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## A little library in Brooklyn

BY KAREN BUTERA  
FOR THE VILLAGER

BROOKLYN — This is a story of a group of women, their love for reading and a particular book — *A Tree Grows in Brooklyn*, and how they were motivated to give back to the community.

Judy Doyle, previously of Brooklyn always had a love for that book. She handed it down to one of her daughters. Her daughter read it and left it at home while she went on to college and moved out of her childhood home after her return.

The day came when Doyle decided to downsize and hold a yard sale to get rid of the items that had accumulated after living in a home for many years. One of the items she put in the

yard sale was that book. Along came Sheila Frost, a Brooklyn resident who had attended school with the daughter, and she purchased the book. The daughter hadn't realized the book was placed in the yard sale. It was then that Judy, Sheila and Judy's two daughters, Jen and Pat, along with a couple of other woman decided to form a book club using *A Tree Grows In Brooklyn* as their first book. This was about six years ago.

"It was Christmas time when we discussed putting our money together to purchase books," Frost said.

They weren't sure who should benefit from the books - if it should be a senior group, class room or some other group. Sheila, having worked in another community saw the

Little Free Library boxes and noticed that they did well. The concept is to purchase a kit, put the box and post together, put it in the ground and place books in it. Adults and children can take a book from it and either keep it or return the book when finished. Resident can also place their own unwanted books in it.

The Little Free Library was started by a nonprofit organization with headquarters in Hudson, WI. Currently there are more than 80,000 registered Little Free Library book sharing boxes in 91 countries. It inspires a love for reading.

"When I brought this option up, not many of the members of the club knew what it was," said Frost. "So I found a photo



Karen Butera photos

Judy Doyle

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### STARTING EARLY

Charlie Lentz photo

PUTNAM — A youngster gets some instruction during a blocking drill at the Northeast Opportunities for Wellness Youth Football Clinic last Sunday, June 23. NOW held the free clinic in partnership with the WPTP Junior Football League.

### KILLINGLY GRADS



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DAYVILLE — Prachi Patel, left, and Terren Allen donned their caps and gowns before Killingly High School's graduation ceremony last Friday, June 21.

## Keep on truckin'

BROOKLYN — The Brooklyn Fairgrounds was a busy place for the 31st Annual Nutmeg Antique Truck Historical Society. Over 300 trucks rolled in for the meet and show on June 23 which featured tractors, a flea market and an antique toy show and sale.

In 1971 the truck transportation industry acknowledged Antique Truck Historical Society (ATHS) as having a high level of knowledge to promote preservation and research in the development of trucks. Their goal is to be focused on preserving information and the history of the trucking industry. Some of the history includes manuals, books, photos and documents of various commercial vehicles in America from their begin-

ning days to the present day.

Every year there is a featured show truck at the event. This year's truck was a model 720, a 1944 General Motor Truck. Trucks featured ranged from the 20's and up, from an old oil tanker and dump trucks to Fords, Chevys and an International pickup truck.

The International pickup is owned by Harold Foskett, Jr., who has been a collector for over 30 years. He had a 1954 on display for all to see. Foskett, along with his wife Cynthia are members of the local Nutmeg Chapter ATHS.

"I purchased it from another club member and restored it," said Foskett, from Woodstock.

The 1954 International isn't the only International that he owns.

"I previously purchased and

still own a 1949 International. I knew this guy who was like an uncle to me. He owned the '49 International. When he died, his wife called me and offered it to me because she knew I liked it," said Foskett.

He now owns two of them. The Fosketts attend about four shows per year. The farthest they have ever driven to a truck show is up to scenic Northern Vermont. Last fall they drove the truck to East Hartford to participate in Wishes On Wheels at Rentschler Field. The event benefits Make-a-Wish Connecticut, who provides wishes to children with a life threatening illness.

Harold's wife, Cynthia, travels along right beside her husband to the truck shows.

"It is a nice hobby," she said. "Everything we earn goes to



Karen Butera photo

Harold Foskett, Jr., from Woodstock, showcases his 1954 International Pickup at the 31st Annual Nutmeg Chapter ATHS. Foskett is the Vice President of the Club.

charity. We sponsor ARC, TEEG, Boy Scouts, Salvation Army and the Hall of Fame Museum for the trucks."

"Sometimes one of my kids

will drive the additional truck to a show while I drive the other one," said Foskett — but his wife of 30 years is always at his side.



# Putnam Lions name new officers

PUTNAM — The Putnam Lions had their awards and induction ceremony on June 20. Sarah Hemingway, of the Audubon Society in Pomfret, was awarded the Gerry Lapointe Award, given to a non-Lion for outstanding service to the community. The Jerry Richard Award was given to Lions Steve and Leia Faucher for going above and beyond in their service to the club. Lion Amy Franklin received the Melvin

Jones Award for exemplary service and dedication to the Lions. Induction of new officers took place after the awards ceremony. The new officers are as follows: President Amy Franklin, 1st Vice President Leia Faucher, Tail Twister Ross Sward, Lion Tamer - Ed Briere, Secretary - Deb Barbour, Treasurer - Mel Cassio, Board of Directors - Steve Faucher, Sheila Coderre and Paulette Blagburn, Membership Chair -

Mary Ann Pezanko. In addition, the 2nd Vice President is Mary Ann Pezanko and the 3rd Vice President is Mike Hanrahan. Lions clubs are a group of men and women who identify needs within the community and work together to fulfill those needs. For more information on the Putnam Lions, visit their Facebook page or e-mail putnamlionsclub15@gmail.com



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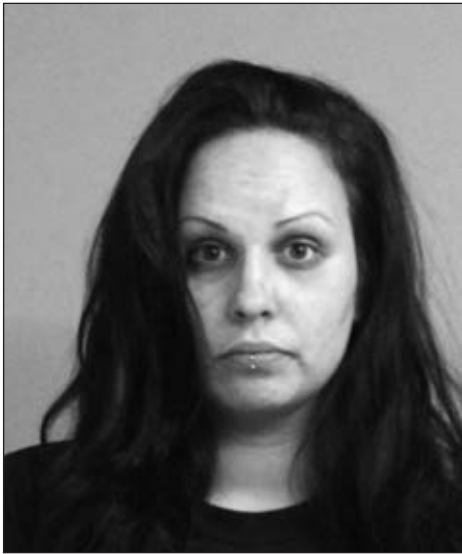
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## Killingly woman busted for drugs

KILLINGLY — On June 18 at approximately 8:31 p.m., members of the Connecticut State Police Troop D – Quality of Life Task Force stopped a vehicle on Olearos Hill Road in Plainfield for Failure to Maintain Lane. Troopers approached the car and identified the driver as Juliana Levine, 27, from Killingly, and discovered that she had a suspended Connecticut driver's license. While placing Levine under arrest for driving with a suspended license, QLTF Troopers discovered 76 bags of fentanyl pre-packaged for sale as well as crack cocaine. Levine was transported to Troop D where she was processed and charged with Possession of Narcotics - 21A-279(A), Possession of narcotics with Intent to Sell – 21a-278(b), Operating Under Suspension 14-215 and Failure to Maintain Lane 14-236. Levine was released on a \$50,000 bond and is scheduled to appear in Danielson Superior Court on July 3.

Members of the Connecticut State Police are committed to combating drug activity in the “Quiet Corner” and anyone with information regarding the illegal sale of narcotics are encouraged to call the Troop D QLTF anonymous Tips Hotline at (860) 779-4950 or message the QLTF Facebook page.

approximately 8:17 p.m., members of the Connecticut State Police Troop D – Quality of Life Task Force stopped a vehicle on Route 12 near route 205 in Wauregan for Misuse of Plates 14-147c, Uninsured Motor Vehicle 14-213b and Unregistered Motor Vehicle 14-12a. Troopers approached the car and identified the driver as Brittany Dauphinais, 24, from Killingly. While interviewing Dauphinais, she admitted to having fentanyl and crack cocaine. QLTF Troopers subsequently seized four grams of fentanyl as well as crack cocaine. Dauphinais was transported to Troop D where she was processed and charged with Possession of Narcotics - 21A-279(A), Misuse of Plates 14-147c, Uninsured Motor Vehicle 14-213b and Unregistered Motor Vehicle 14-12a. Dauphinais was released on a \$10,000 bond and is to appear in Danielson Superior Court on July 9.



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## Traffic stop leads to cocaine arrest

KILLINGLY —On Monday, June 24, at **Brittany Dauphinais**

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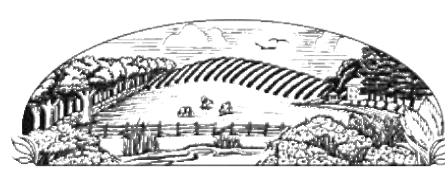
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# Legion namesake Anselm J. Mayotte was priest and patriot

BY RONALD P. CODERRE  
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PUTNAM — Around the end of 1917 and the beginning of 1918, while World War I was raging in Europe and the American “doughboys” were engaged in battle with Germany, the need for chaplains of all denominations to care for the spiritual needs of the troops was growing desperately. Bishop John J. Nilan of the Diocese of Hartford asked for volunteers from among the priests under his jurisdiction in Connecticut.

A young curate from St. Mary’s Parish was one of more than 40 priests who answered the bishop’s call. His name was Anselm Mayotte. This courageous young man would spend approximately six months on the front lines with the American troops in some of the worst conditions experienced by the United States military in the history of our country. He would eventually surrender his life for our country on December 5, 1918; just six days shy of his 30th birthday.

Father Anselm Joseph Mayotte was born on December 11, 1888 in St. Dominique, Quebec, Canada. He was the son of a blacksmith, Albert Mayotte and Mathilde Bonneau. While still a young man, Mayotte’s family immigrated to the Quinebaug section of Thompson, Connecticut. Mayotte’s childhood was spent much like many youth of his time, although early on it became apparent that he was destined for religious life.

Mayotte left Bartlett High School in Webster, Mass., in the fall of 1906 and enrolled at St. Thomas Seminary in Hartford, where he spent five years studying for the priesthood. He concluded his studies with three years at St. Sulpice in Paris and two years at St. Bernard Seminary in Rochester, New York. He was ordained by Bishop Nilan at the cathedral in Hartford on June 10, 1916.

Prior to embarking on his World War I chaplaincy assignment, young Father Mayotte spent 13 months tending to the spiritual needs of St. Mary’s parishioners in Putnam, as well as serving as principal of the parish school.

Upon his entry into the military, the popular priest was commissioned a Chaplain with the rank of 1st Lieutenant on February 1, 1918. His departure from St. Mary’s left a void with the members of the congregation although they were proud of the young curate while saddened at the same time.

Mayotte described his voyage across the Atlantic as “uneventful and monotonous” with life boat drills twice a day. He did say daily Mass and hear confessions while on board the ship. Upon landing he went through an eight-week officer training course and a special ten-day course for chaplains. On May 3 he was assigned to the 102nd Infantry Regiment, where his life would be anything but uneventful and monotonous.

During the next seven months Father Anselm J. Mayotte would be in the middle of and witness first hand some of the fiercest and most treacherous military action and conditions the United States had ever encountered.

Making his way to the 102nd Regiment Headquarters in the combat zone, Chaplain Mayotte “began to hear the continuous roar of the cannons.” His steel helmet, which seemed so large when it was issued, “now seemed ridiculously small.” His stay with the 102nd would be short.

On June 15, 1918, Mayotte was transferred to the 2nd Division, specifically to the 12th Field Artillery Regiment. Coincidentally, his transfer came at a time when the troops were taking part

in the month-long effort to blunt the German offensive at Belleau Wood and nearby Vaux. Although he was still a relatively new chaplain, Mayotte took to his assignment like a veteran. He remained with the men despite daily shelling and other enemy activities. He wrote, “I am living in a tent in the woods and like this open-air life very much. Of course, there are many hardships and privations but I do not mind these because by sharing these with the men, I find is the best way to gain their confidence and sympathy.” In addition to saying Mass in the open air and hearing confessions, Mayotte, on horseback, visited the doughboys in all six batteries in his regiment.

This was the essence of his duty. He summarized it up writing, “The one desire of the soldiers is to be at the front. It is my desire too, and in spite of the dangers and hardships, I hope to be at the front until the end. That is where the chaplain can do his best work.” On the morning of July 14, the 12th Field Artillery began a grueling 24-hour march. For Mayotte he came to know war in all its awful aspects. He described what he saw in a letter, “the dead lying everywhere, the ground plowed by shells, giant trees uprooted or broken as if they were mere toothpicks, villages destroyed, here and there an aeroplane dashing to the ground, dead horses lying about.” He concluded by writing, “war is hell and no matter how horrible the description may seem, they are not exaggerated.” On September 11, Mayotte along with the 12th Field Artillery received orders to move into place for the attack on St. Mihiel. The scene as described by Mayotte was dark and rainy with a chilly north wind. Horses were moving in mud and water up to their knees. And although he personally wore a waterproof trench coat he was drenched to the skin. When he alit from his horse he was in water and mud up to his ankles.

At 1 a.m. and for the next seven hours the sound of



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Anselm J. Mayotte

Thanksgiving 1918, a mere two weeks following the signing of the Armistice, Mayotte and his unit were near Buchehofe, Germany, when he was transported to a hospital in Echternacht, Luxemburg, with full-blown flu symptoms. He died on December 5 of bronchopneumonia. Following a solemn High Mass at St. Wilbrordus Church, he was buried there the following day.

In his eulogy, Chaplain Mayotte’s battery Commander praised the young priest: “Padre was a brave and true soldier. Nothing was too hard for him to do if Duty called. I’ve seen him do things as a matter of course which I would stop and think about. And I am not considered a coward. Padre has left a place in our hearts which it will take a long time to fill if at all. His sense of humor and good nature can never be forgotten.... Padre gave his life for his country just as surely as if he had been killed in battle.”

Chaplain Anselm Mayotte’s remains were returned to the

United States in 1920. In November of that year in what is described in the Wednesday, November 3 edition of the Windham County Observer as “A most fitting and impressive tribute was paid to the memory of Rev. Anselm Mayotte.”

The article goes on to say that St. Mary Church was filled to capacity, “where many had been occupying pews since 6 a.m. that they might be well placed for the service. Several hundred persons who could not find seats waited outside the church for the opening of the solemn High Mass of Requiem.” The Mass was celebrated by Rt. Rev. John J. Nilan, Bishop of Hartford.

Dignitaries and clergy from throughout Connecticut and the surrounding area were in attendance for the solemn ceremony, which included military honors. The funeral sermons were preached by Rev. John Charles Mathieu, who spoke in French and Rev. G.C. Brady who gave the address in English. Rev. Charles F. Bedard, pastor of St. Mary Parish expressed his feelings, noting the high regard in which Father Mayotte was held by the people of St. Mary and Putnam.

On Tuesday, August 12, 1919, with approximately 125 members in attendance at the former Union Hall, a vote was taken and ratified naming Post #13, American Legion Anselm Mayotte Post #13.

As American Legion and Post #13 celebrate their 100th Anniversary, the memory of Reverend Anselm J. Mayotte lives on. He’s remembered as a person who was loved by all who knew him, for his sense of humor and his love of God and country. He was a person who went beyond the call of volunteerism during a time when his country and American men were fighting for the freedom enjoyed by Americans today.

It was Chaplain Mayotte’s desire to help others in the most heroic fashion, by giving his life for his country, that he is remembered as Putnam and St. Mary Church, priest and patriot.

