Ordnance Disposal (EOD) technician.

School Menus

BROOKLYN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Monday, Nov. 28: Meatless Monday — Mozzarella sticks with marinara sauce, garlic knot, steamed broccoli, fruit, milk

Tuesday, Nov. 29: Crispy chicken patty on a bun, chips, lettuce and tomato, fruit, milk

Wednesday, Nov. 30: Soft taco, seasoned beef, shredded cheddar, shredded lettuce, salsa and sour cream, tortilla chips, fruit, milk

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POMFRET COMMUNITY SCHOOL

Monday, Nov. 28: Toasted cheese sandwich, carrot/red pepper cups/dip, baked beans, fruit, milk

Tuesday, Nov. 29: French toast sticks, turkey sausage links, hash browns, carrot snacks, orange juice, milk

Wednesday, Nov. 30: Deli turkey sandwich, sliced cheese, lettuce, tomato, veggie cups, baked Doritos, fruit, milk

TOURTELLOTTE MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL

Monday, Nov. 28: Toasted cheese sandwich, taco soup, cauliflower; Alternate Hot Main item: Hamburger or cheeseburger with lettuce, tomato, onion, pickle

Tuesday, Nov. 29: Chicken tenders, mac 'n cheese, steamed broccoli; Alternate Hot Main Item: Fish sticks w/dinner roll

Wednesday, Nov. 30: BBQ pork rib/bun, oven baked fries, garden peas; Alternate Hot Main Item: Pizza (plain or pepperoni)

THOMPSON MIDDLE SCHOOL

Monday, Nov. 28: Toasted cheese sandwich, taco soup, cauliflower; Alternate Hot Main item: Hamburger or cheeseburger with lettuce, tomato, onion, pickle

Tuesday, Nov. 29: Chicken tenders, mac 'n cheese, steamed broccoli; Alternate Hot Main Item: Fish sticks w/dinner roll

Wednesday, Nov. 30: BBQ pork rib/bun, oven baked fries, garden peas; Alternate Hot Main Item: Pizza (plain or pepperoni)

MARY R. FISHER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Monday, Nov. 28: French toast sticks, sausage links, vanilla yogurt, maple syrup, veggie oat, 100 percent fruit juice and/or fruit choice, milk choice

Tuesday, Nov. 29: Hamburger or cheeseburger, lettuce, ketchup, tater tots, 100 percent fruit juice and/or fruit choice, milk choice

Wednesday, Nov. 30: Cheesy pizza (plain or pepperoni), garden salad w/ Italian dressing, 100 percent fruit juice and/or fruit choice, cookie, milk choice

PUTNAM HIGH SCHOOL

Monday, Nov. 28: Buffalo style chicken tenders salad (crispy chicken strips tossed in a spicy sauce served with side of blue cheese or ranch dipping sauce on top of fresh salad greens, whole grain dinner roll

Tuesday, Nov. 29: Whole grain mozzarella sticks with a zesty marinara sauce, penne pasta, roasted butternut squash

Wednesday, Nov. 30: Baked BBQ roasted chicken, creamy mashed potatoes, sweet corn, whole grain dinner roll

PUTNAM MIDDLE SCHOOL

Monday, Nov. 28: Hot diggity dog, hot dog with toppings on whole grain roll and topping bar, baked beans, creamy cole slaw

Tuesday, Nov. 29: Crunchy chicken tenders, whole grain dinner roll, whipped mashed potatoes and gravy, orange glazed carrot coins

Wednesday, Nov. 30: Chicken parmigiana dinner, or plain crisp breaded chicken patty, side of whole grain penne pasta, zesty marinara sauce, roasted broccoli, florets

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WOODSTOCK MIDDLE SCHOOL

Monday, Nov. 28: Hot dog/bun, oven fries, fruit, milk

Tuesday, Nov. 29: Baked chicken, butternut squash, wheat roll, fruit/milk

Wednesday, Nov. 30: Mozzarella sticks, marinara sauce, salad, fruit/milk

Thursday, Dec. 1: Soft shell taco, lettuce and tomato, seasoned black beans, fruit/milk

Friday, Dec. 2: Pizza, cucumber cup, fruit, milk

EDUCATION NOTEBOOK

ASSUMPTION COLLEGE

WORCESTER, Mass. — The Assumption College Student Government Association (SGA) has announced that Mitchell Hudon, a member of the Class of 2020 from Danielson, has been elected to serve as Senator during the 2016-2017 academic year.

The Student Government Association is the governing student body on campus, representing all undergraduate students. The purpose of SGA is to advocate for students and give voice to their opinions to enhance students' experience and encourage their participation in extra-curricular activities. Their work is guided by their Constitution and by-laws. Students elected to a leadership position in SGA contribute to the student life climate of the campus community and demonstrate honor, excellence and Greyhound pride.

KILLINGLY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

KILLINGLY — The Killingly Board of Education has engaged the New England School Development Council (NESDEC) to assist them in the search process for a new Superintendent of Schools.

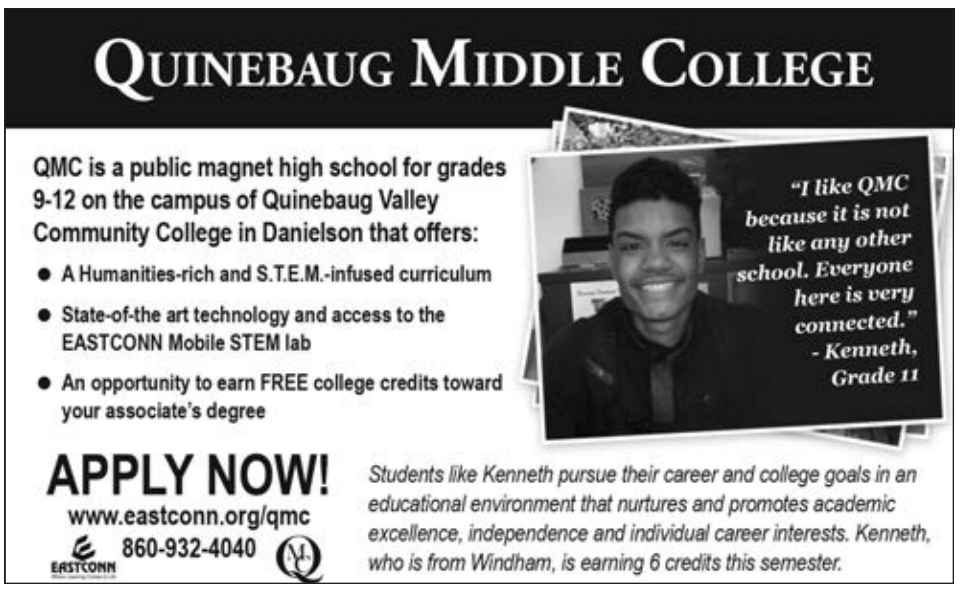
An integral part of the process involves parent and community participation in focus groups. The groups are designed to obtain participant input about the attributes, experience and knowledge that the new superintendent should possess. The groups also provide an opportunity for participants to identify immediate tasks, which the new superintendent should address.

If you are unable to attend the above focus groups and would like to express your opinion, there will be a survey on the KPS website (www.killinglyschools.org) available Nov. 29 through Dec. 2.

The focus group sessions for parents and community members will be conducted at the following:

Killingly Central Office on Nov. 29, at 8 a.m. and 6 p.m., 79 Westfield Avenue, Danielson, CT 06239.

Each group will last approximately 1 hour.



Ellis Con shines spotlight on local gaming community

Jason Bleau photos

KILLINGLY — For the 28th year, H.H. Ellis Technical High School hosted a day of gaming, brotherhood, and fun that has come to be known at Ellis Con.

Filling the school's gym with vendors and nearly every board game imaginable to play, Ellis Con 28 was another successful addition in a long tradition for the region meant to promote the fun of gaming, whether it's on a board, with cards, or on a television, with tournaments and special features throughout the day. Gamers came from far and wide to enjoy everything from Star Wars to Pokémon, Magic: The Gathering, and even a slew of new games they may have never heard of before and to test their talents and skills at any challenge they could find. As usual, it was a truly fascinating day for all who attended and brought out the nerd, geek, gamer, or even the hidden youth of everyone who took the time to enjoy it.

Many tables were dedicated to the popular board game Warhammer 40,000. In fact an entire tournament was held involving the game during the afternoon hours of Ellis Con 2016.

One of, if not the most popular collectors card game in the country, Magic: The Gathering was the most popular card-based activity for competitors throughout the day at Ellis Con 2016.

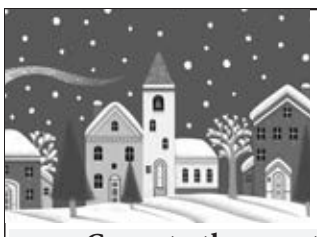
A tricky game that takes precision, measurement, and strategy, Battle Tech Alpha Strike tested the intellect of every player that took the time to enjoy it at Ellis Con 2016.

Even if you didn't know how to play, Ellis Con provided an opportunity to learn. Ask these two players who together taught themselves the basics of The Legend of Drizzt board game.

Of course, board games and card games were not the only activities for all to enjoy at Ellis Con. A Super Smash Brothers tournament tested the skill of local gamers as well.

Offering a little something for every gamer at Ellis Con, Bottomless Pit of Treasure in Putnam pulled no punches in its display as one of several vendors at the event.

Even newer games had their time to shine at Ellis Con. Each year game makers bring their creations for all to learn and enjoy and this particular group of players learned the basics of Shadow Run.



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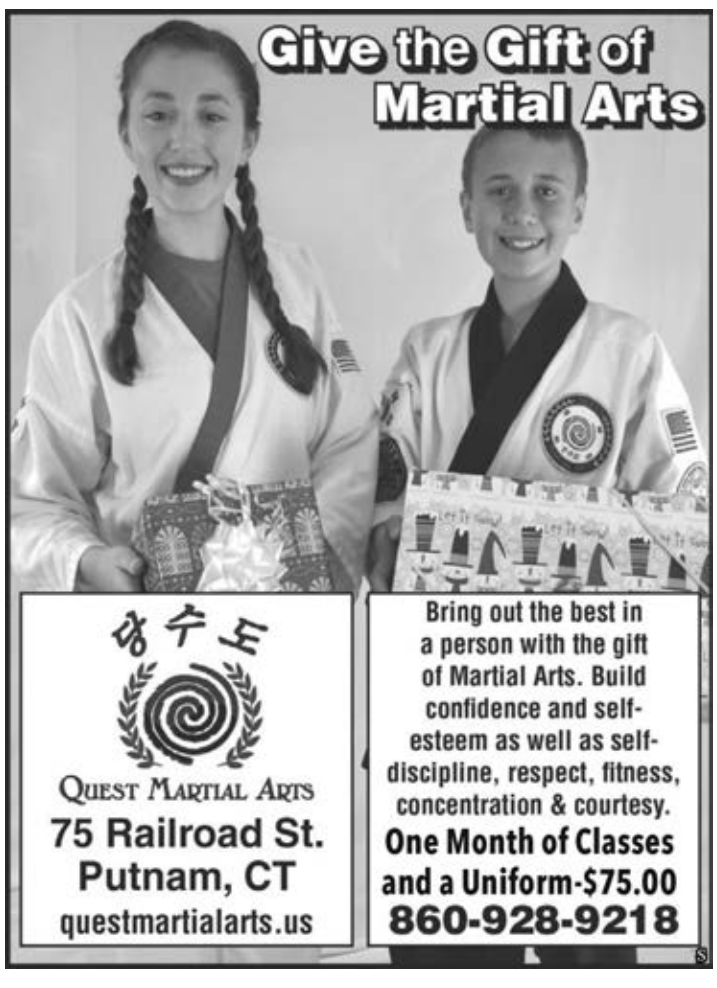

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Opinion and commentary from the Quiet Corner

Thanksgiving smells

[Editor's Note: Nancy Weiss is away this week! In the meantime, we hope you enjoy this column from our archives, which was originally published on Nov. 21, 2014.]

Thanksgiving is a celebration of smells as much as tastes. For as long as the holiday has been observed, women have gotten up extra early to wrestle big birds into ovens.

First, the roasting pan needs to be exhumed from its spot in the back of the pantry, from which it emerges once a year. Preparations begin with reacquainting one self with the daunting anatomy of a 20-pound turkey. The cavities, the bumpy skin, the amazing boney neck and the fearsome innards remind us of what it means to be carnivores. If I had to deal at such close and intimate range with the meat we eat on a more regular basis, I would certainly become a vegetarian. A big, plucked turkey is a formidable thing that looks like a small human or a pink extraterrestrial.

NANCY WEISS

I was 16 the first time I cooked a Thanksgiving turkey. My mother had died a few months before and I was sure I could keep up the family traditions that would honor her. I found the deep pan, bought the Pepperidge Farm stuffing she favored, melted a pound of butter, tossed a handful of salt on the bird and after spooning a bit of the bread and butter mix into the cavity, I shoved the turkey in the oven.

As the hours slipped by and the turkey roasted, I noticed an odd smell of burning paper. It wasn't especially strong and I often charred things. When our family was seated at the table and my brother was poised to carve the meat, he hesitated in mid-air, bone handled carving knife and fork in hand and started to laugh. I had left the neck and all the giblets inside a paper bag in the turkey. The bag was singed. Half of the cavity was filled with stuffing and the rest was an unattractive mess of roasted innards.

Of course, we ate the turkey, but every Thanksgiving I'm certain I can smell burning paper and feel squeamish about what exactly is inside the bird. A big dollop of gravy, flavored with a product called Gravy Master, also a favorite of my mother, that sits untouched all year like the big roasting pan, allows me to tuck into the most iconic meal of the whole year.

Pumpkin never used to have a discernable smell, but through the brilliant agency of an upscale coffee purveyor, it has become more popular than gingerbread. Pumpkin needs plenty of spice to smell or taste more than just bland, but when mixed in a pie or a latte, it apparently spells Thanksgiving for thousands. Guess we make our olfactory traditions wherever we can.

This Thanksgiving my husband and I are the second- meal-family. Friends and relatives will arrive late in the day having already eaten elsewhere. I pulled out cookbooks to find suggestions for something light and different to serve, but I can't get my heart into it. Keep it the same, I decide.

I'm happy for one holiday most of us can support. Let's skip the lectures about over consumption and heavy requirements for gratitude. As the early darkness descends, I'm looking for a whiff of roasting turkey, the smell of burned pumpkin pie spilled on the bottom of the oven. Most of all I want the palpable smell of people I love in an overheated dining room eating what I have served for so many holidays. In one deep breath I want to take in the memories of all that is behind us and revel in the warm scent of the season's most predictable meal, not the most perfect.

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WESTVIEW HONORS VOLUNTEERS

DAYVILLE — Westview Health Care Center hosted a special recognition dinner for their volunteers on Thursday, Nov. 17. More than 40 volunteers and staff members attended the celebration and enjoyed a dinner prepared by the facility's dietary department. Special tributes and tokens of thanks were presented to the volunteers by Louise Taylor, director of Therapeutic Recreation. "We are extremely grateful to have so many caring and selfless volunteers who graciously donate their time and talent to the residents and patients of Westview," stated Taylor. "Our volunteers are a vital part of our devoted team of caregivers."

Westview has more than 40 volunteers that have shared over 4300 hours of their time to visit with residents, host music and educational programs, assist with transportation to recreational programs and many other rewarding activities in 2016.

"Westview is enriched each and every day by the support and generosity of our highly regarded volunteers," said Administrator David T. Panteleakos. "This evening is a small token in recognition of their enthusiastic dedication."

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Villager election coverage 'biased'

To the Editor:

Your front-page article on the election results by Mr. Bleau and Ms. Richman were as biased as the mainstream media are.

Calling Donald Trump's election victory as controversial and divisive shows both their bias in reporting.

It is Hillary Clinton who was divisive and controversial, not Donald Trump. She called Trump supporters "deplorables" and "irredeemables." Donald Trump never referred to Clinton supporters in such a derogatory manner, never encouraged violence at Clinton rallies the way the Clinton campaign did at Trump rallies.

Mr. Bleau and Ms. Richman are reporters. They should be objective and not interject their own personal views into their reporting. It is not their job to obviously have favored one candidate over another. If this is their future conduct, their careers will be short-lived.

JOHN DAHL
DAYVILLE

Hidden revolution

To the Editor:

The industrial, scientific, and technological revolutions are all well documented, as well as the Age of Reason and The Age of Enlightenment. There are, however, less obvious, but still extremely influential, revolutions with ultimately massive consequence.

Current times may at some time be identified as the "Lying Age"; a period where advanced techniques in verbal deception, deflection, and obfuscation congrued perfectly with a deadening of human perception, augmented by a societal disregard for standards. A few examples of highly utilized and specialized methodology would include:

1) The shift key. Redirect the discussion. Abortion becomes a rights issue, and for the mother only. Illegal aliens become an immigration issue. The right to bear arms becomes a causative crime issue. Lying under oath becomes a right wing conspiracy or sex issue.

