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## Proposed education cuts roil Thompson citizenry



Kirsten Creighton photo

Thompson citizens and students spoke out against possible cuts to education budget.

BY KIRSTEN CREIGHTON  
FOR THE VILLAGER

THOMPSON — In a library community room full of approximately 70 Thompson town residents, the Citizens Comments section of the Board of Finance Meeting on April 11 clearly belonged to the students of Tourtellotte Memorial High School.

According to Board of Finance Vice Chair Larry Groh, Jr., possible cuts to the proposed education budget stem from a double entry in anticipated revenue for excess special education reimbursement from the state, with \$250,000 entered in the overall town budget and an additional \$350,000 entered in the BOE budget. The \$600,000 total represents a gross overestimation of the funds likely to be reimbursed, and therefore, an elimination of one of the entries is necessary.

The Board of Finance does not have jurisdiction over any line-item cuts under the school budget with regards to what services or programs would be

cut. The Board of Education would be tasked with this. However, a cut this large to the proposed education budget, which several attendees praised as being a “sound, responsible” budget, would certainly have a deep impact on the Thompson school community. This was evident in the students’ commentary.

The first of several Thompson students to speak was Cole Coderre, a sophomore at Tourtellotte Memorial High School, who recently played the role of the Cowardly Lion in the district’s first musical community theater performance in 30 years.

“I’ve never seen the community come together the way it did,” Coderre said. “Every night it was packed. It was so unbelievable to see. We had such a wide range of community involvement all the way from fourth grade to seniors.”

He expanded on this by relaying his concern over possible cuts to the school’s music department. “At

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## Employees picket Stop & Shop stores



Olivia Richman photos

Employees on strike at Stop & Shop in Dayville

BY OLIVIA RICHMAN  
NEWS STAFF WRITER

DANIELSON — Stop & Shop workers in Putnam and Danielson have joined a three-state strike over stalled contract negotiations. More than 31,000 employees authorized union leaders to call for a strike in Connecticut, Massachusetts, and Rhode Island.

Despite making a reported \$2 billion in profit last year, Stop & Shop has announced some major cut-backs in employee benefits and work

force. This includes eliminating holiday and Sunday pay, replacing pensions with a 401K, excluding spouses from health insurance plans, and eliminating a lot of holidays, personal days, and vacation time.

Stop & Shop strikers have also noted that their employer is looking to reduce the workforce by 50 percent, including eliminating cashiers.

“We want the company to come around and pay a fair

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## OUT AT HOME



Charlie Lentz photo

PUTNAM — Putnam High’s Halle Reidy is tagged out at home by Wheeler pitcher Addie Hauptmann while attempting to score on a wild pitch on Tuesday, April 16, at Owen Tarr Field. High school sports coverage begins on page B-1 of The Villager sports section.

## Day Kimball hails organ donors

PUTNAM — A flag-raising ceremony was held at Day Kimball Hospital on April 12 to commemorate National Donate Life Month. Celebrated in April, the annual observance encourages organ donation awareness and honors organ donors and their families.

DKH employees gathered at the hospital’s flag pole to share and reflect on those in their lives who have been impacted by organ donations while DKH President and CEO Anne Diamond, and DKH Chief Nursing Officer and Vice President of Patient Services, John O’Keefe, RN raised the

Donate Life Flag. The flag will continue to fly at the Hospital year round in order to raise awareness of the critical need for organ donors.

At the ceremony, Chas MacKenzie, Director of Donation Development for New England Donor Services, the area’s local designated Organ Procurement Organization, read a proclamation signed by Putnam Mayor Barney Seney recognizing April as National Donate Life Month and as an opportunity to join New England Donor Services and Day Kimball Hospital in its life-saving mission.

For nearly 10 years, Day Kimball Hospital has participated in the Workplace Partnership for Life Hospital Organ Donation Campaign to educate employees, patients, and the community about the crucial need for organ, eye, and tissue donation and encourage them to sign up as donors.

Day Kimball Hospital is among 1,200 other hospitals participating in this national initiative sponsored by the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. Since the cam-



Courtesy photo

Chas MacKenzie, Director of Donation Development with New England Donor Services, reads a proclamation signed by Putnam Mayor Barney Seney recognizing April as National Donate Life Month.

ampaign began in 2011, more than 443,000 people across the country have added their names to state registries.

“Day Kimball Hospital has always encouraged registering as an organ and tissue donor,” said MacKenzie.

In the last two years the hospital supported 14 families

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# Fairy Fest lands in Putnam

PUTNAM — With tons of activities for the kids and vendors from all over, Fairy Fest in downtown Putnam was the place to be on Saturday April 13. Hundreds of people and creatures from all over flooded the streets for the mystical event.



