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WHO'S WALKING WHO?

DAYVILLE — Kyle Collins and his Saint Bernards — Sophia, left, and Samson — came to watch the seventh annual NOW Road Race last Sunday, Sept. 16. Coverage of the NOW race is in today's sports section of The Villager.

An author's favorite haunts

Olivia Richman photo

Tom D'Agostino has been a paranormal investigator for 36 years. In that time he has written 12 books about haunted locations that people can visit. "Ghosts of the Blackstone Valley" features his favorite local haunting, The Tavern on Main.

BY OLIVIA RICHMAN
NEWS STAFF WRITER

PUTNAM — Do you believe in ghosts?

Whether you do or don't, New England is the perfect place for curious people to find a plethora of supposedly haunted places and meet some mischievous ghosts thanks to its history and old houses.

Author and paranormal investigator Tom D'Agostino recently published his newest collection of haunted locations, "Ghosts of the Blackstone Valley." This novel covers 26 towns from Providence to Worcester, and showcases only locations that people can visit.

"When I was a kid, growing up, I was reading ghost books but they were always people's homes. I wanted to go to these places but I couldn't," said D'Agostino, who lives in Putnam.

In contrast, all of D'Agostino's books feature cemeteries, eateries, hotels, and other public places that curious readers can go visit.

Some of the locations listed in "Ghosts of the Blackstone Valley" are the Dark Swamp (where H. P. Lovecraft visited) and The Brown & Hopkins General Store in the center of Chepachet. It's the oldest continuously running store in the US. Then there's Katie's Roudhouse Tavern, right over the line in West Glocester.

But D'Agostino's favorite place is The Tavern on Main, one of the most haunted places in the whole region. It's the location of his "Dining with the Dead" ghost hunt dinners, held throughout October.

But he's also done over 100 investigations there and experienced a lot of supernatural things there. During one of the dinners, a washboard hanging on the wall shot eight feet across the room and nailed an investigator in the head in front of 55 people. Another time, D'Agostino said a guy laughing about ghosts behind the bar was almost hit with a falling TV from an overhead shelf.

"One of the waitresses that's been there for 12 years told me she was going out with a guy whose daughter went to use the bathroom. She was taking a while so they checked on her. They could hear her talking to someone in the bathroom," he said.

When they finally opened the door, the daughter said she had been talking with a little boy. She pointed toward nothing.

This is a ghost that many other patrons and workers have seen.

"When one of the tavern inn keepers saw the little boy standing in the dining room, he got frightened," he said. "The boy turned and walked through the wall."

There's ketchup bottles flying off the tables. A condiment rack hitting someone in the shoulder. There's audio recordings (EVPs) of children giggling. And then there's the woman in the back booth... She'll appear any

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Rosebrooks art at Sochar Gallery

Olivia Richman photos

Thompson artist Ann Rosebrooks has her beautiful landscapes on display at the Sochar Art Gallery.

BY OLIVIA RICHMAN
NEWS STAFF WRITER

THOMPSON — The Sochar Art Gallery's new location on Main Street in downtown Putnam is currently showcasing the artwork of two best friends and local artists, Ann Rosebrooks and Donna O'Scolaigh Lange.

A Thompson resident, Rosebrooks has been showcasing her landscapes of Maine and from her visits out west. I spoke with Rosebrooks about her passion for painting at the soft opening at First Friday.

What inspired your acrylic landscape paintings?

I was inspired by going out west.

What about the west interested you?

It's such a different landscape. I just loved the colors and the shapes. When I got home I just painted from the photographs I took. The big skies. The rock formations. The red stone. It was just a totally different feeling.

Why did you go out west?

I had never been out there and I wanted to see it.

What was one of your favorite sights?

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NECT Art Guild show on tap

BY OLIVIA RICHMAN
NEWS STAFF WRITER

Courtesy photos

Art from last year's NECT Art Guild show.

POMFRET — The Northeastern Connecticut Art Guild's annual Walktober Weekend Show will take place October 6 through 8 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. — acting as an invitation into the local artists community through live demonstrations and art exhibits. The show will be at their favorite spot, the Pomfret Historical House, at 11 Town House Road.

"Part of it is to show what we can do as artists," said Event Coordinator Hope Barton. "Part of it is to get the community involved. And part of it is just to have fun. People are free to talk to the artists that are working and selling things. Last year I brought my sewing machine in and I showed people a project I was working on."

A fiber artist, Barton is currently working on a music-inspired piece that means a lot to her. And that will fascinate anyone who comes in to see the artwork at the show.

But visitors can do more than just watch the artists' process. They can join in.

A local watercolor artist, Edythe Roxburgh, will have giving watercolor lessons to anyone who is interested on Saturday and Monday at 1 p.m. She will also be providing all of the materials. On Sunday and Monday, Freitha Lawrence will be demonstrating Zen-tangle and allowing others to try the relaxing art form.

According to Barton, last year's art show went very well. Not only did people seem interested in the art and buy some crafts, but the artists felt

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Charlie Lentz photo

A LEG UP ON THE COMPETITION

THOMPSON — Putnam High's Aidan Bernier attempts to control the soccer ball against in a match against Tourtellotte Memorial on Sept. 13. High school sports coverage begins on page B-1 of today's Villager.

Arrest warrant leads to drug bust

Courtesy photo

Shane Ingelsby

PLAINFIELD — On Monday, Sept. 17, at approximately 9:48 pm, members of the Connecticut State Police Troop D – Quality of Life Task Force conducted a motor vehicle stop on a 2011 Chevrolet Malibu after Troopers spotted Shane Ingelsby, 31, of 28 Second Street, Plainfield in the vehicle. Troopers recognized Ingelsby and knew he had an active arrest warrant for Violation of Probation. QLTF Troopers approached the vehicle and placed Ingelsby under arrest. During the arrest, Troopers located numerous wax paper bags of heroin. Ingelsby was transported to Troop D charged with Possession of Heroin and Violation of Probation. Ingelsby was held on a $25,000 cash/surety bond and appeared in Danielson Superior Court on Sept. 18 for the charges. Plainfield Police assisted Troopers with this arrest.

Traffic stop in Thompson nets heroin arrest

THOMPSON — On Sept. 13 at approximately 6:48 p.m. members of the Connecticut State Police Troop-D Quality of Life Task Force, conducted a traffic stop on a 2009 Toyota Camry bearing Massachusetts registration on Route 131 in Thompson near the Southbridge, Mass., Town Line with the intent of executing a narcotics related search and seizure warrant on the vehicle. The search warrant was obtained after a lengthy investigation revealed that a "JAY –Z" was utilizing the vehicle to sell pre-packaged heroin in and around the Town of Thompson. During the investigation the operator was identified as Jory Maldonado, 27, from 117 Cole Avenue in Southbridge. A subsequent search of the vehicle by police dog K9 Ambrie located numerous prepackaged clear plastic baggies of heroin and a cell phone. Maldonado was taken into custody and transported to the Troop D Danielson barracks where he was charged with Possession of Heroin and Possession of Heroin With Intent to Sell. He was released on a $25,000 bond and is to appear in Danielson Superior Court on Sept. 26.

Members of the CT 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.

State Firefighters Association honors Boyd

POMFRET — State Representative Pat Boyd (Brooklyn, Eastford, Pomfret, Union, and Woodstock) was named Legislator of the Year by the Connecticut State Firefighters Association (CSFA) at their annual convention on Sept. 15.

Through his experience at the local and state level, Rep. Boyd has been known for his passion for the community as well as his unwavering passion for public service. At home in Pomfret, Pat Boyd is lieutenant and president of the Pomfret Volunteer Fire Department. At the state level, Rep. Boyd has advocated for key resources for firefighters while in his role as state representative of the 50th district of Connecticut.

"I'm so proud to receive this CSFA Legislative Award alongside my colleagues who have worked tirelessly to support the funding and other needs of firefighters," Boyd said. "This recognition from the CSFA could not mean more to me. To know the work I'm doing at the Capitol to support my fellow firefighters across the state is appreciated makes me even more passionate about the causes I'm fighting for. I thank the association for presenting me with this award, I am incredibly humbled."

The CSFA is a non-profit organization with more than 26,000 fire service members focused on matters relating to federal and state legislative initiatives.

Courtesy photo

Pat Boyd, far right, was honored by the State Firefighters Association on Sept. 15.

HAUNTS

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time and can be seen by anybody.

Weirdly, this is not a source of fear for people who hang out at the tavern. In fact, people fought so much about being in that booth that the booth no longer accepts reservations.

So why is the tavern so haunted?

According to D'Agostino people have died there.

But what makes a ghost appear?

That remains a mystery, although D'Agostino uses science and facts to attempt to find an answer. The unknown is what makes this job exciting for him. It's about solving something. Finding things out. It's a puzzle. And he'll always do investigations with his wife for free. Although they do love when people bake them cookies.

"Ghosts of Blackstone Valley" is his 12th book, and he said it's one of the most active places yet.

"There's so much in it," he said. "It's the birthplace of the industrial revolution. The first mill in the US was there. Little towns and mills were all over, and popped up rather quickly. Of course, it was a dangerous life and there was a lot of tragedy. A lot of disease. Strange stories. Legends. It's an interesting area we hadn't focused on until this book."

D'Agostino has been exploring haunted New England for almost 40 years. His current home is "very, very haunted" ever since someone died there. And he grew up in a haunted house, which was what got him into ghost hunting to begin with.

"I always wanted to know what caused it," he said. "To me, a haunting is more scientific. I studied physical sciences and social sciences in college, just to get it from all angles. I came up with a theory that we have giant pressure zones. Hurricanes in certain areas. Snow. If these pressure zones can hold that kind of energy, why can't they be smaller? The size of a house or a room even. The spirits are held there, triggered by a stimulant. But until we can go on the other side, we're still guessing from here."

Visit tomdagostino.com for more information on paranormal investigating and Dining with the Dead.

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AT CT AUDUBON

Bird sightings at the Connecticut Audubon Society Center at Pomfret and Wyndham Land Trust properties for the week of Sept. 10: Western Kingbird, Red-breasted Nuthatch, Parula Warbler, Yellow-throated Vireo, Red-eyed Vireo, House Wren, Song Sparrow, Indigo Bunting, Louisiana Waterthrush, Eastern Towhee, American Kestrel, Bobolink, Common Yellowthroat, American Redstart, Catbird, Hummingbird, Great Blue Heron, Scarlet Tanager. Visit ctaudubon.org/pomfret-home

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Flexer joins Murphy in celebrating vouchers for veterans

HARTFORD — State Senator Mae Flexer (Democrat-29th District: Danielson, Killingly, Brooklyn, Putnam, Thompson), the General Assembly's Veteran Committee co-chair, welcomed funding for 50 new housing vouchers for homeless veterans—announced on Friday, Sept. 14, by U.S. Senator Chris Murphy (D-Conn.) and the rest of Connecticut's congressional delegation.

Connecticut will receive $470,893 through the Department of Housing and Urban Development's Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing Program (HUD-VASH) for housing authorities throughout the state. Flexer applauded the efforts during a press conference on Sept. 14 in Hartford with Murphy, Steve DiLella, Director of Individual and Family Support Programs at the Connecticut Department of Housing, and Kiley Gosselin, director of the Hartford Development Office.

"As a daughter of a veteran who once faced homelessness, I know how important it is to have programs like this in place. Veterans put their lives on the line to project our country and they deserve a roof over their head they return home," Flexer said.

Courtesy photo

U.S. Senator Chris Murphy, with State Senator Mae Flexer on Friday in Hartford.

"I am proud to live in one of two states to have ended veteran homelessness. I want to thank our congressional delegation for securing this funding that will help us continue to ensure that all Connecticut veterans and their families have a safe place to call home."

The funding for HUD-VASH vouchers will be used to help 50 homeless veterans access affordable housing along with necessary support services from the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA). The HUD-VASH program helps local VA facilities identify veterans in need of housing assistance. Through this program, veterans are connected with VA case managers who can help them obtain mental health and substance abuse treatment, identify and negotiate housing opportunities, as well as access counselling, job training, and education services.

"This funding is a step in the right direction towards ending the scourge of veterans homelessness," said Murphy. "As we applaud 50 new HUD-VASH vouchers to provide housing and critical support services for veterans across the state, we recognize that the work is far from over. We owe it to the brave men and women who serve our country to ensure that no veteran is left without a safe, affordable place to live once they return home."

The state of Connecticut became the second state to "end" chronic homelessness for veterans in 2015. While this is a notable achievement, the proclamation was not without controversy because it hinges on the definition of chronic homelessness. A "chronically homeless veteran" is defined by state and federal officials as a veteran who has a disability and has been homeless for a year, or three times in a four-year period. Moreover, the state must be able to "quickly" find permanent housing for any future homeless veteran (i.e. within 90 days), and the state must have more veterans exiting homelessness, at any point, than the number entering homelessness. The only exceptions are veterans who have been offered housing and have refused it.

The goal is to make future instances of homelessness "rare, brief, and non-recurring."

"In order to rehouse veterans and keep up with demand, the federal government needs to maintain and increase its support for these critical VASH vouchers. Last year, at a meeting with the Trump administration at the White House I and other state veterans leaders emphasized how critical this funding is to keeping veterans safely housed. Hopefully, we will continue to see this level of support thanks to the work of Senator Murphy and our whole delegation," said Flexer.

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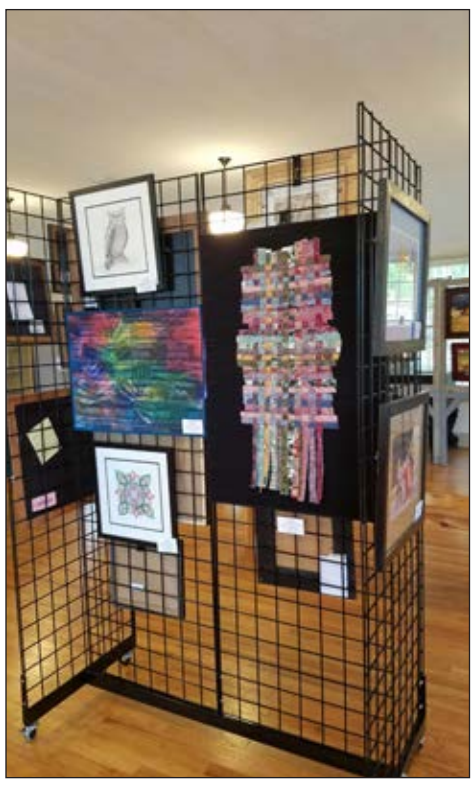

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they were able to share their unique talents with their community.

Jacqueline Lucier will be present all three days this year to showcase her one-of-a-kind, high-end jewelry. Joan Blade Johnson will be selling echo scarves on Sunday, silk scarves that use natural elements to create one-of-a-kind designs.

All of these artists and vendors are from NECTAG, who meet once a month to talk about their art and the local art scene.

"I feel we learn so much," said Barton. "I've learned so much over the last five years."

According to Barton, it's a low-key group that anybody is welcome to join. Even non-artists or hopeful artists have come to the meetings just to see what it was all about, or to learn more about the local art scene.

"It's just a very supportive environment for emerging artists or for people who were involved in art earlier in their lives and are now returning to it," Barton said.

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Guglielmo to speak at Vets Coffeehouse

DANIELSON — State Senator Tony Guglielmo is the guest speaker at the Danielson Veterans Coffeehouse on Tuesday, Sept. 25. Guglielmo represents the towns of Ashford, Chaplin, Coventry, Eastford, Ellington, Hampton, Pomfret, Stafford, Tolland, Union, Vernon, Willington, and Woodstock. He was first elected to represent the 35th Senatorial District in the General Assembly in 1992. He is the Co-Chair of both the Public Safety and the Internship Committee and is a Member of the Legislative Management Committee and the Executive and Legislative Nominations Committees. Senator Guglielmo will speak about the State of the State here in Connecticut.

Senator Guglielmo, a graduate of the University of Connecticut, is a member and past chairman of the UConn Parents Committee and a former member of the Board of Directors of the Connecticut Association for the Prevention of Child Abuse. Senator Guglielmo currently serves as a member of the Board of Directors of the New Alliance Bank Foundation. He has served as the former Chairman of the Tolland Bank Board of Directors and a past member of the Johnson Memorial Hospital Board of Directors and was the former chairman of the Johnson Memorial Hospital Development Corporation. He was a former member of the Stafford Nuclear Waste Site Committee, and is past president of the Stafford Cemetery Association.

Senator Guglielmo served in the U.S. Army and Connecticut National Guard from 1962 to 1968. He holds a B.A. in Political Science from the University of Connecticut and a Master's Degree in History from Trinity College. He and his wife, Doris, are the parents of three adult daughters and have eight grandchildren. They live in Stafford.

The Coffeehouse (open to veterans only) is still in its summer location St. John Lutheran Church 190 Wauregan Road Danielson. The coffeehouse opens at 9 a.m. and the guest speaker program starts at 9:15 a.m.