2) Ignore. Simply respond with an unrelated statement, pre-approved, and usually first preceded by "let me first say." Then run out the clock.

3) Attack the messenger. Anti same sex marriage represents homophobia. Pro-Life represents religious zealot or sexism. Right to bear arms represents ignorant redneck. Belief in God represents limited intellect. Respect for any standard or established authority represents repression.

4) Emphasize the exception. Abortion demand is due to rape, poverty driven lack of birth control, or to protect the life of the mother. A racist individual, always white, is representative of a bigoted society. An unjustly imprisoned individual represents a failed justice system.

5) Tell people what they want to hear. Healthcare and education are "free" in other countries. There is such a thing as a country without borders. There are sufficient resources in the world for unlimited population with all desires for all people fulfilled. The "rich" do not pay their fair share of taxes.

6) Condemn with indefensible accusation; racism, sexism, xenophobia, homophobia, etc.; and the newer mother of all horrors, insensitivity!

7) When weak in foundation resort to passion. Shakespeare; "sound and fury, signifying nothing."

There are particular onerous aspects to sophisticated deception. The first is base cowardice as the perpetrators feel immune to exposure through infinite recourse to semantic acrobatics. Second is the inherent insult to the recipient's intelligence. Third and worst is the searing condescension of those who have become so practiced in the art. The more sophisticated the deception the more insufferable the deceiver.

The scariest factor in the "Age of Lying" is not just the lack of discernment in recognizing obvious deception, but that so many more simply do not care. When truth loses value lying loses compunction. What value system is available to replace a diminishing influence of historically taught religious moral tenets. Perhaps the greatest question facing potential emerging generations is what is the new society to be based on? When the very last ethic, convention, or standard has been destroyed then; well what? What life purpose for those who wallow in "aggrieved status mode" will emerge when the Utopian victimless society has been attained? When each individuals' ego, desires, and passion reign as the new God, what but anarchy must reign in the heavens.

ALLAN PLATT
EASTFORD

Climate change is real

To the Editor:

Climate change is real and frightening for the future of our planet and for our children, grandchildren and all living creatures.

As individuals we must strive to use less water, less carbon fuels, and to recycle and reduce waste. As citizens we need to encourage solar energy, wind power and to urge our government to support such projects. We also need to keep the Paris Accord and reduce our carbon footprint as a country and globally.

ANN C. ROSEBROOKS
THOMPSON

Super, Walberg: Political sign defacing 'unpatriotic behavior'

To the Editor:

We are writing, as both citizens of Woodstock and chairs of our respective Town Committees, to condemn the spate of theft and defacement of political lawn signs that have been reported to us.

Such behavior is clearly a violation of property laws. It reflects badly on the politics of those opposing the advertised candidate. Most importantly, it is disrespectful and destructive of citizens' fundamental rights to freedom of speech as protected in the 1st Amendment to the U.S. Constitution. This right is just as essential to American democracy as the rights guaranteed in the remaining nine articles in the Bill of Rights. Those who participate in political vandalism chip away at the core values of our country and threaten the foundations of democracy and a civil society. Such unpatriotic behavior is condemned by both the Democratic and Republican Town Committees of Woodstock.

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CHAIRMAN, WOODSTOCK REPUBLICAN TOWN COMMITTEE

THE EVERYDAY ECOLOGIST
LIZ ELLSWORTH

Being thankful

We are thankful for so many things this holiday season — for our family and friends, our communities, our open space, our animals and plants, our fresh water, our sunny days and our rainy days – all of our natural surroundings. We are thankful for our smallest acorns to our tallest mountains.

Here are some words of gratitude for the harvest season: Happy Thanksgiving!

"We can only be said to be alive in those moments when our hearts are conscious of our treasures." -Thornton Wilder (1897–1975)

"Gratitude is an opener of locked-up blessings." -Marianne Williamson (b. 1952)

"The thankful receiver bears a plentiful harvest." -William Blake (1757–1827)

"As we express our gratitude, we must never forget that the highest appreciation is not to utter words, but to live by them." -President John Fitzgerald Kennedy (1917–1963)

"Give thanks for unknown blessings already on their way." -Native American Saying

"For each new morning with its light,
For rest and shelter of the night,
For health and food, for love and friends,
For everything Thy goodness sends."
-Ralph Waldo Emerson (1803–1882)

"For flowers that bloom about our feet;
For tender grass, so fresh, so sweet;
For song of bird, and hum of bee;
For all things fair we hear or see,
Father in heaven, we thank Thee!"
-Ralph Waldo Emerson (1803–1882)

"I am grateful for what I am and have. My thanksgiving is perpetual." -Henry David Thoreau (1817–1862)

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What it means to be a financial caregiver for your parents

Financial Focus

JIM ZAHANSKY
INVESTMENT ADVISER

We hope you enjoyed a delicious Thanksgiving!

Plan Well: If you are the adult child of aging parents, you may find yourself in the position of someday having to assist them with handling their finances. Whether that time is in the near future or sometime further down the road, there are some steps you can take now to make the process a bit easier.

MOM AND DAD, CAN WE TALK?

Your first step should be to get a handle on your parents' finances so you fully understand their current financial situation. The best time to do so is when your parents are relatively healthy and active. Otherwise, you may find yourself making critical decisions on their behalf in the midst of a crisis.

You can start by asking them some basic questions:

• What financial institutions hold their assets (e.g., bank, brokerage, and retirement accounts)?

• Do they work with any financial, legal, or tax advisors? If so, how often do they meet with them?

• Do they need help paying monthly bills or assistance reviewing items like credit-card statements, medical receipts, or property tax bills?

MAKE SURE YOUR PARENTS HAVE THE NECESSARY LEGAL DOCUMENTS

In order to help your parents manage their finances in the future, you'll need the legal authority to do so. This requires a durable power of attorney, which is a legal document that allows a named individual (such as an adult child) to manage all aspects of a person's financial life if he or she becomes disabled or incompetent. A durable power of attorney will allow you to handle day-to-day finances for your parents, such as signing checks, paying bills, and making financial decisions for them.

In addition to a durable power of attorney, you'll want to make sure that your parents have an advance health-care directive, also known as a health-care power of attorney or health-care proxy. An advance health-care directive will allow you to make medical decisions according to their wishes (e.g., life-support measures and who will communicate with health-care professionals on their behalf).

You'll also want to find out if your parents have a will. If so, find out where it's located and who is named as personal representative or executor. If the will was drafted a long time ago, your parents may want to review it to make sure their current wishes are represented. You should also ask if they made any dispositions or gifts of specific personal property (e.g., a family heirloom to be given to a specific individual).

PREPARE A PERSONAL DATA RECORD

Once you've opened the lines of communication, your next step is to prepare a personal data record that lists information you might need in the event that your parents become incapacitated or die. Here's some information that should be included:

• Financial information: Bank, brokerage, and retirement accounts (including account numbers and online user names and passwords, if applicable); real estate holdings

• Legal information: Wills, durable powers of attorney, advance health-care directives

• Medical information: Healthcare providers, medication, medical history

• Insurance information: Policy numbers, company names

• Advisor information: Names and phone numbers of any professional service providers

• Location of other important records: Social Security cards, home and vehicle records, outstanding loan documents, past tax returns

• Funeral and burial plans: Prepayment information, final wishes

If your parents keep some or all of these items in a safe-deposit box or home safe, make sure you can gain access. It's also a good idea to make copies of all the documents you've gathered and keep them in a safe place. This is especially important if you live far away, because you'll want the information readily available in the event of an emergency.

DON'T BE AFRAID TO GET SUPPORT AND ASK FOR ADVICE

If you're feeling overwhelmed with the task of handling your parents' finances, don't be afraid to seek out support and advice. A variety of local and national organizations are designed to assist caregivers. If your parents' needs are significant enough, you may want to consider hiring a geriatric care manager who can help you oversee your parents' care and direct you to the right community resources. Finally, consider discussing the specifics of your situation with a professional, such as an estate planning attorney, accountant, and/or financial advisor.

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Robbed by a gang in broad daylight

Beyond the Pews

JOHN HANSON

There were three of them. They were powerfully built and white. In hindsight I can see that I was clearly outnumbered and really didn't stand a chance. These gang members were all younger, more agile and definitely more aggressive than I am. Their assault left me feeling cheated and vulnerable. The attack was completely unprovoked and unexpected.

It all happened toward the end of summer. My wife and I were enjoying a rare day off by the beach. We felt safe, as we meandered down a famous boardwalk not far from the Big Apple. We had just enjoyed a hamburger at an outdoor café. The boardwalk was not crowded, but there were quite a few people milling around the vicinity. I felt safe. Since I was guessing it to be one of the last warm days of the year, I was contentedly devouring a double scoop ice cream cone. I had eaten most of the ice cream and had begun to take pity on the sugar cone when I was viciously attacked.

My only warning came from my wife who suddenly looked my direction and blurted out my name. Immediately I caught movement out of the corner of my eye. The first gang member came at me from behind — over my left shoulder. He knocked my half-eaten ice cream cone out of my hand. Before I had a chance to even absorb what had just been done, two other gang members swooped down, snatched the cone and ice cream off the pavement and flew off to find their next victim.

When it was over, we laughed. My loss was less than $2. But the experience did get me thinking, with seagulls that aggressive, how was a person supposed to eat an ice cream cone without being robbed? I was not luring the birds, nor was I giving them easy access. I was safely holding my cone just a foot or so from my mouth. Would someone need to cup their hand over the ice cream, or hunch over the tasty dessert in order to protect it? I suddenly felt at risk and life didn't seem fair.

That is when my mind wandered to a much more serious issue. So many people have been hurt, robbed or abused in ways far more serious than I had just experienced. The emotions and thoughts that ensue from a tragedy, a serious assault or years of abuse have left millions of people feeling unsafe, devalued, vulnerable and afraid. This is the result of mankind ignoring God's counsel and allowing things like greed and selfishness to drive them to hurt, abuse and steal from their fellow man. They rob them of far more than money or innocence. Our world is reeling from the effects of selfishness and sin. How can a person find peace and joy in such a world?

Jesus warned us that the world would be like this and that it would actually get worse and worse. But, He also promised that He would fill those who would believe in Him with the love and power necessary to live fulfilled lives in a broken world — even when robbed and abused. Are you feeling vulnerable? Alone? Hurt? You may be surprised to discover that a relationship with Jesus can change all that. He is not offering you religion; He is offering you a relationship that will change you from the inside out. He also offers eternal life in a place where no one steals, abuses or hurts anyone.

Bishop John W. Hanson is the overseer of Acts II Ministries in Thompson, where God has helped many people find inner healing, great peace, and real joy. For more information, please visit www.ActsII.org. Check out our "Inside Out" series on our media page.

What is 'new old stock'?

Courtesy photo

Some of the new old stock 1960's toys in our January auction.

New old stock is defined by the lawdictionary.org as "Items in stock, still in their original packaging, never sold. Also known as new unused stock or surplus stock."

New old stock can be found in a number of different places. Old manufacturing plants may have inventory that was boxed some time ago remaining in storage. Old warehouses may also hold products or parts that were manufactured years ago that never sold and still sit on shelves. Some old stores have been sitting idle for some time and contain goods that never sold. When a store is going out of business they may find that they also have vintage merchandise that didn't sell in their inventory.

In some cases just a few new old stock items turn up in the marketplace. Sometimes there are a huge number of items that were uncovered. When I used to sell at the Brimfield Antique Show in the 1980's and 90's I would also scour the fields, whenever there was downtime, to look for items that I collect or could resell. As regular readers of this column are aware, antique and vintage advertising signs are very collectible. "Nichol Kola" signs would appear in booth after booth. Various sources on the web state that Harry Nicholson started producing this beverage when prohibition was being discussed in the 1910's. He created Ver-Vac soda but it went out of business when there was a sugar shortage during World War I. Nicholson opened Nichol Kola in the 1930's in Baltimore, Md. I have continued to see Nichol Kola signs in many antique shops and elsewhere over the years. A search of online auctions showed 58 Nichol Kola signs being sold with some having recently sold for as low as $20. A cache of these signs must have been discovered and they continue to be plentiful after over 20 years.

When supplies are less, the items become more valuable. I sold the collection of a man who had recreated a country store in his cellar. He had travelled throughout the Midwest and Northeast as a salesman. In his travels he stopped at antique stores looking to purchase items that would have been sold in a country store. We sold items in original boxes that contained everything from washing detergent to undergarments. Because they were unique items dating back from the 19th century they brought strong prices at auction with the collection realizing tens of thousands of dollars.

Antiques, Collectibles & Estates

WAYNE TUISKULA

We have found new old stock in several estates that we've handled. One of the first estates that I handled held items from the 1950's that were never opened. They were stored in an Oxford, Mass. barn and remained there for over 30 years. Items ranged from toasters and other household goods to toys and collectibles. Although there was interest in the new old stock household goods the toys and other collectibles brought the highest prices. A Hopalong Cassidy paint set that was never opened sold for $300.

We'll be selling new old stock toys and jewelry from a Gardner, Mass. estate in our Jan. 26 auction. "New England Consumer Buyers Association" closed in 1965 and the remaining stock was stored in the family's estate. Items from this estate include jewelry, Barbie doll and accessories, games and other toys in their original boxes.

See www.centralmassauctions.com for more information on these and other items in the January auction along with other upcoming events.

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Woodstock celebrates Christmas on the Hill

WOODSTOCK — Northeastern Connecticut is certainly wasting no time getting into the Christmas spirit, and the First Congregational Church of Woodstock has helped set the tone for a promising holiday season.

Each year the church hosts a special holiday fair and luncheon called Christmas on the Hill, and on Nov. 19, the tradition continued with crafts, raffles, a silent auction, chicken pot pie, and a hand bell concert all being highlights of the yearly event. The event also provided an opportunity for patrons to drop off non-perishable food items for local food banks and even had an opportunity for bidders to win an airplane ride or a week at a cottage in New Hampshire. It was a day filled with joy, excitement, and quite a bit of the Christmas spirit and all before Thanksgiving was even yet to come and go.

A few volunteers of the First Congregational Church of Woodstock smile for a photo during the church's Christmas on the Hill event.

In an effort to bring some support to TEEG with the Thanksgiving season in full swing, the First Congregational Church of Woodstock had a cart set up to collect food items to support those in need this holiday season.

Jason Bleau photos

While much of the fun took place inside, wreaths, lights and other Christmas decorations were for sale outside too on a day where the temperatures hit the mid-60s.

The ladies of Serrv, providing fair trade items from around the world, pose for a photo as one of several vendors on hand for Christmas on the Hill.

While the silent auction contained more expensive and valuable items, visitors to Christmas on the Hill could take a different kind of chance on gift baskets, toys and more with a raffle in the center of the main vendor hall.

A few visitors to the First Congregational Church of Woodstock enjoy some delicious chicken pot pie, a staple of the church's yearly Christmas On The Hill event.

An interested bidder takes a closer look at a classically designed tea set.

A highlight of the entire evening, two hand bell mini-concerts added some unique and pleasing sounds of the season to the First Congregational Church of Woodstock's Christmas on the Hill Holiday Fair and Luncheon.

This picture may not look like much, but it actually shows the most sought after items in the Christmas on the Hill silent auction. Bidders took take part in a super secret silent action, putting their bids in without any notion of what other bidders submitted for a chance to win an airplane ride or a one-week rental of a cottage in New Hampshire.

One of many beautiful ornaments up for grabs in the silent auction, this patriotic piece, called the Radko American Heart, held a value of about $120.

Visitors to the Christmas on the Hill event take a look at some jewelry, quite the popular table actually at the event.

Raceway Golf Club Acquires Melody Hill Country Club

RACEWAY Golf Club

The Raceway Golf Club is proud to announce the recent acquisition of Melody Hill Country Club in Glocester, Rhode Island, representing a partnership of two of the tri-state area's oldest and most popular courses!

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Turkey leftovers

Take the Hint

KAREN TRAINOR

If the remains of Tom Turkey are still taking up half of your refrigerator space, it's time to use up all the leftover meat pronto or freeze it for future meals.

According to the Center of Science in the Public Interest (CSPI), the Thanksgiving turkey can be eaten for four days after cooking. Every year around this time, this column spotlights some delicious meals perfect for last minute suppers — or beyond, if you have frozen the leftovers.

If you think hot turkey sandwiches and turkey noodle soup are your only options, read on. With a few extra additions, your post Thanksgiving meals can be as interesting as the memorable main event.

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Leftover Turkey and Potato Casserole

This scrumptious recipe uses up turkey and mashed potatoes, and even that extra can of evaporated milk you have from baking!