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# A toast to the community

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One of the things that the American Legion Benson-Flugal Post 111 of Woodstock enjoys doing is making sure they raise enough funds throughout the year to provide the ability for youth to participate in the programs they support. On June 19, from 5 to 9 pm., they held a Celebrity Bartender Fundraiser event at the Crossings Restaurant and Brew Pub in Putnam. People came out from local communities to support the event.

Glenn Boies, Commander of the American Legion Post 111 in Woodstock was present.

“The fundraiser is to support the different charitable operations that we have for Boys State, Girls State and State Police Youth Week,” said Boies. “Both the Boys and Girls State are opportunities for junior high school students to spend the week immersed in the proper operations of a democracy. This includes the Parliamentary Procedure of the Robert Rules Of Order”

Once the students arrive, they do town government role playing, where they run a town meeting the proper way. It teaches them to ask questions in the proper manner at a town meeting.

“We also sponsor State Police Youth Week. For this program the State Police run them through a mock Police State

Academy. It is for Juniors who will be graduating to seniors,” said Boies.

The State Police run the students through military type drills and teaches them about police procedures.

The Post 111 members hope to see younger people get involved and become members. They also support Fisher House which helps to provide temporary housing for families that need to travel and have a place to stay when loved ones are in with the Veterans Administration. It is a way for the veteran to be close to loved ones.

“This way the vets can be supported during their hospital stay by family members. There is either a minimum charge or no charge for staying at Fisher House,” said Boies.

This is the first time they have tried a Celebrity Bartender Fundraiser. In the past they have raised enough money to support their programs with a food truck at the Woodstock Fair.

“In order to help supplement our decreased profit margin from the fair, we decided to try a Bartender Fundraiser to make up for the short-fall,” said Boies.

The Post needs between \$8,000 and \$10,000 per year to pay for the programs they support. Ron Coderre, Commander of District 4 and a previous Commander of Post 13 of Putnam was one of the Celebrity Bartenders of the evening. Having participated as a Celebrity Bartender many times in the past for



Ron Coderre, Commander of District 4 and past Commander of Post 13 of Putnam supports Post 111 Fundraiser.

various fundraisers, he is well versed with the event. He is also extremely familiar with the American Legion, having spent about 35 years in the program.

“There are four pillars for the Post,”

said Coderre. “The first is the care of Veterans. The second is National Security. The third is Americanism - which teaches younger kids values and respect for the flag. The fourth is Boys State and Girls State.”

## Father’s Day haircuts at Matulaitis

PUTNAM — The Matulaitis Family Council came up with a unique way to honor the

Fathers in the facility. On June 15, three professional barbers from “A Gentleman’s Choice

Barbershop” in Putnam volunteered for a few hours to give some male residents a Father’s Day shave and haircut. Men are greatly outnumbered at Matulaitis Rehabilitation and Skilled Care in Putnam. Only 18.8 percent of the long-term care residents are men so many activities are geared toward women.

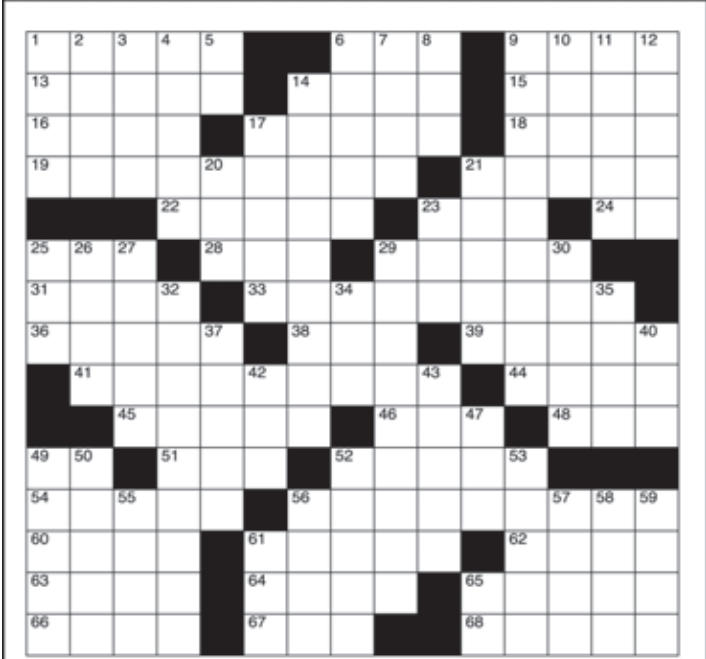
“What a fantastic after-

noon,” said Denise Harkins, Matulaitis Family Council Chairperson. “There were some great friendly exchanges when a resident, a Yankee fan, saw the ‘B’ on the barber’s hat. It was real guy stuff.”

And “guy stuff” and comradery are often what male residents crave. Tony Jaimes, Pete Cunha and Mel Jaimes are barbers at “The Gentleman’s

Choice Barbershop” in Putnam. They turned the salon at Matulaitis into a man cave, They gave haircuts and shaves and companionship to about 12 male residents. They enjoyed the residents and chatted easily with each one. Men who seldom speak were talking and smiling.

“We’re just three great guys giving back,” said Pete Cunha

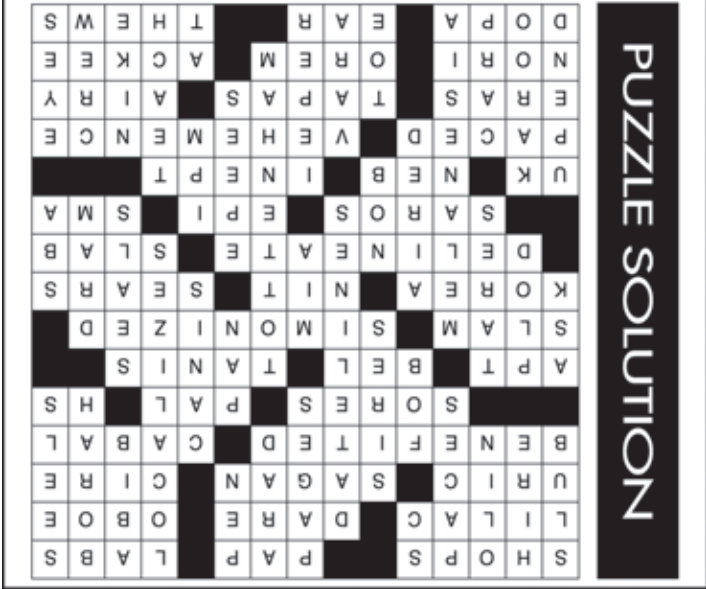


CLUES ACROSS

1. Stores  
6. Worthless entertainment  
9. Where scientists work  
13. Pretty flower  
14. A way to act  
15. Double-reed instrument  
16. Type of acid  
17. Famed astronomer  
18. Smooth, shiny fabric  
19. Profited from  
21. Secret clique  
22. Infections  
23. Crony  
24. Teens go here every day (abbr.)  
25. Suitable  
28. Fresh Price of \_\_\_ Air  
29. Ancient city of Egypt  
31. Basketball move  
33. Polished  
36. There’s a north and a south  
38. Egg of a louse
39. Once-ubiquitous department store  
41. Portray precisely  
44. Thick piece of something  
45. Period between eclipses  
46. Indicates near  
48. Investment account  
49. England, Scotland, N. Ireland, and Wales (abbr.)  
51. Beak  
52. Void of skill  
54. Walked back and forth  
56. A display of passion  
60. Geological times  
61. Type of restaurant  
62. Spacious  
63. Edible seaweed  
64. Utah city  
65. Tropical tree  
66. Nervous tissue compound  
67. Body part  
68. Muscles and tendons

CLUES DOWN

1. Draw out wool  
2. Give someone a job  
3. Chemical and ammo manufacturer  
4. Footsteps  
5. The Palmetto State  
6. Books have lots of them  
7. Diverse Israeli city  
8. It’s mightier than the sword  
9. Confines  
10. First month of the Jewish ecclesiastical year  
11. Idaho’s highest peak  
12. Prevents from seeing  
14. Determine time  
17. Father children  
20. Tab on a key ring  
21. Dog genus  
23. Peter’s last name  
25. Request  
26. Walk heavily  
27. Allowances
29. English football squad  
30. Fish-eating aquatic mammals  
32. South Pacific island region  
34. Unaccounted for  
35. Small taste of whiskey  
37. Ventilated  
40. Helps little firms  
42. One of means  
43. Fencing swords  
47. Inches per minute (abbr.)  
49. Turn upside down  
50. S. African semi desert  
52. Dutch names of Ypres  
53. Instruct  
55. Oily freshwater fish  
56. Italian river  
57. Sneaker giant  
58. The men who man a ship  
59. Some need glasses  
61. Body part  
65. Indicates position



PUZZLE SOLUTION



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Mel Jaimes gives haircut to Matulaitis resident

The barbers: Tony Jaimes, Pete Cunha and Mel Jaimes.



Pete Cunha gives haircut to resident Larry Bellerose

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# Putnam Rotary supports Quiet Corner



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Rotary’s Past Presidents, from left, Doug Porter, John Miller, Rande Chmura, Rick Place, Bill Brower, Richard Loomis, Gary Osbrey, Karen Osbrey, Marc Archambault, Renee Smith, and Joseph Adiletta.

BY CAROL DAVIDGE  
FOR THE VILLAGER

PUTNAM — Over the past year, the Rotary Club of Putnam has invested more than \$60,000 in organizations and scholarships to students within its service towns of Putnam, Woodstock, Thompson, Pomfret and Eastford. During its meeting on June 18, the group’s theme of “Be The Inspiration” was evident among the 55 members in attendance. Three community groups and Day Kimball Hospital received grants that day. Thompson Together received a grant of \$1,506 to improve a park in the River Mill Village of North Grosvernordale by installing additional swing sets for 40 families there, according to Beth Goldsmith, President. The Town of Woodstock’s Palmer Arboretum will use its grant of \$3,500 to restore a boardwalk and removed trees that came down during recent storms, said Bill Brower, past-president. The Town of Eastford’s grant of \$3,100 will help preserve its Charter Oak Tree descendant and historic 1806 Union Society Building, said First Selectman Jacqueline Dubois. Day Kimball Hospital received a total of

\$5,000 for its programs for cancer, hospice, the underinsured or uninsured, and, most importantly, its patients, according to Kristen Willis, DKH’s Director of Development. “This year The Rotary Club of Putnam celebrated 96 years of serving our communities. Rotary is a volunteer organization dedicated to providing humanitarian service throughout the world,” said outgoing president John Miller. “I’m truly grateful to all of you for this opportunity to serve,” he said. “Our work is about the many lives we have touched through the years. We may not know each person we’ve helped, but it’s knowing that we’ve all made a difference that counts,” he added. The grants to Day Kimball Hospital included: \$1,500 to Day Kimball At Home services of HomeCare, HomeMakers, and Hospice & Palliative Care; \$500 to DKH Junior Volunteer Program; \$500 to the Northeast CT Cancer Fund of DKH; and \$2,500 as a special gift presented in recognition of DKH’s 125th anniversary. Other DKH recipients noted that these gifts also help people who are underinsured, and that the grants help 70 local children with illnesses to be able to attend Camp Cutler at the Y.



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From left, Jacqueline Dubois, First Selectman Town of Eastford; Rick Place, Rotary Past-President; Elizabeth Goldsmith, President of Thompson Together; Bill Brower, past-president Palmer Arboretum; John Miller, Rotary President, and Sara Laughlin, Vice President of Thompson Together.



Richard Naumann photo

Day Kimball staff accepting Rotary grants, from left, Dr. John Graham, Chief Medical Officer; Renee Smith, Executive Director of DKH At Home; Joseph Adiletta, Chairman, DKH Board of Directors; Janet Smith, Coordinator of Pastoral Care & Volunteer Services; Kristen Willis, Director of Development; and Rotary Club President John Miller.

## Putnam Bank’s Reed honored



Courtesy photo

Jessica Reed

PUTNAM — Independent Banker, the flagship publication of Independent Community Bankers of America (ICBA), has named Jessica Reed of Putnam Bank as one of its 40 Under 40: Emerging Community Bank Leaders. The first-annual, nomination-based award recognizes up-and-coming community bankers who demonstrate exceptional potential in leadership, innovation and community work. “This group of young professionals should give all of us a sense of pride and optimism as we look to the future of America’s community banks,” said Matt Kusilek, publisher, Independent Banker. “Now more than ever, this industry sees the value of the energy and ideas of people like our emerging leaders, who believe in the importance of the community banking model. We’re really pleased to be able to highlight their accomplishments so far and look forward to what they’ll do next.” Winners were featured in the June 2019 issue of Independent Banker, which will be showcased on the Independent Banker website and accessible via the digital issue of the magazine. “Recognition of Jessica for her demonstrated skills as a leader in banking, her contribution to continued innovation, and her community service is justly deserved. Jessica is one of the rising stars at Putnam Bank and further supports the promising future of community banks. We are pleased that she is receiving this national attention,” said Thomas Borner, President & CEO, Putnam Bank.



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# LEARNING

## Killingly High School honor roll

DAYVILLE —The Killingly High School honor roll for the fourth quarter is as follows.

Seniors High Honors: Archambault, Katherine Elise; Auger, Brendon Tyler; Brower, Jacob Joseph Gimson; Burdick, Jennifer Lynn; Credit, Tate Ashton; Fontaine, Brianna Marguerite; Fournier, Faith Celeste; Gaudette, Tres-Belle Elizabethann; Hunt, Jasmine; Jax, Taylor Leigh; Laurito, Danielle Hope; Levesque, Allison E; Morin, Emily; Soto, Vanessa; Vazquez, Elionna Valencia; Watling, Emily Anne; West, Corinne Alicia

First Honors include: Allen, Terren Danee; Antonelli, Samuel Nathan; D'Amico, John Leo; Durand, Lauryn Shae; Ernest, Ronald Joseph; Knupp, Taylor Ann; Langlois, Hanna Marie; Marceau, Emma Iris; O'Connor, Michael Fallon; Peckham, Kaitlyn Rene; Petersen, Dylan Andrew; Phelan, Matthew Paul; Raheb, Joseph Steven; St. John, Brianna Gabrielle

Second Honors include: Allen, Kelsey Vera; Alvord, Jasmine Samantha; Ayotte,

Karena Ann; Becker, Jacey Lauren; Blais, Derek Richard; Bragdon, Colin; Chatelle, Mackenzie Benz; Chitwood, Alexandra Rose; Dionis, Nazmia Constantine; Faucher, Rylee Allison; Filbert, Andrea Tabitha; Gancarz, Jailyn Nicole; George, Ezra Turner; Gervasio, Quinlan Paul; Gottardi, Andrea; Guskey, Joseph Edward; Hicks, Tiffany Amber; Johndrow, Colby Gabriel; Lafleur, Nathan Paul; LeBlanc, Cecilia Gail; Leonetti, Sophia Elizabeth; Lynch, Samantha Sandra Rose; Marcoux, Noah Nelson Paul; Mayotte, Lauren Alexis; Nayman, Isabella Tom; Parsons, Bryce Ayers; Patel, Prachi Vijay; Pelletier, Erik George; Philbrook, Berlin R; Pratt, Sedona Riley; Robinson, Emily Patrice; Rojas, Itzel Karyme; Rull, David Joseph; Russo, Kane William; Soctomah, Jesse Renee; Strom, Alexander James; Wilson, Jasmine Leah