Bill Barnsley with 3 generations of fairies: Jude McDonald, Phoenix Macneil, Christa Macneil, and Willow Macneil.



Fairy Godmother Clara Costabile with her assistant Kaylee Donley making sure everyone has a magical time at Fairy Fest.



Christopher LaMontagne carves a bear with a chainsaw on the patio of Victoria Station Cafe.



Cassandra Reyes poses with Zayne and Maggie under the beautiful flower arch

Amelia McDade photos



Quinn the Kitgreyn perches on Alexa Deleon's shoulder with owner Sarah Tretheway and assistant Olivia.



Veronica Bushey, Adam Bushey, Tyler Bushey, Rexford Santerre, and Laurie Bates experience a real life fairy tale moment on a horse drawn carriage.

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**Lions Club drive succeeds**  
KILLINGLY — The Killingly Quiet Corner Regional Lions Club charity drive on March 30 and 31, benefitting the Friends of Assisi Food Pantry, collected 900 pounds of food and \$447.46. The Lions efforts also recently benefited 8,133 children.

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*At CT Audubon*  
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# Easter Bunny visits Danielson

DANIELSON —A Breakfast with the Easter Bunny was held last weekend in Danielson. This event was co-sponsored by the Killingly Parks and Recreation Department and the Killingly Business Association. The Danielson Elks cooks breakfast for the event and parents could take photos of their kids with the Easter Bunny.

*Karen Butera photos*



Milinda St. Pierre and son Raiden with the Easter Bunny.



Annabell and Eric visits the Easter Bunny



Alex Mercier KPRD Recreation Supervisor makes sure everything is running smoothly.



From left, Jackie, Bruce, Brian, Abigail, Brenda and Ryleigh enjoying family time at the Killingly Easter Bunny Breakfast



Chris Parden and son Cole enjoy a breakfast at the Breakfast with the Easter Bunny event.



From left, Dave Smith, Dave Burgess, Dave Griffiths and Tom Soderberg, Breakfast Chefs from the Danielson Elks

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# Villager SELFIES



**Erika Hanson**

**Name:** Erika Hanson

**Occupation:** Licensed Massage Therapist (formerly a home decor product designer)

**Lives In:** Woodstock

**Family:** Husband: Dennis Straub and 2 Stepkids: Rachael & Jacob

**Pets:** Benjamin- our rescued Plott Hound/Beagle mix and Mario the beta fish

**How long have you lived in the area?** just over 2 years

**Do you have a favorite food?** Vegetarian, love Indian food

**What is currently your favorite TV Show?** Walking Dead & eagerly awaiting Game of Thrones

**What is your favorite travel destination?** Anywhere near a beach!

**What's the best part about your town?** We have some great neighbors!

**Who has been the greatest influence in your life?** My wonderfully supportive parents

**Who is your favorite musical artist?** no one in particular- just country music

**What is the greatest piece of advice you have ever been given?** When training for a half marathon, I was having trouble getting past the 5 mile mark... I asked my father, a retired running coach for his advice. His response- "It's the 6" between your ears." Not the answer I was looking for of course, but it's the truth, we stop ourselves from going further so much of the time.

**Favorite Sports Team:** Not much of a fan, unless it's to watch my family members.

Each week we will be celebrating a local resident. If you would like to suggest a resident to celebrate here, please send Charlie an email at [charlie@villagernewspapers.com](mailto:charlie@villagernewspapers.com). For a list of Selfie questions please e-mail [charlie@villagernewspapers.com](mailto:charlie@villagernewspapers.com)

## Dayville woman runs Boston Marathon



BY OLIVIA RICHMAN  
NEWS STAFF WRITER

DAYVILLE—Brittany Grenier ran the Boston Marathon on Monday. The 26.2-mile race was something Grenier has wanted to do her entire life. "On the eve of the Boston Marathon, I am anxiously pacing around the Airbnb with my fan crew (i.e. my parents, husband, and one of my best friends). The day is nearly here! I cannot believe it! Thank you

to everyone for your prayers, kind words, support, encouragement, and donations," said the Dayville resident on Facebook. On the eve of her race she spoke about her lifelong goal, what she did to prepare for it, and the cause she is supporting.

**Have you ever run the Boston Marathon before?**

I have not. It's something I've wanted to do my whole life.

Now that it's actually happening, I'm totally freaking out.