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How long have you lived in the area? 16 years

Favorite food? Chowder

Favorite TV Show?
Blue Bloods

Favorite travel destination?
Sand Hill Cove Beach in Rhode Island

What's the best part about your town?
Brooklyn Fair

Who has been the greatest influence in your life?
Jesus Christ

Favorite musical artist?
James Taylor

Favorite book? The Bible

What is the greatest piece of advice you have ever been given?
Walk humbly

Favorite Sports Team:
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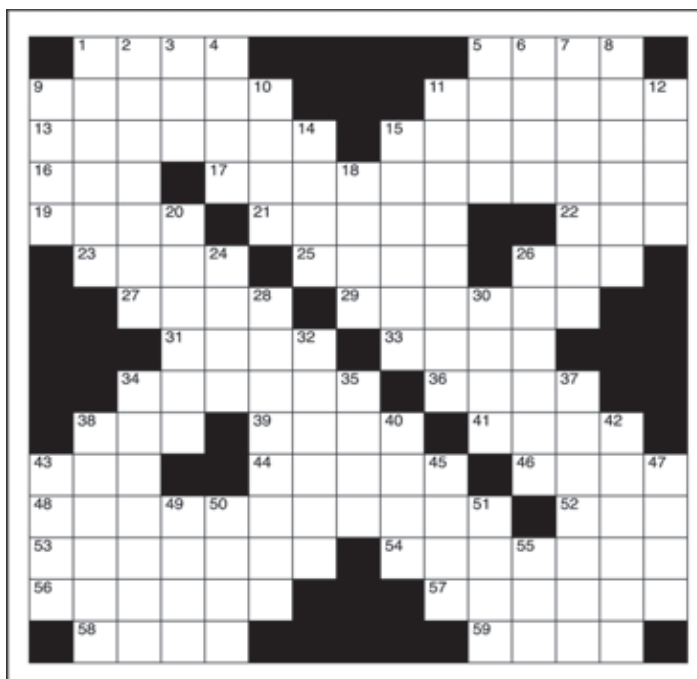

CLUES ACROSS

1. A greeting
5. A type of hall
9. Planes need one
11. Wealth
13. The act of exciting
15. A movement downward
16. Type of storage
17. A funny and sad play
19. After cinco
21. Dry white Italian wine
22. Where golfers begin
23. Witnesses
25. Relaxing places
26. Of she
27. Discontinued compact car
29. Resulted
31. Large Irish castle
33. Offer for a price
34. One type is Irish
36. Free-swimming invertebrate
38. A type of tale
39. The middle of the month
41. Christmas
43. '__ death do us part
44. Goes with Gomorrah
46. Ethnic group of Thailand
48. "Grown Ups" funnyman
52. A type of index
53. A mass of rocks
54. Splashed
56. Kids' playground necessities
57. Sears and London are two
58. Strip of cloth
59. Church

CLUES DOWN

1. Progressive decay of a bone or tooth
2. Deliberately contrary events
3. Unit of mass
4. Kiln
5. Soybean paste
6. Electronic counter-countermeasures
7. Made the bed
8. One who mails
9. Bar bills
10. Automotive vehicles
11. Breaks
12. Swelling of the eyelid
14. Asian country
15. Couches
18. Stare with mouth wide open
20. Member of U.S. Navy
24. A sulk
26. Greetings
28. Craftsmen
30. Mongolian city __ Bator
32. Did again
34. Sunrooms
35. Start over
37. Georgians love them
38. Women
40. "Snake Tales" cartoonist
42. Pariahs
43. Caps
45. Gradually become less solid
47. Goats
49. French city Le __
50. Exhale
51. Homes have at least one
55. Type of power cable

KILLINGLY FLAG FOOTBALL RESULTS

DAYVILLE — The Killingly Flag Football kicked off its inaugural season on Saturday, Sept. 8, at Killingly Central School. The very first game in league history was a tight one with the Raiders squeaking out a hard fought victory over the Chargers 18-12. In other game action on Saturday, the Rams were victorious over the Cardinals and the 49ers pulled out a tight one over the Seahawks. The final game of the opening weekend took place on Wednesday, Sept. 12, with the Chiefs outlasting the Broncos.

Week two action, which took place on Saturday Sept. 15, saw the Raiders move their record to 2-0 with a come-from-behind victory over the Chiefs. Also moving to 2-0 were the Rams with a hard-fought win over the 49ers. Other week two contests saw both the Chargers and Cardinals secure their first wins of the season. STANDINGS: AFC: Raiders 2-0; Chiefs 1-1; Chargers 1-1; Broncos 0-2. NFC: Rams 2-0; 49ers 1-1; Cardinals 1-1; Seahawks 0-2

The Chargers

Courtesy photos

The Raiders

WOODSTOCK LITTLE LEAGUE RESULTS

Baseball: Saturday Sept. 15
Pomfret 7, Woodstock River Dogs 6

Jonah LaBonte had a 2 RBI double in the 3rd inning, Luke Thompson had a single in the 1st and reached on a fielder's choice, and Carsen Peters added a single in the 2nd, but the Woodstock River Dogs Fall Minor League team fell short at Pomfret/Eastford 7-6 on Saturday, Sept. 15, in a five-inning game shortened due to time constraints. Nate Jezierski scored three runs, and Brayden Bottone, Jonah LaBonte, and Jax Golden all scored a run in the loss. Jonah LaBonte and Brayden Bottone combined in a solid pitching performance for Woodstock. The River dogs next game is scheduled for Saturday, Sept. 22, at 10 a.m. at Roseland Park in Woodstock against Putnam.

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Roof replaced at historic Chamberlin Mill

WOODSTOCK — This summer the rusted corrugated metal roof that protected West Woodstock's historic Chamberlin Mill for more than a half century has been replaced with shiny new corrugated metal, as part of an ongoing restoration project for this unique piece of regional history. The goal of Chamberlin Mill, Inc., the non-profit group responsible for the site, is to preserve the sawmill and return it to operation for public enjoyment. The building, which retains its 19th century saw, water-driven turbine, gears and pulleys, tells the story of a long stretch of sawmill development. When restored, its saw will be powered by a 1928 Studebaker Straight-Eight engine brought to the site after The Great Flood of 1936 destroyed the Mill's water power capacity. This engine, which was exposed to the elements for many years before the restoration project began, has been artfully restored by Mystic Seaport volunteers and is ready to power the saw once the building is restored.

Since 2014, when Chamberlin Mill, Inc. was given the site by The Nature Conservancy, work has been underway to return the building to operational condition. Its dry stone foundation has been rebuilt where needed; sills, posts and other timbers replaced; and most recently, its roof has been replaced. This work has been undertaken thanks to generous contributions from Friends of Chamberlin Mill as well as from several grants.

Further work will include repair and reconfiguration of windows and entries, interior and exterior accommodations for visitors, and reconstruction of the saw. Most of the necessary parts are in place, though the Mill is always interested in additional parts for its 1873 Lane #1 circular saw.

Research by architectural historian Myron Stachiw has determined that the structure we see today dates from about 1900, reusing a site that had supported grist and sawmills since the 18th century. Through much of its span, until its sale to The Nature Conservancy in 2009, the site was owned by the Sessions-Stone-Chamberlin family.

Recently uncovered diaries of Frederick Stone from the 1890s have cast light on one significant period of the Mill's operation, including names of local clients, whose barns and other buildings used lumber sawn at the Mill. The diaries also give a sense of the rhythm of a year, in which logs were hauled and sawn in winter and early spring and mill ponds drained for use as hayfields in summer. Maintaining a mill was a perpetual and labor-intensive task. One gains an appreciation for the term "Yankee ingenuity" in reading the diaries, and in seeing the more recent adaptation of the operation to petrol power.

Chamberlin Mill, Inc. is interested in any information that can add to its knowledge of this and other local sawmills—there were many—and to the logging history in the region following the 1938 hurricane. Anyone with memories or material to share is invited to contact chamberlinmill@gmail.com.

While it will take at least another year before we can hope to see lumber produced at Chamberlin Mill, there will be opportunities this fall to get a sense of the Mill: a booth at Celebrating Agriculture (www.celebratingagriculture.org) on Sept. 22; Studebaker engine demonstration at the Mystic Seaport Antique Vehicle Show (www.mysticseaaport.org) on Sept. 23; engine demonstration at the New England Steam Up (www.newsm.org) on Sept. 29; and a free Walktober event at the Mill on Oct. 7 at 2 p.m. (rain date October 14) (www.chamberlinmill.org). Walktober participants will be introduced to the Mill and its surroundings, walking along unpaved roads bordered by preserved land. Return participants will get a chance to see the Mill's restoration progress.

Courtesy photos

The south roof renovation has been completed at the historic Chamberlin Mill in Woodstock.

Matt Beauregard at work on north roof of Chamberlin Mill.

ROSEBROOKS

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Arches National Park was probably my favorite. The shapes, the colors. You could hike up there. They're very fragile. They might fall eventually. But they're so beautiful.

How did you get into painting?

When I was 14 I took a two-week art course at the Worcester Art Museum. I got inspired and encouraged to keep working. It's always a challenge. There's always something new to explore. Trying to get it the way you want it is always hard. But at 70 years old I never run out of ideas, so that's pretty cool.

What do you like about paintings?

It's relaxing. It clears my mind in a way.

Before landscape painting, you focused on people.

Landscapes are different for me. I paint events in my life that inspire me. Whatever moves me. I'll do social things like the Women's March.

What about the Women's March inspired you?

Because it was about bonding. All these women that felt the same way I do.

How do you feel about being in the new gallery space?

I'm glad to be here. I love the new space. I think it's wonderful. I know a lot of people in this community. They come and support me.

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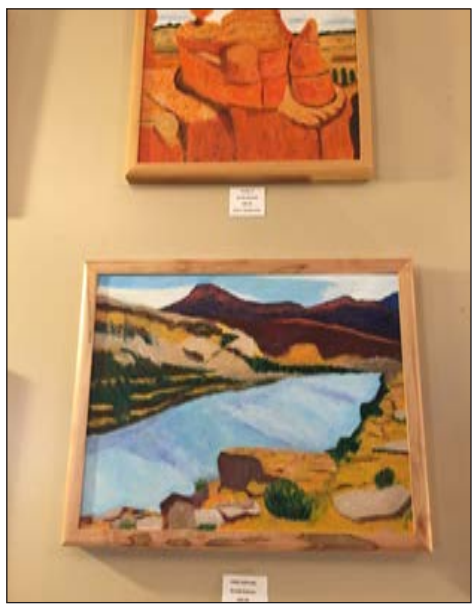

Rosebrooks' landscapes are inspired by the unique landscapes out West.

Weiss & Hale Financial announces name change

POMFRET CENTER — Weiss & Hale Financial, a provider of comprehensive financial and portfolio management services for more than 12 years, recently announced the launch of a new business brand identity and name — Weiss, Hale & Zahansky Strategic Wealth Advisors. Among the other changes will be its logo and domain name www.whzwealth.com.

In all, the change more accurately expresses the business' offerings and strategic financial service model: Plan Well, Invest Well, Live Well. The new identity builds upon its history of unique, quality wealth building service focused on individuals, non-profits, and institutions.

Founded by business partners Jim Weiss and Laurence Hale in 2006, Weiss & Hale Financial has positioned itself as a strategic partner in wealth management and financial planning for individuals, families, non-profit organizations, and businesses. Jim Zahansky joined the business in 2014 as Senior Vice President after a distinguished executive-level career in the pharmaceutical industry and became Co-Principal/Managing Partner in 2016 with Laurence Hale as Jim Weiss transitioned out of the business to focus on the "Live Well" phase of his life.

"Over the past 12 years, we've built a strong reputation in providing customized service and experienced fiduciary care of our clients," said Laurence Hale, Managing Partner and Chief Investment Officer. "Our new company name brings forward our strong legacy while reflecting our focus on our clients." Jim Zahansky, Managing Partner and Chief Goals Strategist, adds, "Weiss, Hale & Zahansky Strategic Wealth Advisors will remain profoundly committed to our client's life financial goals and our key service attributes: accountability, confidentiality, integrity, reliability, and trust."

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A honey of a hobby

"Honey bees are fascinating. It's neat to be part of that whole process of a colony developing, making honey," said Paul Larson.

BY OLIVIA RICHMAN
NEWS STAFF WRITER

WOODSTOCK — It takes a special kind of person to stand calmly in a swarm of a few thousand bees. Beekeeper Paul Larson is one of those people. Many people know Paul and Joyce for their Sprucedale Gardens nursery, but not many know about the bees that also enjoy scouring the gardens for plants.

Beekeeping takes a lot of time, energy and knowledge. And a lot of trust. Larson has been a bee keeper since 2013, when he pursued his fascination of honey bees at the Woodstock Fair and ended up involved with the Eastern Connecticut Beekeepers Association. But it didn't start out very smoothly.

"I had bought two 'packages,' which include a queen and three pounds of bees, enough to start two hives," said Larson. "But two days after I put them in my hives they all left. The hives had become on and then left. Which is called absconding."

While it's something that happens – albeit rarely – it's remained a mystery to beekeepers when it comes to why this happens. Despite the unfortunate start, Larson bought another package of bees.

He currently has 16 colonies, with around 50,000 bees in each.

Each season new duties, complications and challenges arise. There's always something to keep track of or work on when it comes to beekeeping. But for Larson, it's always worth it. He checks on the baby bees. He checks for parasites.

"They're fascinating," he said. "It's neat to be part of that whole process of a colony developing, making honey. They act as one. Some biologists consider them a super organism. Individual bees have their own tasks and responsibilities but it's all coordinated yet nobody is coordinating it. It's not like the queen is telling everyone what to do. They just do it. And it all works. And it's extremely efficient."

An example Larson shared was when bees will stop bringing in pollen and nectar and instead bring in water when the hive gets too hot. They'll smear the water around the hive and the evaporation cools everything.

"It's all a challenge but it's rewarding," he said.

Another aspect of beekeeping is harvesting the honey, a challenge all in itself. It's a messy process, said Larson, but said it really helps with the cost of "this expensive hobby."

The amount of honey you get as a beekeeper depends on how you manage the hives, but also on the weather and the bees themselves. The bees need 70 to 80 pounds of honey per hive to consume during winter months. The keepers take the surplus (usually around 30 pounds) in a slightly complicated process.

"My honey got a blue ribbon at the Woodstock Fair this year," said Larson. "The color and the taste of the honey varies from year to year. It depends on what they're collecting the nectar from."

Larson has co-owned Sprucedale Gardens with his wife since 1995. Both went to UConn for horticulture. For more information visit sprucedalegardens.com.

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Courtesy photos

Paul Larson has been a beekeeper since 2013, pursuing his love of honey bees.

CHET offers scholarships for high school students

PUTNAM — Connecticut high school freshmen and seniors are encouraged to apply for the 2018 CHET Advance Scholarship. The program is sponsored by Connecticut State Treasurer Denise L. Nappier, trustee of the Connecticut Higher Education Trust (CHET).

This year CHET will again provide awards of up to $2,500 to 200 high school students. Up to 100 high school seniors with a grade point average of 2.0 or above will be eligible for a $2,500 scholarship. In addition, up to 100 freshmen will be awarded an initial $2,000 scholarship, with the opportunity to receive an additional $500 if the student's family saves $500 in a CHET account by the time the student graduates from high school.

High school seniors and freshmen can apply online at www.chetadvance.com untile the deadline of 5 p.m. on Tuesday, October 2. Since the program launched in 2013, 1,000 Connecticut high school students have been awarded $2.5 million in CHET Advance Scholarships.Winners will be selected through a random drawing from all eligible applications received. The program is open to Connecticut students who attend public, private, and parochial schools and who are home schooled.

No state funds will be used for the scholarship awards issued under the CHET Advance Scholarship program. CHET Advance is administered under the banner of CHET, Connecticut's 529 college savings plan. Treasurer Nappier negotiated for the establishment of the scholarship program with TIAA-CREF Tuition Financing, Inc. (TFI) and The Hartford, plan managers for CHET Direct-Sold and CHET Advisor-Sold, respectively. The two plan managers contribute annually into a Scholarship account to finance the program.

For additional information, an application, and the complete Official Rules, go to the CHET Advance Scholarship website, www.chetadvance.com. Or visit us on Facebook at facebook.com/CHETcollegesavings, on Twitter at @CHET529 or on Instagram at instagram.com/chet529.

Franco-American community history talk set

Felix Gatineau's History of Franco-Americans of Southbridge Mass., originally written in French in 199, has recently been translated into English for the first time by Dr. Elizabeth Blood of Salem State University and published by Via Appla Press.

In recognition, a special presentation is planned Thursday, Sept. 27 at 6:30 p.m. at Jacob Edwards Library, 236 Main St., in Southbridge, Mass., at 6:30 p.m. with Dr. Blood describing the life for the immigrants of the era.

Between 1840 and 1930, approximately one million French Canadians immigrated to the United States, the vast majority of them settling in New England. Many settled in northeast Connecticut. In Southbridge a century ago, when state Representative Felix Gatineau published his important chronicle of the Southbridge Franco American community, French speaking immigrants and their American born children represented 60 percent of the town's population.

In this talk, Dr. Blood will offer a glimpse of what life was like for French Canadians in Southbridge 100 years ago, highlighting the role the community played in establishing many of the town's political, cultural, business and religious institutions and offering insights into the fascinating character of Gatineau himself.

An additional invitation to view the permanent exhibit in honor of Gatineau at the library is also suggested. Copies of the new book will be available for purchase. All are welcome. Light refreshments will be provided by the Friends of Jacob Edwards Library.

NECONN YOUTH SOCCER RESULTS

NECONN U9 Boys Red 5 Stafford 1

The soccer match played on Sept. 16 betweenn U-9 boys from Stafford and the NECONN Red squad had NECONN coming out on top 5-1. This match was played on a very hot afternoon and the NECONN boys had to overcome having only two subs while Stafford had a full complement of players. For the second week in a row Jacob Bickoff showed great leadership on the field and worked hard to anchor the back line. Grayson De Oliviera was as hot as the weather notching multiple goals. Deegan Bryniarski had a great run down the right sideline beating several defenders. Dylan Syriac continues to shine. His stamina and intensity helped his team overcome both the heat as well as being outnumbered.

NECONN U9 Girls 5 Tolland 0

Erin Park scored 3 goals in her first Travel soccer game. Kaitlyn Team added 2 added 2 more to finish the scoring. Erin Russell who had several assists played aggressively in midfield. The defensive duo of Kaylee Letourneau and Danika Beliveau Coyle helped the team earned their second shutout of the season.

Franklin United 5 NECONN U10 Girls 1

The NECONN U10 Girls suffered their first loss of the season against Franklin United. NECONN was missing 3 of their starting players and was supported by thr U9 Girls team. Kaitlyn Teal scored the lone goal on a breakaway. Outside back Charlotte Caisse of Woodstock played on of her best games defensively and Lorelai Fish made 21 saves in goal.

Old School 8 NECONN U11 Boys 1

The NECONN U11 boys had a tough outing on Sept. 16. NECONN held the visiting Franklin Mass. premier team Old School to two goal in the first half. Unfortunately, in the second half Franklin opened the flood gates scoring 6 more goals which resulted into an 8-1 loss. Mathew Johndrow scored the lone goal for NECONN. Luke Thompson and Landon Murdock played very well in the backfield.

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SERVE!
CHECK OUT THE SPORTS ACTION!

Eastford 5K road race draws 400 to battle cancer

Courtesy photos

Owen's Run to help find a kidney donor for Lincoln Budd drew 50 children. (Lincoln's son, Owen, age 9, is in the taller fellow the midst of the crowd.)

BY MONICA MCKENNA
FOR THE VILLAGER

EASTFORD — Four hundred people showed up for the seventh annual "We Never Stop Fighting 5K in Loving Memory of Marilyn T. Krom" on Sept. 15. The race helps families challenged by cancer. The 5K drew 150 runners to support Lennox Brodeur battle pancreatic cancer and Barry Lathem, who faces Waldenstrom Lymphoma, while 50 children turned out for "Owen's Kids Fun Run" to help 9-year-old Owen's father, Lincoln Budd, find a kidney donor.

"The most memorable part of the day was Lennox walking across the finish line and the cheers she received--that is what this event is all about," said Sean Krom of Guilford who established the race in 2012 with the Town of Eastford to honor his mother, Marilyn, an Eastford nurse who cared for summer camp children and many local families in need of care. Marilyn died of uterine cancer in 2009. Lennox Brodeur, the wife of former first selectman Art Brodeur, was an outstanding athlete until she was stricken abruptly last fall by pancreatic cancer. Her hero, Supreme Court Justice Ruth Bader Ginsberg, has survived the lethal disease for eight years. Singer Aretha Franklin recently lost her battle with pancreatic cancer, called the "silent killer" because there are few symptoms.