Ingredients: three tablespoons butter; two tablespoons all-purpose flour; one (5 ounce) can evaporated milk; one cup cold water; one quarter teaspoon salt; one quarter teaspoon pepper; one quarter teaspoon onion powder; one cup cooked, diced turkey meat; one cup shredded cheddar cheese; two cups leftover mashed potatoes two tablespoons butter; one cup finely crushed herb-seasoned dry bread stuffing mix.

Instructions: Preheat oven to 350 degrees. For sauce: Melt three tablespoons butter in a saucepan over low heat. Add flour and stir until mixed. Slowly stir in evaporated milk and water, then season with salt, pepper and onion powder. Stir over low heat for five minutes; remove from heat. Place turkey in a lightly greased 9 by 13 inch baking dish. Pour sauce over turkey, then sprinkle with cheddar cheese. Spread mashed potatoes over cheese. Melt two tablespoons butter and add to stuffing mix; sprinkle stuffing over top of casserole. Bake, uncovered, in the preheated oven for 45 minutes.

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Cream of Turkey Soup

Forget boring clear leftover soups, this one is rich and delicious!

Ingredients: one quart turkey broth; one cup diced, cooked turkey; one half cup diced, cooked carrots (optional); one cup light cream; four tablespoons butter; four tablespoons flour; one quarter teaspoon salt; one eighth teaspoon white pepper; one eighth teaspoon nutmeg or mace; one tablespoon minced parsley or chives

Directions: Melt four tablespoons butter in a large heavy saucepan over moderate heat and blend in four tablespoons flour. Add broth and cream and heat, stirring constantly, until thickened and smooth. Mix in all seasonings, turkey meat and carrots; cover, let mellow over low heat for about ten minutes, Serve hot. Makes about four servings.

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Slow Cooker White Turkey Chili

This Mexican Crock Pot dish that uses up lots of leftover turkey, is an award winning recipe from the Nebraska Department of Agriculture.

Ingredients: one chopped onion; one cup chopped celery; four cups cooked turkey chopped; two 15.5 ounce cans Northern beans, drained; two 11 ounce cans shoe peg corn, undrained; one four ounce can chopped green chilies; one quart turkey broth; one half cup mozzarella cheese, grated.

Directions: Place cooked turkey and all other ingredients in a slow cooker. Mix well and cook on low for 6 to 8 hours.

For a thicker sauce, remove the cover for the last hour. Sprinkle with Mozzarella cheese.

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Turkey Talk: Did you Know?

• The wild turkey was hunted nearly to extinction by the early 1900s, when the population reached a low of around 30,000 birds. But restoration programs across North America have brought the numbers up to seven million today.

• There are six subspecies of wild turkey, all native to North America. The pilgrims hunted and ate the eastern wild turkey, which today has a range that covers the eastern half of the United States and extends into Canada. These birds, sometimes called the forest turkey, are the most numerous of all the turkey subspecies, numbering more than five million.

• Male turkeys are called "gobblers," after the "gobble" call they make to announce themselves to females (which are called "hens") and compete with other males.

• An adult gobbler weighs 16 to 22 pounds on average, has a beard of modified feathers on his breast that reaches seven inches or more long, and has sharp spurs on his legs for fighting. A hen is smaller, weighing around 8 to 12 pounds, and has no beard or spurs. Both genders have a snood (a dangly appendage on the face), wattle (the red dangly bit under the chin) and only a few feathers on the head.

• Studies have shown that snood length is associated with male turkey health. In addition, a 1997 study in the Journal of Avian Biology found that female turkeys prefer males with long snoods and that snood length can also be used to predict the winner of a competition between two males.

• Turkeys can run at speeds of up to 25 miles per hour and fly as fast as 55 miles per hour.

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

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

Cyr: 'The need is huge. It doesn't change'

TRADITION

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thing is, it's just amazing that the community comes out to help us year in and year out. We do registrations and we just assume people will bring us what we need," Cyr said. "Our first year, we took care of 25 families in the parking lot of St. James, and last year we had about 400 families. So, the need is huge. It doesn't change. The clients, a lot of times, are regular people who fall on hard times."

Cyr said each client has their own story. Some have lost their jobs, others are elderly and retired, and some may have the ability to pay for their own Thanksgiving feasts one moment and then run into an issue forcing them to choose between the holiday and other necessities. Regardless of the story, Cyr said her organization is there to help.

Over the course of the organization's growth, Cyr said many other groups and organizations have jumped on board to help them meet their quota. In 2016, the organization saw perhaps its most dedicated effort to date.

"I am really overwhelmed by the generosity. The VFW collected a ton of food and $2,000, and these are people who fought for their country and are thinking of others. That just really touches me. A lady came in and asked us to pray for her twins, who were really sick, and she wanted to give back with a truckload of food. The State Police are collecting for us. We have the Killingly football team helping with collections and the Killingly Honor Society will help us on distribution day with Plainfield High School," Cyr said. "Every club or organization in the area has done something to help us. The Elks club did a huge food drive too. The Rotary Club gave us a brand new refrigerator. The scouts and young marines will be helping us unload. Everyone does something and they're all so generous. Everyone just comes together."

Cyr said the generosity never stops. After Thanksgiving the organization sends out thank you cards and that only brings more donations to meet the needs of those in the community. At this time of year, when being thankful for what you have and giving back to those who don't have as much is the general theme of any good community, it seems the Friends of Assisi Food Pantry and the town of Killingly have set a pretty high bar and continue to be an example of generosity that many other organizations still aspire to be.

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Guglielmo lauds program to help veterans with discharge upgrades

HARTFORD — State Sen. Tony Guglielmo (R-Stafford) recently applauded the Connecticut Department of Veterans Affairs (DVA), Vietnam Veterans of America (VVA), the VVA Connecticut State Council (VVA-CT) and the Veterans Legal Services Clinic (VLSC) as they launched the country's first program to notify Connecticut veterans with "bad paper" discharges about new opportunities to seek discharge upgrades. The program will help connect veterans with post-traumatic stress disorder with service providers to assist them in this process.

Veterans who have discharges below "honorable" will have the opportunity to seek discharge upgrades to access benefits through administrative boards at the Department of Defense (DOD). This program will improve the process for veterans with post-traumatic stress disorder.

"I applaud the work that was done here in Connecticut to help Veterans with post-traumatic stress disorder – 'bad paper' discharges have a serious impact on veterans' lives," said Guglielmo. "Without these upgrades veterans are barred from benefits they earned, including disability compensation, healthcare and education. These veterans also face many obstacles to employment."

Last week detailed notices were mailed to more than a thousand Connecticut veterans informing them how to navigate through this new process. These notifications are the first in many steps to help provide assistance to Connecticut veterans with post-traumatic stress disorder.

"Addressing undiagnosed post-traumatic stress disorder has had a broad impact on many families, including both honorable and bad conduct discharges," said Guglielmo. "This is a great program and I am thrilled to support the work that was done to help our veterans."

Additional resources and information about the discharge upgrade process are available for veterans and advocates at CTLawHelp.org/dischargeupgrades.

Frog Rock Trio to entertain veterans

Courtesy photo

DANIELSON — The Frog Rock Trio, a group of local musicians that performs acoustic rock, blues and folk music, will be featured at the evening Veterans Coffeehouse on the First Friday in December.

The evening Coffeehouse will meet on Friday, Dec. 2, at 7 p.m. in Fellowship Hall at Westfield Congregational Church, corner of Main and Reynolds in Danielson.

Frog Rock Trio consists of Kevin Collins (ukulele, harmonica, percussion and vocals) and Jayne Collins (guitar and vocals), both of Woodstock, and Nanci Emmi (vocals) of Brooklyn.

They are regulars on the eastern Connecticut and Rhode Island entertainment scene. Veterans and one guest will be welcomed. Several holiday tunes may also be part of the program.

Parking is available adjacent to Davis Park plus in the Key Bank parking lot across Main St. from the church.

The RSVP Veterans Coffeehouse, primarily funded by the Corporation for National and Community Service, provides resourceful and entertaining programs for veterans. Since opening in 2015 as the first RSVP Veterans Coffeehouse in Connecticut, this TVCCA program has served more than 260 individual veterans among a total attendance exceeding 1,000.

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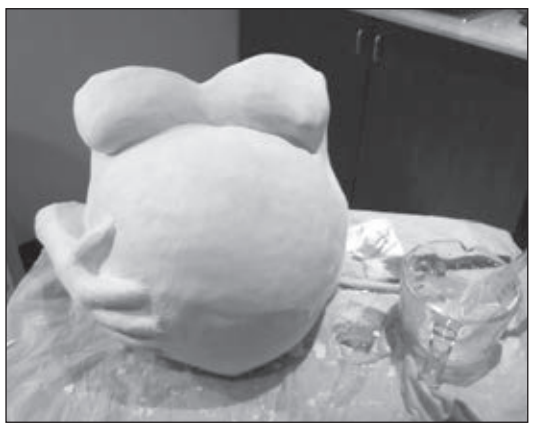
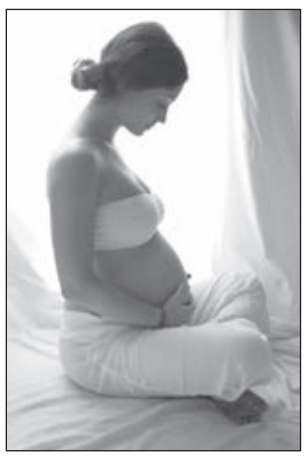

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NORTH GROSVENORDALE — Emmanuel Lutheran Church held its annual Holiday Craft and Bake Sale last Saturday, Nov. 19. Homemade baked goods were available and local crafters displayed Christmas gifts including themed baskets, ceramic and home décor pieces, quilts and kitchen items.

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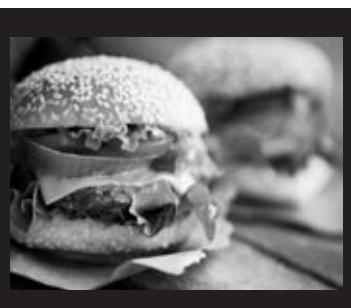

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First Congregational Church of Pomfret reopens its doors

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tion by the church community to continue forward in their faith.

The new home of the First Congregational Church of Pomfret, a beautifully designed building that incorporates a historic exterior look with a modern interior design, welcomed worshipers for the first time on Oct. 30, 301 years to the day after the first service of the church was held. On Nov. 20, the church made its new home official with a dedication service with more than 200 attendees, some who traveled from far away to see the new facility, others who never set foot in the old church and have since bonded with the church community, and others who were there in 2013 and attended the service to acknowledge the resilience and resolve of a church community that took disaster head on and persevered.

The Villager spoke with Rev. Thomas Crumb before the dedication service began. In his new office in the basement level of the new church, a space reserved for meetings, classrooms, childcare centers, and a library, Crumb said the new facility is a symbol of the undying faith of the church and the bright future ahead.

"We're very blessed and very thankful. Obviously this is a huge collaborative effort on the part of the people of the church and the Pomfret community," Crumb said. "Many contractors have been involved and I feel like we've had excellent service and leadership and support. Here we are today to thank God for this and to thank the people that God has used to help bring this into reality."

Since the fire in 2013, the parishioners of the church have utilized the chapel on the grounds of Pomfret School for prayer and services, watching with anticipation as their new home was built in the likeness of the previous structure right across the street. The new church stands precisely where the previous one once stood, but contains new elements in the interior including technological advancements, more handicap friendly entryways, and a single floor worship center, including a large sanctuary and hall, to bring it into the new age of religious worship with respect to the church's 301-year history.

Pat Boyd, a volunteer firefighter who recently was elected to represent the 50th General Assembly District, which includes Pomfret, was on site the day of the fire in 2013 and said it was important for him to be present to see the finished product of the new church in 2016.

Rev. Thomas Crumb addressed guests and worshipers during a special dedication service for the new First Congregational Church of Pomfret on Nov. 20. More than 200 were in attendance for the special service.

"Having been here the day of the fire with the fire department and being here for the dedication service, I have to say, it's unbelievable. The resolve of this church community as a whole is inspiring. It's great to be here to see this having been here when the church was burning as a responder," Boyd said. "This is why northeastern Connecticut is as great as it is. Everyone rallied together to help make this happen."

Carole Fournier, a member of the church dating back well before the fire took place, spoke about the experience she and her fellow church members have had over the last three years, keeping their faith alive while waiting to see their new home take shape.

"It's been a long process, but it's been a blessing," she said. "We've been across the street at the chapel at Pomfret School and they've been so good to us. It wasn't quite home, but it was a nice place to worship. Being here today our hearts are full. This is such a blessing. God is good. It's hard to put in words what this means, but it's such a blessing in so many ways."

Jason Bleau photos

Rev. Thomas Crumb leads worshipers and guests in prayer and song during a special dedication service at the new First Congregational Church of Pomfret on Nov. 20.

The dedication service included everything you might expect from a service as the church including prayer and songs presented for the visitors to the church on brand new flat screen televisions worked into the new sanctuary. However, the service included so much more as well with a discussion about the church's history, it's significance as a defining factor of Pomfret's founding so many years ago, and a special presentation of the keys to the church to Mike Bonitz, the chairman of the church's building committee. Bonitz accepted the keys from Glen Trematore, chief executive officer of Church Development Services, headquartered in Virginia, who helped with the rebuild process and the design of the new facility. Trematore spoke to worshipers before making the key presentation, commending the members of the church and the community for helping make the new facility a reality.

"We are always humbled when we're asked to participate in the season of growth for a church or, in this case, to replace a building that had burned down," Trematore said. "When I looked in the newspapers my heart broke when I saw that building in flames. I don't often pray to God to give me a particular project, but this project had something special to it in that the lead architect, Al Carver, was approaching retirement and he had a huge love for New England architecture … and I actually prayed for God to please give us the job. It was the last job that he did before retirement and the last job he did before the Lord called him home."

Trematore told worshipers that the building process has done wonders for Carver's own family as well, and that they may never realize just how far their story and the project reached as far as impact beyond the town of Pomfret.

"We are so grateful that [the church community] allowed us to be a part of this," Trematore told the congregation. "This has been more than special and you need to know that you've touched the hearts of people you'll probably never meet."

Crumb led the way through the service and welcomed guests for a reception following the dedication prayer. He told The Villager he feels the experience, as unfortunate as it was to have to endure, has helped the church family become an even stronger unit and he is looking forward to great things to come for the First Congregational Church of Pomfret for the next 301 years.

"This has brought us together and forged new relationships as well as brought relationships to new heights. I think in the past two to three months we've been working intensely with church members in finishing work in the church and it's almost been a 24/7 effort," said Crumb. "We have to many gifted craftspeople in the church that have donated their skills, their abilities, materials, and more. It's been a beautiful synergy of people coming together to bring what they have to the table and using it for one common purpose and for God's glory."

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News Brief

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DANIELSON — The 2016 Santa's Winter Boots Drive is still 75 pairs of boots from its goal of meeting every request in Windham County.

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"It was a good evolution for the book fairs and the best part is we don't have to tear it down," Weigel said. "I remember the first year in 1997 we were in the hall in St. James School and the boxes were on the floor. We made a lot of money that year and as the years went by we got tables in the hall and several classrooms and we even started using the church hall because the sale got so big. The worst part was the teardown afterwards, but here I lock the door at night and I go home. It's been very gratifying to see it become what it is today and we have a lot of people who come to this bookstore who never went to one of the book sales. They hear about this store, they come here, they love it, and they keep coming back."

Pourings and Passages has certainly earned the right to be called a local success story. Few non-profit businesses can find the success the store has had in its first year, and I's all thanks to the community that has welcomed it so warmly with open arms. This is a fact Weigel doesn't take for granted.

"The donations keep us going. One thing we've done since first opening is adding more bookcases. The rooms are really filling up and the donations just keep on coming," he said. "It's a very generous community. We get a lot from the parishioners, but now we're getting a lot from the general public as well and we're happy to provide them with a bookstore they can enjoy. So many people have said to me this was something the area really needed."

Pourings and Passages is open Wednesday through Thursday from 10 a.m. until 5 p.m. and is open until 7 p.m. on Fridays at 183 Main Street in Danielson. All donations of books in pristine condition only can be made during store hours as well.

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Day Kimball Healthcare Director of Laboratory Services Patrice Bernier (left) speaks with Congressman Joe Courtney (center) and USDA Rural Development Norwich Area Director Johan Strandson (right) about one of the pieces of equipment provided for by the USDA Rural Development grant program, which is now providing reliable pathology results in a faster timeframe, allowing for same-day diagnosis in the lab.

Courtney tours DKH to see grant improvements

PUTNAM — U.S. Rep. Joe Courtney toured Day Kimball Hospital recently to see how grants the hospital received this year through the USDA Rural Development Direct Loan & Grant Program are helping to provide the latest in care and technology to patients in northeast Connecticut.