Juniors High Honors: Farnsworth, Russell Stephen; Lefevre, Cassidy Joy; Parsons, Aidan James; Pawul, Christopher

First Honors include:

Farnsworth, Russell Stephen; Lefevre, Cassidy Joy; Parsons, Aidan James; Pawul, Christopher

Second Honors include: Bates, Mirabelle Ann; Burlingame, Alissa D; Burnham, Savannah Rose; Caffrey, Brianna Hope; Cerbo, Keeley Rose; Deschamps, Mariah Rose; Desjardin, Thomas; Gagnon, Caroline Elizabeth; Hyatt, Lauren Nicole; Jackson, Mackenzie Marie; Jones, Lauren Taylor; Kirkconnell, Lauren Paige; Lackner, Christopher Robert; Murd, Samantha Ella; Shaw, Dylan Thomas; Surrell, Abbygail Christine; Tang, Isabel Jiayi; Theroux, Benjamin; Townsend, Evan Michael; Turner, Emma

Sophomores High Honors: Card, Abby Morgan; Flynn, Nikki; Hirschboeck, Bailey Morgan; Lavigne, Cole R; MacPhail, Amelia Rose; Purcell, Julia Margarita; Raheb, Daniel Peter; Rosen, Sydney Dakota; Stockford, Lillian Margaret; Sumner, Madelyn Rose; Watson, Kaleb Andrus

First Honors include: Allen, Evelyn Grace;

Antonelli, Abraham David; Barber, Cal Henry; Buisson, Savannah R; Burgess, Abigail Marie; Cerbo, Grace Nicole; Charron, Janelle Marie; Dunn, Laney Abigail; Farquhar, Mackenzie Grace; Griffin, Annie Dwyer; Griffin, Sophie Skidmore; Groh, Lance Anthony; Hopkins, Kaleigh Elise; Hopkins, Madison Reed; Lessey, Isabelle Joy; Norgren, Abigail Lynne; Picariello, Shannon Elizabeth; Roberts, Sarah Danielle; Rukstela, Jordan Taylor; Weiss, Matthew D; Wrobel, Meghan Page

Second Honors include: Baublitz, Dedrick Adam; Briere, Madison; Buquiran, Vanessa Rebecca; Capuano, Allison M; Chanaphay, Kelley; Douglas, Colton Michael; Faucher, Alexis Mae; Fensley, Virgil Patrick; Hebert, Ann-Marie Rosalie; Hopkins, Julia Renee; Keefe, Paige Elisabeth; Keene, Kyle; Lamoureux, Olivia Marie; Larrow, Tate Gregory; Lehtinen, Emilee Juliana; Leite, Hunter Roland; Lemoine, Taylyn Adriana; Lyon, Nevaeh; Machamer-Burgess, Jordyn Rose; Morrisette, Cooper Andrew; Morrisette,

Charlotte Lillilan; Normandie, Dana Lee; Peaslee, Madyson Emma hope; Pellitier, Piper Jaylin; Pepin, Bailey Marie; Pomerleau, Alyssa Terri Shand; Revellese, Sophia Katherine; Rice, Kevin M; Sanchez, Dakota Ray; Siegmund, Hannah Marie; Smith, Mason Zachary; Socha, Grace Hanley; Swenson, Samantha Marie; Walters, Kody T; Wright, Thomas Wayne; Yaworski, Bo Michael

Freshmen High Honors: Bellows, Shelby Lynne; Carpenter, Emma Rose; Cicchetti, Nicole Janice; Curran, Thomas William; Gilbert, Emma Rae; Graham, Gabriella Kyle; Gutierrez, Lily M; Lamparelli, Sage Ann; Martin, Rhiannon Marie; Morris, Reagan Olivia; Pacheco, Kia; Percival, Benjamin; Torrente, Kaia Grace

First Honors include: Bonin, Kayla Marie; Brytowski, Ayvril Taylor; Cathell, Payton O'Leary; Crossman, Khloe Marie; Diaz, Alicia; Dube, Makala Ross; Giambattista, Lennon; Goulston, Samantha Barrows; Holmes, Ryan; Mandeville, Ella Raye; Moore, Sophia

Jacqueline; O'Neil, Gary; Ormstead, Gianna Noelle; Palmer, Josephine Lynn; Revellese, Julia Marie; Sanchas, Rachel Amanda; Turner, Savannah Alexis

Second Honors include: Barry, Georgia Lynn; Beaudry, Kylie Melanie; Carver, William Everett; Civitello, Elizabeth Marie; DeRouin, Robert Allen; Dufault, MaryGrace Amelia; Duquette, Payton Renee; Ellis, Quinn Christopher; Frantz, Carissa; Girard, Sierra Rose; Grzysiewicz, Jason; Hajder, Xavier Rafael; Jellison, Maggie Jean; Keefe, Payton Olivia; Lawrence, Hailey Nicole; Loiselle, Collin Robert; Manoogian, Alyvia June; Martell, Thomas Christopher; Morrisette, Julianna Elizabeth; Nanthavong, Isaac Joy; Norris, Kayleigh Ann; Poirier, Katherine Barbour; Radtke, Hailey Elizabeth; Rice, Alyssa Fayth; Sirimongkhoun, Kaylei; Strangman, Kathryn Grace-Kelly; Varin, Seth Matthew; Ward, Lola Allison; Waterman, Brady Scott; Yater, Alyssah Ryann; Zea, Laylah Ali; Zicolella, Sydney Anastasia

### Free summer meals in Killingly

KILLINGLY — Killingly Public Schools announced their participation in the federally funded Summer Food Service Program (SFSP). Under the SFSP, nutritious meals are provided to all children 18 years and under free of charge at the following sites:

Name and Address of Sites Meals Available and Serving Times and Dates” No services on July 4.

Westfield Café: 79 Westfield Ave, Danielson, Breakfast 8:45 - 9:15; Lunch 11:45 - 12:30; July 1 to August 1; Monday – Thursday.

Killingly High School: 226 Putnam Pike, Dayville; Breakfast 8:30 - 9:15; Lunch 11:45 - 12:30; July 1 to August 1; Monday – Thursday.

Killingly Intermediate School: 1599 Upper Maple St. Dayville, CT 06241; Breakfast 8:30 - 9:15; Lunch 11:35 - 12:15; July 1 to August 2; Monday – Friday.

Persons interested in receiving more information should contact: Timothy Mugan, KHS 226 Putnam Pike, Dayville, (860) 779-6792.

## Killingly High Class of 2019

DAYVILLE — Killingly High School held its graduation ceremony on Friday, June 21. The KHS Class of 2019 is as follows.

Samantha Alexander, Kelsey Allen, Olivia Allen, Terren Allen, Gavin Alvord, Jasmine Alvord, Samuel Antonelli, Katherine Archambault, Brendon Auger, Ryan Axtell, Karena Ayotte, Bryan Barrow, Amber Barry, Jacey Becker, Madyson Belanger, Nathaniel Bennett, Camille Benoit, Bryce Bentinck, Megan Berkery, Paul Bixby, Jr., Rene Bernier, Thomas Bernier, Sydney Berube, Alyssa Blade, Joshua Blain, Erick Boulet, Jordan Braasch, Colin Bragdon, Mia Briere, Jacob Brower, Jennifer Burdick.

Zachary Calhoun, Daniel Charron, Michael Charron, Taylor Charron, Mackenzie Chatelle, Tyler Chitmanotham, Alexandra Chitwood, Mackenzie Coffey, Brianna Coupe, Tyler Cournoyer, Tate Credit, Kera Crossman, John D'Amico, Phil Davis, Colin Denaker, Luke Desaulnier, Jazmyne Diaz, Austin Dickerman, Faith DiMarco, Nazmia Dionis, Lauryn Durand, Kaitlin Dutremble, Ronald Ernest, Rylee Faucher,

Andrea Filbert, Brianna Fontaine, Faith Fournier, Jailyn Gancarz, Tres-Belle Gaudette Benjamin Gaudreau, Alexis Gavitt, Ezra George, Quinlan Gervasio, Raymond Geuss, Sara Giorgi, Gregory Gosselin, Andrea Gottardi, Victoria Greb, Kyle Grey, Joseph Guskey, Evan Hajder, Nsaiah Harriet, Charles Hart, Eric Hart, Dakota Hayden, Grace Hebert. Tiffany Hicks.

Shannon Higbee, Jason Holmes, Gabriella Hopkins, Taylor Jax, Hailey Jimenez, Colby Johndrow, Jelani Johnson, Trevor Johnson, Mary Jordan, Genevieve Kennan, Taylor Knupp, Emilia Kumelski, Nathan Lafleur, Hanna Langlois, Brenden Larson, Danielle Laurito, Cecilia LeBlanc, Sophia Leonetti, Allison Levesque, Alexis Lirette, Jason Long, Samantha Lynch, Emma Marceau, Noah Marcoux, Nolan Marcoux, Joshua Marois, Lauren Mayotte, Kylee Mazzarella, Joseph McClurg, Kaitlyn McCrory, Chance McIntire, Dylan McMerriman, Kadyne Medina, Jamison Mills, Natalya Montez, Joshua Montpelier, Alexandria Morrisette.

Isabella Nayman, Devin Nichols, Michael O'Connor, Cody Ogozalek, Bryce Parsons, Prachi Patel, Kaitlyn Peckham, Erik Pelletier, Dale Pendergast, Derek Petersen, Matthew Phelan, Berlin Philbrook, Jade Plantier, Willie-Nathaniel Postell, Sedona Pratt, Hannah Privee, Sophia Provencher, Joseph Raheb, Blake Reynolds, Aaron Roberge, Elissa Robichaud, Emily Robinson, Joseph Rodriguez, Itzel Rojas, Brandon Rosati, David Rull, Kane Russo.

Matthew Sanchas, Dylan Sanford, Jamison Santese, Morgan Savoie, Ryan Schultz, Jamie Shay, Camryn Soler, Logan St. Martin, Melanie Straub, Alexander Strom, Morgan Tamburri, Jacob Tarryk, Felishia Tassone, Lauren Thorstenson, Jared Toczko-Klingensmith, Ian Torrey, Arianna Toth, Derek Turner, Nicholas VanLiew, Elionna Vazquez, Zeth Viele, Rebecca Walker, Brandon Wallace, Hannah Walters, Shayne Walters, Castor Ward, Drew Ward, Emily Watling, Corinne West, Jasmine Wilson, Blake Wolanin, Caitlyn Woods, Joshua Wright, Derrick Zanni.

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# Killingly High School graduation

DAYVILLE — Killingly High School held its graduation on Friday, June 21. Graduating seniors hung out together in the school hallways one last time before receiving their diplomas.

Charlie Lentz photos



Dylan McMerriman, left, and Nathan Lafleur



From left, Sedona Pratt, Jamison Mills, and Emily Watling



From left, Jade Plantier, Lauren Thorstenson, and Andrea Filbert



From left, Alexis Gavitt, Genevieve Kennan, Sara Giorgi, and Shannon Higbee



From left, Jason Holmes, Eric Hart, Joshua Blain, and Colin Bragdon



From left, Gabby Hopkins, Ian Torrey, Nicholas Van Liew, and Erik Pelletier



From left, Alyssa Blade, Rebecca Walker, Natalya Montez, Alexis Lirette, and Camryn Soler



From left, Jamison Santese, Colin Denaker, and Trevor Johnson



From left, Zachary Calhoun, Mia Briere, and Mackenzie Coffey

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### Schedule of Events

8:30 AM	Coffee & Donut Booth	1:45 – 2:30 PM	Music by Ben Gould & Jeff Wong
9 AM	Attic Treasures & Book Sale open!	2:30 - 3:15 PM	Music by Rick and Abby LaMarre
10:45 AM	Patriotic Dedication Ringing of the Church Bells National Anthem led by Rachel Solomon	3:15 PM	<b>Pipe Organ Pops &amp; Sing-a-long</b> (in the Sanctuary) organist Brenda Rich-Pike & song leader Rev. Dr. Sue Foster
10:45 - 11:45 AM	Music by the East Woodstock Cornet Band	3:15 - 4:00 PM	Music by Mike Glinesky
10:30 AM	Frog Jumping Registration	4:00 PM	Cake Walk with music courtesy of Rich Gaudette, R&R Sound
11 AM	Children's Games / Hay Rides	4:30 PM	Flag Ceremony
11 AM	Frog Jumping Contest		
11 AM - 2 PM	Children's Entertainment with Bella the Clown		
11:30 AM	Chicken BBQ Please enter through the School House stairs		
12:00 PM	Horseshoe Tournament		
12:00 – 12:45 PM	Music by Sarah Jo Burke		
1:00 PM	Parade with MC Rev. Dr. Sue Foster		
2:00 PM	Firemen's Water Polo Muddy Brook Fire Department Bungay Fire Brigade Woodstock Volunteer Fire Association		

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# Living Life in CAPITAL LETTERS

Listening to little kids at play can be very instructive, not to mention entertaining. Their interactions are decisive: “This part is mine! You go stand over there!” Their statements are bold and declarative: “Get out of here, William! Go home!” They happily allow themselves to be distracted if something better comes along: “Yay! Cupcakes!” Almost any conversation of small children seems to take place IN CAPITAL LETTERS. There is no room for subtlety and nuance.

Adults, at some point, lose the raw, unbridled enthusiasm of kids at play. We lose the confidence to instruct others and still be sure of their friendship and solidarity. We forget how to throw ourselves into a single task that takes up a whole day. We also forget how to let ourselves be talked into a temporary distraction (“Cupcakes!”) without worrying that we’re losing our focus on our main goal. And we definitely do not (or should not) communicate in CAPITAL LETTERS.

Kids, especially the smallest and youngest, feel everything with the intensity of an exclamation point. Every low-key thrill, every baby grief, every sensation of hunger or thirst or boredom, is pure, untamed emotion. There’s a lot to envy there. Life is distilled down to the simplest and most basic wants and needs.

But it would be exhausting to live life without the buffers that eventually form in our hearts and minds. Social conventions demand that we speak and interact with other adults in much more moderate and controlled tones. We do lose a certain undiluted quality to our interactions, but it is a necessary change. Civility is definitely a learned and important behavior and is one of the hallmarks of maturity.

But once in a while, isn’t it fun to toss the conventions aside and remember what it’s like to feel pure joy? We do have our chances. There are a lot of “exclamation point” moments to savor: high-stakes baseball games; roller coaster rides; watching fireworks; cracking open an ice-cold beverage after mowing the lawn; sunsets.

Summer, when it finally arrives, seems to provide a lot of those opportunities. As the sunshine lingers on into the late afternoons and fireflies start to light up our evenings, for a while, let’s learn from the littlest among us and allow ourselves the no-holds-barred pleasure of living life in CAPITAL LETTERS.