The starting gun was fired by Lennox, and 200 people of all ages scrambled from the Eastford Elementary School. Lennox' son, Jeffrey, his son Griffin, age 8, her sister Judith Cercena, niece Deborah Mitchell and family friend Adele Terlizzi ran alongside as Jeffrey pushed Lennox in a wheelchair for most of the 5K route. But Lennox, the former physical education teacher, walked across the finish line without assistance to high-fives and cheers from all.

"Owen's Run" supported Lincoln, a 30-year volunteer firefighter and volunteer, who lost one kidney to cancer and the second is in crisis. Owen's appeal for a live donor appears on Facebook's "A Kidney for Lincoln"; sharing the post will help spread the word, or call Hartford Hospital's Donor Program. "So far, seven people have volunteered to be tested," said Lincoln's wife, Rachel. Usually 100 people are tested before a match is found.

"Thanks to all who made the race possible and to all who came out and ran in support. My goal is to continue to run strong and in good spirits," said Lennox, described by Art as an "energizer bunny" until last Thanksgiving when the cancer was detected.

First place men's was Piotr Kostyk of Bethel, the first place woman was Amy Wells of Mansfield, and first in Owen's Run was Matthew Johndrow, age 9 of Ellington. To donate, make checks payable to: Marilyn T. Krom Foundation with "Owen's Run" in the memo line, and mail to Town of Eastford, P.O. Box 98, Eastford, Ct., 06242.

One of the dedicated annual Eastford participants is Mary Ellen Ellsworth who walked the 5K in support of Lennox and Lincoln.

Lennox Brodeur walked across the finish line with (l-r) sister Judith Cercena, grandson Griffin Brodeur, son Lt. Commander Jeffrey M. Brodeur of the US Coast Guard, niece Deborah Mitchell, and family friend Adele Terlizzi.

Eastford 5K Runners are off - 150 came from New York and all over New England

Helping prepare rewards for kids in Owen's Run are Billy Hornyak of Branford, Amy Wells of Mansfield, Seth Budd and Mary Brown of Eastford, and Richard Dubois of Eastford.

Last year's honoree, Barbara Aquila whose Non-hodgkin Lymphoma is in remission, joined (l-r) Michael Taricani of Canton, Sean Krom of Guilford, and youthful volunteers Billy and Olivia Hornyak of Branford

Lincoln Budd's wife, Rachel (right) and volunteers (l-r) Dawn Attardo of Norwich, Tara Sledjeski of Willimantic and Samantha Marley of Willington to share information about kidney donation.

Lincoln Budd poses with son Owen on their vintage tractor before Owen's Run to help dad find a kidney donor.

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Our newspapers have grown with the communities they serve and since 2005, the Villagers have truly become our hometown newspapers. We write our town's stories, print photos of our sports teams and events and spotlight trusted local advertisers who are the foundation of the local business community. The Villager Newspapers represent, reflect and embrace our unique towns in this very special part of Connecticut.

Media and technology have evolved and morphed and changed again in the past decade. Websites and social media provide 24/7 global news, radio and TV have stepped up their game to keep pace and texts are available by looking at your watch. So how does a local community print newspaper fit into the 21st century? How does it fit into our hectic, overly-scheduled, technology-stimulated lives?

Maybe one answer is that once a week, we deserve to take the time to slowwwwwww things down, grab a cup of our favorite beverage and immerse ourselves in the local, close, cozy community feeling of a hometown newspaper. The kind you can lean your elbows on as you scan the weekly specials; the kind with accidental coffee rings, folded and creased to fit in a briefcase or handbag; the kind that prints pics of YOUR kids, YOUR neighbors, YOUR organization, YOUR school. We do our best to celebrate YOU each and every week with YOUR Villager.

Although we don't HAVE to work hard to "keep up" with other technology, we do. Every paper we publish is available free online (www.VillagerNewspapers.com) and our Facebook pages are always current, fun and interactive. But just maybe, our "reason" for existing in print is to provide a little stability in a fast-moving, ever-changing world. Our local newspaper keeps us anchored to our "small groups" right here in Northeastern Connecticut – friends, family, neighbors, trusted local businesses – and help us remain in community with one another. The rest of the world is more accessible than ever, but there's a sense of security in keeping our lives close and comfortable.

And now as we transition into fall, when the leaves are turning and nights are chilly, when hot cider replaces lemonade, and football season has spiraled into our Friday nights, we can look forward to spending time with the latest Villager newspaper and recalling the many reasons why we love to live right here in the Quiet Corner.

Thank you for making us proud to reflect and celebrate our communities every week.

OPINION

Opinion and commentary from the Quiet Corner

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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Dayville man doesn't like headline

My letter to The Villager of Sept. 7th was misrepresented in that issue. You changed my lead in of that letter to suit your own leftist bent. The title which I submitted was Democrat Party?

Don't misrepresent a letter sent in good faith by your readers changing wording and mixing up words which you did with my letter. Print a letter exactly as submitted by the person don't distort it.

In doing this you lose all credibility as a publication. Although it may not be of your political ideology don't lower yourselves and become part of the Fake News.

JOHN DAHL
DAYVILLE

(Editor's note: Mr. Dahl's letter of Sept. 7 was printed exactly as written. The lead of Mr. Dahl's letter to the editor on Sept. 7 was not changed. The lead is the first sentence of a story or letter, Mr. Dahl is confusing "the lead" with "the headline". Mr. Dahl's letter of Sept. 7 was not misrepresented in the headline, in his Sept. 7 letter he wrote "Sadly, today, the Democrat party is a mish-mash of socialists, neo-Marxists, globalists, and anarchists." — this sentiment was reflected in the headline to his letter of Sept. 7, which read — "A nod to neo-Marxist socialist Democrats". The Villager writes the headline for all press releases and submissions, not the letter writer. Letters are edited for punctuation and spelling. No words were changed or mixed up in Mr. Dahl's letter of Sept. 7.)

Dauphinais is best choice

I am a registered Independent, residing in the town of Moosup. I am writing today to endorse Anne Dauphinais as State Representative for the 44th General Assembly District.

Representative Dauphinais has worked tirelessly for the residents of Plainfield and Killingly. She works hard to ensure the best for her constituents. Representative Dauphinais is open to all points of view, which makes her a formidable and well informed member of the General Assembly.

I hope that all my fellow residents of the 44th take the time to talk with Anne and come to realize that she is the best choice to be our representative.

MATTHEW ZUPKA
MOOSUP

A vote for Rosati-Randall

I'm writing to show my support for Christine Rosati-Randall for State Representative. Christine's dedication and passion to children and families in our area is remarkable. She is always ready to listen to people and advocate on their behalf on every level. From her years of volunteer work to her time served as past State Representative, she is always working to make her community better. Her ability to listen to people, research issues and advocate on behalf of people has always impressed me. I'm happy to support her and looking forward to having her represent Killingly in the House of Representatives.

KRISTINE CICCHETTI
KILLINGLY

Thompson parent vouches for Tourtellotte Memorial High

To the terrified middle school parent: I was you few years ago. I was scheming up plans for my bright child to go to a different high school. I didn't think our town's high school was going to offer and challenge her enough. She said "No, I want to go to school here" and I am SO happy she did. She knew better them me.

Think about when you had your first baby and you had to have EVERYTHING in the baby magazines, read what to expect when expecting a thousand times. You were going to make your own baby food, always use a wipe warmer so your baby never had a cold bum, and had to have the fancy changing table that was a dresser that matched the crib. To name a few of those new baby must haves and do's, we all had. We wanted our babies to have the best. And what did we end up doing? Feeding our babies jar food, they had to use cold wipes (I could never remember to fill it) and you changed them where ever you were and that fancy table never was used. We really didn't need all those extras to raise a healthy baby...

Think of high school kinda the same way, you don't need to stress yourself out with the bells and whistles. Your child will succeed if you are there to support them no matter where they end up. Don't be afraid to support your town and your local school-system, you may find they don't have the fanciest of things but you will find they will have everything your child needs. You don't need all those extras to get your child into a good college one day. SAT's and ACT's will not give you a higher score because you know pig Latin and can make a pastry. Nothing wrong with learning that but it's not needed is my point.

We are in a world that we get so distracted by what others are doing, saying and thinking that we don't always see the bigger and more important picture. Sometimes less can be more. I couldn't imagine my daughter having the opportunities she has had at Tourtellotte Memorial High School anywhere else. For her a small school and community was what she wanted and needed. She has an incredible teaching staff pushing her to be her best and she's doing it. She and many other students will be reaping their hard work rewards with college acceptance letters and scholarships soon.

Your child will prosper where they are most comfortable. Listen to them, what are their interests and goals for themselves and not yours. Your town's local high school may not be the right fit for them and their interests. It will be this way for some. I just ask that you don't discredit or disregard opportunities you have at your own backdoor as I almost did.

I truly hope this helps any nervous parent out there like I was. You got this

DANIELLE ARMSTRONG-CARLSON
THOMPSON

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Fetching some solace

NANCY WEISS

The center of attention at a bridal shower was a 10 week-old Corgi puppy. Although everyone at the party was happy to celebrate the bride-to-be, the little golden dog had us in the palm of his tiny paw. From a sturdy wire playpen in the middle of the kitchen, he slept, rolled on to his back to reveal a charming pink belly and had a dozen women fall in love with him. There is no denying that pets, especially dogs turn up everywhere.

Years ago I went to school in Paris. It was a wonderful time and a chance to escape from the charming, but demanding presence of my father. Although not especially skilled at the language, I tried to see and understand everything around me. One of the first things I noticed was cheese, the next thing was the array of small dogs sitting politely on café chairs, peering out of chic handbags or defecating on the sidewalk without the owner making any effort to clean it up. It seemed a cultural aberration that was peculiar to Parisians. I never expected to see similar behaviors here.

It took a while for our natural affection for dogs to come front and center. When I was growing up many people, especially farmers or hunters kept dogs chained to dog houses. They cared for the animals by keeping them fed and watered, but the dogs were not really pets. They had jobs to do, such as herding or retrieving or chasing raccoons up trees and bay at them like creatures obsessed. Not many thought these practices strange or abusive.

Family pets were allowed to roam freely and often were hit by cars. As far as I knew no one slept with dogs on their beds and most were shooed off the furniture. A progressive idea of discipline was to whack them with rolled up newspapers. At the mid-point of the 20th century, things began to change.

There are many reasons why we have come to treat dogs differently and open up places once closed to them. Most sources cite smaller families, fewer face-to-face connections with family and community. Millennials, a favorite group to analyze, are especially drawn to dogs as sources of comfort, affection and a great way to meet others. We believe that people who have dogs are good because they lavish attention on their furbabies, as they are often called. Dogs give us a reason to chat with strangers and feel better about the world in general.

As the first creatures to be domesticated, dogs got our number early on. The empathy that passes between a human and a dog is remarkable. Think of the joy dogs give when welcoming their owners home or the sheer pleasure of fetching a ball. Think also of dogs in grocery stores, restaurants, bars and retail stores. It happens more and more. I read about dog menus at eateries in Canada and I'm sure there are some here. We've traveled with friends who seek out and pay up for dog friendly lodging.

With summer coming to an end, my husband and I went to Watch Hill to walk on the beach and revel in the rosy light of the late afternoon. As we walked along, the array of dogs and owners was remarkable. From friendly Labs to an aloof Miniature Schnauzer, the dogs were having a wonderful time. Some were on leashes long enough to allow them a romp in the surf. Some peeked out of beach bags. Everyone was happy. In an unpredictable world, people were finding solace and joy with their dogs.

Getting Schooled

RED'S WORD

BRENDA PONTBRIAND

Happy pumpkin-spice-even-though-we're-still-wearing-summer-clothes season! Shout-out this week to Dave Panteleakous from Westview Nursing and Rehabilitation Center and Donna Brown from Putnam! I'm so glad you enjoy reading about all my pitfalls. Props to Girls N' Tools in Putnam and Buy-Rite Fuel in Brooklyn for being superstars in the Quiet Corner!

So Sean, Joseph, and I went to New Hampshire last weekend to visit some of his family members. I met his ninety-nine year old grandmother for the first time and let me tell you, I wouldn't cross that woman if my life depended on it. I have no doubt that if I would have said something off, she would have spanked me and put me in the corner. "Your homemade grape juice is delicious!" I complimented. "I know that," she snapped, "That's why I make it". "I gave up my drivers' license when I turned 99", she proudly stated to Sean. "So you were all done, eh?" Sean asked. "Isn't driving for eighty-three years enough?" she shot back. Whenever she commanded, everyone jumped--No questions asked. Grandma played the piano for an hour and ordered us all to sing along....and we did. I learned Swanee River and the second verse to 'I'm Looking Over a Four Leaf Clover'. She played the heck out that piano too!

There seems to be massive benefit to growing older. You retain the right to say or do anything you want, whenever you want, and no one will question or correct you. It's like a superpower that's bestowed upon you when you reach a certain age. Maybe it's a reward for putting up with society for all those years? If that's the case, then I'm going to have an absolute blast when I finally can speak my mind. I'm wondering though...how do you know when you have reached that point? Do you just whip out a random comment to test the waters, and if no one challenges you or blackens your eye, you've reached demi-god status? So many times I've wanted to say to someone, "You know if you can't be intelligent, you could at least be entertaining". Keeping that one in my pocket for someday... hope I remember it. I commend those women who are perfectly accepting of their age and totally comfortable with their bodies. Cheers to all of you!

Meanwhile, I have a drawer full of youthful promises in jars, a crying machine to monitor my weight, and daughters who are willing to lie about my age. "Age is just a number," I've been told. That's fine. I'll just pick a number I like and stay with it. By all accounts I'm twenty-nine and gave birth to my oldest child when I was eight years old. Eventually my girls will be older than me though, so I'll have to sort something out. The knowledge and wisdom I have accumulated I wouldn't trade for the world. How many times have you thought, "I wish I knew then what I know now"? But you wouldn't know that if you didn't have those experiences first.

My grandparents have long passed, and how I wish I wouldn't have been such a snotty know-it-all kid and asked them the millions of questions I wish I could ask now. Our older generations have a sea of knowledge and stories just waiting to be tapped. The younger generations act like recycling is this new concept we all should try. Meanwhile, anyone who lived through the Great Depression has recycled their entire life. Every container that entered my Memere's house found

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The national pastime in had its day in Windham County

KILLINGLY AT 300

MARGARET WEAVER

Take me out to the ball game! How many of you remember when this area had a semi-pro baseball team in the 1960's? The following article by Nabby Bessette in the June 17, 1965 Windham County Transcript caught my attention so I read on. "Moose Club Noses Out Local Cits. The local baseball semi-pro nine, sponsored by the Polish Cits, made an impressive start in their initial game even though they went down to defeat by a 2 to 1 score against the Moose Club. A. Perry of the Cits and B. Muttart of the Moose both pitched five hitter . . The game was scoreless until the fourth inning when the Moose team pushed across one run on an infield single by J. Lapowski, a sacrifice, and a single by pitcher Muttart. The Cits bounded back with one run in the top of the fifth after two outs on successive walks by A. Desrosior and M. Castagna and N. Burns drove in the only Cits run with a single to center. If you remember these teams and can supply more information, please email me or contact the Killingly Historical Center.

A September Transcript carried a photo of the Quinebaug Valley Little League All Star Team. Much to my delight Bruce Boisclair, who later became a major league player, was in the pictures. Others listed in the caption were Gary Pechie, Gary Brook, Charles Spaulding, Jr., Wayne Ayres, Russell Lyons, Shawn Brown, Dennis Lyon, Robert Willett, Francis LaBelle (manager), Ray Dutremble, Paul Grondeleski, William Pakulis, Frank LaBelle, Bruce LaBelle, and James Warren (coach) (9/2/65).

Several weeks ago I wrote about 18th century Baptists in Killingly. As a result I received a call from the Kristen Useted, the administrative secretary at Cornerstone Baptist Church in Danielson. She asked if I would be interested in seeing their records, which date from 1874. I went to the church on our very rainy Wednesday and was shown quite a variety of records including minutes of the women's organization, the Busy Bees. Perhaps you were a member of this group. Officers for 1944-1945 were as follows: President, Alice Anne Jordan; vice-president, Ruth Allen; treasurer, Beatrice Harold; secretary, Cora Browne. If you read the minutes carefully, you will notice the impact of World War II in an unexpected place. "The regular meeting of Busy Bees was held in the vestry of the church April 21, 1944. A potluck supper at 6:30 opened the meeting with 16 members present. The remarkable thing about the supper was that no one brought a dessert. Perhaps this was not so remarkable in view of rationing. The devotional service, led by Grace Stanton opened with the singing of hymns. The 23rd Psalm was read together. Lori Jane Gilbert led in prayer. Rev. Gilbert spoke to the group urging us to stick together and suggested that perhaps some project might hold interest in our club. The secretary's report was read and accepted. Roll call was taken. The following report of the nominating committee was read and not accepted. President, Eleanor Strunk; vice-president, Ruth Allen; treasurer Beatrice Harold; secretary, Cora Browne. After much protesting and discussing on the part of all Alice Jordan kindly consented to be our president in view of the fact that Eleanor Strunk had already served her term and "did not choose to run" again. With the substitution of the name of Alice Jordan for Eleanor Strunk the report of the nominating committee was accepted. The collection taken amounted to $5.58. After the business meeting Amasa Pierce showed several movies which everyone enjoyed."

Northeastern Connecticut's most illustrious individual is probably our 18th century Revolutionary War hero General Israel Putnam. Perhaps you are more familiar with his exploits with the wolf as a younger man. As part of its annual Fall Festival Brooklyn will be celebrating the 300th anniversary of General Putnam's birthday, which occurred earlier this year. " Born January 7, 1718 in Salem Village (later Danvers), Massachusetts, he was the twelfth child of Joseph and Elizabeth Porter Putnam. The families of both parents were the richest and most powerful in the village... Unlike most of his contemporaries, Israel Putnam enjoyed farming and was good at it. When he moved to eastern Connecticut in 1740, he immediately began to specialize in raising sheep, swine, cattle, and horses, recognizing that this was the safest and most profitable means of converting otherwise unusable pasturage and poor grain land into commodities that transported themselves and commanded a much higher unit value than flour and cornmeal" (Connecticut Hero: Israel Putnam by John Niven, pp.12-15).