The Congressman was joined by USDA Rural Development Norwich Area Director Johan Strandson as well as State Rep. Daniel Rovero (D-51) and State Rep. Christine Randall (D-44). Day Kimball Healthcare (DKH) President and CEO Robert Smanik, Chairman of the Board Joseph Adiletta and staff led the group to the hospital's Laboratory and Ambulatory Care Unit to see some of the new equipment and technology provided by the grants.

Day Kimball Healthcare (DKH) received three grants from the USDA's Rural Development Direct Loan & Grant Program in 2016. One of the grants provided funding for the purchase of a Stereotactic Biopsy Unit, a special mammography machine that helps guide radiologists when taking a biopsy of potentially abnormal tissue. Patients had access to stereotactic biopsies at Day Kimball Hospital previously, but the equipment was a mobile unit that was brought in through a service agreement with an outside vendor approximately every other week. With its own machine on-site every day, the hospital will soon be able to serve more patients and in a faster timeframe, lessening the amount of time patients must wait to find out if a potential abnormality is cancerous or not.

A second grant provided funding for the purchase of a new PillCam recorder and monitor, which allows patients having an endoscopic procedure to have it done in a minimally invasive way, avoiding potential risks associated with traditional endoscopies such as risks from patient sedation, radiation and bleeding. Patients simply swallow the PillCam capsule, which then captures thousands of images of the GI tract and transmits them to a high-definition monitor for the doctor to examine. This new PillCam recorder replaced an older model that had previously been in use at the hospital, providing patients with the latest technology in minimally invasive endoscopies.

The third grant provided funding for the purchase of a Tissue Tek Vacuum Infiltration Processor for the hospital's laboratory. This instrument enables pathologists to diagnose any abnormality in any human tissue removed from the human body. This equipment replaces an older version put into use 13 years ago. The new processor provides the most recent technology for providing reliable pathology results in a faster timeframe, allowing for same-day diagnosis in the lab. This was a critical upgrade to allow the hospital's lab to keep up with the more than 6,000 patient biopsy samples it processes each year.

During the tour, Smanik and Adiletta thanked Strandson and the legislators for their continued support of Day Kimball.

"The support of our legislators is so vital in so many ways, including helping us to get connected to opportunities to apply for federal grant funding such as this," Smanik said. "We're so grateful to them as well as the USDA Rural Development Program for recognizing the importance of continuing that support. Funding and grants such as these are critically important to allowing our community hospital to stay current with the fast pace of medical technology so that we can provide the best care and service possible to the residents of northeast Connecticut."

Courtney noted that it's important to spotlight the success Day Kimball had in securing the grant funding.

"I was grateful for the opportunity to tour Day Kimball Hospital recently in order to see how they are using grants from the USDA Rural Development program to provide outstanding care to patients in northeast Connecticut," said Courtney. "I am very pleased that eastern Connecticut as a whole this year received more Rural Development funding that any other part of the state – a total of nearly $140 million dollars between grants and loans. Day Kimball has been especially adept at navigating through the Rural Development grant approval process while working closely with my office. The hospital should be viewed as a national example of how Rural Development grants can be used to improve the lives of local residents each and every day."

In March of this year Congressman Courtney hosted two seminars designed to inform local business and community leaders in eastern Connecticut about grant opportunities available through the program. In 2015 the loan program supported $38.6 million in loans and $5.2 million in grants in Connecticut's Second Congressional District. That funding helped to launch several projects across eastern Connecticut, including the purchase of new emergency room equipment at Day Kimball Hospital.

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STATE POLICE TROOP D LOGS

PUTNAM

Friday, Nov. 11
Sachi Jones, 26, of 54 Laconia Ct., Putnam, was charged with failure to respond.

BROOKLYN

Sunday, Nov. 13
Peter Paul Cargene, 46, of 23 Plaza St., Brooklyn, was charged with driving under the influence of drugs/alcohol; failure to drive in proper lane of multiple lane highway.

Monday, Nov. 14
David Congdon, 38, of 167 Stetson Road, Brooklyn, was charged with violation of probation/conditional discharge; credit card theft.

WOODSTOCK

Monday, Nov. 14
Mathew Sheldon, 56, of 170 Pulpit Rock Rd., was charged with third degree criminal trespass.

Tuesday, Nov. 15
Joseph P. Breton, 29, of 1069 Rte. 171, Woodstock, was charged with first degree criminal mischief.

KILLINGLY

On Nov. 22, at 4:43 a.m., a Frito Lay truck was traveling south on Wauregan Road in Killingly. The truck crossed the center line and northbound travel lane and continued into the parking lot of 30 Wauregan Road where it struck a Ford Ranger owned by Wyatt Sheldon, and the building that houses Danielson Martial Arts and came to uncontrolled final rest. The Ranger at the time was parked and unoccupied. The truck driver was not injured and was transported by ambulance for evaluation. The building located at 30 Wauregan Road sustained severe structural damage and the Killingly building inspector was contacted and on site. The Department of Consumer Protection was contacted regarding the cargo of the truck and declined to respond to the scene but advised that the cargo would need to be destroyed and not used for consumption. Eversource was on site to assist with any utility issues related to removing the truck and subsequent repair as necessary.

PUTNAM POLICE DEPARTMENT

Monday, Nov. 14
Dawn Noyce, 48, of 25 Bingham Rd., Canterbury, was charged with sixth-degree larceny

Tuesday, Nov. 15
Brittany Barber, 25, of 1 Walnut St., Putnam, was charged with disorderly conduct, second-degree criminal mischief

Wednesday, Nov. 16
Emily Champagne, 36, of 72 Perry St., #148, Putnam, was charged with breach of peace, disorderly conduct, criminal mischief, third-degree assault, violation of a protective order

Shawn Houle, 20, of 370 West Thompson Rd., Thompson, was charged with possession of less than 1/2 ounce of marijuana

Thursday, Nov. 17
Todd Chambers, 41, of no certain address, was charged with fourth-degree larceny

Saturday, Nov. 19
Emily Champagne, 36, of 72 Perry St., #148, Putnam, was charged with violation of a protective order, disorderly conduct

Jessica Nabozny, 33, of 38 Marshall St., Putnam, was charged with disorderly conduct

Walter Mercier, 40, of 38 Marshall St., Putnam, was charged with disorderly conduct, criminal mischief

Sunday, Nov. 20

Bianca Mylek, 27, of 1 Westside Dr., Apt. 1, North Grosvenordale, was charged with operating under suspension, operating without taillights

Ryan Davignon, 25, of 1 Walnut St., Putnam, was charged with disorderly conduct

Monday, Nov. 21
Marc Camhi, 50, of 17 Providence Pike, Putnam, was charged with disorderly conduct, third-degree assault, third-degree criminal mischief

Courtesy photo

Day Kimball In-Home Care Executive Director Renee Smith addresses the crowd at the National Homecare and Hospice Month celebration at Day Kimball Hospital, Nov. 10.

DKH celebrates history of Home health care in NECT

PUTNAM — In honor of National Homecare and Hospice Month, Day Kimball Healthcare hosted a celebration in recognition of home health care providers both past and present on Thursday, Nov. 10, at Day Kimball Hospital.

The event included a presentation that detailed the history of homecare in northeast Connecticut, tracing the roots of today's Day Kimball HomeMakers, Day Kimball HomeCare, and Hospice & Palliative Care of Northeastern Connecticut all the way back to the region's first visiting nurse, Esther Wells, who began caring for people in their homes in 1919.

The celebration continued with an award presentation of several "Hero at Home" awards honoring Day Kimball In-Home Care staff for providing exceptional patient care along with a "Hero for Homecare " award presented to a healthcare partner who advocates for Homecare and promotes collaborative patient care across the continuum.

"Hero at Home" awards were presented to: Susan Antonelli RN, CHPN, Hospice & Palliative Care; Nancy Severs, Physical Therapy Assistant, HomeCare; Donna Hendrickson, Administrative Assistant, HomeCare; Alecia Fontaine, RN, "Remarkable Rookie," Hospice & Palliative Care; Faye Logee, Personal Care Aide/Homemaker, HomeMakers; Kelly Percy, HomeCare Home Health Aide; and Michael Peterson, Personal Care Aide/Homemaker, HomeMakers. The "Hero for Homecare" award was presented to Denise Oles, RN, CCM, CCDS, Day Kimball Hospital Case Management.

DKH In-Home Care Executive Director Renee Smith, Dr. Joseph Botta of Botta & Associates and Ann Hinchman of the Friends of Hospice Committee each spoke to the advanced, high quality care that these services have grown into today and the tremendous impact they have on people's lives.

"Even though our organization has changed a great deal over the years, our love for what we do and our commitment to the community has as always remained the same. Our dedication to providing the highest quality in-home care possible is not only evident in the skill and compassion of our employees, but is also reflected in our ability to keep people where they want to be the most, in the comfort of their own homes," Smith said.

She continued, "Our agency's score for preventing avoidable re-hospitalizations, a quality measure found on the Center for Medicare and Medicaid Service's Home Health Compare website, is significantly better than both state and national averages, as well as other competing agencies serving our region, and this is something we are extremely proud of."

Dr. Botta spoke to the value of homecare and hospice for patients, saying, "The most important part of health care is at home. We keep people at home with prevention. You, our dedicated home health care providers, prevent minor and major catastrophes in the homes of our patients every day, and what you do is so important. You are at the center of the patients' care, coordinating all of their needs. Not only do you prevent illness but you provide our patients with a quality of life by giving them freedom and dignity. There really is no way to measure the impact that has on a person's life."

Speaking about the history and impact of hospice and palliative care in the region Hinchman said, "Hospice began 50 years ago this year in London. In 1974, Connecticut began its first hospice in New Haven which was the first hospice program in the United States and since then we have worked diligently to build the program here in our corner of the state. We have done tremendous work during that time but there is still so much work to be done, as patients are not taking advantage of this kind of care soon enough. It is important that patients understand that hospice does not mean a time to die, it is a time to help the patient and their family to live!"

In addition to the awards ceremony and speaking program, a historical display showcased a half-century of home health care memorabilia preserved through the years including local in-home care equipment, news bulletins and other items from years past. The event concluded with a touching slide show of hundreds of photos of Day Kimball home health care providers and patients over the years that served to illustrate the many important ways these health care providers help to improve people's lives each and every day.

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Church rings in Christmas season with holiday bazaar

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PUTNAM — The Living Faith United Methodist Church in Putnam got the holiday season off to a quick start on Saturday, Nov. 19, with the church's annual Holiday Bazaar. The Grove Street church provided an opportunity for visitors and patrons to get an early start on their holiday shopping with countless holiday themed gifts, decorations, and even snacks for sale throughout the morning and early afternoon. The church's patrons also came together for a luncheon, cooking the food and serving those who took the time to be a part of the early holiday festivities.

The view entering the Holiday Bazaar at Putnam's Living Faith United Methodist Church.

The patrons and volunteers of the Holiday Bazaar at Putnam's Living Faith Methodist Church pose for a photo as they take a break from cooking for the Bazaar's luncheon.

Potential customers examine a variety of books for sale during the Holiday Bazaar, including many children's' classics.

Santas, Santas everywhere! From decorations to handmade goods and even deserts, jolly old St. Nick was present everywhere you looked at the Holiday Bazaar in Putnam.

What would a Christmas-themed sale be without a fittingly flashy Christmas tree?

Quite a popular feature for the kids, the cookie walk provided a wide selection of homemade desert treats by the pound for anyone with a sweet tooth to mix and match.

A customer examines the different items for sale on a table, some even already gift wrapped for under the tree.

Among the most popular items for customers at the Holiday Bazaar were these hand made holiday themed lamps. These lamps have become quite a popular art for over the last few years as crafters use old wine bottles and other empty containers to create this unique effect.

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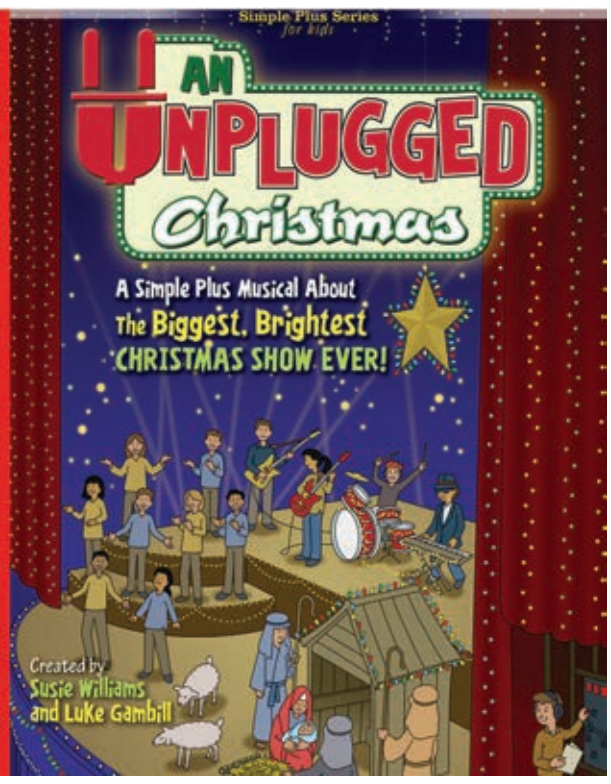

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From left, David T. Panteleakos, Westview administrator; Lucille McKay, Westview resident, and Caroll and Debra Spinney.

Spinney screens documentary at Westview

DAYVILLE — Author, artist and puppeteer Caroll Spinney and his wife, Debra, joined residents, patients, employees and family members at Westview Health Care Center on Friday, Oct. 21, for a special viewing of the documentary, "I Am Big Bird: The Caroll Spinney Story."

Temporarily transforming the facility's formal dining room into a movie theater, the movie was projected upon a movie screen for the capacity crowd. Westview's dietary department provided light refreshments for the event, including a personalized cake decorated with the image of Big Bird. The documentary chronicles the life of Woodstock resident Caroll Spinney, a man who, since 1969, has lent his body, voice and heart to the two iconic Sesame Street characters: Big Bird and Oscar the Grouch.

Utilizing an abundance of personal family footage and interviews with Mr. Spinney's family, friends and coworkers, the movie beautifully captures the heartwarming story of his 47-year journey as a performer, husband and father. Following the conclusion of the film, Mr. and Mrs. Spinney continued to delight the captivated audience with a question and answer session as well as a very special guest appearance by Oscar the Grouch.

"We can't thank Mr. Spinney and his lovely wife Deb enough for sharing their amazing story and their time with all of us here at Westview," stated Administrator David T. Panteleakos. "Caroll Spinney is truly an American treasure. His performance as Big Bird and Oscar over the past 47 years continues to transcend generations and cultures around the world."

Mr. Spinney stated, "We are thrilled to bring our story to everyone here at Westview. This event deeply resonated with us and we truly enjoyed experiencing the wonderful reactions."

"Although this marked our 23rd time watching the film, I found myself a little more emotional being surrounded by so many loving and caring people," Mrs. Spinney added. "Caroll and I try to live our lives in constant appreciation and gratitude. As expressed in the movie: 'You have this life and every day is precious.'"