FROM THE PUBLISHER

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# Prop 46 shenanigans in Woodstock

A few weeks ago I warned of an imminent threat to Woodstock’s Prop by the town’s boards of finance, selectmen, and education. On June 11th the board of finance met with the key agenda item being the disposition of a proposal to capitalize a significant part of this year’s increase in tuition at Woodstock Academy. For months now the argument had been put forward that \$212,483 of next year’s expense was not in fact tuition but actually a capital expense that could be seen as exempt from the spending limits set by Prop 46. This is not the first time that the “spend at all cost” crowd has attempted to use tuition to sidestep Prop 46. Past legal opinions have made it clear Woodstock Academy tuition is part of the

### GUEST COLUMN

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and repair roofs.” Somehow unlike the “construction costs” that have been part of the tuition for at least a couple of decades. Well, on Tuesday June 11th Head of School Chris Sanford of Woodstock Academy was present at the meeting at the request of the BOF to answer questions. He was emphatic, the Woodstock Academy Board of trustee’s – roughly 40 percent of which are Woodstock residents – approved only one thing “a tuition increase”. Now the increase is larger than we have seen in recent years, roughly 6.9 percent and related to those

town budget and subject to the limits of Prop 46, but they argue, “This year is different, it’s not really tuition because it is related to expenses Woodstock Academy is seeing due to the need to dig up tanks

previously mentioned costs for tank removal and roof repairs, but this comes after nine years which have seen a total increase of 2.3% — not per year but for the entire period of nine years. And each of those years included maintenance and repair costs as part of the tuition. So what does this have to do with Prop 46? Simple, rather than have the entire tuition increase be charged to the board of education as it has been for decades, the BOF wants to break out \$212,483 for this year and cover that part of the increased expense with funds from the non-recurring capital fund. This would sidestep the Prop 46 limit and allow the board of education to enjoy a roughly 7 percent per student increase in spending instead of the 5 percent increase it would see if they had to cover the additional \$212,483. But more importantly, it would also set

a precedent allowing for similar actions in the future. If they can capitalize tuition or any part thereof, for the first time in the history of Prop 46 even with legal precedent that says otherwise, then they can designate pretty much anything they’d like as a capital expense not subject to the limits of Prop 46. To do this the BOF will have to have a special meeting, scheduled for July 16th at 7 p.m. in the town hall, where they will have to approve a request by the board of education for a specific capital spending request of \$212,483. Next there will have to be a special town meeting to approve the request followed by a referendum as this request will exceed \$100,000. These are the last chances you have to stop this foolishness and save Prop 46. If this passes there are no limits, and what they failed

ing remark about our “Redmen.” To say the name is racist is ignorant....”incomprehension.” You don’t understand. My grandfather, great-grandfather and great-great grandfather were Narragansett Indians. The year I won the Springtime Festival Queen Pageant (1976), I complained to my Mom about the weird bump in my rather long nose and her response was “This is your Indian heritage.....be proud!” I am!

TAMI JO WYKES  
BROOKLYN

name of respect know that our holiday of Thanksgiving has as much to do with the 1636 “Mystic Massacre” of 700 Pequots as it does with the 1621 feast in Plymouth? How many know that English settlers not only enslaved people native to Eastern Connecticut but also sold them South to be slaves in places like Jamaica and Barbados, clearing the land for towns like Killingly? This is the history that the “Redmen” mascot invokes, whether we intend for it to or not. It’s also a history that, at least in my time, was totally erased from Killingly High’s classrooms, even as we claimed to respect its victims.

If the mascot hurts even a single person who belongs to the tribes of Eastern Connecticut -- and we know it does -- it should be changed yesterday. I don’t know how anyone who claims to have “respect” for these people can justify anything else. I know that many of the people who defend the mascot talk about having pride in our school, but for many of us, the mascot is an obstacle to pride, rather than a symbol of it.

NICK MURRAY, KILLINGLY HIGH ALUMNUS  
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# OPINION

Opinion and commentary from the Quiet Corner

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Change Killingly Redmen nickname

I grew up in Killingly, I graduated Killingly High in 2005. I moved away a while ago but saw that the mascot name is up for debate again.

I used to be proud to wear my baseball shirts and cross country warm ups that displayed what I know now is a slur. I was proud to wear the baseball team jersey in 2005 when we made the state quarter finals (in which I made three errors). In 2008 I was proud enough of my school to put my name on the stickers and magnets I designed that are probably still on some cars around town.

I wore the warm-up jacket proudly until like 2012. It was a quality jacket. But then I realized the mascot name is a derogatory slur. Because I listened to Native Americans who said the mascot name is a derogatory slur. I don’t have the clothes anymore. And I’m ashamed and embarrassed to have my name on those stickers and magnets.

I scrolled through the comments on a local radio station’s posts about the issue, 98 percent of which are bemoaning “PC culture” in a desperate effort to keep the racist name. I’m not proud of my school anymore.

The people speaking out and calling for a name change aren’t “fragile snowflakes”; they’re brave. They are Native Americans standing up and refusing to be a mascot. Or they are outnumbered allies who are willing to step out of their bubbles, question their privileges, put themselves in someone else’s shoes and fight for them. It’s so sad to read through the endless comments from the real fragile snowflakes-- the ones who are begging their high school to keep its mascot name. It’s you who are clamoring for a safe space,

### Keep Redmen nickname

I am grateful. Offended, but grateful! Because a few among us are offended by the imagined racism in our community, like-minded residents, alumni Redmen and Redgals, students, teachers, local businesses and our community-at-large were forced into a bigger venue tonight! Oopsie but Sweet! Thank you!

So awesome to see our community come together to reject the elimination of our 80 year old Killingly Redmen logo! This is true democracy at work.....giving all a voice to denounce this racist label, not defend. Never, ever in my 30-plus years living in Brooklyn and Killingly did I hear a slur or disparag-

### Redmen name hurtful

I grew up in Killingly and graduated from Killingly High School. Though I live in Virginia now, I was recently informed that the Killingly High mascot is again up for debate. I myself was a “Redmen” athlete all four years of high school, playing basketball and golf, which means my closet once included a small collection of Killingly warm-up jerseys, T-shirts and polos. When I left Killingly, I was proud to wear these around so that I could represent our town wherever I happened to be. However, it soon became clear to me that however I felt about the mascot, the word (and sometimes image) that appeared on these clothes was hurtful to many of the people who saw it. Today, the only piece of Killingly High gear is my closet is a reversible warm-up jersey that I always turn inside-out before I play.

Many people who defend the mascot say that to them it is a symbol of respect. I believe them and understand their perspective. I also encourage them to consider the perspective of those who see it as a symbol of something else: genocide. It’s not an overstatement that this is what had to happen in order for the town of Killingly to exist. How many of those who defend the mascot in the

## Baring your sole

The older man was seated on a lawn chair at a summer party. When my husband complimented him on his attractive shoes, he leaned over and took one off and held it up for us to see. We looked down at his white, bare foot contrasted against the green grass. He had very elegant feet. I

forgot about the shoe conversation. Summer time brings us moments to expose ourselves, especially our feet to the pleasures of freedom.

Feet are tricky. I once turned down a job because the women who offered it to me came into my office in bare feet. It was a summer afternoon some years ago and the air conditioning was broken. She had taken off her shoes and was padding around on the prickly office carpet. When I looked down at her feet, which were unattractive, it was suddenly clear to me that we wouldn’t get along, especially if she were the boss. I’m glad I never had to explain why the look of her feet made me turn down a job, but I knew I was right.

Our reaction to our own and other people’s feet reveals itself in religious symbolism as well. Think of Jesus washing the feet of the disciples as representative of humility or the veneration of the feet of Buddha. Feet are so basic and so integral to the quality of one’s life. The feet that take us through the mud are also the way we climb heights and take a stand.

Feet are often embarrassing. There is a trend in taking off one’s shoes when entering a home, one’s own or someone else’s. There is the moment when I wonder if my socks match or if there is a hole in the toe. What about smelly feet or stringy band aids from wearing poorly fitting shoes? Or feet that have gone wonky from overuse, age or genetics? Few of us wear stiletto heels, but the pumps of yesteryear have left their marks.

My husband has half a closet full of shoes that were once the classic symbols of business formality. They are big, heavy Oxfords made from study leather with soles designed to withstand whatever a city sidewalk has to offer.

I visited a Lithuanian museum in the area and marveled at the shoes on display. Wooden shoes, actually clogs often painted or embellished, were worn outside by farmers and soft leather shoes were for inside use.

I told my children that they would grow if they walked barefoot in grass wet with dew. Summer is wonderful because of the feeling of a soft lawn, moss beneath a shade tree and sand on a beach. Dip tired feet into chilly ocean water and suddenly the past slips away and every little cut and bruise is cured. Warm beach sand or cool mud at the bottom of a lake soothe away every insult a foot has ever suffered. Feet hidden from sight for most of the year emerge for moments of freedom. A restorative toe dance across hot pavement probably adds years to one’s life.

One inestimable pleasure this summer is kissing feet. Our twin grandchildren, a girl and a boy, are very different. One has delicate long toes. The other has square feet that look like tiny concrete blocks. Their feet are as unblemished as they are. Kissing them makes all of us laugh.

Our older grandchildren stuff their feet into sneakers and run off or climb, but enjoy a few moments of tickling the bottoms of their feet.

Elegant shoes and feet don’t equal the pleasures of bare feet.



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GLENDALE, ARIZONA



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Keep Native American heritage at Killingly

I understand our town of Killingly is considering changing what has been the school mascot, the Killingly Redmen, since for a very long time.

For my entire life I have been asked the question “what nationality are you?” People would always try to guess, and most couldn’t. I am an interesting mix. Lebanese and Native American among other things I would answer proudly. Cherokee and Blackfoot tribes to be specific. My mother’s father’s family was Native American.

I have always loved that question. It always sparked fun and interesting conversations. Wearing my mixed nationality close to my heart and very proud of who I am, I have never once in 32 years felt like I came from something I should be ashamed of.

I knew friends who were on the sports teams and wore their jersey proud like I wore my nationality. I have never felt like the Killingly school mascot was offensive to me and who I was. I find it

sad that there are people now who want to change this.

Nowadays, everyone is offended by something, political correctness gone wild. That is what is occurring here.

We are known for being the Redmen. They won games with the mascot representing them. To me the “Redmen” name symbolizes strength, endurance, unity and leadership because that is what comes to mind when I think of my history, my great, great family were the original Redmen.

I come from a Native American heritage, and I’m glad Killingly keeps our proud heritage alive.

Changing our school mascot would be stripping our town of its history, erasing the memories of the alumni and in my opinion would be far more offensive to me that some people think my heritage is something I should not be proud of.

GINA DANIS  
KILLINGLY

Advice to fellow Brooklynite

To the Editor: I write in response to the June 21 Letter to the Editor entitled “Brooklyn reader supports friendly debate.” The writer demurs than no offense was intended in any of their previous letters. The writer offers that they used the word “ignorant” but goes on to offer the Merriam Webster dictionary definition for “ignorance.” Perhaps a subtle distinction, however, since “Ignorant” is the word that was used, then it is fair to clarify with the Merriam Webster dictionary definition of that word. To whit: “Destitute of knowledge or comprehension of the thing specified, resulting from or showing lack of knowledge or intelligence.” Previously using the word “Ignorant” and in this case substituting with the definition of “Ignorance” is, at the very least disingenuous. Any rea-

sonable person will recognize that “Ignorant” is, and was, used as a perjorative term. To consider otherwise belies the fact that the writer referred to himself as a “Grammar Geek.”

The writer extols the virtues of friendly debate. I could not agree more. If I may be so presumptuous as to offer my advice to the writer in how that is more readily achieved, here goes: If one wants to indicate that they disagree with the views of others, terms such as ‘ill-informed,’ ‘mis-informed,’ ‘ill-advised,’ ‘incorrect,’ make the point of disagreement without being disagreeable. Perjorative terms like ‘cock-amamie,’ ‘stoopid,’ ‘laughable,’ and “Ignorant” never advance a thoughtful dialogue.

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When rents were \$2 per day



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WEAVER

I’m back browsing through the files at the Killingly Historical Center. A small booklet entitled The Picturesque Village of Chestnut Hill showed East Killingly in its heyday with photos of the various factories. The booklet contained interesting ads including: “Rubbers are Expensive and Troublesome. By using Eclipse Waterproof Leather Dressing you can dispense with Rubbers, and at the same time increase the wearing properties of your Shoes Fifty Per Cent. Eclipse Manufacturing Co., E. C. Peck, Agent, Danielson, CT. (This business in not in the Killingly Business Encyclopedia. If you know anything about it, please email me or contact the Killingly Historical and Genealogical Center).

Another ad was for “Spectacles and Eyeglasses. Best Quality and perfect fit, 50 cents. In Gold Frame, \$1.00 per pair. No better goods made at any price. Lenses re-fitted in your own frames. 25 cents. J. B. Hopkins, Optician. Office and Residence, 3 Broad St., Danielson, CT.

“Mathewson and Francis Insurance, successors to A. B. Mathewson. Savings Bank Block, Danielson; Phone 13-5.”

The booklet could well have been from 1905. The C. H. Bacon House Furnishings ad read 1820-1905. They were selling furniture, bedding, carpetings, window shades, crockery, Magee Ranges, woodware, etc. R. R. Square, Academy and Mechanics Sts. Danielson, CT.

“A. F. Wood, Livery and hack Stable. Hacks furnished for weddings, funerals, and all occasions. Coupe at all trains. Local expressing. Office and stable, first door north of railroad station, less than one minute’s walk from Trolley cars. Funeral Directory and embalmer. 46 Academy St. Telephone 53-2 or 32-2.”

“Central House, S. P. Humphrey, proprietor. Home for commercial men. \$2 per day. Danielson, CT.

“W. N. Arnold & Co. Groceries, 180 Main St. Danielson, CT.

“James A. Nichols, Lumber, Building Materials, windows, doors, blinds, mouldings, fertilizers, paints, oils, etc. General work to order. Danielson, CT”

“Let Gilmore be your photographer. You will make no mistake. Best quality portraits in crayon, pastel and water colors. 93 Elm St., Putnam, CT.” (I include this one since someone may have a photograph by Gilmore and may wonder where he was located).

Since this is the last Killingly at 300 column before the Fourth of July, I thought I’d mention a few tidbits from Killingly’s past celebrations. A Windham County Transcript article from June 29, 1892 advertised

the 4th of July parade in East Killingly. “An unusual amount of enthusiasm will find vent in a parade on the morning of the 4th, the details of which are as follows: Line of Parade. Chief Marshal, Aids (sic); Platoon of Police; Moosup Brass Band, 20 pieces, Henry Holland, leader; Co. B., Highland Lancers, 20 men; Float--Landing of the Pilgrims; Co. G Continentals, Minute Men; Float--Tableaux, Goddess of Liberty, Uncle Sam and 13 original states; Order of Red Men; Drum Corps; Float--The Old Liberty Bell; Co. Q. Antiques and Horribles-60 men; Artillery Mounted; Relief Corps; Citizens on foot and in carriages. Line of March. Form on Main street at the Valley school house at 6 am; move at 7 a.m., sharp, up Main to Ross, down Ross...to Pike, countermarch to Main, down Main to Mashentuck park to be dismissed. All are invited to decorate their lawns and residences on the line of march. By order of the committee, S. H. Oatley, chairman. The Mashentuck club propose giving a splendid picnic July 4th, in the grove back of the Elliotville mill. There will be a clam bake, dancing, tub race, sack race, et. and a display of fireworks tin the evening. Prizes will be given for each event, and all are invited.

If you were in East Killingly during the early 20th century, you would heard of “King George” Jacques who was famous for his clam bakes and clam chowder. “During the annual July 4th outings in East Killingly, (he) would prepare

his famous shore dinner and at the appropriate time would load and fire the cannon out over Peckham Meadow in honor of this important holiday.” This cannon is now at the Killingly Historical and Genealogical Society. It “is an English Naval Gun commonly used in the late 1700’s by the British Royal Navy. It is classified as a four pounder and was used to fire a variety of projectiles including solid and hot shot as well as grape shot to name a few. Sometime in the early 1900’s this gun was acquired by a local man from East Killingly by the name of George Washington Jacques. It is uncertain as to whether Mr. Jacques actually modified the original naval gun to its present appearance by adding the tail piece and large wooden wheels or whether it was in that condition when he purchased it.” (Killingly Historical files).