On Saturday, September 29th from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Brooklyn will feature activities related to and honoring Israel Putnam. Members of the Sons of the American Revolution will have an encampment near the Putnam monument on Route 169 just south of its Route 6 intersection. At 2 p.m. they will preside at the wreath laying ceremony at the monument. Brooklyn's Sarah Williams Danielson Chapter of the D.A.R. and Plainfield's Deborah Avery Putnam Chapter of the D.A.R. will also be in attendance. Previous to the ceremony members of the 2nd Regiment Light Dragoons led by Commander Captain Sal Tarantino will conduct demonstrations of Revolutionary War era riding maneuvers in the field behind the Brooklyn Post Office. After the Wreath Laying Ceremony the Children of the American Revolution will join the DAR and SAR in a procession to the Unitarian Meeting House, the 1771 Congregational Meeting House whose construction Putnam supported, for brief speeches by Connecticut State Historian Walter Woodward and others. After the speeches a birthday cake will be served. Many additional activities will take place. In addition there will be tours of the Unitarian Meeting House, the Putnam Elms, Old Trinity Church, and Trinity Church, which has Tiffany studios stained glass windows. Mark your calendars and plan on attending this wonderful celebration! For additional information contact Chairman Mary Beth Leonard at 860-377-9824 (extracted from the BHS Times August, 2018).

Needed: The Killingly Historical & Genealogical Society is in need of a secretary. Duties would include taking and typing minutes for the monthly Wednesday night Board of Directors meetings and the November and May membership meetings. If you are interested, please contact president Bernie Mitchell by calling the Killingly Historical & Genealogical Center or by stopping in.

Wanted to copy for our archives: Back issues of the Lake Breeze (before August 1998). We'd like to have a complete file of the publication available for research. If you can help us, please stop at the Killingly Historical and Genealogical Center. Copies can be made while you wait.

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

What to do when a loved one passes

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Knowing how important estate planning is for any individual, this September, we will focus on the key strategies and documents you need to know to leaving the legacy you want to leave.

The death of a spouse or life partner is difficult enough without having to make decisions about a host of financial issues. To help minimize stress when this sad time arrives, the following list provides a framework for organizing your financial affairs and those of your partner.

Death certificates: To file for various benefits, you must provide a death certificate. Obtain at least 10 certified copies from the funeral director or from your state's department of health or vital records. An excellent resource for finding the appropriate office in your state is the Where to Write for Vital Records page on the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) website, www.cdc.gov/nchs/w2w.htm.

Insurance policies: Have on hand a list of insurance companies, policy numbers, and social security numbers. Although you don't need to produce the original copy of the policy to file for a death claim, it will speed up the process.

For coverage written in the past 15 years, you may be able to locate missing policies through MIB Solutions, Inc., a company that provides services to the insurance industry. You can access the company's Policy Locator Service, for a $75 fee, at www.mib.com/lost_life_insurance.html.

Contact numbers for old policies may no longer be valid. Get in touch with your state's department of insurance to obtain new telephone numbers for filing death claims with carriers that do business in your state.

Military discharge papers. You may be entitled to veteran benefits if your spouse served in the military. Obtain a copy of his or her military records through the Veterans' Service Records page on the National Archives website at www.archives.gov/veterans/military-service-records.

Marriage certificate. You may need copies of your marriage certificate to apply for certain dependent benefits. Obtain copies through the county or town in which your marriage license was issued. You can also use the CDC's Where to Write for Vital Records page, mentioned above, to obtain contact numbers for where to get this information in your state.

Children's birth certificates. Your dependent children may be eligible for benefits. Refer to the CDC's Where to Write for Vital Records page to obtain contact information for the state where the child was born.

Last will and testament. Most people keep their will in a safe deposit box, a safe, or an important document file drawer. If you cannot locate your partner's will, you can most likely obtain one from your attorney. If no will was created or you cannot find one, contact your county's probate department to determine whether your partner's estate qualifies for a simplified probate procedure. If necessary, make a formal application to the court to be appointed personal representative of your partner's estate.

Bank and brokerage accounts. Jointly owned accounts are not tied up in the probate process. Contact your bank and broker to change the account to your name. Accounts owned individually by your spouse must be transferred to an estate account.

IRAs and employer retirement plans. It may be beneficial to roll over your spouse's IRAs into your own IRA. If you are younger than 59 ½ and intend to use the IRA for living expenses, you may decide to move the account to an inherited IRA to avoid early withdrawal tax penalties. In addition, your spouse's plan may offer a survivor annuity or a lump-sum payout.

Contact the Social Security Administration (SSA). You and your dependent children may be eligible to receive a small social security death benefit and survivor income benefits. Contact your local social security office or visit the Survivors Benefits section of the SSA website at www.ssa.gov/benefits/survivors.

Tax identification numbers (TINs). You, your spouse's executor, or your spouse's trustee will need to obtain TINs for the estate and for any formerly revocable trust. Give these numbers to your bank and brokerage firms.

Taxes. You may incur additional taxes at your spouse's death. Before transferring accounts or distributing estate assets, talk with your attorney and accountant. You will also have to file a final income tax return for your spouse.

Health insurance. If your spouse had health insurance at work, you may qualify for COBRA benefits for up to 36 months. Although the premiums may increase, they are generally considerably less costly than private insurance. Contact your spouse's employer for more information. Also contact your own employer to find out whether you are eligible for health insurance benefits following your change in status.

Plan Well – The death of a loved one is one of the most difficult things in life to bear and could be even more difficult without the help of friends and other family members. This checklist may prove helpful if you or someone you know has lost a loved one. To view all these helpful links, go to www.whzwealth.com/resources to find the links referred to in this article.

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Pay attention to Woodstock Board of Ed budget

GUEST COLUMN

DAVE RICHARDSON

When most of us think of September we think of the end of summer, back to school, and county fairs; but it also the time when cities and towns, and the state, close the books on the previous year's budgets. On September 11th the Woodstock Board of Finance (BOF) met to review the end of year, June 30th 2018, budget reports and make necessary transfers of excess (surplus) funds. These meetings are always enlightening.

On the town government side everything was pretty straightforward. We ended the fiscal year with a little over $530,000 in surplus – roughly $278,000 in excess revenue (more taxes collected, fees, etc. than planned) and just over $252,000 in budget surplus from spending accounts; all detailed, by account, in the Treasurer's report for the year end. The Selectmen, represented at the meeting by Mike Alberts and Frank Olah, requested the budget surplus, the $252,000, be put into the Capital Nonrecurring Account designated for bridge repairs. BOF complied.

The Board of Education (BOE) side is where things got interesting. First let me say, no one from the school administration or BOE showed up for the meeting to explain their budget issues and transfer request, or answer any questions — they had an open house planned at the Middle School for that night and apparently everyone was needed to attend. To explain why this was "interesting" I have to go back to our last BOF meeting on June 12th; at that meeting the School Administration and BOE informed the BOF that BOE budget was going to be $169, 227 in deficit, and that this shortfall in funding had to be covered to close out the budget – this had first been reported by the Superintendent in letter in early May. They proposed that the $110,000 in funds come from the Healthcare Reserve that had been created to cover unexpected loses should in the self-funded health insurance plan should they occur. There was of course no shortage in the healthcare account; in fact, it was projected to be in surplus, but the BOE really wants to get its hands on these reserve funds – a reserve they had grossly over funded with surpluses from previous years. It was explained to them, and the BOF, at the time that this was not legal as it would have caused spending for the fiscal year to exceed the authorized spending limit in budget – a State Statute 10-222 violation – as well as causing spending to have exceeded the limit set under Prop 46. Despite these warnings, the BOF went along with the plan. To cover the remainder of the deficit, the BOF authorized the BOE to utilize funds from the Non-lapsing Account which, while a violation of the Non-lapsing policy, may or may not be exempt from the limits set by State Statute 10-222 and Prop 46. The question of use of the Healthcare Reserve funds was raised with the town attorney, and town auditors who both stated that this should not be done. All of this became academic 24 hours later when the BOE suddenly discovered that rather than a $169,227 deficit they actually had a more than $64,000 surplus. – amazing, just amazing, nearly a quarter million dollars suddenly appears in less than 24 hours. After a bit of year-end spending this surplus was brought down to $30,336 which

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Legally Speaking
by Frank Herzog
Attorney at Law

WHO WILL HAVE THE FINAL SAY?

According to one recent survey, only slightly more than one-third of Americans have a will and fewer than half have any estate-planning documents in place. While very few people are comfortable with thinking about dying, it certainly helps to have a will. A will helps surviving family members cope with a most difficult period in their lives, and it designates an executor to carry out important decisions. Otherwise, people who die without a will (intestate) must rely on the court to distribute the deceased's property according to state law. This is a prospect that may be even more distasteful to most than drawing up a will, in which case, this important matter should be addressed.
HINT: The property of people who die intestate (without a legal will) and with no family members to inherit goes to the state. It is important, regardless of the size of your estate, to gain peace of mind by devising an estate plan that will make sure your assets are distributed the way you want. **BORNER, SMITH, ALEMAN, HERZOG and CERRONE, LLC**, will provide a comprehensive, reasonably priced, and custom-tailored estate plan including a last will and testament, trusts, living wills, power of attorney and more. To schedule a consultation, please call our office. We are a full-service law firm with three main departments; litigation, estate planning and real estate. **Our office is located at 155 Providence Street, Putnam.**

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Seventh annual NOW Road Race & Walk

Charlie Lentz photos

Michele Niemann, left, and Jessica Neagle

Eric Dumont, with Avery, left, and Allison

From left, Robert Wilson, Dave Davis, and Lisa Yaskovic

From left, Allan Rawson, Beau, Blake, Grace, and Jessica Rawson

Tracey Scraba, left, and Barbara Brodrick

Shannon Bilodeau, left, and Beth Frost

DAYVILLE — Runners, walkers, family, and friends came out to support a worthy charitable cause at the seventh annual NOW Road Race & Walk on Sunday, Sept. 16. Putnam Bank was the event's main sponsor. The event benefitted NOW (Northeast Opportunities for Wellness, Inc.), which maintains sports fields for recreation, runs youth sports clinics, and provides funds for youths who need financial assistance in joining youth sports leagues.

Kenny Duff, center, with Jordan, left, and Tristan

From left, Jeffrey Lee, Sadie Hewes, Daniel Lee; in wagon, Connor Lee

Erica Dumont, left, and Amber Wildes

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Jenna and A.J. Siekierski with Hudson, in stroller

Steve Danna, left, and Andrew Danna

The Putnam Bank crew, from left: Celeste Therrien, Emily Lachappelle, Michelle Langlois, and Lynn Bourque

From left, Lisa Lernould, Aimee Anderson, Ella Anderson; front row, Lily Frechette

Magin Barstrom, left, and Jim Rutledge

Ben Wakely with his daughter, Maggie, and son, Nolan

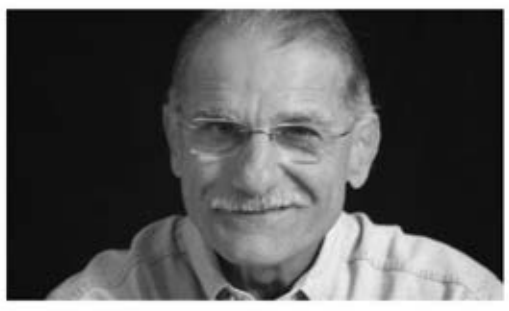
Kayla and Jason Burgess with their daughters, Hailey, left, and Emma

Fall Author Nights at Bracken Memorial Library

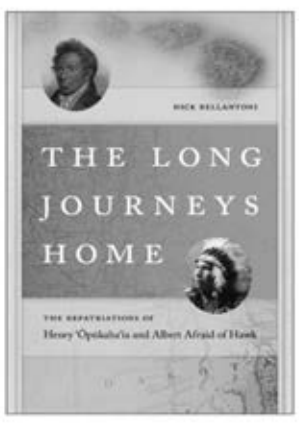
Thursday, September 27 at 7:00 p.m.—Dr. Robert Smith

Dr. Robert Smith, historian for The Woodstock Academy, will be talking about the history of The Woodstock Academy and selling copies of his new book, *A History of The Woodstock Academy: 1801-2016.*

Wednesday, October 17 at 7:00 p.m.—Dr. Nicholas Bellantoni, *Emeritus* State Archaeologist



Dr. Bellantoni is an associate adjunct professor in the anthropology department at the University of Connecticut and Emeritus Connecticut State Archaeologist at the Connecticut State Museum of Natural History. He is a phenomenal speaker and you are sure to enjoy his talk! He brings history alive. His new book, *The Long Journeys Home*, tells the story of two Indigenous men and their repatriations. Copies of his book will be available for sale & signing.



"Bellantoni recovers from obscurity the remarkable life journeys, dreams, and deaths of two Native men and the two worlds they lived in." (Paul Grant-Costa, Yale Indian Papers Project)

We hope you can join us at the library for these events. Both events are free and open to the public.

Bracken Memorial Library is located on the North Campus of The Woodstock Academy
For questions, or more information, please contact Deb Sharpe:
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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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Future on the line in 2020

This year and 2020 will determine the direction and the future of the democratic party. A party that has evolved into a party dependent on corporate cash for its existence. For that matter, both parties depend on the same source of funding. The only difference is Republicans fight for large corporations and tax breaks for the rich and the Democrats focus on social injustices. It seems as though the Democrats are paid to avoid the financial inequities issue and focus on the social. Could this be a coincidence or exactly what the cash contributors are paying for? Why do people think tax breaks and loopholes are OK for the rich but laws leveling the playing field so working families can make a living and provide for their families and the future are unfair and branded anti-American?

America needs to invest in its infrastructure and what I mean by that is not only our bridges roads etc. but in its citizens, working people and future generations, our children and their children. If we can provide security and tax breaks for corporations we can provide meaningful productive jobs, health care for all of our citizens and an affordable education for those who are qualified and want one. A healthy and educated populist is good for the country and our future. And for those who say we can't do these things I say all we need to do is change the labor laws making it easier to belong to labor unions and stop rewarding corporations for doing business overseas, for a start.

I think it was Albert Einstein that was credited with saying " Insanity Is Doing the Same Thing Over and Over Again and Expecting Different Results." It's time for the Democratic party to ante up and really start representing the working masses the people they originally claimed to represent, the voters that once made them a great voice for working people in this country.

It's working for families economic stability, health care and education that matters stupid!

I believe with a educated and financially secure workforce all social inequities will naturally improve making our country a better and safer place to live.

The democratic party must rid itself of big money for the well-being of the party and our country!

STEWART RIVERS
KILLINGLY

Rosati Randall is a breath of fresh air

In these divisive times, when truths are challenged, facts are ignored or denied, and corruption is the new normal, State Representative challenger Christine Rosati Randall is a breath of fresh air. Northeast Connecticut is a rural area, economically depressed, forever catching up, it seems, to standards elsewhere in the state. Christine has the integrity, knowledge, honesty and strength to fight for the citizens of Danielson and Plainfield, to represent them, their voices and their needs fairly and accurately as a State Representative. She has done it in the past and can do it again. We need a progressive agenda, one that includes women, children and the working class of this area, without easy answers and political gimmicks but with the setting of realistic, achievable goals for the benefit of the 98 percent. It is up to us to vote for someone who cares about and understands our needs. Please acquaint yourselves with Christine's platform, and vote for her in November.

ANNA MANCINI
DANIELSON

Term limits for Supreme Court

Politics has poisoned the process for confirming a Supreme Court nominee. Why? One reason is that an appointment is for a lifetime. The writers of the Constitution lived about half as long as people do today. The tenure of recent Supreme Court nominees is about 27 years. That makes the stakes very high, and the confirmation process becomes bitterly partisan. Currently, vacancies occur because of unpredictable deaths, or from justices hanging on until a presidency of their liking. Some justices may continue into senility. It is time to consider ways to improve the process.

One way is to institute term limits for the justices.

Prominent constitutional scholars, both conservative and liberal, have proposed a fair and regular system for eighteen-year appointments, scheduled for the first and third years of each president's term. Justices who have served for 18 years would be replaced, but would then become "senior justices" entitled to all of the benefits of the office, able to sit on lower federal courts and to fill in to break a tie vote in exceptional cases. This process would create a court more reflective of changing times. It would standardize the process and reduce the partisan rancor that now exists. The scholars who have proposed this believe that it can be done legislatively without a constitutional amendment. You can urge your representatives to support such an idea by phoning one number, 844 USA 0234.

JOCK MCCLELLAN
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the BOE has requested to be added to the Non-lapsing account.

The story doesn't end here. The move to put the "surplus" into the Non-lapsing account raised the question of what the balance would now be in that account. The treasurer reported that it would be just over $191,000; seems straightforward enough, except that back in the infamous June meeting the BOE had requested $50,000 for capital expenses to be spent over the summer while school was out. These projects included chimney repair, sidewalks, and heating and air conditioning "matters" for which the funding could not wait for approval from the town capital account as that would have required a town meeting to approve and they couldn't wait. These expenses should have brought the Non-lapsing account down to roughly $111,000, and so the balance after the additional $30,336 should have been just over $141,000 not $191,000. What happened? Well, seems that those urgent projects never got started; apparently not "that urgent"; again, amazing, just amazing. And no one was there to explain any of this. It is becoming more and more difficult knowing what to believe and what not to believe. Do you take something seriously, or is this just maneuvering?

September can be a very interesting month. Check out your town's year end closing, you might be surprised. Better yet, if you live in Woodstock remember this when you hear all the crying and screaming, warnings of mass layoffs and the end of education as we know it during next year's budget season. Remember it is your money.

Opinions expressed are mine and may not reflect those of the Board of Finance.

Dave Richardson lives in Woodstock and is an Alternate, Woodstock Board of Finance

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another purpose when it was empty. Band-Aid tins, baby food jars, and Danish cookie tins were repurposed. Food wasn't wasted, material scraps became quilts, and little slivers of soap were turned into a one colorful bar of Irish Spring, Dial, and Lifebouy pieces. I'm trying to do my recycling part…I reuse all my plastic Chinese food containers. We need take time out of our hectic lives and make it a point to visit our grandparents, aunts, uncles and older friends and glean as much of their knowledge as we can. You may get yelled at a couple of times and force-fed but it's so worth it. Have a spectacular week!

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Savor the Flavor festival is tasty

"We do this every year," said Sean Sullivan, the owner of The Crossings. "It brings people into town."

PUTNAM — Downtown Putnam's "Savor the Flavor" food festival on Sunday, Sept. 9 featured the savory and salty taste of bacon. Local chefs from downtown restaurants created signature dishes using this key ingredient to excite the foodies who attended the bacon bash.

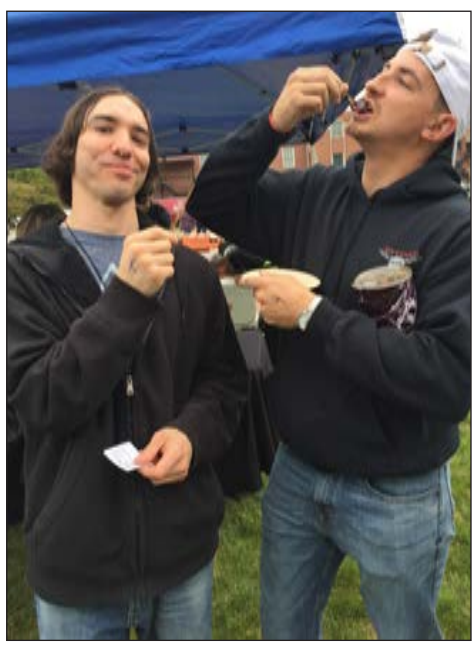
Linda and Steven French said their favorites were the maple bacon ice cream and the bacon tacos.