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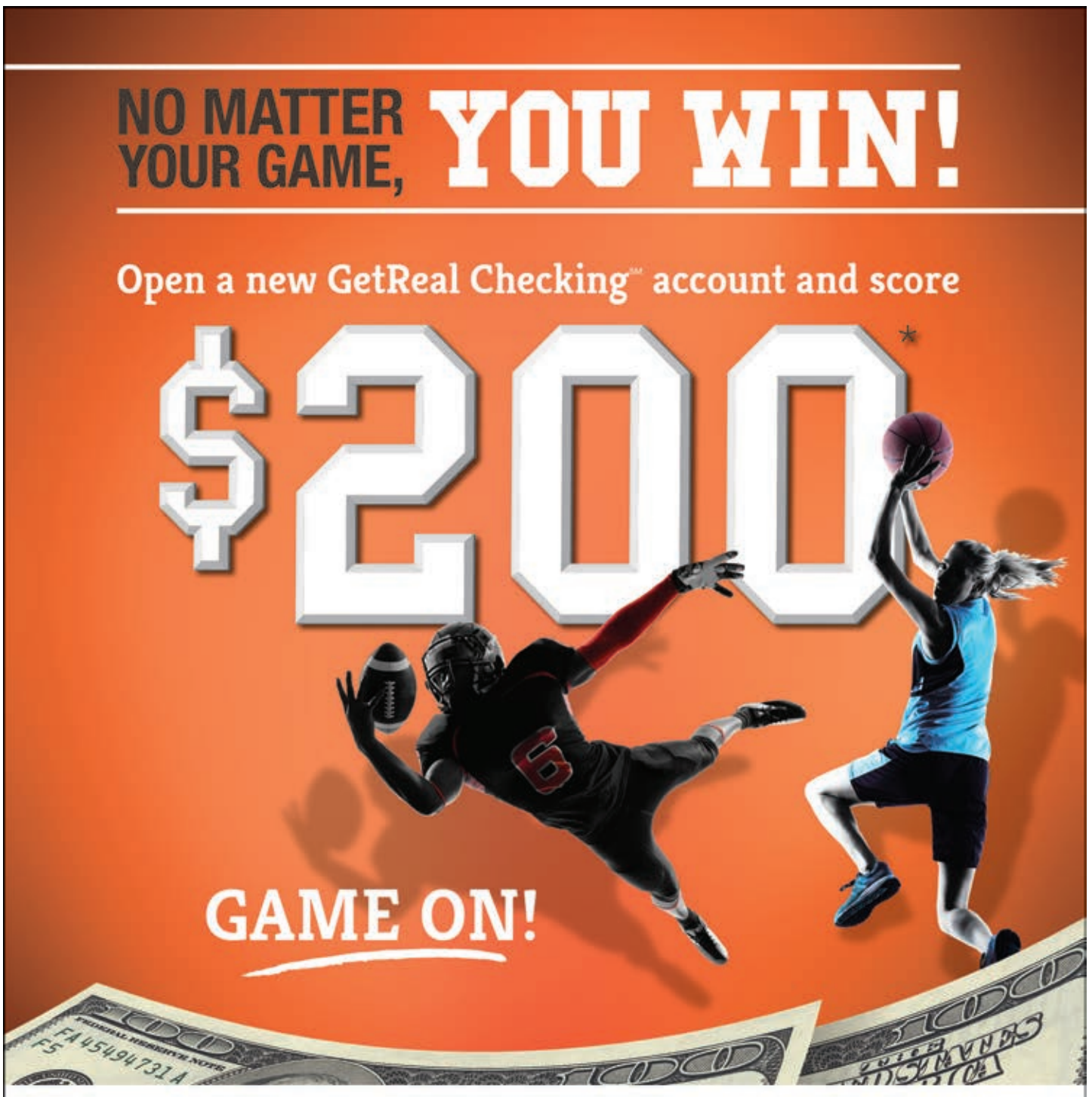

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Another playoff run for Killingly

BY CHARLIE LENTZ
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DAYVILLE — Nothing much was expected of Killingly High last season considering the Redmen were coming off a 2-9 season in 2014. But the Redmen defied the doubters all the way to the Class M semifinals and a 10-2 record. The bar was raised this autumn and Killingly wore a target on its back all season.

"The expectations coming in on them were high because of last year's success," said Killingly coach Chad Neal. "And the difference between this year and last year, last year we snuck up on people because people didn't know too much about us and took us for granted I guess you could say. This year I think we got everybody's best game."

Killingly gave as good as they got.

The Redmen amassed a second-straight 9-1 regular-season mark. Killingly's only loss this season came against Class L New London, the Whalers were 9-0 through nine games and were also headed to the state playoffs.

Killingly begins its quest for a state championship when it plays host to a Class M first-round playoff game at Killingly High this Tuesday, Nov. 29. It wasn't all smooth sailing on the journey to the postseason. Senior quarterback Kyle Derosier faced perhaps his toughest hurdle against Windham in the sixth game on Oct. 23. Trailing 12-8 with :07 left on the clock and on third-and-goal from the 5-yard line, Derosier tossed a touchdown pass to Josh Montpelier as time expired to pull out a 14-12 win. The Redmen trailed Windham 12-0 with under four minutes left in the game but Derosier led them on an 11-play, 60-yard drive to pull within four points and then directed the game-winning 12-play, 52-yard march. Derosier has displayed the leadership expected of a four-year starter.

"He's done a terrific job leading the offense. I think his control of the offense has been excellent, from his decision making to knowing what our people are doing, and making plays — as you saw in the Windham game, those last two drives kind of put us where we are today," Neal said.

Junior halfback Spencer Lockwood has proved a durable runner with 1,745 yards rushing through nine games. Included in Lockwood's standout efforts were performances against Bacon Academy (286 yards and four touchdowns), Stonington (195 yards and a touchdown), New London (155 yards and a touchdown), Griswold (181 yards and two touchdowns), Montville (251 yards and a touchdown), Plainfield (113 yards and a touchdown), East Lyme (195 yards and three touchdowns) and Fitch (310 yards and five touchdowns).

"I think (Lockwood is) another player that we knew the expectations coming in, especially after the way he played last year as a sophomore. But he's gone above and beyond with some of the games he's had," Neal said. "When we've really needed a big run or a big first down we've called his number and he's come through."

Although Killingly's offense has been prolific its defense has been sound as well. Among the key defenders are junior inside linebacker Zack Caffrey, senior safety Bret Long, senior defensive end Collin Byrnes, senior defensive end Jeff Ward, sophomore cornerback Luke Desaulnier, and sophomore inside linebacker Matt Phelan.

"I think Zack Caffrey at linebacker kind of spearheads the defense. But guys that made big plays — Bret Long is all over the field defensively, Jeff Ward has played a very solid defensive end along with Collin Byrnes, has done a real nice job at defensive end," Neal said.

Desaulnier and Phelan had limited varsity experience coming into the season but have emerged as solid defenders.

"We're getting contributions from some of the younger guys, sophomores, Luke Desaulnier has been excellent at

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Junior Spencer Lockwood rushes against Stonington on Sept. 16. Lockwood and Killingly High play host to a Class M playoff game at home this Tuesday.

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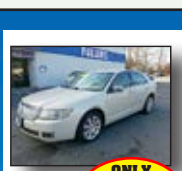
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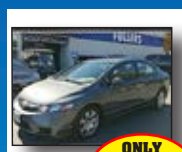
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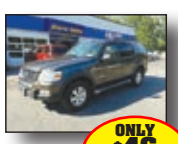
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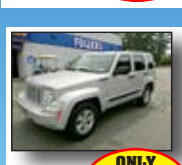
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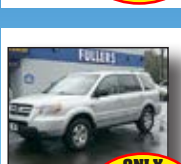
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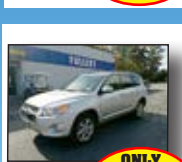
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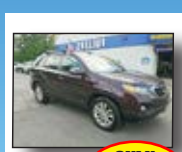
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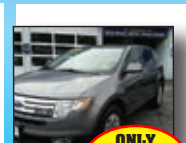
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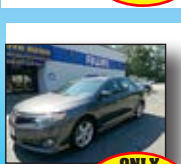
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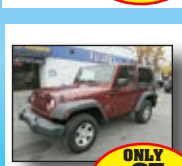
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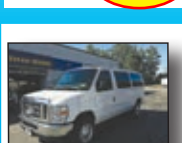
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Woodstock Academy struggles against Windham

Charlie Lentz photo

Woodstock's Jared Bouten scrambles for yardage against Windham on Nov. 17.

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Woodstock's Zachary Douglas makes a catch in the first quarter against Windham.

BY CHARLIE LENTZ
VILLAGER SPORTS EDITOR

WILLIMANTIC — Woodstock Academy's football team departed from the Eastern Connecticut Conference after last season but the Centaurs retained a couple of ECC teams on their schedule. The Centaurs ran into old foe Windham High last Thursday night and then the Whippets ran over Woodstock in a 49-0 victory.

"I think most of our tackling woes are involved in the weight room," said Woodstock coach Daryl Daleen. "So we've got to get stronger, is what it boils down to."

The Whippets rushed for 322 yards on 39 carries in the victory at Windham High on Nov. 17. Windham sophomore fullback Nate Barbosa ran for 84 yards and two touchdowns on nine carries, averaging over nine yards per carry. Junior Aaron Spicer rushed for 96 yards and one touchdown on six carries, picking up 16 yards per carry. Senior Luis Torres carried the ball four times for 49 yards, over 12 yards per tote. Overall, the Whippets averaged over eight yards per carry.

The win lifted Windham's record to 7-2 and dropped Woodstock's record to 4-5. Woodstock couldn't generate a running game, rushing for negative yardage on 11 carries. Forced to rely almost exclusively on an aerial attack, the Centaurs were intercepted four times and Windham's Andrew Gonzalez returned a fumble on a Woodstock kickoff return 28 yards for a score.

"They're a good football team. I mean you can't beat teams like this when you turn the ball over six, seven times," Daleen said. "And you can't beat teams like this making the mistakes we made today. We're not mature enough to make the mistakes we made today and then make up for it later on. We're starting nine sophomores and six juniors, can't turn the ball over that many times and expect to win."

Woodstock alternated signal callers and senior quarterback Jared Bouten completed 7-of-18 passes for 70 yards with three interceptions. Sophomore quarterback Derek Thompson completed 8-of-15 passes for 74 yards and was intercepted once.

Woodstock was next scheduled to play on the road against Thames River (4-5) on Thanksgiving Day at Norwich Tech's field. With Woodstock's 4-5 record, a win on Thanksgiving in its last game of the season would give the Centaurs a .500 record, giving Woodstock its first non-losing season in program history.

"If we don't win next week I'll be pretty disappointed about how the season went," Daleen said.

Thompson, Woodstock's sophomore quarterback, said the Centaurs would be disappointed as well.

"It's very important to us. It would be the best record in school history," Thompson said. "We really just want to win the next one, finish .500."

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WINDHAM 46, WOODSTOCK 0

Woodstock	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0-0**
Windham	**13**	**13**	**20**	**0-46**

First Quarter
Wi – Nate Barbosa 1 run
(kick failed) 2:44
Wi – Barbosa 12 run
(Barbosa kick) :00

Second Quarter
Wi – Angelo Otero 5 run
(kick failed) 9:54
Wi – Barbosa 16 pass from
Willie Brown
(Xavier Mateo kick) 2:35

Third Quarter
Wi – Luis Torres 44 run
(Mateo kick) 6:58
Wi – Aaron Spicer 60 run
(kick failed) 4:37
Wi – Andrew Gonzalez 28
fumble return (Mateo kick) 4:24

	WOODSTOCK	WINDHAM
First Downs	6	18
Rushes-yards	11-(-1)	39-322
Passing	144	62
Sacked-yds lost	3-15	1-5
Comp-Att-Int	15-33-4	5-6-0
Punts-Avg.	1-25	0-0
Fumbles-Lost	2-1	1-0
Penalties-Yards	0-0	6-50

Individual Statistics
RUSHING-Wdstck: Jared Bouten 4-10; Eric Preston 3-(-14); Travis Wright 1-0; Kyle Strandson 2-3; Derek Thompson 1-0.
Wndhm: Brown 3-13; Rene Muhizi 5-1; Luis Otero 4-11; Barbosa 9-14, 2 TDs; Luis Torres 4-49; Aaron Spicer 6-96, TD; Angel Otero 1-5, TD; Ramario Orozco 3-28; Abdiel Encarnacion 3-35; Sebastien Stultz 1-0.
PASSING-Wdstck: Bouten 7-18-3 for 70; Thompson 8-15-2 for 74.
Wndhm: Brown 5-6-0 for 62, TD.
RECEIVING-Wdstck: Mason Defocy 5-35; Thomas Suitum 4-17; Jacob Straub 4-79; Caleb Brown 1-5; Zachary Douglas 1-8. Wndhm: Luis Torres 1-4; Angel Otero 3-42; Barbosa 1-16, TD.

Pride have much to be thankful for

BY CHARLIE LENTZ
VILLAGER SPORTS EDITOR

PUTNAM — Despite a trying season Quinebaug Valley Pride coach Joe Asermelly said he has much to be thankful for this Thanksgiving. The Pride's record was 2-7 through its first nine games but the coach said this season has been no turkey. Only four starters returned from last season's team and Asermelly said his players have worked to get better each week.

"I'm really proud of the group we have. No holds barred, so proud of them," Asermelly said. "I feel like I'm happy to take the field with them against anybody."

The Pride got their first win at home in a 33-0 victory over Wilcox Tech on Nov. 11 in their ninth game of the season. Asermelly was pleased his players finally gave the home crowd a win.

"It's such an exclamation point," Asermelly said. "For our seniors, that's what this is. I'm happy for their excitement and their happiness."

Asermelly had no illusions as the Pride went into their Thanksgiving Day game against Killingly High.

"Listen, Killingly's a heck of a football team. I give them all the credit in the world. They've had a great season," Asermelly said. "Certainly we're well aware of who we're playing. We're going into that game with eyes wide open."

Charlie Lentz photo

Quinebaug Valley's Will McGlynn nears the goal line on a 13-yard touchdown run in the second quarter in a 33-0 win against Wilcox Tech on Nov. 11.

Killingly (8-1) was ranked No. 3 in the state in Class M while Quinebaug Valley (2-7) was ranked 30th in Class M.

Asermelly is well aware of how talented Killingly's players were but he also knows how dedicated his players have been despite a 2-7 record through nine games.

"I would not trade with places with (Killingly) coach (Chad) Neal and I wouldn't trade any of my players for any of his players," Asermelly said. "I wouldn't trade places in a minute."

Asermelly measured this season with the growth of his players — with new faces in 18 of 22 starting positions.

"I understand that we're 2-7 but it's been a special season here. When you come in and the playbook is blank white paper and you say 'Guys, we've just got to work every week.' And they say they're willing to do that because we love football," Asermelly said.

In his college days Asermelly played football for Hofstra University so he truly understands the mentality of those who love the game. And win or lose on Thanksgiving Day, he's also understands he has much to be thankful for.

"You're coaching guys who love football and you love football and every week it's about football," Asermelly said. "That's the epitome of what this game can be, and mean to young men."

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Woodstock football a work in progress

BY CHARLIE LENTZ
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WOODSTOCK — Woodstock Academy has had losing seasons in every year of the football program's existence. And although the Centaurs had a chance to finish this season with a .500 record with a win over Thames River on Thanksgiving Day, first-year coach Daryl Daleen was not satisfied with team's turnaround after finishing 1-9 last season.

"To me, I thought .500 was probably going to be the bare minimum, that we were going to be able to do this year," Daleen said. "I mean that was the goal, to win five games, really hoping to win six or seven. If we don't win (against Thames River) I'll be pretty disappointed about how the season went."

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Woodstock coach Daryl Daleen paces the sideline last week against Windham.

After a lengthy career as an assistant coach at the collegiate level, Daleen was recruited to lift Woodstock's program. As an assistant Daleen helped transform a five-win program at Newberry College in South Carolina to an 11-win team and a South Atlantic Conference championship over a three-year span. From Newberry he moved on to assist at the University of Pikeville in Kentucky in 2007, then moved on up the ladder to the University of New Haven before landing at Central Connecticut State University in 2014 — where Daleen was special teams coordinator, linebacker coach, and recruiter.

Daleen has harped on Woodstock's inability to tackle this season and said the Centaurs must improve defensively. But Woodstock's offense has been prolific this season, averaging 33 and one-half points per game over nine starts.

"I said that when I took the job that we were going to score," Daleen said. "And we've put a lot of energy and effort into making sure that we do score. Our offense is definitely what we're going to hang our hat on, week in and week out."

Sophomore quarterback Derek Thompson has alternated series with senior quarterback Jared Bouten this season. Thompson has shown promise and Daleen looked forward to his future over the next two football seasons. Thompson completed 14-of-27 passes for 209 yards and two touchdowns in a 35-22 loss to Griswold on Nov. 5.

"That kid can really spin that ball," Daleen said. "He's a smart guy. He's the kind of leader you want. He gets after receivers if they drop the ball, that good stuff, so he's going to be something else in the next few years."

Thompson hoped Woodstock could finish at .500 this season.

"It's very important. Every game's important to win," Thompson said. "That's all we want to do. We just want to win the next game."

Woodstock Academy went 4-5 through nine games this season. It's a big change from the Centaurs grid program that finished with one win and nine losses last season, was 2-30 over the last three seasons, and 5-57 over the last six years.

As his first season at the helm winds down Daleen said much work remains.

"I think five wins was the bare minimum I wanted to get this year," Daleen said. "I definitely think that the talent pool here is better than I imagined. I feel good about the future."

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Jezierski named GNAC's best golfer

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Mike Jezierski

WORCESTER, Mass. — Worcester State University's Mike Jezierski, a Tourtellotte Memorial alumnus, headlined the 2016 Great Northeast Athletic Conference (GNAC) Men's Golf All-Conference and Sportsmanship teams, as announced by the conference on Nov. 15.

Jezierski, from Thompson, is a junior and was tabbed the GNAC Golfer of the Year after claiming the individual title on Oct. 16 at the GNAC Championships hosted by Southern Maine at the Gorham Country Club. Jezierski carded a 146 (74-72) in two rounds for the win. Jezierski was also named to the All-Sportsmanship team.