The horse that Jacques used to pull the cannon was named Pawnee Bill. “George W. Jacques has sold his old and faithful equine friend, ‘Pawnee Bill’, to Jonathan Aldrich. Pawnee, although still good for a number of years of light farm work, such as he will get in his new home, is getting rather old for George’s strenuous life. For nearly or quite a score of years he has been a very familiar local figure and perhaps there is scarcely another horse as well known for miles around. His patriotism was always in evidence, especially each Fourth of July, when, gaudily bedecked with flags,

and bunting, and attached to the guncarriage with the cannon thundering away within a yard of his heels, he would brace himself to sustain the shock of the recoil. In parting with him George retained a Fourth of July lien, and so perhaps we may see him again this year as he shall line up in our annual parade. (WCT 3/24/1910) I must admit that my reaction when I first read this was, “Poor horse!”

Lynn LaBerge commented that her father, Fred Passmore, said that there were two cannons in East Killingly. The one mentioned above was at the Masonn Homestead on Route 101. There was second one in front of Acme Mill. That cannon rattled the windows of Fred’s house on Bear Hill Road on the 4th of July. (conversation with Lynn on June 19, 2019).

Happy Fourth of July to everyone!

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Foundations, ins and outs of stocks

Investing is a tool used to make your money grow, allow you to achieve new milestones in life, or reach financial security. The two main strategies to successful investing are: timing the market, or by seeking a long-term approach using the market’s historical growth to achieve your goals. The main difference between each strategy is the time horizon; trying to time the market is difficult and generally focuses on short term fluctuations in the market, whereas a long-term approach focuses risk adjusted returns over time.

Let’s conclude the month sharing some of the foundations of stocks. Businesses sell shares of stock to investors as a means to raise money to finance expansion, pay off debt, and provide operating capital. Each share of stock represents a proportional share of ownership in the company. As a stockholder, you share in a portion of any profits and growth of the company. Dividends from earnings are paid to shareholders, and growth is realized by the increase in value of the stock.

Why invest in stocks? The main reason that investors buy stock is to seek capital appreciation and growth. Although past performance is no guarantee of future results, stocks have historically provided a higher average annual rate of return over long periods of time than other investments, including bonds and cash alternatives. Correspondingly, though, stocks are generally considered to have more volatility than bonds or cash alternatives.

Can you lose money? Yes, you can. There are no assurances that a stock will increase in value. Several factors can affect the value of your stocks, actions of investors being one of them. If a large number of investors believe that the nation is entering a recession, their actions can affect the direction of the stock market based on how they think the company will react.

Business conditions are another factor; a new patent, an increase in profits, a pending merger, or litigation could affect investor interest and stock prices. Economic conditions such as employment, inflation, inventory, and consumer spending influence the potential profit of a company and its stock price.

Government actions can also be a large contributing factor. Decisions on interest rates, taxes, trade policy, anti-trust litigation, and the budget impact stock prices.

What are the different classifications of stocks? Growth stocks are one type of stock that has earnings which increase at a faster rate than the market average. These are usually in new or fast-growing industries and have the potential to give shareholders returns greater than those offered by the stocks of companies in older, more established industries. Growth stocks are the most volatile class of stock, however, and may be just as likely to go down in price.

Value stocks are those of companies with good earnings and growth potential that are currently selling at a low price relative to their intrinsic value. Due to some problem that may be only temporary in nature, investors are ignoring these stocks. Since it can take quite some time for their true value to be reflected by their price, value stocks are usually purchased for the long term.

Income stocks are generally not expected to appreciate greatly in share price, but typically pay steady dividends. Utility companies have been historically considered income oriented.

Blue chip stocks are the stocks of large, well-known companies with good reputations and strong records of profit growth.



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They also generally pay dividends.

It is usually best to diversify among the different classifications and not own stock in just one or two companies or industries.

How are stocks bought and sold? During an initial public offering (IPO), new issues of stock are sold on the basis of a prospectus that is distributed to interested parties. Investment bankers or brokerage houses buy large quantities of the stock from the company and sell them to investors.

Normally, stock is purchased through a brokerage account. The buy order you place will be directed to the appropriate stock exchange. When an owner of the stock is willing to sell at the price you are willing to pay, the sale takes place. A commission or fee is charged on your transaction.

Stock certificates may be transferred from one owner to another since they are negotiable instruments. The certificates are issued in the buyer’s name or, more typically, held by the brokerage house in street-name on behalf of the investor. The advantage of a street-name registration is that if you decide to sell, you do not have to sign and deliver the stock certificates before the sale can be completed. And you don’t have to worry about losing the stock certificates.

How do you set up a brokerage account? Who will make the investment decisions? You will — unless you give discretionary power to your broker or agent. Discretionary power allows a broker or agent to make decisions based on what he or she believes is best for you. Unless you limit the broker’s or agent’s discretion, this may be done without consulting you about the type of security

and number of shares involved, or about the time and price at which to buy or sell.

How will you pay for the stock? A cash account requires you to pay for each stock purchase in full at the time you buy it. A margin account allows you to borrow money from the brokerage firm. Securities that you own are held as collateral, and interest is charged on the loan.

Invest well: Being familiar and educated on these complicated vehicles to grow your money establishes a foundation to help you better understand the short-term benefits of investing. The more aware you are of the short-term, the better you can understand how things fit in the long-term picture.

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# Putnam High School honor roll

PUTNAM — The Putnam High School honor roll for the fourth quarter is as follows.

Class of 2019: High honors: Trinity Bailey, Morgan Blackmar, Karissah Broughton, Kira Fontaine, Autumn Grimshaw, Sierra Mainville, Thomas Masso, Madison Toutant, Mariah Travisano

First honors: Jordan Alexander, Selena Cordero, Cole Davagian, Kaitlyn Eddy, Violet Khoshtariya, Mya Meadows, Adriana Santos Bravo, Jacob Tremblay, Jane Vongvirath, Christian Yorz

Recognition: Jorge Ajqui Portuguese, Ryan Adrzejcik, Troy Davis, Lauren Deery,

Michael DiColella, Dawnielle Dowd, Stephane Fonseca, Eryka Kittrell, Kylie-Annmarie Kupiec, Savannah Lavoie, Julia Loomis, Devin McCaughey, Maggie McKeon, Chelsea Minaya-Torres, Sebastian Ramos, Jeffrey Reed, Zachary Robinson, Megan Shippee, Kaitlin Slivkoff-Zamora, Alexa Steinbrick, Juanette Vargas

Class of 2020: High honors: Molly McKeon, Ellie Morissette, Hunter Roberts, Julia Silva Pereira.

First honors: Tanner Clark, Jaden Garcia, Jillian Gray, Steven Merritt, Janete Morente Uz, Charlotte Nichols, Jordyn Poole, Hannah Smith, Justin

St. Martin, Noah Tomkins

Recognition: Samantha Baryliski, Autumn Bocash, Matthew Chzaszcz, Haley Cutler, Niajah DeWolfe, Nathaniel Dolbey, Autumn Fikter, Patrick Franks, Reece Gardiner, Abigail Gardner, Clara Greiner, Amerah Harris, Zoe Hetrick, Michael Ionkin, Alexandria Lawson, Anthony Navedo

Class of 2021: High honors: Laylah Chavez, Brenden Guillen, Haddijatou Mbye, Brooke Peloquin

First honors: Nathan Baryliski, Emma Braithwaite, Kaylyn Daigneault, Charisma Farrington, Brenna Fowler, Anna Ionkin, Ethan

Latendresse, Mackenzie Peloquin, Jamie Petre, Emma Rudman, Bethany Smith, Abby St. Martin, Haley Syrjala

Recognition: Greyson Anderson, Johnathan Carita, Alexis Kurtyka, Jack Lomax, Adriana Maltais, Lesbia Morente-Mendez, Julie Morris, Abigail Pelletier, Tyler Shippee, Oscar Steinbrick

Class of 2022: High honors: Autumn Allard, Reagan Boledovic, Johnnathen Brouillette, Amayah Chavez, Tyler Fullerton, Aliya Green, Amelia Labbe-Fahy, James Lazarou, Celenia Lopez, Avery Pedersen, Jack Rindge. Ewa Sekula, Dominic Sheldon, Destiney Simas, Connor Vassar

First honors: Emma Barbeau, Karson Bates, Trinity Bonet Shepard, Samantha Eddy, Kandi Garcia-Morente, Olivia Hassett-Mellen, Brooke Lindell, Iasmin Neves, Benjamin Northup, Stephanie Olecki, Halie Reidy, Adam Tomkins, Hunter Vanasse

Recognition: Saige Albino, Makenna Barnett, Zachary Belleville, Rodrigo Alejandro Candelario Jimenez, David DePari, Ethan Gardner, Cody Keene, Catherine LaForest, Kayla Morrison, Amber Rape, Michael Roach, Kylee Salvas.

## Rotaract awards \$4,000 to local non-profits

PUTNAM — Every year, Quinebaug Valley Regional (QVR) Rotaract Club hosts a Cornhole Tournament to help raise money for local non-profits. This year it partnered with TEEG to help raise money for their various programs to help local families. TEEG’s mission is “to do whatever it takes to empower individuals, strengthen families, engage the community, and connect resources.”

The fourth annual Cornhole Tournament at Speedway Golf Club in Thompson on June 1 raised over \$4,000 to support TEEG as well as providing at least two new mentors for their programs. There were 40 teams who competed in this year’s event for the chance to win one of the cash prizes for the top 3 teams.

“This tournament’s continued success is a testament to our community’s interest in participating in charitable events,” said Outgoing QVR Rotaract President, Jaclyn Thurlow. “The QVR Rotaract Club works very hard to

make sure our events appeal to as large an audience as possible and we are extremely happy with how much interest this event has from both sponsors and teams.”

The Cornhole Tournament fundraiser was established in 2015 as a fundraising event to help the QVR Rotaract club support other local non-profits. These organizations are vital to the community’s well-being and through fundraising efforts like this Tournament, they are able to continue with their missions.

The Rotaract Club is a community service and professional networking organization for young professionals (ages 18 to 35) co-sponsored by the Putnam and Danielson Rotary Clubs and committed to the Rotary model of “Service Above Self.” New members interested in community service and professional networking are encouraged to join. For more information, visit [www.facebook.com/putnamrotaractclub](http://www.facebook.com/putnamrotaractclub) or our website at [www.qvrrotaractclub.com](http://www.qvrrotaractclub.com).



Courtesy photo

Participants in the Cornhole Tournament

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to do at the ballot box to amend or repeal Prop 46 will have been achieved through deception. Keep in mind this isn’t some kind of magic money. It comes from the town general fund and will have to be replaced at some point. In other words, it will come from your tax dollars if not this year then next or the year after. And then we’ll have to do

it again next year.

Watch for the town meeting and then referendum which will follow about a week later — communications are very limited, basically to cover legal requirements so attention is required. Opinions expressed are mine and may not reflect those of the Woodstock board of finance.

*Dave Richardson lives in Woodstock and is an Alternate on the Woodstock Board of Finance*

### PAWS RECEIVES DONATION



WOODSTOCK — Paws Cat Shelter Inc. received a donation of \$4,165 from Ocean State Job lot of Brooklyn. Paws was part of the company’s fundraiser “To the Rescue” and all donations were raised at the Brooklyn location. Pictured, from left, Debra Leblanc, Fay Beriau - President Paws Cat Shelter, Cathy Hart, Bill DiCorcia, Janet St Jean and Kelly Tucker.



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PUTNAM — American Legion Benson-Flugal Post 111 of Woodstock had the support of the community as it held their first Celebrity Bartender Fundraiser on June 19 from 5 - 9 pm. The event, held in Putnam at the Crossings Restaurant and Brew Pub was to raise funds for their local programs. Along with great company, food, drinks and music, there was also a raffle, door prizes and an auction of sports memorabilia.

*Karen Butera photos*



From left, Valerie May of Pomfret, Pat and Everett Sheppard of Woodstock.



Folks from the Woodstock community enjoys a dinner during the American Legion Post 111 of Woodstock Celebrity Bartender Fundraiser.



Keith Lavelle and Rosemary Decamp supporting the American Legion Fundraiser.



Glenn Boies of Woodstock, Commander of American Legion Post 111, Woodstock and Laura Bond of Thompson.



Laure and Brian Maynard of Putnam.



From left, Everett Sheppard, former Commander of Post 111 and former State Commander, Charles Jones, Post 111 Adjunct, Glenn Boies, Commander of Post 111, Todd Smith, Post 111 Finance Officer, Matthew Lamontagne, member of Post 111.

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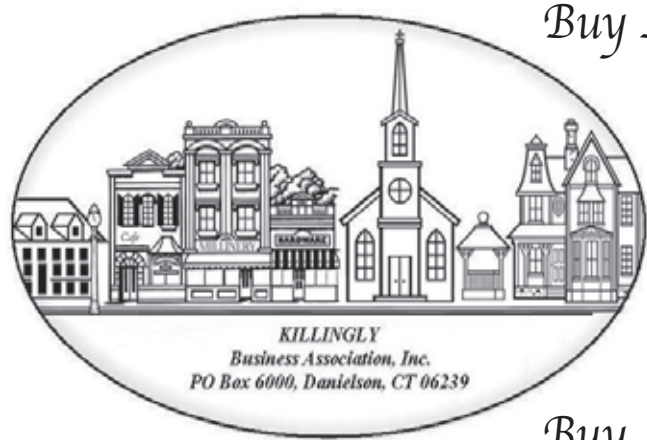
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# Woodstock grads heading off to college



Woodstock Academy seniors gathered in the gymnasium the last week of school. Many will be headed off to college this fall.

Courtesy photo

WOODSTOCK — Many Woodstock Academy graduates were accepted into a diverse list of schools and ultimately will pursue a variety of fields of study. During the final week of school, students posed for the annual future plans picture wearing clothing representing their future plans including enrolling in colleges and universities nearby and around the world, pursuing vocational opportunities, or enlisting in the military.

“After spending time at The Woodstock Academy building their academic foundation, developing their passions, and exploring interests, it is exciting to see where our students are headed,” said Chris Sandford, head of school at The Woodstock Academy.

Class of 2019 College Acceptances: American University; Arcadia University; Arizona State University; Assumption College; Babson College; Ball State University; Baylor University; Belmont University; Bentley University; Boston University; Bradley University; Bucknell University;

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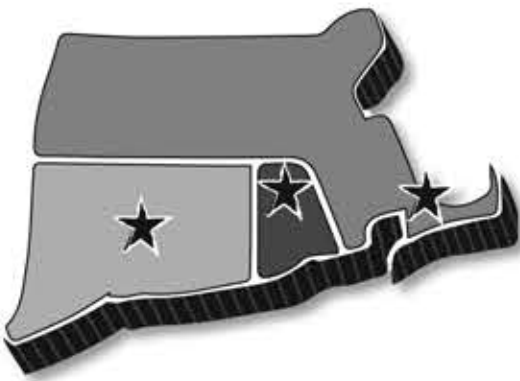
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Karen Butera photos



Zeke Parent and Myra Hagstrom, both of Woodstock.



Andrew and Megan Budd of Eastford enjoying the antique truck show.



Ernie Ross with his 1930 Model AA Ford



Tom Bachand of Woodstock, Club Treasurer of the Nutmeg Chapter.