Olivia Richman photos

"The tacos are amazing," said Liz Hall and Joe Kiely.

Sheila Frost, Caleb Champany and Maggie Kane served the Courthouse's loaded bacon chowder.

Connecticut National Golf Club's Fletcher Babcock and Cole Ricci.



Craig Mortensen and Will Loomis chowed down on the Connecticut National Golf Club's chocolate-covered bacon.

The Collette family loved the bacon pizza.

Mike Dawson and Erica Andrews – who made the Stomping Ground's bacon brownies – said they loved participating in town fun.

Public Meetings

PUTNAM

Monday, Sept. 24
Library Board, 7 p.m., Putnam Public Library

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

THOMPSON

Monday, Sept. 24
Planning & Zoning, 7 p.m., Town Hall

Friday, Sept. 28
NECOGG, 8:30 a.m., 125 Putnam Pike

WOODSTOCK

Monday, Sept. 24
Historical Property, 6 p.m., Town Hall

Conservation, 7 p.m., Town Hall

Tuesday, Sept. 25
WPCA, 7 p.m., Town Hall

Wednesday, Sept. 26
Historical District, 6 p.m., Town Hall

Thursday, Sept. 27
Agricultural Commission, 6 p.m., Town Hall

POMFRET

Wednesday, Sept. 26
Board of Education, 6:30 p.m., Pomfret Community School

EASTFORD

Monday, Sept. 24
American Legion, 7:30 p.m., Town Hall

Tuesday, Sept. 25
Transfer Station Committee, 1 p.m., Town Hall

Wednesday, Sept. 26
Special Board of Selectmen, 9 a.m., Town Office Building

Registrar of Voters, 5 p.m., Town Office Building

Thursday, Sept. 27
Union Society Building Committee, 8 a.m., Town Office Building

Inland Wetlands & Watercourses Commission, 7 p.m., Town Office Building

Library Board, 7 p.m., Eastford Public Library

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Ripe memories of the Great Tomato Festival

DANIELSON – One of the community's favorite fall festivals, the Great Tomato Festival on Saturday, Sept. 8 delighted giant crowds on Davis Park with parades, craft fairs, contests, food, food and tomato-themed activities.

Education and Community Coordinator for the Northeastern District Department of Health Linda Colangelo, shows off the hats that the department has entered in the tomato hat-themed contest (which they've entered for the past six years).

Olivia Richman photos

Killingly's Zoning Officer Jonathan Blake with the "biggest" and "ugliest" tomatoes.

The Quiet Corner Garden Club's Linda Kaplan and Terry Swanson.

Stephen Lasalle, from Dugg Hill Farm Bakery, shows off their delicious baked goods.

A Taste of Greece's Alice Theodor and Angelos Haveles.

Olivia and Cassandra Dobrovitsky design some tomatoes at the Killingly Grange 112's booth.

Isabella Deep with mini horse Java Joe at the Hay Burn Inn Equine Rescue.

School Menus

MARY FISHER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Monday, September 24 – Hamburger/cheeseburger, oven baked potatoes, baked beans, cucumber wheels. Alt. main: yogurt, muffin, cheese stick.

Tuesday, September 25 – Chicken patty w/bun, mashed potato, roasted & fresh carrots. Alt. main: Sun Butter jelly sandwich with cheese stick.

Wednesday, September 26 – Tac salad w/chips (lettuce, tomato, cheese), Fiesta Rice, sweet corn, fresh broccoli. Alt. main: vanilla yogurt, muffin, cheese stick.

Thursday, September 27 – Cheese pizza, cole slaw, Italian green beans, spinach salad. Alt. main: ham/cheese bulkie.

Friday, September 28 – Chicken nuggets, mac & cheese, roasted broccoli, cucumber wheels. Alt. main: vanilla yogurt, muffin, cheese stick.

POMFRET COMMUNITY SCHOOL

Monday, September 24 – Pizza crunchers, marinara, crunchy baby carrots, garden salad /ranch, assorted fruits, milk. Breakfast: breakfast pastry.

Tuesday, September 25 – Chicken soft taco, shredded lettuce & tomato, refried beans, assorted fruits, milk. Breakfast: mini-pancakes.

Wednesday, September 26 – BBQ beef, served on WG roll, three bean salad, oven baked potato wedge, assorted fruits, milk. Breakfast: breakfast pastry.

Thursday, September 27 – Cheesy mac n' cheese, garlic bread stick, steamed broccoli, golden carrots, assorted fruits, milk. Breakfast: mini-waffles

Friday, September 28 – Cheese burger deluxe, lettuce, tomato, pickle, sweet potato fries, vegetarian baked beans, assorted fruits, milk. Breakfast: egg and cheese.

PUTNAM ELEMENTARY SCHOOL & PUTNAM MIDDLE SCHOOL

Monday, September 24 – WG pasta with meat sauce, WG breadstick, seasoned broccoli, 100% fruit sherbet

Tuesday, September 25 – Soft taco, seasoned ground beef, lettuce, tomato, cheddar cheese, salsa, WG tortilla, Spanish rice, seasoned corn

Wednesday, September 26 – Hot dog with toppings on WG roll, baked beans, sweet potato tots

Thursday, September 27 – Crispy chicken tenders, WG macaroni and cheese, seasoned carrots

Friday, September 28 – Garlic French bread pizza, fresh garden salad w/cherry tomatoes and cucumbers

THOMPSON MIDDLE SCHOOL & TOURTELLOTTE (GRADES 5-12)

Monday, September 24 – Cheesburger (lettuce, tomato, pickle), oven baked potatoes, baked beans. Alt. main: cheese pizza.

Tuesday, September 25 – Parmesan chicken patty or plain w/bun, mashed potatoes, dill carrots. Alt. main: hot dog.

Wednesday, September 26 – Taco salad w/chips (lettuce, tomato, pickle), salsa, sour cream, Fiesta rice, sweet corn. Alt. main: cheese pizza

Thursday, September 27 – Stuffed crust pizza w/topping, cole slaw, warmed Italian green beans. Alt. main: Italian bulkie.

Friday, September 28 – Chicken nuggets, mac & cheese, roasted seasoned broccoli, fish patty on a bun.

WOODSTOCK PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Monday, September 24 – Chicken patty/bun, baked beans, fruit, milk

Tuesday, September 25 – French toast sticks, breakfast sausage, hash browns, fruit/milk

Wednesday, September 26 – Chicken nuggets, brown rice, broccoli, fruit/milk

Thursday, September 27 – pasta & meatballs, steamed carrots, wheat roll, fruit/milk

Friday, September 28 – Pizza, celery stix, fruit, milk

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TROOP D LOG

BROOKLYN

Monday, Sept. 3

Sean M. Silvestro, 19, of 750 Allen HI Road Ext Brooklyn, was charged with criminal mischief and breach of peace

Wednesday, Sept. 5

Robert A. Langlois, 27, of 50 Mason Road, Brooklyn, was charged with a warrant

DANIELSON

Monday, Sept. 3

Mary T. Holcomb, 60, of 262 S. Shore Road, Killingly, was charged with interfering with a police officer/resisting, breach of peace and violation of a protective order

Wednesday, Sept. 5

Travis Orr, 31, of 299 Brickhouse Road, Danielson, was charged with a warrant

Saturday, Sept. 9

Meghan Kucher, 37, of 462 Robinwood Drive, Dayville, was charged with criminal mischief

PUTNAM

Friday, Sept. 7

Daniel Carroll, 32, of 27 Battey Street, Putnam, was charged with possession of narcotics, operating a drug factory, assault, threatening and breach of peace

WOODSTOCK

Thursday, Sept. 6

Donald Harding, 68, of 1442 Route 171, Woodstock, was charged with illegal operation of a motor vehicle under the influence, failure to drive in the proper lane and possession of a controlled substance.

Timothy John Hebert, 52, of 107 Brockway Road, Woodstock, was charged with disorderly conduct.

THOMPSON

Thursday, Sept. 6

Keith Therrien, 34, of P.O. Box 28, North Grosvenordale, was charged with disorderly conduct, violation of a protective order and assault

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Redmen run people over in win at Griswold

Charlie Lentz photo

Killingly High's Derek Turner on the way to a 27-yard pickup in the fourth quarter against Griswold High last Friday, Sept. 14.

KILLINGLY 48, GRISWOLD 23

Killingly	**14**	**14**	**13**	**7-48**
Griswold	**0**	**16**	**0**	**7-23**

FIRST QUARTER
K- Derek Turner 1 run
(Luke Desaulnier kick) 7:52
K – Josh Montpelier 19 pass from Desaulnier
(Desaulnier kick) 5:04

SECOND QUARTER
K – Desaulnier 16 run (Desaulnier kick) 8:45
G – Devon Chykow 26 pass from
Andrew Koziol
(C.J. Mattson pass from Koziol) 8:07
G – Mike Sims 20 pass from Koziol
(Chris Thibidou run) 2:28
K – Nsaiah Harriet 1 run (Desaulnier kick) :13

THIRD QUARTER
K – Tyler Cournoyer 54 run (kick failed) 11:02
K – Harriet 21 run (Desaulnier kick) 2:09

FOURTH QUARTER
K – Cournoyer 8 run (Desaulnier kick) 11:33
G – Sims 1 run (Evan Anderson kick) 7:43

	Killingly	Griswold
First Downs	14	13
Rushes-yards	46-262	18-56
Passing	93	250
Sacked-yds lost	0-0	9-57
Comp-Att-Int	4-7-1	16-28-2
Punts-Avg.	4-30	5-32
Fumbles-Lost	1-0	3-1
Penalties-Yards	11-89	4-40

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS
RUSHING- K: Desaulnier 10-46, TD; Harriet 10-48 TD; Turner 7-41, TD; Jackson Lopes 6-9; Cournoyer 7-110, TD; Dylan Sanford 1-0; Jonathan Creswell 2-7; Jacob Nurse 1-0; Cooper Morrissette 2-(-2). G: Koziol 4-12; Mattson 8-11; Thibidou 2-3; Sims 2-5, TD; Chykow 1-24; Davonte Fontaine 1-1
PASSING- K: Desaulnier 4-7-1 for 93 yards, TD.G: Koziol 16-28-2 for 250 yards, 2 TD.
RECEIVING- - K: Montpelier 4-93, TD. G: Chykow 6-105, TD; Mattson 5-55, Sims 2-23, TD;Logan Chappell 3-67.

BY CHARLIE LENTZ
VILLAGER EDITOR

GRISWOLD — No helmet. No worries. To no one's surprise Killingly High's Derek Turner picked up the last few feet of a seven-yard gain against Griswold High after his headgear was dislodged. Perhaps the only way the Wolverines could have discouraged Turner last Friday night was to rip his head off.

"Just keep pushing forward," said Turner of his helmet-less foray. "If you have that mentality no one's going to stop you."

Coach Chad Neal's senior fullback apparently comes from the school of hard knocks — he delivered quite a few in a 48-23 victory over the Wolverines at Griswold High last Friday night. Just another day at the office.

"That was typical of him. He's a physical football player and when he did that it got the whole team going," said Neal of Turner's signature tote. "He's definitely focused. He's a very intense football player, almost sometimes to a fault. He's just a hard-nosed football player. At fullback he makes some bone-crushing blocks. At linebacker he just hits. He brings his lunch pail to the game every day. He's a tough kid. He's a wrestler. He's a physical football player."

Turner bashed for 41 yards and one touchdown on seven carries. He's just one of several capable runners for Killingly — four Redmen ran for touchdowns against the Wolverines as Killingly rushed 46 times for 262 yards. Senior running back Tyler Cournoyer led the way, scooting for 110 yards and two touchdowns on seven carries. Senior Nsaiah Harriet battered the Wolverines for 48 yards and one touchdown on 10 totes. Senior quarterback Luke Desaulnier carried the football 10 times for 49 yards and one touchdown.

Killingly's motto is RPO — which stands for run people over — Turner exemplifies the acronym although he

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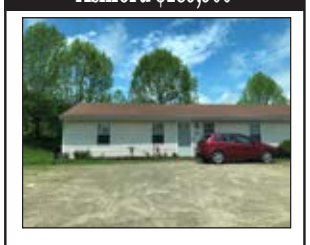
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Aerial attack lifts Quinebaug Valley over Cheney Tech

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Quinebaug Valley quarterback Josh Dodd threw for 408 yards and five touchdowns against Cheney Tech last Friday in Danielson.

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Quinebaug Valley's Jamie Talbot caught four passes for 165 yards and two touchdowns against Cheney Tech.

BY CHARLIE LENTZ
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DANIELSON — Quinebaug Valley Pride senior quarterback Josh Dodd threw for a career-best and school-record 408 yards and five touchdowns in a 37-14 victory over Cheney Tech last Friday at Ellis Tech's athletic field. Pride coach Joe Asermelly said he went to the aerial attack because the Beavers appeared vulnerable.

"We obviously went to the air. It was basically just what the film showed. We thought our group of our receivers was just much better against their passing defense," Asermelly said. "The whole group just executed really well. Everybody got their touches but they ran routes, both to the ball but also away from the ball, which really caused the defense a lot of conflict and led to a lot of open catches and long plays."

The Pride jumped to an 18-8 lead over Cheney Tech of Manchester after one quarter. In the first frame, Dodd tossed a 37-yard scoring strike to Jeff Reed, a 67-yard touchdown to Jamie Talbot, and a 48-yard score to Joel Comeau. Asermelly said Dodd could survey his options thanks to good line play.

"I just thought Dodd sat back. The 'O' line gave him a lot of time," Asermelly said. "Cheney blitzed a lot but we picked it up every time. We didn't give up any sacks which I think is a tremendous credit to the 'O' line."

The Pride pushed their lead to 30-8 in the second quarter as Dodd tossed a 47-yard touchdown pass to Talbot and an eight-yard TD strike to Adrian Casiano.

"Dodd was surgical back there. He was putting the ball on the receivers hands. It was a great night for him, career night for him, fun to watch," Asermelly said.

Quinebaug Valley's Nick Thomasson returned an interception six yards for a touchdown in the third quarter for the Pride's final touchdown. Cheney Tech's record fell to 1-1. The win lifted the Pride's record to 1-1 and came after an opening-week loss to Bullard Havens Tech. Asermelly liked the improvement his team showed from week one to week two.

"You learn a lot about yourself. Are the kids coachable? Are the coaches willing to put in the hard work to make the adjustments to understand their personnel and what we do well? It takes a big effort, from the coaches, through the players, through the jayvee players who are running the scout team all week," Asermelly said. "It takes a full program effort, especially in that week one to week two, to make that kind of jump. We had a great week of preparation and the guys were dialed in. They had great focus. They knew what they had to do and they went out there and did it."

Quinebaug Valley is next scheduled to travel to O'Brien Tech in Ansonia on Saturday, Sept. 22, with kickoff scheduled for noon. O'Brien Tech (1-0) is coming off a bye week and defeated Prince Tech 32-0 in its season opener on Sept. 8. O'Brien Tech finished 8-2 in the regular season in 2017 and Asermelly said Saturday's game will test his team.

"They're a run team. They actually run a single wing. It's very much a one-of-a-kind offense, very unconventional," said Asermelly of O'Brien Tech. "So it's going to take a great defensive effort in order to stop them. They've had a lot of success building their program with that offense — winning eight games and making the state playoffs a year ago. So it's about our defense versus their offense. And our own offense just has to continue to roll. The attitude just has to be — keep it fun but stay focused and good things are going to keep happening for this team."

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QUINEBAUG VALLEY 37, CHENEY TECH 14

Cheney Tech	8	0	6	0-14
Quinebaug	18	12	7	0-37

FIRST QUARTER
QV- Jeff Reed 37 pass from Josh Dodd (kick failed)
QV – Jamie Talbot 67 pass from Dodd (kick failed)
QV – Joel Comeau 48 pass from Dodd (kick failed)

SECOND QUARTER
QV – Talbot 47 pass from Dodd (kick failed)QV – Adrian Casiano 8 pass from Dodd (kick failed)

THIRD QUARTER
QV – Nick Thommason 6 interception return (Sebastian Ramos kick)

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS
RUSHING- QV: Matt Fitzpatrick 9-38; Comeau 2-16.

PASSING- QV: Dodd 13-21-0 for 408 and 5 TD
RECEIVING- - QV: Reed 2-72, TD; Talbot 4-165, 2 TD;Casiano 4-56, TD; Comeau 2-58, TD; Sam Williams 1-20.

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Killingly High's Nsaiah Harriet leaps for an extra yard in the first quarter against Griswold High last Friday.

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Killingly High's Josh Montpelier hauls down a 19-yard touchdown pass in the first quarter against Griswold High last Friday.

REDMEN

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downplays his contribution. He claims to be just one cog in a running game that took its toll on the Wolverines in the second half.

"We came out second half same strategy as first half, we just executed better. Just working better as a team, all the blocks together, the guys up front held all the blocks," Turner said.

Killingly's array of ball carriers created several headaches for Griswold.

"They all present different styles. Tyler (Cournoyer) ran well tonight and Nsaiah (Harriet) got going later on. We made a couple adjustments in our blocking schemes because their defensive end (Stephen Sims) was crashing and killing us," Neal said. "We just changed our blocking schemes, with the fullback kicking him out and running underneath."

Coach Neal said his offensive line did its job against the Wolverines. His pit crew includes junior left tackle Ben Morin, junior left guard John Rodriguez, junior center Justin Maiato, senior right guard Matt Phelan, and senior right tackle Jacob Tarryk. Phelan is the only returning starter.

"There's four new starters on that offensive line and they're coming along," Neal said. "They're coming along slowly but surely. And Griswold's got an excellent defensive line, their front four, they've started for three years. I thought our guys showed some grit up front."

Killingly's passing game is doing its part as well — with Desaulnier connecting with senior wide receiver Josh Montpelier on four passes for 93 yards including a 19-yard touchdown strike in the first quarter that helped put Killingly up 14-0.

"We were passing the ball in the first half because our run game was getting stuffed. I feel like that opened it up a little bit. Second half the line came back out with some fire in them, started to blow them back," Desaulnier said.

Killingly withstood a second-quarter rally by the Wolverines. Griswold senior quarterback Andrew Koziol tossed a 26-yard scoring strike to Devon Chykow (six catches for 105 yards) and a 20-yard touchdown pass to Mike Sims with 2:28 left in the first half to pull the Wolverines within five points, 21-16.