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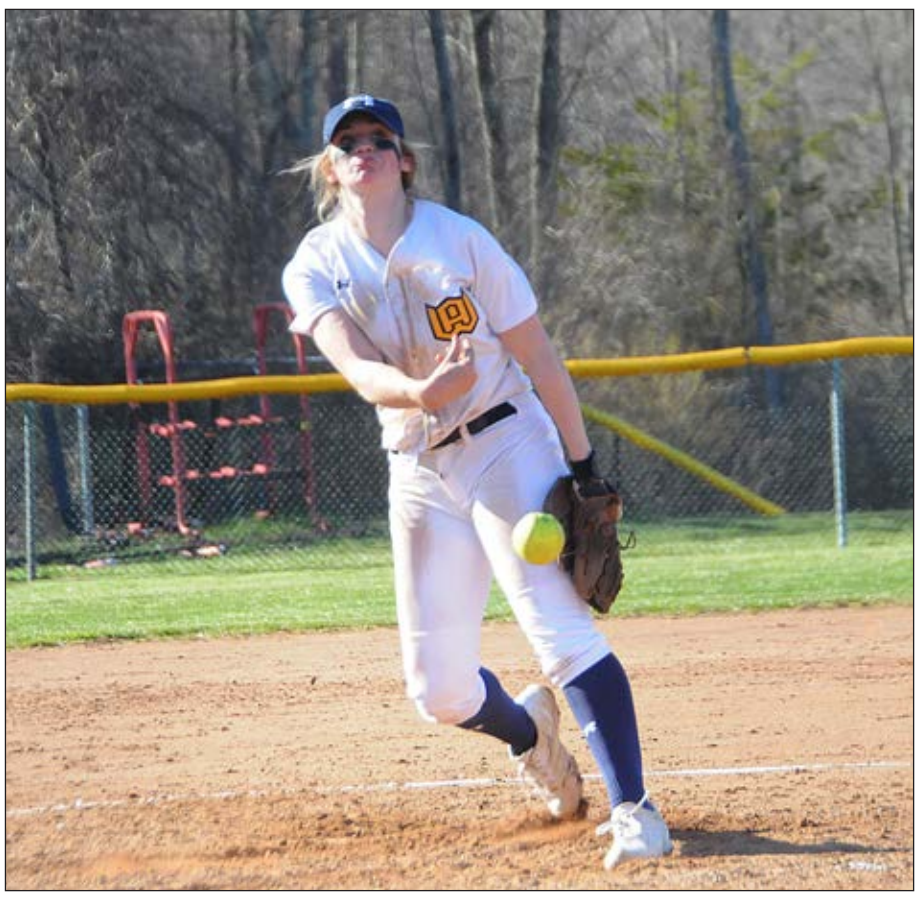
STEVENS SIGNS WITH CENTRAL CONNECTICUT

DAYVILLE — Killingly High's Katie Stevens signs her letter of intent on Nov. 18 to attend Central Connecticut State University next season where she will compete for the school's cross country running team. Behind Stevens at the Killingly High School Library are, from left, her father Scott Stevens, Killingly High cross country coach Joe Banas, and her mother, Mother Brenda Cozens.



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HEHIR TO PITCH FOR ST. BONAVENTURE

ST. BONAVENTURE, N.Y. — Rylee Hehir, a Woodstock Academy alumna, has transferred to St. Bonaventure University for the spring semester where she has been recruited to pitch for the Bonnies softball team. Hehir has spent her freshman year fall semester attending Seton Hill University in Greensburg, Pa., where she pitched for the school's fall softball program. St. Bonaventure competes in NCAA Division I and is a member of the Atlantic 10 Conference.

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cornerback. Matt Phelan, another sophomore that's come along real nice at linebacker," Neal said. "(Phelan) has really really come along, especially the last three weeks, he's been our leading tackler and has come up with some pretty big stops."

Long blocked an extra-point attempt with 3:36 left to preserve a 21-20 victory over Plainfield on Oct. 28. The Redmen followed the win over Plainfield with blowout victories over East Lyme (56-6) and Fitch (51-0). After escaping with close wins over Windham and Plainfield Neal loosened up some of the practices and the results have been positive.

"There's a lot of pressure on our kids to play well and succeed. And any time you're playing with pressure sometimes you're not as loose as you can be," Neal said. "After the Plainfield game we sat down and talked as a team about having fun and playing loose. Since then I think we're playing our best football."

Killingly was ranked No. 3 in Class M going into Thanksgiving. If Thanksgiving Day rankings remain fairly static the Redmen would likely meet either No. 5 Bunnell (7-2 through nine games) or No. 6 Wolcott (7-2) in a first-round game at Killingly High this Tuesday. Neal said playing in front of a home crowd is obviously an advantage.

"I think that's key for the first-round game is to have an excellent crowd," Neal said. "We're probably going to be either facing Wolcott, who's from the Naugatuck Valley, they travel well. Bunnell is from the Southwest Conference, and they travel well. So it would be nice to show those teams, like we did last year, that we have support here in Northeast Connecticut."

Neal and his coaching staff have prepared game plans for a number of eventualities.

"We've been out on the road now for a couple of weeks looking at all the possible opponents," Neal said. "Because of the quick turnaround, as a coaching staff the game plan is kind of in place for the possible opponents."

Last season Killingly was ranked No. 1 entering the Class M Tournament. The Redmen defeated No. 8 Stratford 35-10 in the first round and lost to No. 5 Brookfield 34-13 in the semifinals. Brookfield went on to defeat New Fairfield in the championship game, it was the Bobcats second-straight state title. Brookfield was playoff-tested going into last year's game against an inexperienced Killingly team. Neal said last year's trip to the tournament should buoy the Redmen's confidence.

"It just comes down to each night playing well, taking care of the football, the team that makes the fewest mistakes. I think one thing that might help us this year is the experience of playing in the playoffs last year," Neal said. "Obviously the team we lost to last year, Brookfield, that was their third trip to the state playoffs. They were a very disciplined team. They'd been there before."

Winning a state title requires a well-conditioned team that has the ability to recover quickly from the physical pounding of the game. Killingly played the Quinebaug Valley Pride on Thanksgiving on Nov. 24 in the final game of the regular season. The first round of the Class M tourney arrives on Tuesday Nov. 29, followed by the state semifinals on Monday Dec. 5, with the championship game set for Saturday Dec. 10 — four games over 17 days if Killingly makes it to the title game.

"One thing about our kids, and I've seen this throughout the season, they're in great shape," Neal said. "The off-season weight lifting program helps keep us prepared for this type of schedule. It's a lot of football over a short period of time and a lot of teams to prepare for."

The eventual champion must survive a demanding gauntlet.

"You go back 20 years, only two teams made it and you only had to win one game to win a state championship. And then after that, for about 10 years, only four teams qualified — so you win two games and you win a state championship," Neal said. "Now you've got to win three games in two weeks to win a state championship against some of the best teams in Connecticut."

Killingly had a target on its back all season and nothing changes when the postseason arrives on Tuesday. Only eight football teams qualified for the state tournament in each of four divisions — Class S, Class M, Class L, and Class LL — Killingly will be among the best for the second-straight season. The bar has been raised.

"There's nothing better than playing in the state playoffs, preparing for it and going on the road and seeing all the teams that you could possibly play," Neal said. "After Thanksgiving Day there's going to be 32 teams playing and we're one of them. Look at the map — along with New London and NFA — we're one of only three teams east of the Connecticut River that made it. That's pretty cool."

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Woodstock Academy inducts scholar athletes

WOODSTOCK — Woodstock Academy welcomed a group of students into its Woodstock Academy Scholar Athlete Honor Society in a ceremony on Nov. 16. The new inductees included Ivan Asikainen, Julia Bibeault, Alex Bosio, Natalie Crose, Kennedy Davignon, Caroline Eaton, Brittany Eber, Julie He, Casidhe Hoyt, Denali Johns, Bethany LaFramboise, Eden Law, Steven Lotter, Hannah Matsas, Kathryn McLoughlin, Ciri Miller, Anna Murphy, Natalie O'Connell, Lindsey O'Dea, Shaylor Scranton, Samantha Sheldon, Ian Sohan, Makara Sorel, Maeve Stevenson, Joseph Thompson Jr., Cassidy Thorpe, Hannah Walley, Cal Wilcox, Zikai Zhang

Woodstock Academy volleyball coach and physical education teacher Adam Bottone was also welcomed as an honorary inductee into the society in a presentation by volleyball players Kendyll Smith, Coleen Solitro and Roxanne Garceau

Bottone attended Woodstock Academy as a student, graduating in 1995 and played soccer, basketball, and tennis for the Centaurs. While in high school Mr. Bottone excelled in sports and earned the distinction of being named "The Woodstock Academy Male Senior Athlete of the Year". He was a standout high school soccer player and he went on to play in college. He attended Eastern Connecticut State University, earn his bachelor's degree in science and later his masters in physical education with a focus on coaching from Ball State University in Indiana. Bottone has been coaching volleyball at Woodstock Academy for the past 15 years.

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From left, Colleen Solitro, Roxanne Garceau, Kendyll Smith, and Adam Bottone.

Converse earns MVP honors in hoop tourney

Courtesy photo

Ian Converse earned MVP honors in the Ted Coughlin tourney.

WORCESTER, Mass. — Worcester Polytechnic Institute senior forward Ian Converse, a Woodstock Academy alumnus, earned Most Valuable Player honors as WPI needed an extra five minutes to knock off DeSales, 73-70, in overtime of the championship game of the second annual Ted Coghlin Memorial Tournament last Saturday, Nov. 19, in WPI's Harrington Auditorium. Converse scored 21 points in the tournament championship game and tallied 14 points in a 59-55 victory over Salve Regina in the tournament opener on Nov. 18.

WPI, which claims its second title in as many years, lifted its record to 3-0 while DeSales dips to 2-1. Both teams received votes in the D3hoops.com preseason Top 25.

Midway through overtime Converse converted a three-point play for a two-point advantage. Another Converse layup increased WPI's lead to 69-65 with 1:15 to go.

Eight of Converse's 10 first half points keyed an 18-4 run in the opening 7:05 of the game.

Converse also finished with eight rebounds and had three steals.

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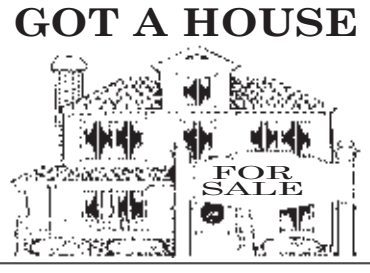

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OBITUARIES

Germain Joseph Socquet, 102

KILLINGLY – Germain J. Socquet, 102, of Wauregan Road in Killingly, passed away in the company of his loving wife and family on Monday, November 14. He was one of eleven children born to Ernestine (Herve) and Jean Hubert Socquet of Danielson and the dear husband of Madeleine (Boulais) whom he married on May 1, 1948.

He attended St. James School, Killingly High School and Putnam Trade School.

As a young man he worked as a tree surgeon and he was part owner of Men's Toggery, a local men's clothier and haberdashery. He was a machinist by trade working at Pratt and Whitney Aircraft and the American Screw Company, and then as quality control inspector at Electric Boat in Groton, and Roto, Spain until his retirement.

Throughout his life he enjoyed athletics and the outdoors. He was an avid fisherman and an excellent swimmer and sailor. He impressed his future bride with his beautiful ice skating and together they spent many happy years skiing, golfing and playing tennis. Germain loved to travel. He drove his young family on a cross country adventure, and later took many trips to Canada, New York and Maine. He and his wife traveled to Hawaii and enjoyed cruises to Mexico and other tropical destinations. He particularly enjoyed his last adventure visiting the National Parks of Wyoming, Utah, Montana and Colorado with his daughter and her family.

Germain enjoyed socializing with his large family and a very special group of close friends. He loved hosting parties and family gatherings and celebrations at their home in Danielson and their cottage at Alexander's Lake. Anyone who knew him remembers his smile and his laugh which instantly put his guests at ease.

In his later years Germain spent countless hours taking meticulous care of his yard and garden, but his joy came from his grandchildren. He relished every moment spent in their company and as his family grew he cherished his good fortune.

Germain was a hard working man; but at the end of the day he loved to relax with a glass of wine, listen to good music and gaze at the sunset from his living room window. During these quiet moments he would reflect on his day and take stock of his life. He would encourage you to do the same. So the next time you find yourself facing a beautiful sunset please raise a glass or give a nod to Germain and a life well lived.

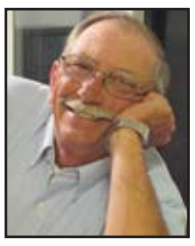
Besides his loving wife who took exceptional care of him till his last breath, he is survived by his daughter Lauren Law and her husband Roger of Killingly. He leaves three granddaughters; Heather Pezzarossi, Mackenzie Law and Meghan Salmon and three great grandchildren. He is also survived by his youngest brother George of Downey, California and his wife, Jeanne as well as many nieces and nephews.

Services will be private and at the convenience of the family. Donations may be made in his name to St. James School, 120 Water Street, Danielson, CT 06239. Arrangements by Gagnon and Costello Funeral Home, 33 Reynolds Street, Danielson, CT. Share a memory at www.gagnonandcostellofh.com

Ann K. (Mathurin) Bonetti

PORT CHARLOTTE, FLORIDA – Ann K. (Mathurin) Bonetti - formerly of Brooklyn, passed away unexpectedly on November 9. Ann was born April 28, 1933 in Worcester, Masssachusetts, daughter of John Bradford and Evelyn (Ford) Kettelle. Ann held various jobs while living in Connecticut, but her favorite was Sears on Furnace Street. There she made many lifetime friends. In 1985, Ann and Thomas L Bonetti were united in marriage and moved to Port Charlotte, Florida where they enjoyed their life together. Unfortunately, Tom passed away in 1993 after an extended illness. Ann will be remembered for her quiet sense of humor, but if someone upset her, she would just give them the "look." Everyone in her family received the "look" at one time or another. Only her brother, David, could duplicate that "look," and when he did, they would all become hysterical. Death is always difficult, but so much more during the holidays. Ann and her former husband, Maurice Mathurin of Brooklyn, leave a daughter, Kelly Ann, and granddaughter, Samantha, of Port Charlotte. She also leaves her sister, Linda K Blanchette and brother, David C. Kettelle, both of Brooklyn, and brother, John "Bud" Kettelle, of Danielson. Ann also leaves behind many nieces and nephews. Ann requested no service to be held, but requested that her and her beloved husband Tom's ashes be sprinkled together at her favorite summer vacation spot, Misquamicut Beach, Rhode Island.

Michael H. LaPorte, 61



THOMPSON - Michael H. LaPorte, 61, died November 14, in Day Kimball Hospital, Putnam, surrounded by his family after a short illness.

He leaves his wife of 15 years, Diane M. (Oloff) LaPorte; a son, Mathew Hanlon and his wife Caitlin of Sanford, Maine; a daughter, Deana Perez and her partner Eric Belske and their son Isaac Belske, all of Putnam; an honorary son, Danny Perez of Thompson; his mother, Anita (Chausse) Richardson of Danielson; a brother, Kenneth LaPorte of Attawaugan; 3 sisters, Jacqueline Hoenig of Danielson, Catherine Boulais and her husband James of South Windsor, and Karen Keith and her husband Bill of Elizabethtown, Kentucky; a brother-in-law, Henry Oloff, Jr. and his wife Wendy of Spartanburg, South Carolina; 2 sisters-in-law, Betty Oloff Gertsch and her husband Mike of Griswold, and Annmarie Oloff Chisholm of Thompson; many nephews, nieces and friends.

He was born in Putnam and raised in the North Grosvenordale section of Thompson, a son of the late Lionel "Pete" LaPorte. He graduated from Tourtellotte Memorial High School in 1973. He then earned an Associate Degree at Three Rivers College in Norwich.

Mr. LaPorte was an Air Force veteran of the Vietnam conflict.

He worked as a safety and environmental engineer all his life. He was employed by American Standard in Plainfield, Anchor Glass in Danielson, Federal Paper Board and Cascades Boxboard Group, both in Sprague, and currently at ReEnergy in Sterling.

He enjoyed outdoor activities: hunting, fishing and camping. He could fix or build any and every thing: he did it all. He liked to do things for others. He was an ardent fan of both the Boston Red Sox and the New England Patriots. He supported his Second Amendment rights. He was a loving husband, father, father-in-law, "grandpa" and friend.

As he wished, no services are planned. Memorial donations in his name may be made to the NRA Foundation, PO Box 1546, Merrifield, VA 22116-9851 (nrafoundation.org). Arrangements are under the direction of Scanlon Funeral Service, 38 East Main St., Webster, MA. www.scanlonfs.com

Constance "Connie" J. Rosenlund, 94

DAYVILLE - Constance "Connie" J. Rosenlund, 94, formerly of Putnam, passed away peacefully on November, 15, with family and friends by her side at Westview Nursing Care in Dayville.