Peter Yeomans shows off his 1941 Ford and his 1947 Ford Tandem Axle.



Bruce Wright of Brooklyn with his 1936 Ford.



Colleen and John Stapleton checks out the antique trucks at the Nutmeg Chapter ATHS.



Dorothy Yeomans and granddaughter Cassidy at the Antique Truck Show.



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<b>BROOKLYN</b> <b>Tuesday, July 2</b> P&Z Regular Meetings, 6:30 pm., Clifford B. Green Memorial Center	Center Economic Development Commission Regular Meeting, 10:42 am., 172 Main Street, 2nd Fl. Killingly Special Town Council Meeting, 7 pm., Town Meeting Room	Company, Inc. Meeting, 8 pm., Thompson Fire House, 70 Chase Road.
<b>EASTFORD</b> <b>Monday, July 1</b> BOS, 7 pm., Town Office Building	<b>Wednesday, July 3</b> KCG Regular Meeting, 7 pm., Room 102	<b>Tuesday, July 2</b> BOS Meeting, 7 pm., Town Hall, Merrill Seney Community Room
<b>Tuesday, July 2</b> Conservation and Historic Preservation Commission, 7 pm., Town Office Building	<b>POMFRET</b> <b>Monday, July 1</b> BOS Meeting, 7 pm., Senior Center	<b>Wednesday, July 3</b> EDC Branding Implementation Committee Meeting, 6:30 pm., cancelled. Community Fire Company Meeting, 7 pm., 862 Riverside Drive.
<b>Wednesday, July 3</b> Crystal Pond Park Commission, 6 pm., Crystal Pond Park	<b>THOMPSON</b> <b>Monday, July 1</b> West Thompson Independent Fire Assoc #1, Inc. Meeting, 7 pm., West Thompson Fire Station.	<b>WOODSTOCK</b> <b>Monday, July 1</b> Woodstock Biz Assoc. 6 pm., Room B Economic Development Commission, 7 pm., Room A
<b>KILLINGLY</b> <b>Monday, July 1</b> IWWC Regular Town Meeting 7:30 pm., Town Meeting Room	Thompson Fire Engine	<b>Wednesday, July 3</b> Crystal Pond Park Commission, 6 pm., Location Varies
<b>Tuesday, July 2</b> Veteran's Coffee House, 8:30 am., Killingly Community		

POLICE LOGS

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CT, was charged with intent of cruelty of a child under 19, risk of injury to a child, assault in the 3rd degree and reckless endangerment in the 1st degree.

KILLINGLY

**Monday, June 10**  
Kira Elizabeth Berube, 26, of 708 Woodfield Drive, Dayville, was charged with giving a false statement.

**Sunday, June 16**  
Kristen Phaneuf, 44, of 1174 Hartford Road, Killingly, was charged with disorderly conduct.

PUTNAM

**Tuesday, June 18**  
Jordan Figueroa, 39, of 353 Church Street, Putnam, was charged with violation of probation.

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**Wednesday, June 19**  
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LIBRARY

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on Pinterest to show them. Once we decided to do this, we all wanted it to go in Brooklyn. We decided on the Michael Dragon Complex Park on Prince Hill Road in Brooklyn.”

The Dragon family was contacted and they helped by purchasing the box for the park. Since Brooklyn Parks and Rec. Department oversees this park, Frost went to one of their meetings to see if there would be an interest in it.

“Bucky Lohbusch, Director, agreed to the idea and had it placed into the ground by some of the employees,” said Frost.

Judy Doyle, artist for many years painted the box that held the books. On June 15 the dedication of the Little Free Library was held on site. The box was filled with books and Bucky Lohbusch, Sheila Frost and Judy Doyle all spoke at the dedication almost two weeks ago. So far, several books have been taken from the box.

They are looking for people to place books into the box that



The Free Library Box

they no longer want.

“We are especially looking for kids books since there always so many kids at the park,” said Doyle.

What started out as a small book club because of one book turned into a Little Free Library to be used for many years to come.

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## Score one for the NOW football clinic



Charlie Lentz photos

Quinebaug Valley Pride coach Joe Asermelly assists with a tackling drill at the NOW Youth Football Clinic last Sunday, June 23.

BY CHARLIE LENTZ  
VILLAGER EDITOR

PUTNAM — Joe Asermelly towered over the youngsters at the Northeast Opportunities for Wellness Youth Football Clinic last Sunday. The coach of the Quinebaug Valley Pride high school football team is used to instructing players a few feet taller and more than a few pounds heavier. Regardless of size it’s never too early to introduce the sport to aspiring football players and that’s what the free clinic at NOW Field at Logee Park was all about.

“Fundamentally you’ve got to do the little things well if you want to continue to play the game in a safe and successful way,” Asermelly said. “I think the NOW organization does a great job of putting this event on. They do a great job of getting the message to the residents here in the Quiet Corner about healthy living in general and how sports is such a big piece of that.”

NOW Executive Director Sarah Wolfburg’s four-month-old son, William, is perhaps a tad too young to don a hel-

met and shoulder pads. But Wolfburg brought William along in a stroller as the clinic kicked off activities last Sunday morning. Her organization specializes in giving all youngsters in the Quiet Corner a chance to participate in healthy activities.

“This is really the heart of our mission right here, these clinics, and we try to do them ranging in a lot of different activities and sports. But really it’s all about introducing different sports to kids, letting them know that we are here to support them through scholarships,” Wolfburg said. “They come to a clinic and they fall in love with a sport, we can help make it possible for them to participate and to play. It’s just a great thing to try to get the message across to kids that it’s a great thing to be active and to be healthy and that sports can play a role in that.”

Coach Asermelly knows good habits start early and it’s critical to teach football fundamentals the right way.

“We’re happy to get these opportunities with these

clinics and camps to show what safe technique looks like, to do the drill work, to have all the bags and stations set up in such a way that these kids can have fun and have fun safely,” Asermelly said. “Starting kids off the right way, it really does set them up to be successful throughout their careers. Good technique, it’s not always what you do, it’s what you don’t do. Creating good habits early, not only do I love to volunteer here as a coach, I’ve been bringing my own kids to this clinic for years now because I want them to have those safe fundamentals early — because prevention is better than a cure.”

Through its scholarship program NOW financially assists families that can’t afford the

fees required to participate in youth sports leagues. Wolfburg said the process is easy and can be accessed by visiting the organization’s website, [www.NOWinMotion.org](http://www.NOWinMotion.org).

“The easiest thing to do is go to our website, right on the home screen of our website you can click on a little orange bar that says ‘We pay. You play’ — you can fill out some information, it goes directly to us. It’s confidential. We don’t share it with anyone. It’s very similar to an assisted free school lunch program, it’s all about household size and household income,” Wolfburg said. “We’ll let you know if you qualify and then we’ll let you know the next step of how to actually go about getting that financial

assistance.”

NOW held Sunday’s football clinic in conjunction with the WPTP Junior Football League. The WPTP is a partner with NOW and scholarships are available for qualifying youngsters who want to play football.

“They’ve been a really great partner over the last several years. They’re partnering with us to put this clinic on. Because they’re a partner organization of ours, once we get all the appropriate paperwork from the family we would then cover all the registration fees for qualifying applicants,” Wolfburg said.

The risk of concussion has been a key issue in football. If parents are pondering whether

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NOW Executive Director Sarah Wolfburg brought her son, William, to the NOW clinic last Sunday.

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# NOW Youth Football Clinic

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PUTNAM — Northeast Opportunities for Wellness (NOW), in partnership with the WPTP Junior Football League, played host to youth football clinic last Sunday, June 23, at NOW Field at Logee Park.



## TRI-TOWN BASEBALL ROLLING

WILLIMANTIC — Tri-Town's American Legion senior division baseball team swept a doubleheader at Willimantic last Sunday, June 23.

Tri-Town beat Willimantic 8-5 in the opener. Eric Preston went six and two-thirds innings to get the win, striking out five and allowing four hits. Luke Mathewson went 3-for-3 with two RBIs. Mitchel Barylski went 2-for-4 with one RBI. Aidan Ciquera went 1-for-3 with two RBIs. Preston went 1-for-2 with one RBI.

Tri-Town topped Willimantic 5-2 in the second game of the twin bill. Evan Zanauskas picked up the complete-game win, needing just 75 pitches to strike out four, allowing six hits. Zanauskas went 2-for-4 at the plate and drove in three runs. Kobe Akana went 1-for-3 with one RBI.

### TRI-TOWN 2, WILLIMANTIC 1

THOMPSON — Luke Mathewson struck out nine over seven innings to help Tri-Town down Willimantic on June 19 at Tourtellotte Memorial's field. Barylski went 2-for-3 with two RBIs. Brayden Akana went 2-for-3, and Preston went 1-for-2 and stole three bases for Tri-Town.



# VILLAGER NEWSPAPERS COMMUNITY SPOTLIGHT

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## June 29, Sat., 9 7-8:30am

The Soldiers, Sailors and Marines Fund (SSMF) assistance is available and every Saturday morning, at the Pomfret Senior Center, 207 Mashamouquet Road (Rt.44) in Pomfret. Always free and confidential; call 860-928-2309 for questions. (The SSMF is administered by the American Legion to provide temporary financial assistance to qualified veterans.)

## June 29 Sat., Noon-3pm

Fundraiser for the Windham-Tolland 4-H Camp at Frog Rock Rest Stop, 212 Pomfret Rd (Route 44), Eastford. Vendors, Raffle Baskets and Music by the Oh Brother Trio. To register as a vendor, (\$20/10x10 space) send a message to Lisa on Frog Rock's Facebook page.

## June 29 Sat., 6pm

U S Coast Guard Band: The Woodstock Academy Center for the Arts, RT 169, S. Woodstock. FREE tickets must be selected, reserved then printed-at-home: wacenterforthearts.org. Sponsors: LiR, celebrating its 25th anniversary; the QVCC Foundation; and The Woodstock Academy. 860-974-2301 special ticket arrangements or info

## July 2, Tues., 6pm

Commission on Aging Meeting, Ella Grasso Community Room, 65 Ballou St. Putnam.

## July 4, Thurs., 9am-4:30pm

2019, the 63rd annual Jamboree on the East Woodstock Common. Shopping for attic treasures and books will open at 9am. Coffee and donuts will be available for purchase at 8:30am. The Fireman's

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Step back in time on 19 for old-fashioned fun! The 63rd annual Jamboree on the East Woodstock Common. Shopping for Attic treasures and books will open at 9am. Coffee and donuts will be available for purchase at 8:30am. The Fireman's Chicken BBQ will be available starting at 11:30am. Other food options are available also. The Parade steps off at 1pm. Hayrides, local musicians, Bella the Clown, Children's games with a bouncy house, Cake Walk, and much, much

more! Yankee Magazine says the East Woodstock Jamboree is a Top Ten 4th of July event! Free parking, free shuttle service and free admission!

## July 6, 13, 20 & 27, Sat., 7-8:30am

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## July 8, Mon., 6:30-8pm

An Exhibition by Hannah Richman & Janet McDonald Reception. Thompson Public Library, Art @ the Library\*\_30 Minutes: On view July 2nd through July 30th\*. Program generously supported by the Friends of the Thompson Public Library www.

thompsonpubliclibrary.org. 860-923-9779.

\*The meeting room may be unavailable at times due to other functions

## July 11, Thurs., 1-2pm

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

## July 12, Fri., 7:45am & 1pm

35th Annual Day Kimball Hospital Putnam Bank Golf Classic to benefit Day Kimball Hospital at Connecticut National Golf Club, Putnam

## July 13, Sat., 6:30-8pm

Wee Wanders Fireflies & Sunsets at Duck Marsh, Holmes Rd., Pomfret Center www. wyndhamlandtrust.org

## July 14, Sun., 8am-2pm

B'nai Shalom to hold it's Annual Tag Sale. An indoor/outdoor tag sale at the synagogue, 125 Church Street (across from Town Hall). For sale will be everything from large furniture items to small nick knacks. Donations are eagerly accepted. Contact Sue Stern, (860)-315-5181 to arrange drop off.

## July 18, Thurs., 6pm

The New Roxbury Land Trust is hosting an interactive "MAFIA MURDERS MYSTERY DINNER", at Tyrone Farm, 89 Tyrone Road, Pomfret, CT. The setting is 1930, costumes are encouraged. Meat or meatless gluten free Lasagna will be served followed by Tiramisu for dessert. Reservations are \$50.00 per person: cash bar. Make checks payable to: The New Roxbury Land Trust, 248 Woodstock Road, Woodstock, Ct. 06281. Call (860)928-2669 for questions.

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**ALBANIAN DAY PICNIC**  
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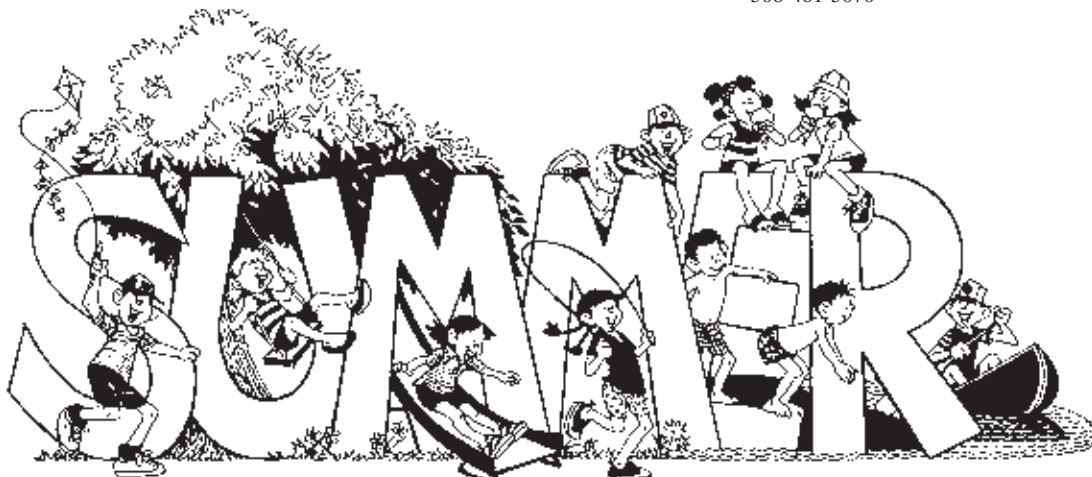
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# OBITUARIES

## Edward Dennison Lavoie, 46



Edward Dennison Lavoie of Painted Post NY, entered into eternal rest unexpectedly on Tuesday, June 11, 2019 at home. He was 46 years old. Born in Webster MA, Ed grew up in Dudley, graduated Bay Path Vocational High School, and served three years in the Army with Aco 37th Engineer Eagle Battalion (Airborne CORPS), 20th Engineer Brigade, Ft. Bragg NC. Ed attended New England Tech in Warwick, RI earning his degree in Electrical and obtained a fire alarm certification. He was employed by Cintas as a Senior Fire Alarm Technician. He then lived in Thompson, CT before settling in Painted Post, NY. Ed is the beloved son of the late Edward Dennison Lavoie, Sr. and Jacqueline Lavoie and is survived by his sib-

lings: Dean Mantelli and wife Sharon of Thompson, CT, Lynn Auclair and husband Ed of Melbourne, FL, identical twin, Brian P. Lavoie of Charlton, MA, and fraternal twin, Dawn Lavoie, and partner in life Deb Goudreau of Dudley, MA. Loving Uncle of Marie Murray of Thompson, CT, Anthony Mantelli of Providence, RI, Brian P. Lavoie Jr. and Andrew Lavoie of Charlton, MA. Ed was a gentle giant with a big heart and many friends. He loved golf, cooking, camping but was happiest spending time with family and friends. There are no calling hours with funeral services private. Contributions in his honor can be made to the Wounded Warrior Project.