"Griswold's a good football team. Give credit to them. They made some adjustments with their offense. Their quarterback's excellent. They made some plays, (Chykow) killed us tonight," Neal said. "Hats off to them for how they played, how they came at us. Our kids responded."

With the Redmen leading by just five points with time running out in the half, Killingly answered Sims' 20-yard touchdown catch with a seven-play, 70-yard drive. Montpelier snared a 34-yard pass from Desaulnier for the big play in the march — capped with a one-yard plunge from Harriet with :13 left before halftime. The Redmen took a 28-16 lead into the intermission.

"That was the key. We responded and made plays when we needed to make plays," Neal said.

Killingly put the game away with three unanswered touchdowns in the second half, capped by an eight-yard burst from Cournoyer with 11:33 remaining in the fourth quarter that helped push the Redmen's cushion to 48-16.

Neal said Killingly stamped its RPO brand on the Redmen's second scoring drive of the third quarter — driving 80 yards in eight plays, all on the ground. Turner lost his helmet near the end of a seven-yard gain during the march. Harriet capped the drive with a 21-yard touchdown ramble that gave the Redmen a 41-16 lead with 2:09 left in the quarter.

"That drive — with Derek running and Nsaiah — we got physical and I think that was the breaking point," Neal said.

Although Koziol completed 16-of-28 passes for 250 yards and two touchdowns, the Redmen sacked him nine times and intercepted him twice — with Desaulnier and Matt Phelan each grabbing one pickoff.

"I think we could have got to him more. You know it's a catch-22, if you send a lot of heat and he gets rid of the ball there's going to be guys open a lot of times," Neal said. "If you don't get to him you better throw his timing off."

The loss dropped Griswold's record to 1-1. Killingly (2-0) is next scheduled to travel to New London on Friday, Sept. 21, with kickoff scheduled for 6:30 p.m. New London (1-1) is coming off a 33-19 loss to Notre Dame of West Haven last weekend. Neal expects the Whalers to be a formidable foe on their home turf.

"New London's going to have a lot of speed on the field. You're going to have to cover sideline to sideline. They're going to present some matchup problems for us. I think we've got to be physical with them. I don't know the last time Killingly's won in New London. It's been a while," said Neal, in his 15th season. "We've just got to come out and play right away, not get caught up in all the hype."

Killingly's game plan will likely arise from the school of hard knocks — helmets optional.

"We always love starting off running the ball. That's who we are. That's who coach Neal is," Desaulnier said. "We're RPO, this year and last year, doesn't matter. New backs, same mentality."

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Woodstock Academy gridders defeat Amistad

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Woodstock's Gavin Savoie picks up yardage against Amistad last Saturday, Sept. 15, at Bentley Athletic Complex in Woodstock.

WOODSTOCK 41, AMISTAD 6

Amistad	**0**	**0**	**6**	**0-6**
Woodstock	**13**	**8**	**20**	**0-41**

FIRST QUARTER
W – Gavin Savoie 4 run (Damian Bonneau-Nichols kick) 8:42
W – Jaden Dennett 5 run (kick failed) 2:37

SECOND QUARTER
W – Savoie 2 run (Dennett run) :54

THIRD QUARTER
W – Dennett 12 run (kick failed) 10:04
W – Travis White 2 run (Bonneau-Nichols kick) 6:56 A – Jose Serrano 29 pass from Jordan Blanding (run failed) 4:37
W – Nick Bedard 37 run (Bonneau-Nichols kick) 4:10

	Amistad	**Woodstock**
First Downs	9	21
Rushes-yards	17-41	44-305
Passing	143	80
Sacked-yds lost	0-0	1-4
Comp-Att-Int	13-27-3	9-13-1
Punts-Avg.	4-8	1-22
Fumbles-Lost	2-1	1-0
Penalties-Yards	6-32	7-75

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS
RUSHING- A: Jordan Blanding 6-33; Jenuyn Harris 8-8; Tyrone Moye 1-7; Nayshawn Smith 1-(-4); Zach Murphy 1-(-3). W: Caleb Feen 2-0; Dennett 16-124, 2 TD; Savoie 6-44, 2 TD; Ian Welz 6-40; White 7-38, TD;Bedard 2-47, TD; Adam Exley 5-12.

PASSING- A: Blanding 13-27-3 for 143 yards, TD.W: Derek Thompson 9-13-1 for 80.

RECEIVING- - A: Moye 4-63; Tony Foster 3-20; Kyree Robinson 2-17; Jose Serrano 2-33, TD; Jamari Joseph 1-14; Murphy 1-(-2). W: Daniel Suitum 1-6; Luis Miranda 5-48; Savoie 2-13; Feen 1-13.

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WOODSTOCK — Woodstock Academy coach Sean Saucier requested a couple of things from his Centaurs before the kickoff of the Centaurs home opener against Achievement First Amistad High School last Saturday. He asked his defenders to tackle better than they did in a week one loss to Greenfield, Mass. — and he challenged junior running back Jaden Dennett to step up his game. Saucier got what he wanted in Woodstock's 41-6 victory over Amistad of New Haven.

"We executed. We played generally mistake-free football and we executed," said Saucier, in his second season. "We executed the game plan. When you do that you look good. Last week we had too many mistakes to overcome. This week we cleaned it up a little bit and it showed. The tackling was a lot better today. That's one of the things that cost us last week."

Woodstock's defense held Amistad to just 41 yards on the ground at Bentley Athletic Complex. Dennett did his part when the Centaurs had the football, running for 124 yards and two touchdowns on 16 carries.

Charlie Lentz photo

Woodstock's Jaden Dennett rushes against Amistad last Saturday in Woodstock.

"I kind of challenged (Dennett). I knew he could do that," Saucier said. "I challenged him to be more consistent and to finish his runs. He worked hard today."

Woodstock wasted little time taking the lead for good over the Wolves. After receiving the kickoff the Centaurs drove 55 yards in nine plays, capped by Gavin Savoie's four-yard touchdown run with 8:41 left in the first quarter. Dennett helped push the lead to 13-0 on Woodstock's second possession, scoring on a five-yard touchdown run with 2:37 remaining in the first quarter, capping a 10-play, 81-yard march.

Savoie scored on a two-yard plunge with :54 left in the second quarter to cap a seven-play, 52-yard drive. Dennett followed with the two-point conversion run and the Centaurs led 21-0 at halftime.

Dennett added a 12-yard touchdown run early in the third quarter to push the lead to 27-0. Woodstock's Travis White bulled in from the 2-yard line with 6:56 left in the third and Damian Bonneau-Nichol's point after gave the Centaurs a 34-0 lead.

Amistad's lone touchdown came on a 29-yard touchdown catch by Jose Serrano with 4:37 left in the third quarter.

Woodstock senior quarterback Derek Thompson completed 9-of-13 passes for 80 yards with one interception. Junior quarterback Nick Bedard got some snaps in the second half and scrambled 37 yards around right end for a touchdown late in the third quarter. Bedard gives Saucier a second option at quarterback.

"Nick's a great athlete. He's got great legs. He's one of the fastest, if not the fastest kid on the team. That's definitely a tool we can use," Saucier said.

Amistad senior quarterback Jordan Blanding completed 13-of-27 passes for 143 yards but was intercepted three times. Bedard, Daniel Suitum, and Caleb Feen each notched one pickoff.

"That was part of the game plan, to get pressure on (Blanding) and don't let him sit back there and look around," Saucier said.

The Centaurs defense also blocked two punts. Getting the season's first win out of the way was a positive and Saucier said it should carry over to a week of practice.

"It makes everything easier. It makes the weekend better. It makes coming to practice Monday better," Saucier said. "I'm happy for the kids. They played hard and they earned it."

The loss dropped Amistad's record to 0-2. Woodstock (1-1) is next scheduled to play host to Capital Prep of Hartford on Saturday, Sept. 22, with kickoff scheduled for 1:30 p.m. at Bentley Athletic Complex. Capital Prep (0-2) is coming off a 49-0 loss to Windham last weekend. Saucier is well aware that Capital Prep will be focused on getting into the win column.

"I know they're a quality team," Saucier said. "So we'll have to play well, mistake-free, and step up to the challenge."

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Tourtellotte boys snap victory drought

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THOMPSON — Twenty-five yards separated Spencer Fulone from liberation. Fulone and his teammates on Tourtellotte's soccer team had been trapped in a winless dungeon for almost two years.

"It's felt like forever. It's really felt like a long, long time. Last year, no wins — we knew we had it in us," said Fulone, a senior. "We were just waiting for the right opportunity."

The Tigers hadn't won a game since Fulone's sophomore season but the chance for an escape from an 18-game losing streak came with 29 minutes and 33 seconds left in the second half against Putnam High on Sept. 13. Deadlocked in a scoreless battle, the Clippers were whistled for a penalty and Fulone put the ball down for a direct kick from 25 yards out. His mind was full of possibilities but redemption lay on his right foot.

"I debate things in my head. I was debating, off and on, on which side to go," said Fulone, a center midfielder. "I guess I guessed right."

Fulone made the most of his opportunity — burying his direct kick in the upper right corner at 10:37 of the second half to help lift the Tigers to a 1-0 victory over Putnam High at Tourtellotte Memorial's field. It was the Tigers first win since Oct. 21, 2016, when they beat Plainfield 5-1. Senior left back Dylan Vincent said it was about time.

"Coming into this game, we knew we had to win this game," Vincent said. "It's going to help us move forward. The rivalry between us and Putnam — with us beating Putnam I think it's going to really help us roll with the season with the rest of the games."

Jay Azar is in his first season as head coach after serving as an assistant coach for three years. He said the Tigers never stopped working despite the winless streak.

"This was a long time coming," Azar said. "We lost a lot of good seniors (to graduation). We're still kind of in a rebuilding mode. To get an early-season win, get the momentum, we're happy."

Azar expects more goals from Fulone, who is Tourtellotte's top scoring threat.

"Spencer Fulone is our dog. He plays usually 80 minutes, full game. He scores. He sets everyone up. He's assisting. He's our motor. We run on him," Azar said. "But everyone else has been coming around in practice and now we're able to take a little bit of the load off. Now, other people are putting it in the net."

Among the Tigers who will also be counted on to provide some offense are junior Mac Monahan, senior outside middie Tony Ferraro, junior Jack Merrill, and sophomore Garret Koziak. On the defensive side, junior sweeper Vince Charbonneau anchors the defense. Also contributing on defense will be Vincent, junior Devin Dalpe, senior Brennan O'Brien, and senior Nick Chace.

"(Charbonneau) is an outstanding sweeper, tons of speed. One-man wrecking crew," Azar said.

Junior Jacob Bergeron is Tourtellotte's goalkeeper. He notched his first career shutout in the win over Putnam High on Sept. 13. Azar said his players are a special bunch, persevering through hard times while working diligently.

Charlie Lentz photo

Tourtellotte's Spencer Fulone, dark jersey, goes after the ball against Putnam High on Sept. 13 in Thompson.

"At this age, in high school, you'll have a lot of teams roll over, quit on you. Almost every time last year we never quit, regardless of the score, double digits or not. It carried over to this season. I said 'Guys, I want that same mentality. I don't care what the score is. No-quit attitude.' We keep a positive vibe here," Azar said. "No negativity. If you're being negative you're sitting, or you're just not on the team."

The Tigers record was 1-3 through four games. Tourtellotte is next scheduled to play at Wheeler on Friday, Sept. 21. Tourtellotte returns home to play host to Montville on Wednesday, Sept. 26. Azar looked forward to more wins as the Tigers compete in Division 4 of the Eastern Connecticut Conference — snapping the victory drought might help.

"It feels like literally thousand-pound boulders are off our backs," Azar said. "Eighteen-straight losses. You don't like to talk about it but it's in your head. It starts eating away at you a little bit — for the coaches, and the players, and the parents. And it shows that the hard work that we've been doing is the correct work we've been doing. It's paying off. We're producing now."

Fulone and his teammates have escaped their winless dungeon. Liberation never felt so good.

"It's the greatest feeling ever," Fulone said. "I'm excited for me. I excited for my team. I'm excited for my school. Great fans, I want to give them a show."

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Challenges ahead for Putnam boys soccer

Charlie Lentz photo

Putnam High's Hunter Touchette moves upfield in a game against Tourtellotte Memorial on Sept. 13.

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Putnam High goalkeeper Tyion Harris makes a save against Tourtellotte.

BY CHARLIE LENTZ
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PUTNAM — After the disbandment of the Constitution State Conference following the 2016-17 school year — the Putnam High boys soccer team played a challenging independent schedule last year in preparation for this season's entry into the Eastern Connecticut Conference. More challenges lie ahead for the Clippers as they navigate a competitive ECC slate of opponents this fall.

"We set our schedule last year because we were anticipating the transition," said Putnam coach Jon Miller, in his fifth season. "Throughout the season we're going to have ups and downs playing some of the ECC teams we haven't seen, some of the teams that we haven't seen since my interim as a coach. It's going to make it challenging because you don't know what they can do, what they can't do — their style of play."

Putnam fell at Tourtellotte Memorial 1-0 on Sept. 13. The Clippers record was 0-4-1 through five games. Miller remained positive and liked his team's effort against Tourtellotte despite the loss.

"As we move forward they're learning quite a bit. We definitely possessed the ball today, about 60 percent of the time," said Miller after the loss to the Tigers. "We just didn't put the ball in the net."

Miller said they will find net. He expects offensive contributions from senior captain Hunter Touchette, senior captain Kobie Bates, senior captain Simon Morente-Uz, and freshman Karson Bates.

"They're all going to get in the mix," Miller said. "Unfortunately, crossing the ball to the center today we just couldn't get good contact on the ball."

In the midfield, Morente-Uz will be at left outside mid. Also at midfield will be junior John Espinosa and junior Justin St. Martin.

"(Espinosa) has been a pleasant surprise. He took the last couple years off and finally came back. It's like having a different kid. He's grew. He's taller, 6-1, much faster. So that's huge. (St. Martin) is going to be very useful throughout the middle, whether its midfield, defense. Using (Espinosa and St. Martin) is going to be key to us as we grow throughout the year," Miller said.

On the defensive side, Junior Kyle Haines, senior Aidan Bernier, and senior Ian Daviau will all be expected to hinder opposing offenses.

"(Haines) is very fast, very motivated. He's the solid kid that you want back there. (Bernier) has been with us the last four years," Miller said.

Senior goalkeeper Tyion Harris returns to mind the net for the Clippers. Harris plays center for Putnam High's basketball team and took up goalkeeping for the first time last season, but at 6-foot-5 he has literally grown into the position.

"He's got a huge learning curve but being 6-5 is to anybody's benefit in the net. He's learned so much information so fast. Playing low post in basketball and then coming out and playing goalkeeper, a lot of the skills are very similar — understanding the movement of the ball, understanding how things happen, how quickly they can change — those are his key things that he came in strong with," said Miller of his keeper. "On the plus side last year he couldn't punt the ball 50 yards last year but he can throw the ball 50 yards. And he's learning how to punt."

Miller said his players have been working hard and the team's chemistry is coalescing.

"It's building. We have eight new guys on a team of 19. It takes a while when half your team is new — whether they've taken years off or they didn't play last year or they're incoming freshmen — it's a huge change," Miller said. "Today was our best presentation on the field. Unfortunately we just couldn't put it in the net."

Putnam is next scheduled to play host to Plainfield High on Friday, Sept. 21, at St. Marie Greenhalgh Complex.

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Putnam High's Jacob Clinkscale, right, defends against Tourtellotte's Garret Koziak.

Undermanned Putnam girls lose to Pirates in OT

BY CHARLIE LENTZ
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Charlie Lentz photo

Putnam High's Emma Brathwaite, right, battles Parish Hill's Brooke Benedict for the ball at St. Marie Greenhalgh Complex in Putnam on Monday, Sept. 17

PUTNAM — With only 13 players on its roster the Putnam High girls soccer team can ill afford to lose any players to injury or disqualification. So when a Clipper was red-carded late in regulation play and tossed from Monday's match against Parish Hill the results were predictable.

"It's tough. We start the game with two subs and then we got the red card. It doesn't help that much," said Putnam High coach Tommy Derosier.

Tied 1-1 after regulation and with only 10 players on its side, Putnam ran out of gas at 12:59 of sudden death overtime, allowing an own goal and falling 2-1 to Parish Hill at St. Marie Greenhalgh Complex on Sept. 17.

"The girls, they have heart. They tried their hardest the whole time," Derosier said. "I'm very proud of the way they played today."

With a limited roster, most of Putnam's players never get a breather and it took its toll on the Clippers against Parish Hill.

"They just don't give up," Derosier said. "When it comes down to the end they always give that extra bit. That's all I ask I ask for from them. They just go that extra mile every time."

Putnam junior goalkeeper Kayleigh Lyons played valiantly against Parish Hill, stopping 11 shots including the denial of penalty kick by Sienna Ortiz at 1:11 of the second 10-minute overtime. But she couldn't stop a flurry of shots in front of the net when the soccer ball ricocheted off a Clipper and crossed the goal line in the second of two 10-minute overtime.

Putnam High sophomore Laylah Chavez scored from 30 yards out at 16:28 of the first half to give the Clippers a 1-0 lead. Ortiz tallied at 23:19 of the second half with an assist from Brooke Benedict to knot it at 1-1 and help send the game to sudden-death overtime. Parish Hill goalkeeper Lexi Smardon made four saves. The Pirates outshot the Clippers 13-5.

The win lifted Parish Hill's record to 4-1. The loss dropped Putnam High's record to 1-4. The Clippers are next scheduled to travel to Lyman Memorial on Tuesday, Sept. 25. Despite the loss, Derosier said he liked the effort. It took Parish Hill 92 minutes and 59 seconds to defeat a team with only 10 players on the field at the finish — most of whom played the full game.

"Something to build on. It's a crosstown rival. They were really pumped up for this game," Derosier said. "We came in. We played hard to the end. Got it to overtime, playing down a man. Great game to build off because they played great. This is the best game we played all year."

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Ouillette tops the field in NOW Road Race

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Runners take off from the starting line at the seventh annual NOW Road Race Run & Walk on Sunday, Sept. 16, in Dayville.

BY CHARLIE LENTZ
VILLAGER EDITOR

DAYVILLE — The grin from ear to ear said it all. But Cindy Ouillette had to admit it anyway. Not only did Ouillette finish in first place among the women at the seventh annual NOW 5K Road Race last Sunday, she topped the entire field — men included. Score one for gender equality.

"I'd be lying if I said it doesn't feel good," Ouillette said. "I like to compete with everybody. Not just women."

Ouillette covered the 3.1-mile course in 19 minutes, 58 seconds — edging Pierre Den Fils by 11 seconds. Den Fils, 22, from Willington, captured first place in 20:09 in the men's division. The NOW race is subtitled "Lap the Lake" because its route circles Alexander's Lake. Ouillette ran to the front of the pack near the start of the race and held on.