Connie was known as "the Queen" and will be missed by her daughter Pamela Rosenlund; daughter in law Kathryn Rogals; granddaughter Beth Cavan and her husband Doug Goumas and children. Also by many nieces and nephews. She had many special friends including "daughters" Maura Burke, Chris Burton and Elaine Stern. Connie was predeceased by her husband of 65 years, Warren O. Rosenlund; brother Peter Gaillardet and son Paul E. V. Rosenlund.

Connie felt blessed to have had the opportunity to stay home, raising their two children. Once they were grown she spent the next 25 years working in the Museum Education Department at Old Sturbridge Village, Sturbridge, Masachuetts. Connie truly enjoyed spending time, working with and teaching students with special needs. Upon her retirement she volunteered for many years in the Pastoral Care Department at Day Kimball Hospital, Putnam. She was an active member of the First Congregational Church of Woodstock for over 40 years. Connie and Warren were devoted grandparents and cherished time spent with their granddaughter, Beth Cavan. They both found great pleasure in traveling, especially cruising. Connie was known as a gracious hostess and she and Warren frequently entertained. They were enthusiastic bridge players, participating in many local bridge clubs. She was also a loyal UCONN Women's Basketball fan. Throughout her lifetime, Connie touched many hearts and will be remembered fondly with whom she crossed paths.

The family thanks Dr. Botta, his staff and the staff at Westview for all of their love, support, and wonderful care.

A memorial service celebrating her life will be held on December 10, at 11:00am at the First Congregational Church of Woodstock, 543 Route 169, Woodstock. In lieu of flowers Connie requests donations be made to the First Congregational Church of Woodstock, P.O. Box 147, Woodstock, CT 06281.

The Smith and Walker Funeral Home has been entrusted with Connie's arrangements. Please visit www.smithandwalkerfh.com to leave condolences for the family.

Lorraine V. Breault, 84

DANIELSON -- Lorraine V. Breault, 84, of Danielson died Thursday at Rockville General Hospital in Vernon. She was born in Danielson on October 10, 1932 the daughter of the late Leander and Diana (Frigon) Savoie. She was the wife of the late Walter J. Breault, Mr. Breault died January 11, 2014. Lorraine worked at the former LaRosa Pasta Factory in Danielson for 24 years. She was a communicant of St. Anne Church in Ballouville and St. James Church in Danielson. She is survived by her sons Andre Breault and wife Angela and Roger Breault all of Manchester. Two granddaughters, one grandson four great grandchildren and many nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by her sons Walter L. Breault in 1952 and Joseph Walter Breault Jr in 1986. A graveside service was held at St. Joseph Cemetery, Dayville. There were no calling hours. In lieu of flowers donations in Lorraine's memory may be made to Worldwide Lighthouse Missions P.O. Box 5010 Manchester, CT 06050. To leave an online condolence please visit tillinghastfh.com.

Frank R. Simoni, 95

WOODSTOCK - Frank R. Simoni, 95, of Woodstock Meadows, died November 20, in Matulaitis Nursing Home after a long illness. He was the loving husband of Patricia (Pianalto) Simoni for 45 years. Born in Terni, Italy, he was the son of the late Virgilio and Anna (Romaldini) Simoni.

He studied at the Society of St. Paul Seminary in Rome and served as a priest in Rome, Ireland, and Jefferson City, Missouri. After receiving his dispensation from the church, he owned and operated a printing shop in Rock Hill, Missouri. Later, Frank was a professor for the National Lewis University in St. Louis, Missouri as well as several other colleges and universities. He was a member of the Knight of Columbus.

In addition to his wife, Frank is survived by his sons, Mario Simoni of Terre Haute, Indiana, Lucio Simoni of St. Charles, Missouri; his daughter, Melita Monahan of Woodstock; and his seven grandchildren; Kiara, Patrick, Tristan, Elisa, Luca, Kyle and Niccolo.

Relatives and friends are invited to visit with Frank's family on Saturday, November 26, from 10:00 to 11:30am in the Gilman Funeral Home & Crematory, 104 Church St., Putnam, followed by a Funeral Mass of Christian Burial at 12:00 noon in St. Mary Church of the Visitation, 218 Providence St. Putnam. Burial will be private. A Memorial Service will be held in St. Louis, Missouri at a time to be announced. Memorial donations may be made to Matulaitis Nursing Home, 10 Thurber Rd., Putnam, CT 06260. For memorial guestbook visit www. GilmanAndValade.com

Helen (Schap) Deloge, 89

DANIELSON – Helen (Schap) Deloge, 89, of Danielson, died November 8 at Westview Health Center in Dayville. Wife of Omer Deloge, they were married September 25, 1948 at St. James Church in Danielson, he died April 14, 1977. She was born September 8, 1927 in West Warren Massachusetts, daughter of John and Julia (Zajac) Schap.

She moved to Danielson as a young child and attended Saint James School and Killingly High School. She was employed at William Prym Company in Dayville, Moldex Inc. in Putnam, Quality Homemaker in Plainfield and was a member of Killingly Grange 112. She enjoyed crafts, crocheting and reading.

She leaves her daughters Linda Lippe of New Mexico and Elaine Southward of WI. Also survived by granddaughters Kara Lippe of Massachusetts and Nicole Southward of WI and two great grandchildren of WI, as well as her sister, Mildred Daigneault of Brooklyn. She was predeceased by brothers Rudolph Schap and Stanley Schap and sisters Stasia Zadora and Wanda LaBrec. Special thanks to Stoge and Linda Zadora for the untold hours visiting with and helping Aunt Helen during her years at Westview.

Arrangements by Gagnon and Costello Funeral Home, 33 Reynolds Street, Danielson, CT. Share a memory at www.gagnonandcostellofh.com

Mary Gantt, 76

BROOKLYN – Mary Gantt, 76, died November 12, at her home in Brooklyn after a short illness. There will be no services. In lieu of flowers donations may be made in her memory to Northeast Connecticut Hospice, PO Box 632, Putnam, CT.

She is survived by her husband Robert G. Gantt of Brooklyn, her son James Gantt of Brooklyn and her daughter Kathryn Vose of California. Share a memory at www.gagnonandcostellofh.com. Arrangements by Gagnon and Costello Funeral Home, 33 Reynolds Street, Danielson.

Roy LeFort, 82

Roy William LeFort, 82, passed away peacefully on Thursday, Nov. 17.

He was the husband of 53 years to Louise Ann (Gove) LeFort.

He leaves behind 3 children, sons, Jeffrey William LeFort of Quinebaug, Conn., Edward Elliot LeFort and his wife, Judy (Kestigan) LeFort of Charlton, and daughter, Vicki Maria Catherine LeFort of Millbury; six grandchildren, Cal, Sarah, Rachel, Ashley, Jeremy LeFort and Clayton Riel.

He also leaves behind a sister Eleanor Cronin and 4 deceased sibling, Stanley, Raymond LeFort, Ruthie Kenneway and Barbara Marquis; brother/sister in laws, Ronald and Barbara Vaillancourt and Dorothy Vaillancourt with numerous nieces and nephews.

Roy was born on May 25, 1934 in Worcester, to the parents of August and Emma (Moser) LeFort. He served in the Air Force, honorable discharged on July 31, 1956.

He worked for United Technologies (Pratt & Whitney) for 31 years.

He was Roy was a devoted member of 50 years to St. Stephen's Church in Quinebaug, Conn. He was a lecture, CCD teacher and was involved in numerous church activities throughout the years.

The LeFort family would like to express their deepest appreciation to the administration and staff of Beaumont Nursing Home in Northbridge, for their compassionate care and kindness toward Roy and his family and friends.

A funeral Mass will be celebrated Saturday, Nov. 26, at 10 a.m. is St. Stephen's Church corner of Route 131 and 197 in Quinebaug Conn. Burial will be private at a later date.

Bartel Funeral Home & Chapel, 33 Schofield Ave., is directing arrangements.

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Dezeray Renee Cabana, 27

WORCESTER, MASSACHUSETTS – Dezeray Renee Cabana, 27, of Lund St, died November 14, in UMASS Medical Center. Born in Worcester, Massachusetts, she was the daughter of Kimberly Renee Houle of Thompson.

Ms. Cabana worked as a Certified Nurse's Assistant at Notre Dame Healthcare in Worcester.

Ms. Cabana enjoyed singing, dancing and attending services at the Church of Pentecost in Worcester.

Dezeray is survived by her mother Kimberly Renee Houle of Thompson; her step father Robert James Jackson of Worcester; a son Jayvien Jose De Los Santos of Thompson; her brother Robert James Jackson, Jr. of Thompson; maternal grandfather Armand W.J. Houle of Southbridge; and a very large extended family of aunts, uncles, and cousins.

She was predeceased by her paternal grandparents William and Margaret Cabana and maternal grandmother Marcella Marie Houle.

Relatives and friends are invited to visit with Dezeray's family from 5:00p.m. to 8:00 p.m. on Tuesday, November 29, in the Valade Funeral Home, 23 Main St., N. Grosvenordale. In lieu of flowers memorial donations may be made to for the care of her son Jayvien. For memorial guestbook visit www.GilmanAndValade.com.

Mary Ellen Morrarty, 78

DANIELSON – Mary Ellen (Chase) Morrarty, 78, formerly of Drown Rd., Pomfret Center, died November 16, in Davis Place. She was the loving wife of the late George R. Morrarty. Born in Putnam, she was the daughter of the late Ellsworth and Florence Chase.

Mrs. Morrarty worked as administrative assistant for EastConn. She enjoyed gardening, antique engine shows and being a Mom. She will be sorely missed.

Mary Ellen is survived by her daughters, Beth Laney of Voluntown, and Susanne Cristofori of Daytona Beach, Florida; her son Sean Cristofori of Pomfret Center; her brother, Ellsworth Chase of Pomfret; and her sister Priscilla Babbitt of Norwich; her grandchildren, Alexander Cristofori, Mitchell Cristofori, Blake Laney, Nicole Cristofori, Chase Cristofori; and three great-grandchildren. She is predeceased by her son, the late Mark Cristofori.

Relatives and friends were invited to visit with Mary Ellen's family on, November 22 in the Gilman Funeral Home in Putnam. Burial will be private in Abington Cemetery. For memorial guestbook visit www.GilmanAndValade.com.

NEWS BRIEFS

Quinebaug Valley Singers to present Christmas concerts

The Quinebaug Valley Singers, one of south-central Massachusetts and northeastern Connecticut's finest community choruses known for dynamic and original performances that bring audiences leaping to their feet in rapturous applause, will present their annual Christmas concerts on Saturday, Dec. 10, at 7:30 p.m., in St. Joachim Chapel at St. Anne/St. Patrick Parish, Fiskdale (corner of routes 148 and 20), and on Sunday, Dec. 11, at 3 p.m. in the Evangelical Covenant Church, just off the Common in Woodstock, Connecticut. Both concerts are free, and both venues are handicap-accessible. As always, tasty refreshments will be served after each concert.

Huffing and puffing, we finally caught up with QVS's energetic Music Director Nym Cooke, and he agreed to stand still just long enough to tell us about these concerts, before racing on.

"The program is the result of an online poll sent out to the entire chorus — something we also did for our spring program last year. We posted a list of every single Christmas and holiday song we'd performed since I came on board with the chorus, sometime 'way back near the beginning of the millennium. The members voted for their favorite 20 pieces, and the program has been drawn from their votes. Though I tweaked the final selection a bit, everything you'll hear was among the top vote-getters — except the opening song 'Star in the East,' whose refrain ("Brightest and best of the sons of the morning...") titled the concert.

"I'm impressed by our members' good taste! The very most popular piece in the poll was Georg Frideric Handel's wonderful Messiah chorus, 'And the glory of the Lord,' which we sing very lightly and with quicksilver rapidity, perhaps the way a choir of angels might do it. Vote-getter number two was Peter Yarrow's stirring Hanukkah song 'Light one candle,' originally recorded by Peter, Paul and Mary. Third in popularity was Morten Lauridsen's haunting and unforgettable setting of 'O magnum mysterium,' which a select group of sixteen singers will present. Number four was the ever-popular 'African Noël,' with a Kenyan melody and our own Sarah Jo Burke (formerly of the Burke Family Singers — Google 'em) on flute. Fifth in the number of votes received was John Rutter's tender 'Christmas Lullaby'... And so it goes."

"Other highlights of the concert include 'Carol of the Bells,' 'Have yourself a merry little Christmas' (in a very jazzy arrangement), 'White Christmas' (the Festival Edition, with two keyboardists and chimes), Felix Mendelssohn's masterful chorus 'There shall a star come out of Jacob,' the African-American song 'O Mary' (this rocks, people!), a couple of highlights from our much-beloved concert of 'Celtic Noëls,' and lots more.

"Perhaps I should add that this 'edition' of QVS is the strongest since I came on board; we have many fine singers on every vocal part. We are going to sound terrific! Also, we'll be recording all this Christmas music in three sessions late next January. The result should be a memorable CD — the perfect Christmas gift to yourself, your family, or your friends."

And with that, Cooke dashed away.

The concerts themselves should prove to be memorable; folks are advised to arrive early to be sure of a seat. Be sure to give generously when the freewill offering is collected at intermission; don't forget to stay for the incredible-edible goodies afterwards; consider becoming a Friend of the Quinebaug Valley Singers (your concert program will tell you how); and if you like to sing, just show up at the chorus's first rehearsal for their Spring concerts, Monday, Feb. 6, at 7 p.m. at St. Anne's church in Fiskdale. Anyone desiring more information about any of this may contact Nym Cooke at nymcooke@gmail.com, or QVS President KT Therrien at kt2nc@aol.com. We'll hope to see you at one or both of the concerts!

Courtesy photos

Walter Wright (The Spirit of Christmas Present) and Real Carpentier (Scrooge).

The Narrators: Bonnie Therriault, Roy Simmons and Ariel Lewis.

'A Christmas Carol' coming to the Bradley Playhouse

PUTNAM — The Theatre of Northeastern Connecticut at the Bradley Playhouse is proud to usher in the holidays with the best loved Christmas stage tradition – A Christmas Carol. The presentation begins Dec. 2, and runs for three weekends.

Performances are Dec. 2, 3, 9, 10, 16 and 17 at 7:30 p.m. and Dec. 4, 11 and 18 at 2 p.m. Tickets are $19 for adults and $15 for seniors and students.

The Bradley provides a new view of this traditional story, infusing the Dickens' classic with a steampunk twist, bringing a new look to the play, while keeping with the original story and message of Christmas. All your favorite characters are present – it's the traditional Christmas Carol with steampunk elements in the set and costumes. The audience is invited to join in the spirit and come to the theatre in their own steampunk creations.

Steampunk is an alternate history in which the Industrial Revolution either never happened, or happened very differently. There is no internal combustion engine or electricity. Instead, in this futuristic past that never materialized, clockwork gears and steam power have continued in standard usage. It is the world of Jules Verne's Nautilus submarine in "20,000 Leagues Under the Sea" and H.G. Wells' time travel machine in "The Time Machine."

This version of Charles Dickens' classic was adapted by John Mortimer and first performed by the Royal Shakespeare Company in London in 1994.

TNECT's A Christmas Carol is directed by Kathleen Atwood and Scott Guerin. Real Carpentier reprises his role as Scrooge, as does Walter Wright as The Spirit of Christmas Present. Sarah Oschmann appears as Christmas Past, Maya Summiel is Christmas Yet to Come and Roy Simmons plays The Ghost of Jacob Marley as well as a Narrator. The other Narrators are Ariel Lewis and Bonnie Therriault. Bob Cratchit is played by Mark Scribner, Mrs. Cratchit is Diana Daugherty and Remy Jacquet appears as Tiny Tim.

Come and see why The Bradley Playhouse received Yankee Magazine's 2016 Editor's Choice Award for the best community theatre in New England and Norwich Magazine's 2016 award for Best Live Theater of Northeastern Connecticut.

In keeping with the holiday spirit of sharing joy, the Bradley will once again have a mitten tree where people can hang mittens, hats and other accessories to make the season warmer for those less fortunate.

The Bradley Playhouse is located at 30 Front Street (Route 44) in Putnam. All seats are reserved. Reservations may be made with a major credit card online at www.thebradleyplayhouse.org or by calling 860-928-7887. Tickets may be purchased at the theater box office, either before the performance or at the door. As always, purchasing your tickets ahead of time is recommended, especially since "A Christmas Carol" is always very popular.