## Franklin L. Newth, 92



Franklin L. Newth, 92, of Putnam, CT, died June 20, 1919, at Davis Place in Danielson. He was the husband of Lillian (Peckham) Newth, she died February 3, 2017. He was born January 24, 1927 in Winchester, CT, son of the late Lewin E. and Genevieve (Oles) Newth. Frank made his home in Putnam most of his life. He was a Heavy Equipment Operator and Truck Driver. He worked for the Town of Putnam Highway Department for 18 years, after retirement he worked for Rawson Sand and Gravel for 6 years. Frank enjoyed gardening and farming and his motorcycles, most of all loved

spending time with his family. Frank was a Veteran of the Korean Conflict serving with the US Army. Leaves his son Peter G. and Kelly A. Newth of Putnam, many nieces, nephews and cousins. He was predeceased by his five brothers and sisters. Services will be private. In lieu of flowers donations may be made in his memory to the New England Air Museum, 36 Perimeter Rd., Windsor Locks, CT 06096, Attn: Ron Katz. Share a memory at [www.smithandwalkerfh.com](http://www.smithandwalkerfh.com)



## Evelyn C. Apley, 87



ARIZONA—Evelyn C. Apley, known by many as “Bubba” or “Evie”, 87, of West Sun Coast Dr., passed away peacefully on Thursday, March 21, 2019 at the Banner Gateway Medical Center in Gilbert, AZ under the care of her granddaughter, Jessica Apley. She was born Evelyn Christine Place on Senexet Rd in Woodstock, CT. At nine months of age after her mother’s passing, she was adopted by her great aunt, Claire Morgan. Evelyn lived in Putnam, CT and attended a private Catholic boarding school most of her young life. She attended nursing school achieving her LPN certification. In 1953, Evelyn met and married Stewart Apley. They resided in Pomfret, CT in their loving home for 56 years. They were owners and operators of the Pomfret Gun Shop. Stewart passed away in 1981 after working many years for Loos & Company in Pomfret. After raising her seven children and her granddaughter, Evelyn and Stewart ran the Pomfret Gun Shop. Her passion for guns and her love of salesmanship were extraordinary. Upon her retirement she moved to New Hampshire to be with her daughter, Lisa and her husband Kevin Bianchi along with their children. Evelyn loved New Hampshire and her entire family very much. She enjoyed shopping, the park, walks, her gar-

den including her tomato and pineapple plants. She especially enjoyed her Friday afternoon Chinese lunches with Kevin, the children and grandchildren. Evelyn then moved to join her son Neil Apley in Marathon, FL where she enjoyed fishing with Neil on his boat. She loved birds, big and small. She would feed them even when she was not supposed to. They were a true pleasure for her. Evelyn had the most wonderful life. She was loved and respected by everyone who knew her. She had a very big heart, was kind and thoughtful and was always there for anyone. All that knew her were so lucky to have known her, the “Wise Apple” that she was. Evelyn is survived by three sons, Mark Apley and his wife Sveta of Pomfret Center, Frederick Apley and his wife Joyce of Chepachet, RI, and Neil Apley of Marathon, FL; her daughter, Lisa Bianchi of Milford, NH; her grandchildren, Jessica Apley, Nicholas Apley, Angela Szeredy, Elise Martin, Michael Apley, Allison Onny, Nicole Hopcraft Garrett Bianchi, Olivia Bianchi, Joshua Karamanakis; and several great grandchildren. She is predeceased by her children, the late Gary Apley, Lorrian Apley, and Claire Apley. Relatives and friends are invited to a graveside service for Evelyn on Friday, June 28, 2019 at 3:00 p.m. where she will be laid to rest with her daughter at Saint Mary Cemetery, 230 Providence St. Putnam, CT. For memorial guest-book visit [www.GilmanAndValade.com](http://www.GilmanAndValade.com).



W E B S T E R - Dorothy C. Lukasek age 78 passed away Wednesday, June 19, 2019 at the Southbridge Rehabilitation and Healthcare Center. She was predeceased by her sister, Joan M. Sterczala and Barbara Lukasek both of Webster. Dorothy leaves a niece Beth Boudreau of Douglas and a nephew Randy Sterczala of FL three great nephews and one great niece. Dorothy was born in Webster daughter of the late, Joseph A. Lukasek and Josephine (Koziak) Lukasek and lived here all

her life. She was a graduate of Bartlett High School, class of 1958. She was textile worker retiring from Anglo Fabrics Company, Webster where she worked most of her life. There will be a calling hour in the Shaw-Majercik Funeral Home, 48 School St., Webster, MA Saturday, June 22, 2019 from 8:30 am till 9:45 am with a Mass of Christian Burial at 10 am in St. Joseph Basilica, Webster with burial in St. Joseph Garden of Peace, Webster. Please omit flowers and donations in her memory may be made to St. Joseph School. A guest book is available at [www.shaw-majercik.com](http://www.shaw-majercik.com) where you may post a condolence or light a candle.

## Edwin R. Mercure Jr., 78



WARREN, MA—Edwin R. Mercure Jr., 78, died unexpectedly on June 10, 2019, at UMass Memorial Hospital in Worcester. He was born on May 19, 1941, in Springfield, MA the son of Edwin R. Sr. and Bernadette (Gonthier) Mercure. In addition to his parents, he was predeceased by his sister Joan (Mercure) Zielfelder and his son Glenn Mercure. He leaves his sister Bernadette (Mercure) Dominique and his life long friend Carol McBain. He also leaves his son Steven Mercure, daughters

Stacy Holmes and Suzette DiBella, and many grandchildren, great-grandchildren, nieces, and nephews. Fast Eddie, as he was known affectionately by many, had a life long love of all things that went fast including Indian Motorcycles and his many El Camino’s. This love extended into his career as an autobody mechanic and longtime car carrier truck driver, which is how he got the name, Fast Eddie. Relatives and friends are invited to a Celebration of life on July 20, from 2-5 at St. Stan’s Polish Club in the Pavillion, 144 South Street West Warren, MA. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations can be made to [Cherubs-cdh.org](http://Cherubs-cdh.org).

## Marilyn (Morris) Blake, 92



THOMPSON, CT - Marilyn L. (Morris) Blake, 92, formerly of Thompson, passed away peacefully on Sunday, June 23, 2019. A loving wife, mother, grandmother, great grandmother, sister, and friend, Marilyn was born in Cumberland, RI on January 25, 1927, a daughter of the late Arthur and Mary (Hunter) Morris. She was a longtime resident of Thompson, CT where she resided with her husband of 60 years, John R. Blake, who died in 2008. She is survived by her daughter-in-law Charlene (Gion) Blake of Guilford, CT; two grandchildren: Bryan Blake (Abby) of Newton, MA and Elizabeth (Blake) Galvin (Dustin) of Branford, CT; four great-grandchildren; two nieces: Beverly M c D e r m o t t and MaryEllen Pontbriant; and nephew Brian Morris. She was a sister to the late Francis R. Morris and A. Clinton Morris, and mother to the late Dr. Robert F. Blake. Marilyn’s life was centered around her family. She enjoyed square dancing, lawn care and gardening, and taking many memorable cruises around the globe. Marilyn was loyal to her friends and family; selfless and kind by nature, she could warm you with her loving heart and take charge of a situation. Relatives and friends are invited to visit with Marilyn’s family on Saturday, June 29, 2019 from 10 to 11 am at Smith and Walker Funeral Home, 148 Grove Street, Putnam, CT, followed by a Funeral Service at 11:00 am. Interment will be held privately at East Thompson Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Thompson Hill Fire Department, 70 Chase Road, Thompson, CT 06277. Share a memory at [www.smithandwalkerfh.com](http://www.smithandwalkerfh.com)

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## Phyllis J. O’Malley, 89

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WORCESTER- Phyllis J. (Duggan) O’Malley age 89 passed away Monday evening at the Hermitage Healthcare Center, Worcester. She was the wife of the late, Peter P. O’Malley who died in 2017. She leaves sons Joseph O’Malley of Worcester and Thomas O’Malley of Sutton, six grandchildren and 8

great grandchildren. She had a son who predeceased her, Anthony O’Malley of Tucson, Arizona. She was born in Worcester daughter of the late Thomas Duggan and Beatrice (Staneviciute) Duggan and lived in Worcester all her life. All services are private. The Shaw-Majercik Funeral Home, 48 School St., Webster, MA has been entrusted with her arrangements. A guest book is available at [www.shaw-majercik.com](http://www.shaw-majercik.com) where you may post a condolence or light a candle.

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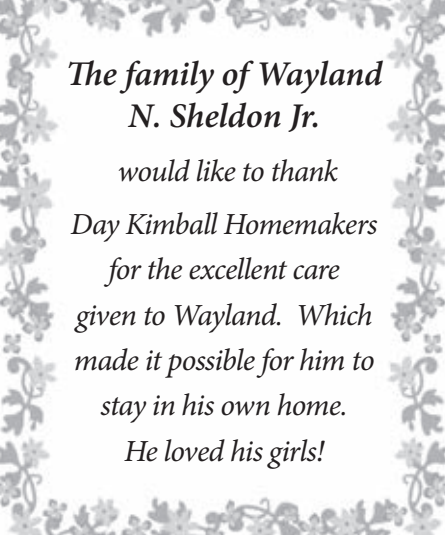
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# OBITUARIES

## Roy W Tellier, Jr.



**SOUTHBRIDGE-** Roy W Tellier, Jr., died Sunday, May 5, 2019, after a short illness.

He leaves his mother Claire Livernois and step-father Santos Roman of Southbridge, two brothers Brian R. Tellier, and his friend Mary Galipeau of Southbridge, and her son Chris, and daughter Leah, and his brother Raymond J. Tellier of Southbridge, two nephews Brian C. Tellier of Southbridge, Zachary Tellier of Lincoln, Maine, and two nieces Jennifer Tellier of Webster, and Rylee Ann of Lincoln, Maine. He also leaves two aunts Irene Lincoln and her husband Ronald of Thompson, CT, Joanne Thompson and her husband George of Sturbridge, and his uncles Armand Thibert and his girlfriend Sylvia Ashleigh of Sturbridge, Joseph Thibert of Ohio, Jean Thibert of Webster, Roland Thibert of New Hampshire, and Phil Thibert of Southbridge, and many cousins, and

his childhood friend whom he loved and spoke so highly of Linda Auclair, whom he considered the sister he never had.

Roy attended Mary E. Wells Junior High School, and went to Southbridge High School. He attended Boston University and graduated with a degree in Medical Science. He also attended Marion Manor in Boston. He also attended the Henry M. Goldman School of Dentistry, and did a year of Internship at South End Dental Center in Boston.

Roy enjoyed watching old movies, and listening to the oldies "music", he also was a great cook and enjoyed spending time with his family and friends.

A Graveside service for Roy will be held at 11AM, Saturday, June 29, 2019 at New Notre Dame Cemetery, 746 N. Woodstock Road, Southbridge, MA 01550. There are no calling hours. Sansoucy Funeral Home, 40 Marcy Street, Southbridge, MA 01550. [www.sansoucyfuneral.com](http://www.sansoucyfuneral.com)

## Russell H. Tessier PhD, 86



**P A X T O N / CHATHAM-** Russell H. Tessier PhD, 86, of Paxton, died Wednesday, June 19, 2019, at UMass Memorial Medical Center-University Campus in Worcester. He is survived by his wife, Beverly A. (Brown) Lavoie Tessier, a son, Michael A. Tessier of North Attleboro; two daughters, Amy M. Thebeau of Thompson, CT and Julianne M. Tessier of Fort Mills, SC; a step-daughter, Julie O'Connor of Princeton, a sister, Gloria Ouellette of Auburn; grandchildren and nephews and nieces. He was predeceased by his first wife, Jean I. (Pytko) Tessier; a daughter, Linda J. Ferri; a brother, Bernard Tessier; and a sister Anita Tessier. Russell was born in Worcester, MA, the son of the late Albert and Sylvia (LaPrade) Tessier. He grew up on the 500 acre Parsons Estate and Cider Mill and operated

the cider mill at 14 years old. He was a graduate of Worcester Academy and Boston University. He received his PhD from The Franklin University, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Mr. Tessier owned and operated Handy Pad Manufacturing Co., in Worcester, which was a generational family business that has products profiled in the War Museum of Paris and he also owned Stafford Laboratories in Worcester. He was a licensed real estate broker; traveler, trophy sportsman, an avid fisherman and a lobster fisherman. Russell was an artist, an excellent cook, a gardener, political pundit and a member of the Crown and Anchor Society.

The family would like to thank the infusion team and all who helped care for him at UMass Memorial Medical Center for their care and support.

Funeral services for Russell will be private. Paradis-Givner Funeral Home in Oxford is directing the arrangements.

[www.paradisfuneralhome.com](http://www.paradisfuneralhome.com)

## James D. Fasshauer, 56

**WEBSTER-** James D. Fasshauer age 56 passed away Thursday, June 20, 2019 at the Westborough Healthcare. He leaves his fiancée Brendalee M. Weeks of Webster, two daughters, Joy Zacek of North Grosvenordale, CT, Nancy Fasshauer of Webster, two brothers, Michael Fasshauer of North Grosvenordale, CT, Scott Falls of Webster, a sister Deborah Vieira of Charlton, four grandchildren, Hope, Paris, John and Damyen.

He was born Leominster son of the late Homer P. Fasshauer and Patricia

A. (Williams) Falls and lived here all his life. He was a member of the PACC, enjoyed building models, repairing electronics and tinkering. There are no calling hours. A graveside service will be held Tuesday, July 2, 2019 at 10:30 am, in MT. Zion Cemetery, Webster. The Shaw-Majercik Funeral Home, 48 School St., Webster, MA has been entrusted with his arrangements. A guest book is available at [www.shaw-majercik.com](http://www.shaw-majercik.com) where you may post a condolence or light a candle.

## Barbara Martha Hunter

**BROOKLYN, CT-** Barbara Martha (Rukstela) Hunter born, March 23, 1940, passed away peacefully on June 17, 2019 at her home. Barbara was predeceased by her husband Kenneth Hunter who died in 2018. Barbara grew up on her family's farm in the center of Brooklyn, Ct. She attended a Hartford Hairdressing School and later opened her own salon in her home. Many Brooklyn residents visited her salon. She enjoyed working in her flower gardens, watching tv with her grandchildren, cooking and spending time with her family. Barbara left behind her son, James Hunter and his wife Melissa along with her grandchildren

Gavin Hunter and Meaghan Hunter. Survivors include a sister Kathy Rukstela of New Hampshire, sister Joan Mayo and her husband Richard Mayo of Florida, John Rukstela and Betty of Brooklyn CT. She is predeceased by her sister Pat Hart and her husband David. She is also survived by numerous nieces and nephews. She will be greatly missed by her family and friends. All services are private. The Shaw-Majercik Funeral Home, 48 School St., Webster, MA have been entrusted with her arrangements. A guest book is available at [www.shaw-majercik.com](http://www.shaw-majercik.com) where you may post a condolence or light a candle

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## FOOTBALL

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er the sport is safe for their children, Asermelly offered some insight from his years as competitor (he was a lineman at Hofstra University) and a coach.