"I took the lead pretty early on, I think maybe a quarter-mile in," Ouillette said.

With roughly one mile to go she allowed herself a glance back and saw Den Fils in hot pursuit.

"I did a quick turn, you come out of the woods at one point, and I saw him coming down. So I knew he was there," Ouillette said.

But after that last glance over her shoulder she never looked back again, not wanting see if Den Fils was gaining on her.

"I just figured if I looked back it might make me anxious and take out of my race," Ouillette said. "So I just said 'Let's go.' And try to give the last mile my all, which I would have done anyway, but a little extra incentive never hurts in your last mile."

Ouillette is on the faculty at Tourtellotte Memorial High School in Thompson. She used to coach the Tigers track team and she also coached at Plainfield High School. She's well aware of the training techniques that lead to optimum running performances. She prefers quality over quantity when logging her weekly mileage, concentrating on speed work and interval training.

"I don't run a ton of miles," Ouillette said. "But I still do speed workouts and hill workouts to try to stay fast."

She runs "under 20" miles per week. Her high-quality regimen paid dividends last Sunday.

"It helps your speed," said Ouillette, 42.

She works out on the track at Tourtellotte High, mixing a series of uptempo 400- or 800-meter dashes punctuated with shorter distances at a relaxed pace.

"You've got to get your track workouts in. I do 400s, 800s, I do some mile repeats. I'll do a strong 400 and jog out a 200, and then pick another strong 400 up. I'll do 10 400s with the 200s in between, with maybe a mile warmup and a mile cool down. Or I'll do six 800s with a 400 jog in between," Ouillette said. "And then I do some 200- to 800-meter hills."

She keeps up the routine during the winter.

"They plow the Plainfield Town Hall track in the winter so I'll go there," said Ouillette, who lives in Moosup. "Or I'll do it on the road, a 400 straight."

Back in the day she used to run marathons but that's in the rear view mirror.

"When I was younger I ran one, when I was in my mid-20s, and I ran one right after I had my first child, so maybe like nine years ago," said Ouillette of her racing history over the 26.2-mile distance. "I really don't want to do those anymore. I want to be able to run into my later years."

Reduced mileage limits the wear and tear on her joints — similar to cutting down the tread wear on a set of tires.

"I've never been injured. I'm very lucky," Ouillette said. "And I'm looking to want to run into my 80s if I can. A lot of miles can wear your body down. So sticking to shorter miles but at a quicker pace, getting some hills in there too, to try to just keep my body from wearing down."

This year's NOW race followed a new route. The previous route was advertised as being "3.5 mile-ish" but Sunday's race was a true 5K (3.1 miles), so Ouillette's victory inaugurated the new course.

Ouillette scored one for gender equality last Sunday — or perhaps gender superiority — validated by the cheers that cascaded over her as she led the pack.

"It was really nice to hear — as we were running the race — people in the community were saying 'Oh wow. It's a girl.' That makes me proud," she said.

A pride reflected in that ear-to-ear grin after she crossed the finish line ahead of the entire field — men included.

"It feels good," Ouillette said. "You do your speed workouts — you hurt a little bit, kind of punish yourself — but it's in these moments when it all becomes worth it."

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Pierre Dens Fils finished in first place in the men's division of the NOW race.

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Cindy Ouillette nears the finish en route to claiming first place overall in the seventh annual NOW Road Race Run & Walk on Sunday.

Killingly netters defeat Putnam High

DAYVILLE — The Killingly High volleyball team swept Putnam High in straight sets last Friday, Sept. 14, in an Eastern Connecticut Conference crossover match at Killingly High School. Game scores were 25-17, 22-8, 25-13. For Killingly: Kelsey Allen had 9 digs, 10 kills, and 14 service points. Lauren Kirkconnell notched18 service points with seven aces, and had four kills. Kera Crossman had 18 assists. For Putnam: Kaitlin Zamora had 12 service points and three kills.

The win lifted Killingly's record to 1-2. The Redgals are next scheduled to play host to Waterford High on Friday, Sept. 21, with the first serve set for 5:30 p.m. The loss dropped Putnam High's record to 0-3. The Clippers are next scheduled to play host to Windham High School at 5:30 p.m on Sept. 21 in Putnam High School's gymnasium.

PUTNAM 4, WHEELER 0

NORTH STONINGTON — Freshman Amayah Chavez scored three goals and sophomore Laylah Chavez notched one goal to help the Clippers defeat the host Lions in girls soccer on Sept. 14. Putnam High was 1-4 through five games. The Clippers are next scheduled to play at Lyman Memorial on Tuesday, Sept. 25. Wheeler was 0-3 through three games.

BACON 2, KILLINGLY 1

COLCHESTER — Killingly High led 1-0 at halftime but the host Bobcats rallied and downed the Redgals in overtime in girls soccer on Sept. 13. Sophia Moore scored for Killingly with an assist from Lexi Purcell. Tiana Croskey and Molly McLaughlin notched goals for Bacon Academey. Bacon led 19-8 in shots. Killingly keeper Taylyn Lemoine made 13 saves. Sammi Ciaglo stopped three shots for Bacon (1-1-0). The loss dropped Killingly's record to 2-1. The Redgals are next scheduled to play at Waterford on Saturday, Sept. 22.

TOURTELLOTTE 3, PARISH HILL 0

THOMPSON — Ashley Morin, Kaylee Tackson, and Mekayla Minarik each scored one goal to lead the host Tigers past the Pirates in girls soccer on Sept. 14. The Tigers were 1-2-1 through four games. Tourtellotte is next scheduled to play at Windham on Tuesday, Sept. 25.

KILLINGLY 2, NFA 1

DAYVILLE — In the host Redgals soccer win over Norwich Free Academy on Sept. 11, Killingly's Hailey Chester opened the scoring 25 minutes into the game on an assist from Abbie Burgess. A little more than a minute later Taylor Jax scored with an assist from Lexi Purcell to make it 2-0 Killingly. NFA's Hannah Daniewicz closed the gap to 2-1 with eight minutes remaining in the game. Taylyn Lemoine made a few tough saves in the final minutes and finished with seven saves leading the Redgals to victory

Killingly led 13-12 in shots. Keeper Taylyn Lemoine made seven saves for Killingly. Allyson Knorr-Anderson made nine saves for NFA (1-1-0 through two games).

File photo

Ashley Morin scored one goal to help the Tigers defeat Parish Hill last Friday, Sept. 14.

Seventh annual NOW Road Race Run & Walk

Charlie Lentz photos

DAYVILLE — Runners tested their mettle at the seventh annual NOW Road Race Run & Walk last Sunday, Sept. 16. The 5K (3.1-mile) run lapped Alexander's Lake in Dayville. The race benefitted NOW (Northeast Opportunities for Wellness, Inc.), which provides recreational opportunities for youths and sponsors youth sports clinics. To learn more about NOW, visit www.nowinmotion.org. Complete race results are at www.theempiretc.com.

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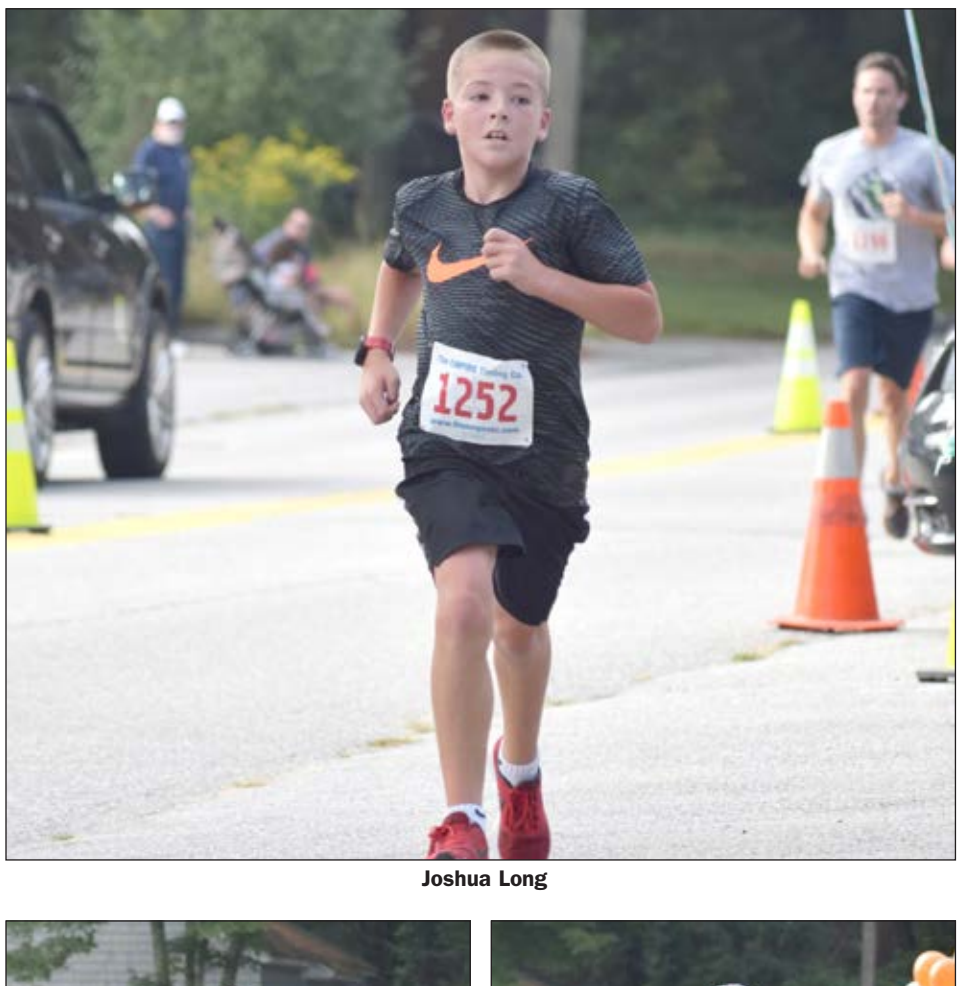

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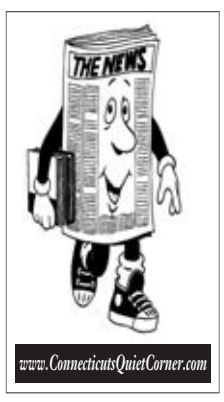

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OBITUARIES

Michael (Myke) Daly, 68

DANIELSON -- Michael (Myke) John Daly, 68, of South Killingly, died September 10, 2018 at home after a long illness. He was predeceased by his parents, Raymond D. and Hannah (Ann) Daly of South Killingly and his brothers James and Donald Daly and Don's wife Rebecca Daly, also of South Killingly. He is survived by a brother, Brian of Louisville, Kentucky and sisters, Jane Rider (Barry), Mary Seguine (Darrell), and Patricia Daly-Beyl all of South Killingly, as well as nephews, Jonathan Rider of South Killingly, Gregory and Jordan Daly of Louisville, his niece, Hannah Beyl of Missoula, Montana and his many friends who were his extended beloved family.

Myke graduated from Killingly High School in 1967. He attended Thames Valley Technical College School in Norwich and QVCC. He was a lifelong learner and accumulated numerous nontraditional educational achievements. His passion for learning was only exceeded by his passion for doing. He spent his life "doing."

Myke served in the U.S. Army from 1969 to 1971 with a tour in Vietnam in the Military Police Corps. As a result, he gained an appreciation for living life to the fullest. Following the military, Myke actively pursued short and long-term adventures and travels. His philosophy was to make this a better world and he spent his life making that happen. He stated on his Facebook: "The service I render to others is the rent I pay for my time on earth." In particular, he believed in helping people and would volunteer his time, talents, and treasure to "render service." His largesse was felt in a variety of locations including Arizona, Connecticut, Guatemala, Kentucky, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Texas, Prague and others. His adventures resulted in a large extended family of friends throughout North and South America. Myke's philosophy as best summed up by William Ellery Channing:

To live content with small means,
to seek elegance rather than luxury,
and refinement rather than fashion,
to be wealthy, not rich,
to study hard, think quietly, act frankly,
to listen to stars and birds,
babies and sages with open heart,
to bear all cheerfully,
do all bravely,
await occasions,
hurry never.
In a word, to let the spiritual,
unbidden and unconscious
grow up thru the common.
This is to be my symphony.

Michael was an active volunteer at the Windham County 4-H Foundation as well as the Lonesome Valley Wranglers 4-H Club in Arizona despite the fact that his travels and passions limited his participation at times. In lieu of flowers, donations are requested to help support the Windham-Tolland County 4-H Camp Foundation, Attn: Maintenance Fund, 326 Taft Pond Road, Pomfret Center, CT 06259.

A Celebration of Life Memorial Service for family and friends is planned for October 20, 2018 in Killingly. If you are interested in attending, please contact Pat Daly at pddydlly7@sbcglobal.net

John C. Dillon, 94

WOODSTOCK – John "Jake" C. Dillon, 94, of Pinecrest Ridge, died peacefully at the Matulaitis Nursing Home on Friday September 14, 2018. He was the loving husband of Joan (Ericson) Dillon. John and Joan were married on December 27, 1946. Born in Jersey City, New Jersey, he was the son of the late Patrick and Anna (Hoey) Dillon.

John was a United States Navy Veteran who served his country during World War II. He was devoted to teaching and supporting youth activities. John taught at numerous schools including Woodstock Academy, Putnam High School, Choate Rosemary Hall and Bromfield High School. He was also a division one player in both baseball and football at Washington and Lee High School in Lexington, Virginia. John along with his wife was the former owner of The Russian Bear Inn, in Thompson. John authored two books, "Blasted Apes," about the Great Depression and a book of poetry called "Rhyme and Reason." John was a life time member of the Quinitesset Golf Club in Thompson.

In addition to being survived by his loving wife, Joan, John was survived by his son, John Dillon and his wife Shelley of Washington; daughter, Deborah Dillon of Woodstock; four grandchildren Molly and Shea Dillon, Jennifer Lopriore Annese and Daniel Dillon Lopriore; and five great-grandchildren Josephine and Joseph Annese, Jacob, Dillon and Luke Lopriore. John is predeceased by his son Daniel Dillon; two brothers, Edward Dillon and Thomas Dillon; and two sisters Helen Lockwood and Nancy Lewis

Calling hours were held September 19, in St. Joseph Church in Grosvenordale. Burial followed in St. Joseph Cemetery. Memorial donations may be made to the American Diabetes Association, 2080 Silas Dean Hwy., Rocky Hill, CT. 06067. For memorial guestbook visit www.GilmanAndValade.com.

Brian Gleason, 45

PUTNAM - Brian Gleason, 45, died Thursday morning, September 13, 2018. Born in Putnam, he was the son of Lawrence Gleason Jr. of Staunton, Virginia and Mary Jane (Harvey) Gleason of Putnam. Brian was a graduate of Putnam High School and was a member of the Putnam Baptist Church.

Brian was a man of many talents. He owned his own roofing company in his early years and worked for other construction companies as well. He had every tool to prove it until he found his real passion driving truck after he graduated NETTS. He loved the freedom of the open road and traveling the coasts. He loved seeing new places while getting paid. Brian loved to tell stories of being a kid and running dirt bikes and trikes with his friends and he always swore he would someday have another Tecate.

Brian had a love for music and will be fondly remembered as the "funny music fanatic." Brian knew everything there was to know about "Hair Bands." He was an avid concert goer with his best friend, John Hollingworth. Brian played the drums and was able to show off his skills at his 40th birthday party. There wasn't a movie that Brian hasn't seen or even bought for his collection. He loved good food and researching new restaurants to experience but nothing compared to pizza at Pizza King. Brian's greatest accomplishment was his son Josh. He was so very proud to be his dad and of the man Josh had become. Brian's prize possessions were his photos and the memories that they held. Above all, family meant everything to Brian especially his two beautiful grandchildren Holden and Ivyana. He loved to laugh.

Brian is survived by his parents, his son, Josh Gleason and fiancé Katie Sartori of Plainfield, a brother, Aaron Gleason of Putnam, two grandchildren, Holden and Ivyana Gleason both of Plainfield, the light of his life, Amber and many aunts, uncles and cousins and the mother of his son, Krista Preble whom he had remained close to. Brian was predeceased by his grandparents, Edith and Ralph Patterson and Louise and Lawrence Gleason Sr.

A celebration of life will be planned at a later date. Funeral arrangements and cremation has been entrusted to the Gilman Funeral Home & Crematory, 104 Church St., Putnam, CT 06260. For memorial guestbook please visit www.GilmanAndValade.com.

Katherine M. Wolf

WOODSTOCK -- Katherine M. Wolf died at Westview Health Care Center. She was born Katherine Marie Greene in 1934 to Harry and Helvi Greene of Providence, Rhode Island. She graduated from AIC in 1956; and from MS ECSU in 1973. She was predeceased by Paul, her husband of 53 years, and a son Jamie. She was a Woodstock resident for 47 years. Katherine was an elementary school teacher for over 40 years, beginning in Springfield, Massachusetts and ending in Thompson. She is survived by two sons, David B. Wolf of Silver Spring, Maryland (Martha), and Karl Wolf of Queens, New York (Ellen), and seven grandchildren. A celebration of Katie's life will be held 11am, Saturday, October 6 at the First Congregational Church, Woodstock. In lieu of flowers donations may be made in her memory to the Special Olympics of Connecticut, 2666 State Street, Suite 1, Hamden, CT 06517-2232 or Westview Residents' Recreation Fund, PO Box 248, Dayville, CT 06241. Arrangements are by Smith & Walker Funeral Home, 148 Grove Street, Putnam. Share a memory at www.smithandwalkerfh.com

Shirley Campbell Gettig Ellis

DANIELSON- Shirley Campbell Gettig Ellis, born December 26, 1938 in Oil City, PA. passed away September 16, 2018 at Davis Place, Danielson, CT., daughter of the late Theodore and Elizabeth Campbell.

She is survived by her daughter Tammie L. Gettig Morrison (Bruce), of Woodstock Valley, CT., son Robert D. Gettig III (Lori) of Meban NC., granddaughter Amanda Morrison Ludwig (Paul), grandson Joshua Morrison, great grandson Paul William Ludwig III, sister-in-law Joyce Campbell, niece Candy Frey & nephew Todd Campbell.

She was predeceased by her husband Arvin Ellis, brother James Campbell, granddaughter Justine Gettig, and niece Michelle Campbell.

Shirley lived most of her life in Northeast CT., residing in Danielson, Brooklyn & Woodstock CT. She was a long time member of the Westfield Congregational Church in Danielson, CT., having been a soloist and member of the choir for many years.

Shirley enjoyed her children and grandchildren and will be missed by family and friends.

Service will be held at Westfield Congregational Church, 210 Main Street Danielson, CT 06239 at 10:00 am Saturday the 22nd day of September.