LEGALS

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

TOWN OF THOMPSON

On November 16, 2016 the following wetlands agent approvals were issued: Application # WAA16015 approved with conditions, Stephen R Myers and Cindylee M Myers, 0 Porter Plain Rd. (Assessor's Map 135, Block 23, Lot 15B) - Construction of a single-family home and septic system in the upland review area; Application # WAA16017 approved with conditions, Joyce A Hoye, 7 Center St. (Assessor's Map 116, Block X, Lot P) - Construction of a 24' x 32' attached garage in the upland review area; Application # WAA16021 approved with conditions, David Citron, 0 Greene Island (Assessor's Map 143, Block 16, Lot 53) - Construction of a 2 bedroom home with septic system in upland review area. On November 17, 2016 the following wetlands agent approval was issued: Application # WAA16020 approved with conditions, Thompson Rail Business Park LLC, 307 Reardon Rd. (Assessor's Map 65, Block 101, Lot 6) - Expansion of excavation/mining activities within the 100-foot upland review area beyond that authorized by Wetlands Permit 07-06-04.

Marla Butts, Wetlands Agent
November 25, 2016

TOWN OF THOMPSON
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS
LEGAL NOTICE

The Town of Thompson Zoning Board of Appeals, at its November 14, 2016 meeting, rendered the following decisions:

Variance 16-09: Kerstin Forrester, Applicant and Owner of Record. For property at 593 Fabyan Rd. Map 17/ Block 84/Lot 32/Zone R40. Variance requested to reduce road frontage from 150 ft. to 82 ft. allowing division of land between 2 existing independent single-family units, both pre-date zoning regulations. **Approved.**

Variance 16-10: Joyce Hoye, Applicant and Owner of Record. For property at 7 Center St. Map 116/Block X/Lot P/Zone R40. Variance requested to increase impervious surface by 74 sq. ft. to allow construction of a 24' x 32' detached garage. **Approved.**

Variance 16-11: Lisa and Thomas McDougall, Applicants and Owners of Record. For property at 142 Quinebaug Rd. Map 59/Block 88/Lot 6&6A/Zone RA80. Variance requested to decrease acreage of lot 6A by 9,611 sq. ft. and increase acreage of lot 6 by 9,611 sq. ft. to allow for a septic system on lot 6. Both lots are nonconforming and will remain so. **Approved.**

Respectfully submitted,
Daniel Roy, Chairman
November 25, 2016

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November 26, Sat., 7pm
VFW Post 5446 Comedy Night – 3 Comedians, Doors open at 6:00, $20 pp, 7 Winsor Ave, Plainfield. Advance sales only, call 860-564-5446 for more details.

November 30, Wed., 5-6:30pm
Thompson's Congregational Church in Thompson will present its last free community meal. The congregation would like to thanks all their friends that have helped with this program. All are welcome.

November 30, Wed., 10am-12pm
Mom to Mom at the Woodstock Evangelical Covenant Church – young moms meet together for quality Biblical instruction in parenting, small group discussion and interaction with mentor moms. Community moms welcome! Free childcare available through age 5. 24 Child Hill Rd, Woodstock. Register at woodstockcovenant.org. Questions, call 860-928-0486.

December 2 & 3, 7:30pm
Hampton's theatre troupe, the Little River Radio Theatre, presents It's a Wonderful Life on an adaptation of the Oscar winning 1946 Frank Capra film. The cast of six Hampton residents will bring to life the fifty characters that appear in the drama

November 30, Wed., 7pm
Paul Colburn returns to the Pomfret Library community to bring us his latest presentation entitled "Wildlife and Connecticut's Changing Landscape." He will be presenting at Pomfret Historical Society's Old Towne House, 11 Town House Dr., Pomfret.

at Hampton Community Center, 178 Main St. Admission is nonperishable food items to help stock the Covenant Soup Kitchen, value of $15.

December 3, Sat., 9am-1pm
Holly Fair at the Church of the Good Shepherd, 12 Bradford Corner Road, West Woodstock. We will be selling assorted Christmas greens, wreaths, swags plus cookies by the pound

December 3, 7pm
Angela & Friends Benefit Christmas Concert Central Village Congregational Church, 33 Main Street, Central Village Tickets adults $15, children 12 and under $5, includes free refreshments. Portions of the proceeds benefit the Wilimantic Community Meals Program. More info at www.centralvillagechurch.com.

December 3, Sat., 10am
Holiday wreath craft. This is free, but you must register so that we can get enough supplies. Bracken Memorial Library, 57 Academy Road, Woodstock.

December 3, Sat., 8am-1pm
Sugar Plum Fair - hot donuts, hand sewn and handmade crafts, baked goods, Rada knives, basket raffle, boxwood trees, wreaths. Finnish coffee bread, Grandma's jewelry and white elephant 50% off at the Thrift Shop. Federated Church Brooklyn Center.

December 3, Sat., 9am
Scholastic Book Fair. Books for all ages. Remember—books make great holiday gifts!! Bracken Memorial Library, 57 Academy Road, Woodstock.

December 4, 10:30am-2:30pm
Windham-Tolland 4-H Camp Open House at 326 Taft Pond Rd, Pomfret. Free admission. Crafts, cookies and s'mores and tour the facilities. From 11:30 – 1:30, Lunch with Santa in lodge. For tickets call 974-3379 or at the door, $6 for children up to age 8, $10 for those 9 and older. 5 x 7 Photo with Santa $8.

December 4, Sun., 7pm
VICTORIAN CHRISTMAS, Experience a candlelit Christmas straight from the 1800s. Enjoy the classic decorations, seasonal music, reading of the Christmas story, costumed church members and warm cider to end the evening! Westfield Congregational Church, 210 Main St, Danielson, A Victorian Christmas Eve is at 9 p.m. in the sanctuary.

December 4, Sun., 11am – 3pm
PAWS Cat and Kitten Shelter Holiday Fair and Open House – Shelter tours, holiday items and crafts for sale, adoption discounts, 'Reading to Cats' and more! At PAWS Cat and Kitten Shelter: 244 Route 171 Woodstock.

December 4, Sun., 2:30-4:30pm
The May Memorial Library in East Woodstock is having a Holiday Open House. Festivities will include gingerbread cookie decorating, craft for the kids, silent auction and a visit from Mrs. Claus and Santa.

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

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

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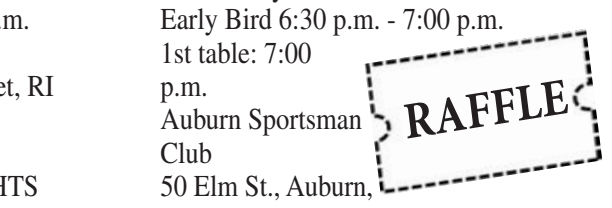

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LUXURY COLLECTION, #XT17151
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2012 BUICK REGAL CXL PREMIUM SEDAN TURBOCHARGED ENGINE, LEATHER, HEATED SEATS, ONE OWNER, #P196A — YOUR PRICE $12,988	**2013 CHEVY CRUZE LS SEDAN** AUTOMATIC, ONLY 4,000 MILES, ONE OWNER, 10 TO CHOOSE FROM, #P324 — YOUR PRICE $12,988	**2012 GMC TERRAIN SLE** ALL WHEEL DRIVE, ONE OWNER, KEYLESS ENTRY, #TK16575A — YOUR PRICE $13,988
2014 CHEVY CRUZE LS SEDAN, AUTOMATIC, FULL POWER, ONE OWNER, #P325 — YOUR PRICE $13,988	**2011 BUICK LACROSSE CXL** LEATHER, HEATED SEATS, LOW MILES, ONE OWNER, #LA16668A — YOUR PRICE $13,988	**2013 BUICK VERANO** AUTOMATIC, LOW MILES, ONE OWNER, ALLOY WHEELS, KEYLESS ENTRY, #P287 — YOUR PRICE $13,988
2011 CHEVY TRAVERSE SUV LS 8 PASSENGER, FULL POWER, KEYLESS ENTRY SI1650A — YOUR PRICE $13,988	**2006 CHEVY COLORADO CREW CAB 4X4** 1 OWNER, AUTOMATIC, ONLY 50K MILES, FULL POWER, ALLOY WHEELS, #TR17400A — YOUR PRICE $14,988	**2014 CHEVY MALIBU ECO** SEDAN, LEATHER, HEATED SEATS, MOONROOF, EXCELLENT ECONOMY, GETS 36 MPG! #MB16517A — YOUR PRICE $15,988
2012 GMC ACADIA SLT ALL WHEEL DRIVE, 7 PASSENGER, LEATHER, HEATED SEATS, ONE OWNER, 6 TO CHOOSE FROM 2012-2013'S, #TR17024A — YOUR PRICE $15,988	**2012 CHEVY EQUINOX LT** ALL WHEEL DRIVE, 6 CYLINDER, REMOTE STARTER, POWER SEAT, PIONEER SOUND SYSTEM, LOW MILES #EQ1736A — YOUR PRICE $16,988	**2002 FORD THUNDERBIRD CONVERTIBLE** ONE OWNER, TRIPLE BLACK, ONLY 33,000 MILES, CHROME WHEELS, 8 CYLINDER, LIKE BRAND NEW, COLLECTORS ITEM, #P141A — YOUR PRICE $16,988
2014 CHEVY IMPALA LT ONE OWNER, LOW MILES, FULL POWER, REMOTE SEAT, #SI16482A — YOUR PRICE $18,988	**2014 CHEVY EQUINOX LS** SPORT UTILITY, ALL WHEEL DRIVE, LOW MILES, ONE OWNER, #EQ17307A — YOUR PRICE $18,988	**2009 PONTIAC G8 GT** SEDAN, ONE OWNER, 8 CYL., AUTOMATIC, HEATED SEATS, #LA16749A — YOUR PRICE $19,988
2015 GMC SAVANA 2500 CARGO VAN'S 8 CYLINDER, POWER WINDOWS/LOCKS, LOW MILES, 3 TO CHOOSE FROM, #P237 — YOUR PRICE $20,988	**2010 CHEVY CAMARO SS** COUPE, RS PACKAGE, 6 SPEED, INFERNO ORANGE PACKAGE, MOONROOF, 8 CYL., ONE OWNER, #ES16390B — YOUR PRICE $20,988	**2016 DODGE CARAVAN R/S VAN** 7 PASSENGER, LEATHER, REAR DVD, REAR HEAT/AC, NAVIGATION, #TK16716A — YOUR PRICE $22,988
2015 TOYOTA TACOMA ACCESS CAB 4X4, AUTOMATIC, FULL POWER, ONE OWNER #P231A — YOUR PRICE $23,988	**2013 BUICK REGAL GS SEDAN** TURBOCHARGED ENGINE, LEATHER, MOONROOF, HEATED SEATS, NAVIGATION, ONLY 9,000 MILES, #P251 — YOUR PRICE $23,988	**2014 CHEVY IMPALA LTZ** SEDAN, LEATHER, MOONROOF, HEATED/COOLED SEATS, LOW MILES, #LA16727A — YOUR PRICE $23,988
2015 CHEVY MALIBU LTZ SEDAN 2.0 TURBO ENGINE, AUTOMATIC, MOONROOF, LEATHER, NAVIGATION, HEATED SEATS, #P304 — YOUR PRICE $24,988	**2013 GMC TERRAIN DENALI** ALL WHEEL DRIVE, LEATHER, MOONROOF, NAVIGAITON, 6 CYLINDER, ONE OWNER, #YK16305A — YOUR PRICE $24,988	**2013 CHEVROLET SILVERADO 1500 REGULAR CAB LT** 4X4, ONE OWNER, CHROME WHEELS, LOW MILES, 8 CYLINDER LIKE NEW, #TC16658A — YOUR PRICE $24,988
2014 FORD MUSTANG GT CONVERTIBLE 5.0, V8, AUTOMATIC, TRIPLE BLACK, LEATHER,ONLY 11,000 MILES, ONE OWNER, HEATED SEATS P330A — YOUR PRICE $25,988	**2013 GMC SIERRA 1500 SLE, EXTENDED CAB, 4X4** CONVENIENCE PACKAGE, POWER SEAT, REMOTE STARTER, ONE OWNER, 271 PACKAGE, #SI16571A — YOUR PRICE $25,988	**2012 CHEVY SUBURBAN 2500 4X4** LT, 7 PASSENGER, MOONROOF, NAVIGATION, DVD, #TS16265A — YOUR PRICE $25,988
2014 GMC TERRAIN SLT ALL WHEEL DRIVE, LEATHER, ONE OWNER, LOW MILES, NAVIGATION, 6 CYLINDER, HEATED SEATS, MOONROOF — YOUR PRICE $25,988	**2013 CHEVY TRAVERSE, 2 LT** ALL WHEEL DRIVE, LEATHER, HEATED SEATS, ALLOY WHEELS, 5 2013-2014'S TO CHOOSE FROM, STARTING AT #P181 — YOUR PRICE $25,988	**2006 CHEVY CORVETTE 3LT** CONVERTIBLE, ONE OWNER, LOW MILES, POWER TOP, NAVIGATION, AUTOMATIC, HEATED SEATS, LIKE NEW, #P300 — YOUR PRICE $25,988
2013 CADILLAC CTS LUXURY COLLECTION SEDAN ALL WHEEL DRIVE, ONE OWNER, LOW MILES, ULTRAVIEW MOONROOF, NAVIGATION, HEATED SEATS, STK.#P269 — YOUR PRICE $26,988	**2015 DODGE RAM 1500 SPORT EDITION** DOUBLE CAB, 4X4, ONE OWNER LOW MILES, BLACKOUT PACKAGE TK16706A — YOUR PRICE $27,988	**2015 CADILLAC SRX** ONLY 6,000 MILES, LEATHER, ONE OWNER, STK.#XT16169A — YOUR PRICE $27,988
2015 CHEVY SILVERADO 4X4 LT DOUBLE CAB 1500, LOW MILES, ALLOY WHEELS, #TE16119B — YOUR PRICE $28,988	**2013 GMC YUKON 4X4 SLT EDITION** 8 PASSENGER, MOONROOF, HEATED SEATS, LEATHER #ES15503A — YOUR PRICE $28,988	**2013 CADILLAC XTS PREMIUM EDITION** NAVIGATION, PANORAMIC MOONROOF, ONE OWNER, BOSE SOUND SYSTEM, HEATED/ COOLED SEATS, #XT16215A — YOUR PRICE $28,988
2014 CADILLAC CTS COUPE AWD, 1 OWNER, LEATHER, HEATED SEATS,ONLY 15,000 MILES STK.AT15557A — YOUR PRICE $28,988	**2015 HONDA PILOT EX-L** ALL WHEEL DRIVE, LEATHER, MOONROOF, NAVIGATION, DVD, ONE OWNER, 8 PASSENGER #TB16290A — YOUR PRICE $28,988	**2014 BUICK ENCLAVE PREMIUM** AWD, ONE OWNER, NAVIGATION, MOONROOF, REAR DVD, HEATED/COOLED SEATS, #AC17394A — YOUR PRICE $29,988
2014 GMC ACADIA SLT ALL WHEEL DRIVE, LOW MILES, LEATHER, 7 PASSENGER, MOONROOF, HEATED SEATS, NAVIGATION, REAR DVD, TRAILERING PACKAGE, 12 TO CHOOSE FROM 2013-2017'S, #P232 — YOUR PRICE $30,988	**2014 GMC SIERRA 1500 SLE DOUBLE CAB** 4X4, ALL TERRAIN OFF ROAD PACKAGE, ONE OWNER, LOW MILES, HEATED SEATS, #P296 — YOUR PRICE $31,988	**2012 GMC SIERRA 2500 HD SLT EXTENDED CAB** 4X4, ONE OWNER, DURAMAX DIESEL, AUTO TRANSMISSION, LEATHER, HEATED SEATS, EXCELLENT CONDITION# SI16273A — YOUR PRICE $33,988
2016 MERCEDES C300 4MATIC SPORT SEDAN AWD, LEATHER, MOONROOF, NAV, AMG APPEARANCE PACKAGE, HEATED SEATS, ONE OWNER P355A — YOUR PRICE $34,988	**2012 CHEVY SILVERADO 2500 HD, LTZ CREW CAB** 4X4 LEATHER, LOW MILES, HEATED/COOLED SEATS, REAR CAMERA, #SI16320A — YOUR PRICE $34,988	**2014 CADILLAC ELR COUPE** ELECTRIC VEHICLE, NEVER USE FUEL AGAIN. ONLY 5,000 MILES, LEATHER, HEATED SEATS. STK.#R9941 — YOUR PRICE $36,988
2016 BMW X3 XDRIVE 28I ALL WHEEL DRIVE, DRIVER ASSISTANCE PACKAGE, LEATHER, NAVIGATION, PANORAMIC MOONROOF, ONE OWNER, #EQ17145A — YOUR PRICE $36,988	**2015 MERCEDES BENZ E250** BLUETOOTH, TURBO DIESEL, ALL WHEEL DRIVE, ONE OWNER, NAVIGATION, MOONROOF, HEATED/ COOLED SEATS, LIKE NEW, #R172A — YOUR PRICE $39,988	**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

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