"I would say the game today, in terms of the improvement in technique, technology, the equipment, the regulations in terms of practice, minutes, and contact in games — how educated the officials are, how educated the coaches are with heads-up practices — the game's never been safer. We have our lowest instances of injury that we've ever recorded in the last couple of years," Asermelly said. "Not only as a coach but as a parent, I love to be part of this sport."

But if football is not your activity of choice, NOW also assists qualifying families with registrations fees for activities including Little League baseball, youth soccer, Griffin Youth Hockey, the Boy Scouts, and the Young Marines.

"There's a whole list of partner organizations that we offer scholarship assistance to assist with registration fees," Wolfburg said. "We just want to make sure that all children have equal opportunities to participate in the activities and sports of their choice — that's what we're about."

Charlie Lentz may be reached at (860) 928-1818, ext. 110, or by e-mail at [charlie@villagernewspapers.com](mailto:charlie@villagernewspapers.com).



A youngster lines up in a three-point stance.

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# Container gardening for beginners

Gardening is a rewarding activity that gardening enthusiasts can't wait to get back to once the weather warms up. Many gardeners find getting their hands dirty while tending to a garden can be a great form of escapism. In addition, growing one's own fruits and vegetables can be great for the environment.

Though it's easy to assume gardening is an activity exclusive to homeowners with their own yards, that's not the case at all. Container gardening can make it possible for anyone to garden regardless of where they live.

The benefits of container gardening go beyond making gardening accessible to everyone. Many plants grown in containers are less susceptible to disease than plants grown in the soil, which can reduce reliance on potentially harmful pesticides. Container gardens also tend to be easier to maintain than traditional gardens, making gardening more doable for people with especially hectic schedules.

Container gardening can be simple, and novices can consider these tips when planning and ultimately tending to their first gardens.

- Conduct a light audit. Walk around your home to determine where your plant can be placed so it gets as much light as it needs to thrive. Some plants need a lot of light, while others can thrive with a lot less. By conducting a light audit before choosing plants, you can determine if your home is most conducive to plants that require a lot of a light or those that need little light to get by.
- Make sure containers have ample drainage. The gardening experts at Good Housekeeping note that drainage holes are essential when choosing containers. Waterlogged soil can be fatal for plants, so there must be ample drainage in the container. Don't focus too much on the size of the holes, just make sure that they allow excess water to drain out from the pot.
- Don't forget to feed your plants. Potting soil won't necessarily have



nutrients that plants can access, so many container gardeners must fertilize the soil so plants can thrive. Good Housekeeping notes that watering with diluted fish emulsion, seaweed extract or compost tea can help plants thrive. Feed once every two weeks to start, adjusting the schedule thereafter depending on how the plants respond.

- Seek advice. Local gardening centers can be great resources for novice container gardeners. Such centers can recommend plants with a history of thriving in the area as well as plants that might be more compatible when containers are placed next to one another.

Container gardening can bring gardening to any home, whether it's a light-filled private home or an apartment where sunlight is sparse.

## LEGALS

**Town of Woodstock  
Legal Notice**

In accordance with the provisions of Section 7-394 of the General Statutes of the State of Connecticut, notice is hereby given that: The Annual Financial Report of The Town of Woodstock for the Year Ended June 30, 2018, Prepared by MahoneySabol, CPAs and Advisors, was filed in the Office of the Town Clerk on June 13, 2019, and that the audit is open for public inspection. Dated this 13 day of June, 2019.  
Attest: Judy E. Walberg, Town Clerk  
June 28, 2019

**Town of Eastford  
Planning Commission  
Public Hearing**

The Town of Eastford Planning Commission will hold a Public Hearing on Tuesday, July 9, 2019 at the Eastford Town Office Building, Lower Level, located at 16 Westford Road, Eastford, CT at 7:00pm on the following:  
The Town of Eastford Planning Commission Comprehensive Amendments of the Subdivision Regulations:  
• Chapter II Definitions  
• Chapter IV Specifications for Preliminary Layouts, Final Subdivision Plans and Plan-profiles  
• Chapter VI Required Improvements and Design Criteria  
Copies of the Comprehensive Amendments of the Subdivision Regulations are on file and available for review in the Town Clerk's Office located at the Eastford Town Office Building, 16 Westford Road, Eastford, CT.  
All interested parties may appear and be heard. Written correspondence will be accepted.  
Dated at Eastford this 18th Day of June, 2019.  
Susan Welshman  
Recording Secretary  
June 28, 2019  
July 5, 2019

**ORIENTS HEIGHTS FIRE DISTRICT  
TAX NOTICE**

All residents and non-residents or the Orients Heights Fire District liable to pay a property tax in the Orient Heights Fire District are notified that by virtue of a tax warrant placed in my hands, I am directed to collect a tax of .58 mills on the dollar, which was laid on the Grand List of October 1, 2018. Said tax becomes due and payable on July 1, 2019 with 30 days to pay without interest. As soon as such tax becomes delinquent, it shall be subject to interest at the rate of one and one half percent of such tax for each month or the fraction thereof, which elapses from August 1, 2019. Minimum interest is \$2.00.  
I will be accepting mail in payments only, make checks payable to Orient Heights Fire District and mail to: Orient Heights Tax Collector, 34 Bonneville St., Danielson CT 06239. A copy of each tax bill must accompany payment so proper credit may be recorded. Those wishing a receipt must enclose a self-addressed stamped envelope.  
Cheryl Lukowski, Tax Collector  
June 28, 2019  
July 26, 2019

**TOWN OF WOODSTOCK  
TOWN OF WOODSTOCK PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION – REGULAR MEETING: JUNE 20, 2019.** Notice is hereby given that the Woodstock Planning & Zoning Commission took

the following action(s) at its regular meeting held on Thursday, June 20, 2019, in Meeting Room 1 at Woodstock Town Hall, 415 Route 169, Woodstock, Connecticut: Proposed Text Amendment to the Woodstock Zoning Regulations, Article V Permit Requirements regarding zoning and special permit requirements. Approved with additional revisions. Effective Date: July 18, 2019. Chair Jeffrey Gordon, M.D.  
June 28, 2019

**STATE OF CONNECTICUT  
SUPERIOR COURT  
www.jud.ct.gov  
ORDER OF NOTICE  
SUPERIOR COURT  
JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF  
WINDHAM AT PUTNAM**

PLAINTIFF'S NAME: U.S. Bank, National Association  
DEFENDANT'S NAME: Allan Bushey's Widow, Heirs and Devisees, et al  
NOTICE TO Allan Bushey's Widow, Heirs, Devisees and all unknown persons, claiming or who may claim, any rights, title, interest or estate in or lien or encumbrance upon the property described in the complaint, adverse to the plaintiff, whether such claim or possible claim can be vested or contingent.  
RETURN DATE: 7/09/2019  
The Court has reviewed the Order of Notice To Allan Bushey's Widow, Heirs, Devisees and all unknown persons, claiming or who may claim, any rights, title interest or estate in or lien or encumbrance upon the property described in the complaint, adverse to the plaintiff, whether such claim or possible claim can be vested or contingent.  
THE COURT ORDERS that notice be given to the parties to be notified by placing a legal notice in the Woodstock Villager, a newspaper circulating in Woodstock, CT containing a true and attested copy of this Order of Notice, and, if accompanying Notice To Allan Bushey's Widow, Heirs, Devisees and all unknown persons, claiming or who may claim, any rights, title interest or estate in or lien or encumbrance upon the property described in the complaint, adverse to the plaintiff, whether such claim or possible claim can be vested or contingent, have been issued in the case as required by Section 25-5 of the Connecticut Practice Book and are a part of the Complaint/Application on file with the Court.  
The notice shall appear **once a week for two successive weeks** commencing on or before June 27, 2019 and proof of service shall be filed with this Court.  
A TRUE COPY ATTEST:  
Keith D. Niziankiewicz  
CT State Marshal  
June 21, 2019  
June 28, 2019

**State of Connecticut  
Court of Probate,  
Northeast Regional  
Children's Probate Court District  
NO. PD59**

NOTICE TO **Travis J Flickner**, whose last known address is unknown to the court.  
Pursuant to an order of Hon. Leah P. Schad, Judge, a hearing will be held at Northeast Regional Children's Probate Court, 508 Pomfret Street, P.O. Box 471, Putnam, CT 06260 on July 10, 2019 at 2:30 PM on a petition for

Temporary Custody Pending Removal of Guardian concerning a certain minor child born on March 3, 2014. The court's decision will affect your interest, if any, as in the petition on file more fully appears.  
RIGHT TO COUNSEL: If the above-named person wishes to have an attorney, but is unable to pay for one, the court will provide an attorney upon proof of inability to pay. Any such request should be made immediately by contacting the court office where the hearing is to be held.  
By order of the court  
Mona Fournier, Clerk  
June 28, 2019

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS**  
ESTATE OF Eleanor C Page (19-00216)  
The Hon. Leah P. Schad, Judge of the Court of Probate, District of Northeast probate Court, by decree dated May 31, 2019, ordered that all claims must be pretested to the fiduciary at the address below. Failure to promptly present any such claim may result in the loss of rights to recover on such claim.  
Alysia Casiano, Clerk

The fiduciary is:  
Denise A. Duchesney  
c/o Alyson R. Aleman, Esq.  
Borner, Smith, Aleman, Herzog & Cerrone, LLC  
155 Providence Street  
PO Box 166 Putnam, CT 06260-0166  
(860)928-2429  
June 28, 2019

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS**  
ESTATE OF Lorraine Cournoyer (19-00251)  
The Hon. Leah P. Schad, Judge of the Court of Probate, District of Northeast probate Court, by decree dated June 18, 2019, ordered that all claims must be pretested to the fiduciary at the address below. Failure to promptly present any such claim may result in the loss of rights to recover on such claim.  
Brenda Duquette, Clerk

The fiduciary is:  
Richard E Cournoyer  
c/o Edwin C. Higgins, III, Esq.  
Bachand, Longo & Higgins  
168 Main Street, PO Box 528, Putnam, CT 06260  
June 28, 2019

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS**  
ESTATE OF David Gemmill (19-00207)  
The Hon. Leah P. Schad, Judge of the Court of Probate, District of Northeast probate Court, by decree dated, ordered that all claims must be pretested to the fiduciary at the address below. Failure to promptly present any such claim may result in the loss of rights to recover on such claim.  
Brenda Duquette, Clerk

The fiduciary is:  
Chad Vincent Gemmill  
c/o Nicholas A. Longo, Esq.  
Bachand, Longo & Higgins  
168 Main Street, PO Box 528, Putnam, CT 06260  
June 28, 2019

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS**  
ESTATE OF Betty L Perry (19-00224)  
The Hon. Leah P. Schad, Judge of the Court of Probate, District of Northeast probate Court, by decree dated, ordered that all claims must be pretested to the fiduciary at the address below. Failure to promptly present any such claim may result in the loss of rights to recover on such claim.

Alysia Casiano, Clerk

The fiduciary is:  
Audrey P. Blash Martinez and Edwin C. Perry  
c/o Mark R Brouillard (attorney for Edwin C. Perry and Audrey P. Blash Martinez), St. Onge & Brouillard P.O. Box 550, Putnam, CT 06260  
(860)928-0481  
June 28, 2019

**STATE OF CONNECTICUT  
SUPERIOR COURT  
JUVENILE MATTERS  
ORDER OF NOTICE**

NOTICE TO: Regina Marcotte, mother of a daughter born on 10/5/03 formerly of Woodstock, CT now of parts unknown  
A petition has been filed seeking: Commitment of minor child(ren) of the above named or vesting of custody and care of said child(ren) of the above named in a lawful, private or public agency or a suitable and worthy person. The petition whereby the court's decision can affect your parental rights, if any, regarding minor child(ren) will be heard on: 7/17/19 at 11:15 a.m. at SCJM 81 Columbia Avenue, Willimantic, CT 06226.  
Therefore, ORDERED, that notice of the hearing of this petition be given by publishing this Order of Notice once, immediately upon receipt, in the: Stonebridge Press Villager Newspapers, a newspaper having a circulation in the town/city of: Woodstock, CT  
Hon. Steven Spellman Judge Giovanni Salkey, Deputy Chief Clerk Date signed: 6/20/19  
RIGHT TO COUNSEL: Upon proof of inability to pay for a lawyer, the court will provide to you by the Chief Public Defender. Request for an attorney should be made immediately in person, by mail, or by fax at the court office where your Hearing is to be held.  
June 28, 2019

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS**  
ESTATE OF Cheryl J. Pingeton (19-00227)  
The Hon. Leah P. Schad, Judge of the Court of Probate, District of Northeast probate Court, by decree dated June 6, 2019, ordered that all claims must be pretested to the fiduciary at the address below. Failure to promptly present any such claim may result in the loss of rights to recover on such claim.  
Alysia Casiano, Clerk

The fiduciary is:  
John R. FitzGerald,  
Chinigo, Leone & Maruzo, LLP,  
141 Broadway, PO Box 510, Norwich, CT 06360  
June 28, 2019

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS**  
ESTATE OF Albert J. Morrell (19-00223)  
The Hon. Leah P. Schad, Judge of the Court of Probate, District of Northeast probate Court, by decree dated June 5, 2019, ordered that all claims must be pretested to the fiduciary at the address below. Failure to promptly present any such claim may result in the loss of rights to recover on such claim.  
Alysia Casiano, Clerk

The fiduciary is:  
David A. Morrell  
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# Compost is part of the circle of life in gardens

The season for fresh fruits and vegetables grown right in the backyard is upon us. Warm weather breathes life into fresh berries, tomatoes, eggplant, cucumbers, and many other delectable fruits and vegetables.

Home gardens can be supplemented with delicious finds from the super-market or farmer's market, including melons, corn and more.

The bounty of the garden can be made more abundant and fruitful with the addition of the right soil amendments. Compost is a key element of rich, nutritious soil. Scraps from items that have been grown in the garden can then be reused in the production of the compost that feeds that same garden. It's a continuous circle of garden life.

Getting started with compost is relatively easy. Homeowners should choose an outdoor space near the garden but far away from the home so that it won't be disturbed by kids or animals. Some people opt for an open compost pile, while others choose closed bins to contain the possible smell and to camouflage the compost. A sunny spot will help the compost to develop faster, according to

Good Housekeeping.

The next step is to start gathering the scraps and materials that will go into the compost. Better Homes and Gardens suggests keeping a bucket or bin in the kitchen to accumulate kitchen scraps. Here are some kitchen-related items that can go into the compost material:

- Eggshells
- Fruit peels
- Vegetable peels and scraps
- Coffee grounds
- Shredded newspaper

In addition to these materials, grass and plant clippings, dry leaves, bark chips, straw, and sawdust from untreated wood can go into the pile. Avoid diseased plants, anything with animal fats, dairy products, and pet feces.

A low-maintenance pile has an equal amount of brown and green plant matter in the compost plus moisture to keep the bacteria growing and eating at the right rate. Aerating the compost occasionally, or turning the bin when possible, will allow the compost to blend and work together. Compost will take a few months to form completely, says the Planet Natural Research Center.



The finished product will resemble a dark, crumbly soil that smells like fresh earth.

Compost will not only add nutrients to garden soil, but also it can help insulate plants and may prevent some weed

growth. It is a good idea to start a compost pile as a free source of nutrition for plants and a method to reduce food waste in an environmentally sound way.

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