In lieu of flowers donations may be made to the Westfield Congregational Church. Shirley's condolence book at www.bartelfuneralhome.com

Annette E. Young, 80

BROOKLYN -- Annette E. Young, 80, of Brooklyn passed away on Thursday July 26, 2018 at Pierce Memorial Baptist Home with her daughter by her side. She was born in Youngstown, Ohio on November 20, 1937, daughter of the late Vance and Naomi (Hobbs) Weitzman. She was the wife of the late William Young who died in 1983. Annette worked at Pierce Memorial Baptist Home in Brooklyn as Assistant Food Service Director for many years. She was a member of the Daughters of Isabella. She touched many lives and was loved by many. She showed great resilience through all of her heartache of losing her husband and two children at young ages. She enjoyed spending time with her grandchildren.

Annette is survived by her daughter Kimberly Morelli and husband Anthony of Brooklyn with whom she made her home. Her brother Michael (Joann) Weitzman of Canfield, Ohio, two sisters, Linda (James) Ridarsky and Sandra (Rick) Mashiska both of Boardman, Ohio, four grandchildren, Shane Kerouack, Lori Pike, Matthew Young and Reece Morelli, five great grandchildren, Hailey, Emma, Kloe, Kinzley, Jack, and several nieces and nephews. She is also survived by her sister-in-law Dorothy Weitzman and dear friends Muriel Suprenaunt and Janet Law. She was predeceased by her daughter Lori Ann Young, son Jeffrey Young, brother Dave Weitzman and sister Carol Slater and husband Don. A memorial service was held on July 31, 2018 at the East Woodstock Congregational Church 220 Woodstock Road, Woodstock. Burial was private. tillinghastfh.com

David H. Luppi, 64

WOODSTOCK – David H. Luppi, 64, of Dodge Rd., died Sunday, September 9, 2018, in Hartford Hospital surrounded by his loving family. He was the loving husband of 31 years to Lara (Jacunski) Luppi. Born in New Haven, he was the son of the late Howard and Jean (Blevins) Luppi.

Mr. Luppi was a graduate of Bentley University with a degree in Computer Science. He worked as a financial advisor, a long-term care insurance salesman, and a computer programmer. David liked playing baseball, softball, tennis and basketball. He enjoyed travelling, gardening, deep sea fishing and playing his guitar.

In addition to his wife Lara, David is survived by his sons, Rob Luppi of Manchester, and Tyler Luppi of Brooklyn, New York; his daughter, Julia Luppi of Woodstock; and his sister, Mary-Jean Luppi of North Haven. He was predeceased by his brother Howard Luppi, Jr. David is survived by loving in-laws, nieces, nephews and a host of long-time friends.

Calling hours were held on September 13, 2018 in the Gilman Funeral Home and Crematory in Putnam. A celebration of life will be held on October 21st at the Best Western Hotel in North Haven, CT. Donations may be made to the Woodstock Academy Foundation for the creation of the David H. Luppi Scholarship Fund, 57 Academy Rd. Woodstock, CT 06281. For memorial guestbook visit www.GilmanAndValade.com.

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OBITUARIES

Pauline C. Angelo, 99

PUTNAM, CT- Pauline C. (Thomas) Angelo, 99, passed away Friday, September 14, 2018 in the comfort of her home.

Her beloved husband of 60 years, Vasile J. Angelo died in 2001.

Pauline leaves behind her son, Michael R. Angelo and his wife Muriel B. Angelo of Burlington, CT., her daughter, Eleanor C. Cook, wife of the late Thomas Cook of Griswold, CT., a sister, Helen' Penna' Thomas of Fabyan, CT., her grandchildren; Geoffrey Cook, Sean Cook and his wife Michelle, and Mark Angelo and his wife Stacey, her great grandchildren; Nicholas, Walker, Sara, Ethan and Samantha, sisters-in-law; Annette T. Thomas of Fabyan, Constance Leasca of R. I., Theresa Kollios of CA., and Grace Arseneault of Fabyan, and many nieces and nephews.

She was born in Fabyan, June 8, 1919 a daughter of the late Joseph T. and Christina (Christo) Thomas and lived in Putnam for many years.

Pauline was predeceased by 2 brothers; George J. Thomas and his wife Margaret, and Charles J. Thomas and 2 sisters; Esther Parent and her husband Joseph, and Olga Petluch and her husband Joseph.

She worked for many years as an office manager for Archambeault Insurance Company in Putnam, was a life-long member of Sts. Constantine & Helen Greek Orthodox Church in Webster and a member of the church Philoptochos Society. Pauline was also a volunteer in Putnam at the election polling during voting time of which she thoroughly enjoyed meeting with people. She also enjoyed to crochet and gardening.

Calling Hours for Pauline will be Thursday, September 20, 2018 from 5-7PM at Sts. Constantine and Helen Greek Orthodox Church, 37 Lake Parkway, in Webster. A Trisagion Service will be at 5:30 PM in the church.

A Funeral Service will be Friday, September 21, 2018 at 11 AM in the Church, followed by burial in Mt. Zion Cemetery in Webster, next to her husband and mother.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to: Sts. Constantine & Helen Greek Orthodox Church, P.O. Box 713, Webster, MA. 01570.

The ROBERT J. MILLER FUNERAL HOME and LAKE CHAPEL, 366 School St., Webster is honored to be assisting Pauline's family with arrangements.

To leave a message of condolence or to share a memory of Pauline, please visit:RJMillerfunerals.net

Jean Marie Pappas, 64

Jean Marie Pappas, 64, passed away Sunday, September 9, 2018 after a courageous battle with cancer. She was born and raised in Webster, Massachusetts. She was predeceased by her parents, Hercules Pappas and Sophia (Andri) Pappas.

She is survived by her loving partner of many years, Ronald Desaulnier of Thompson; her beautiful daughters, whom she loved and Cherished Lisa Enman of Sunnyvale, California, and Julia Enman of Winter Garden, Florida; her brothers James Pappas and his wife Barbara of Chichester, New Hampshire and Peter Pappas of Webster, Massachusetts; her sisters Christine Whelan and her partner Paul Grady of Oxford, Massachusetts and Penny Pappas of Holden, Massachusetts, as well as many loving friends.

Jean's last job was working for Day Kimball Health Care in Danielson, as a patient service representative, where she worked with great people. She enjoyed playing golf, board games and going to Broadway Shows. Her passion was playing tennis a year-round with the greatest tennis players.

Calling hours were held on September 13 at Smith and Walker Funeral Home in Putnam, which was followed by a funeral service on September 14, at the funeral home. Burial was at St. Mary Cemetery, Putnam. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to her tennis club payable to Margaret B. Paskavitch Estate and mailed to Carl Reidemeister, 66 Barrett Hill Road, Brooklyn, CT 06234. Share a memory at www.smithandwalkerfh.com

Mary Lou Gudmundson, 75

PUTNAM -- Mary Lou Gudmundson, 75, of Putnam, died Wednesday, September 12, 2018 at Matulaitis Nursing Home in Putnam. Born November 20, 1942 in Providence, Rhode Island, daughter of the late Peter J. and Mary (King) Healey. Beloved wife of the late Clive A. Gudmundson, he passed in 2017. Mary Lou worked for FM Global in Financial Claims.

She leaves her brother in law Calvin Gudmundson and his wife Betsy; her cousins; also, many nieces, nephews and friends.

A calling hour was held September 17, at Smith and Walker Funeral Home in Putnam, which was followed by a mass of Christian burial at Most Holy Trinity Church in Pomfret, burial followed at Willington Hill Cemetery, Willington. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to National Shrine of St. Jude, PO Box 6262, Chicago, IL 60680 or a charity of one's choice. Share a memory at www.smithandwalkerfh.com

Jane E. Furchess, 74

DAYVILLE - Jane E. Furchess entered into eternal rest on September 9, 2018. She was born in Providence, Rhode Island on November 23, 1943. She attended school in Rhode Island until college at QVCC. Jane retired from Reliance House in Norwich, after 13 years of service. She was a devoted family member, loyal friend, avid traveler, accomplished seamstress and a longtime parishioner at Trinity Episcopal Church in Brooklyn. She served in many capacities over the years to include altar guild director, choir member, church secretary and kitchen coordinator. Jane was also an active member of the Connecticut Chapter of The American Sewing Guild. The thread that bound her to others was her love for people, sewing and the Lord.

Preceded in death by her husband James Furchess, father Ernest Dasautell; mother Mildred Howard; stepdad Alvin Howard; son Ernest J. Brelsford; stepson Larry Furchess; stepson Joseph T. Furchess; stepdaughter Donna Knapp. Survived by her children, John and Anna Brelsford of Tennessee, Steven Brelsford of Texas, Barbara and Tim Bars of South Carolina, Ann Furchess of Connecticut, Janice and Dave Nye of Connecticut, daughter-in-law Linda Furchess of Missouri and first husband Samuel Brelsford of Maine, along with many beloved grandchildren, nieces and nephews and great grandchildren.

A Memorial Service was held on September 13, at Trinity Episcopal Church in Brooklyn. Jane will be laid to rest at Martins Creek Cemetery in Erwin Tennessee at a later date. tillinghastfh.com

Chester J Kruzewski, Jr.

DOVER- FOXCROFT, ME- Chester J Kruzewski, Jr. formerly of Webster, MA. and Putnam, CT. passed away September 9,2018 at his home.He was born January 17, 1945 in Webster, Massachusetts,the son of Chester J. Kruzewski Sr. and Ethel P.(Johnson) Kruzewski. Chester enjoyed fishing,gardening, and camping with his sons. He was currently working as a retail representative for Crossmark.

He is survived by his wife, Lorraine (Cadarette) Kruzewski; three sons, Chester III, Derek, and Daniel Kruzewski; two grandsons, Sid and Ryan Kruzewski of Worcester,MA.; brother Richard Kruzewski and his wife Linda and their family of Webster,MA., two sisters, Charlotte Plante and her husband Ron,and their family of Webster, and Rosalie Dziedzic and her husband John and their family of Dudley,MA. He will be missed by his two loving dogs,Sunshine and Mona.

A memorial service will be held 12 Noon Saturday September 29, 2018 at the Anchor Holds Church of God, 57 High Street, Dover-Foxcroft, ME. Arrangements are in the care of the Lary Funeral Home. Messages of condolence and memories may be expressed at www.laryfuneral home.com.

Hank A. Cholewa, 34

STERLING - Hank Alan Cholewa 34, of Sterling, died September 8, 2018. He was born on August 11, 1984 in Norwich. Hank grew up and lived most of his life in Sterling. He was an amazing father to his two boys, Ayden and Jayce Cholewa. Besides his children he leaves behind a large loving family, the mother of his children Amy Nagel, grandmother Barbara Carney, grandfather Walter Cholewa Sr., mother Melody House, father Walter Cholewa, Jr. and his wife Tammy, sister Jolene Bourque, brother Philip Fernandes, sister Crystal Cholewa, brother Scott Cholewa and brother Trent Smith. He was predeceased by his grandmother Laura Cholewa. A graveside service was held on Saturday September 15, 2018 at Riverside Cemetery, Oneco. There were no calling hours. tillinghastfh.com

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LEGALS

TOWN OF THOMPSON
PLANNING AND
ZONING COMMISSION
LEGAL NOTICE

The Planning and Zoning Commission will hold a public hearing on Monday, September 24, 2018 at 7:00PM at the Thompson Town Hall, 815 Riverside Drive, North Grosvenordale, CT for the following:

PZC #18-17: Mountford Construction, LLC. Applicant & Owner, 0 Indian Inn Rd, Map 114, Block 26, Lot 50J & 50K, Zone R-20, Mountford Construction LLC 3-Lot Subdivision.

PZC #18-18: Mountford Construction, LLC. Applicant & Owner, 0 Lillian Ave, Map 114, Block 26, Lot 50F, Zone R-20, Mountford Construction 2-Lot Subdivision

Interested persons may attend and be heard, and written communications may be received at or prior to the hearing. File may be reviewed in the Town Clerk and Zoning Offices during normal business hours.

Joseph Parodi, Chairman
Planning and Zoning Commission
September 21, 2018

TOWN OF THOMPSON
PLANNING AND
ZONING COMMISSION
LEGAL NOTICE

The Town of Thompson Planning and Zoning Commission, at its August 27, 2018 meeting, rendered the following decisions:

Application #18-14: Applicant Richard Shields Brotbeck, property owner Nancy L Shields, 622 Fabyan Rd, Map 17, Block 81, Lot 42, Zone R-40, Sub-division of 4-lots on 16 acres. **Approved with conditions.**

Application #18-16: Applicant & Owner Joshua Gadbois, 7 Linehouse Rd, Map 38, Block 68, Lot 8, Zone RA80, requesting home occupation permit for Residential Remodeling, office space and equipment storage. **Approved.**

Respectfully submitted,
Joseph Parodi, Chairman
September 21, 2018

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF John W. Winstanley
(18-00300)

The Hon. Leah P. Schad, Judge of the Court of Probate, District of Northeast Probate Court, by decree dated September 12, 2018, ordered that all claims must be presented to the fiduciary at the address below. Failure to promptly present any such claim may result in the loss of rights to recover on such claim.

Heather Robinson, Clerk

The fiduciary is:
Penny Foisey
c/o James N. Scheibeler, Esq.,
35 Academy Street, PO Box 711,
Danielson, CT 06239, (860)774-5367
September 21, 2018

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF Helen M. Spink
(18-00325)

The Hon. Leah P. Schad, Judge of the Court of Probate, District of Northeast Probate Court, by decree dated September 13, 2018, ordered that all claims must be presented to the fiduciary at the address below. Failure to promptly present any such claim may result in the loss of rights to recover on such claim.

Heather Robinson, Clerk

The fiduciary is:
William H. Spink
c/o Gabrielle Labonte, Esq.,
5 Vina Lane, PO Box 709,
Brooklyn, CT 06234, (860)774-3700
September 21, 2018

Court of Probate, District of Northeast Regional Children's Probate Court
NOTICE OF HEARING
Ryan Gamarsh (18-00151)

Pursuant to an order of the Court dated September 11, 2018, a hearing will be held on an application for Emancipation of Minor as in said application on file more fully appears, at the Court of Probate on October 11, 2018 at 11:00 AM.

Mona Fournier, Clerk
September 21, 2018

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130 Orchard Hill Rd.	Noon-1:30	$465,000	John Downs 860-377-0754 Berkshire Hathaway HS
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 2018			
PUTNAM			
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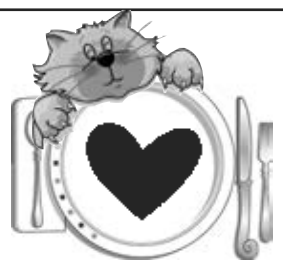

September 27, Thurs., 5-9pm
Dining for a Cause
at The Crossings Restaurant
45 South Main Street, Putnam. To benefit Lost and Found Cat Shelter in Thompson. Now accepting donations and new volunteers! Like us on Facebook! *(we are located at 459 Thompson Road, Thompson).*

Vendors Wanted:
Christmas Wonderland Bazaar II at the Atwood Hose Fire Station in Wauregan on Nov. 10 from 8-1. Tables are $20.00 each or 2 for $30.00. Call 860-774-5194.

September 22, Sat., 9:30am
Whist Club, Bracken Memorial Library, 57 Academy Road, Woodstock.

September 23, Sun., 7:30-10:30am
American Legion Post 67, N. Grosvenordale, "All You Can Eat" breakfast. Tickets only $9 and include scrambled eggs, home fries, bacon, sausage, ham, hash, English muffins, sausage & gravy, beans & kielbasa, French toast, pancakes, plus Belgian waffles and omelets. To benefit local charity

September 23, Sun., 12-4pm
Knights of Columbus Council 2087 will hold a chicken barbecue, in the Knights Hall, 1017 Riverside Drive, North Grosvenordale. Barbecued chicken, baked beans, coleslaw, corn on the cob. $10 per person. Take-outs available. 860-923-2967 or council2087@gmail.com.

September 23, Sun., 2pm
The Greater Putnam Interfaith Council (GPIC) will be holding its annual International Day of Peace event
at the Daughters of the Holy Spirit Auditorium, 72 Church Street, Putnam, entrance is in the rear of the building. The event is open to the public. Questions? Contact Lynn Tolar-(860) 455-8145

September 23, Sun., 2-4pm
Nature Program: The New Roxbury Land Trust will host, Kimberly Stone, PhD from the Ct Agriculture Experimental Station, "Planting for Bees." Did you know Connecticut has 349 species of bees? Learn where they live, plants they need to survive and more. at the Barn at Roseland Park, Woodstock. Free.

September 23, Sun., 7-11am
Knights of Columbus Council 2087 will hold a made-to-order breakfast, in the Knights Hall, 1017 Riverside Drive, North Grosvenordale. Eggs, pancakes, French toast, steak, bacon, sausage, home fries, and more. $8 per person. 860-923-2967 or council2087@gmail.com.

September 25, Tues., 7pm
Bingo every Tuesday at the VFW, 1523 Providence Street, Putnam.

September 26, Wed., 7pm
Bingo every Wednesday at St. James Church, 12 Franklin Street, Danielson. Proceeds benefit St. James School.

September 26, Wed., 7pm
The Plainfield Historical Society presents The Great Putnam Bank Robbery. Bill Pearsall, Putnam Municipal Historian, will speak about this 1941 event. Meeting held in the Plainfield Recreation/Senior Center, 482 Norwich Road. Refreshments served and the History Room will be open prior to the meeting. Info at 860-564-2343.

September 27, Thurs., 7pm
Dr. Robert Smith will be presenting on his new book, *A History of The Woodstock Academy: 1801-2016*. He will have copies of his book available for sale. Bracken Memorial Library, 57 Academy Road, Woodstock.

September 28, Sat., 7:00-8:30am
Soldiers, Sailors and Marines Fund assistance is available every Saturday morning, at the Pomfret Senior Center 207 Mashamoquet Road (Rt. 44) in Pomfret. Best to call ahead, 860-928-2309. Always free and confidential. (The Fund is administered by the American Legion to provide temporary financial assistance to qualified veterans.)

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

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

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 21

7-10 p.m.
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SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 23

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FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 28

7-10 p.m.
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SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 30

On the Outside Patio 2-5
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FRIDAY, OCTOBER 5

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Kids Games and Rides

Train Rides, Moon House,
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EVENT SCHEDULE:

10am … Patriotic Opening
10am- 2pm … DJ Phou
10:30am … Maggie the Clown - Magic Show

The performance is supported in part by a grant from the Southbridge Cultural Council, a local agency, which is supported by the Massachusetts Cultural Council, a state agency.

11am … Spotlight Dance School Performance
1:15pm … Kara Anderson's Dance Studio Performance
2pm … Live music by "She's Busy"
3pm … Lucky Duck Pluck: 5 Winners Drawn
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