**Why has this always been a goal of yours?**

I guess I just thought it was such an amazing thing someone like me could actually accomplish. Up until I was 13, I always loved marathon Monday, watching the marathon on TV. I always said, 'I'm going to do that one day!' But in 8th grade, I couldn't even run the mile.

**Did you end up getting into running?**

I started running my sophomore year of high school. I just needed something to do. I'm not athletic at all. I feel it was the only team that would let me on! I wanted to eventually run a marathon.

**What kept you passionate about running all these years?**

I think that people who decide to run, they're very encouraging. It's different from a team sport in that you get a lot more support. There's a lot of really amazing people in this sport.

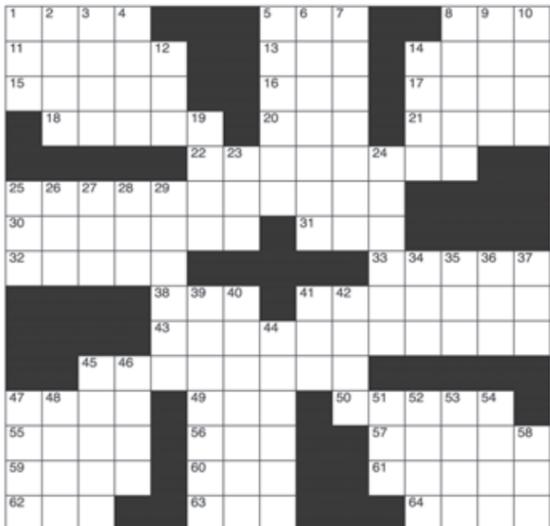
**How did you prepare for the marathon?**

My friend, who actually started the Strength in Her Sole group, created a plan for me. I run with her sometimes. I do my long runs on Sundays. I was able to run a big chunk of the course with some of the other charity team runners two weeks ago.

**What did you think?**

I was really intimidated at first. I always heard about Heartbreak Hill, the famous

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**CLUES ACROSS**

- 1. A way to wound
- 5. Hormone secreted by the pituitary gland (abbr.)
- 8. Shows the world
- 11. Decided
- 13. Indigenous person of NE Thailand
- 14. Dough made from corn flour
- 15. Honors
- 16. Political commentator Coulter
- 17. Expresses pleasure
- 18. Heavy clubs
- 20. Defunct phone company
- 21. Algonquian language
- 22. Salts
- 25. Act of the bank
- 30. Danced
- 31. Drummer Weinberg
- 32. Small goose
- 33. Helps evade
- 38. Certified public accountant
- 41. Periods of time
- 43. Kids' book character
- 45. Type of beer
- 47. Ancient kingdom near Dead Sea
- 49. A way to attack
- 50. Talk radio personality Margery
- 55. Whale ship captain
- 56. Request
- 57. Large underground railstation in Paris
- 59. BBQ dish
- 60. No (Scottish)
- 61. Jewish spiritual leader
- 62. Tool used to harvest agave
- 63. Explosive
- 64. A reward (archaic)

**CLUES DOWN**

- 1. One thousand cubic feet (abbr.)
- 2. Polite interruption sound
- 3. Extremely small amount
- 4. Very short period of time (abbr.)
- 5. Fires have them
- 6. Sacred place
- 7. Island capital
- 8. Volcanic craters
- 9. Arthur \_\_, Wimbledon champion
- 10. Bullfighting maneuver
- 12. Midway between east and southeast
- 14. A ceremonial staff
- 19. Cheap prices
- 23. North Atlantic fish
- 24. Oil company
- 25. A federally chartered savings bank
- 26. Paddle
- 27. Where UK soldiers train
- 28. One point north of due east
- 29. Attention-getting
- 34. Ballplayer's tool
- 35. Sun up in New York
- 36. Where golfers begin
- 37. Soviet Socialist Republic
- 39. Represented as walking (animal)
- 40. Craftsman
- 41. Unit of force (abbr.)
- 42. Dueling sword
- 44. Houston hoopster
- 45. Stone building at Mecca
- 46. \_\_ and flows
- 47. "Beastmaster" actor Singer
- 48. American state
- 51. Swiss river
- 52. U.S. island territory
- 53. German physicist
- 54. One point east of northeast
- 58. Get free of

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# Animal experience in Killingly

KILLINGLY – Breakfast with the Bunny was a major hit on Saturday, April 13, at the Killingly Community Center. Following the breakfast was Dave Marchetti's Animal Experience, entertaining kids with exotic reptiles and interesting animal facts.

Olivia Richman photos



Ryder with Aunt Erica Fontaine with the Easter Bunny.



The Hutchinson family: Elizabeth, Jeff, Josh, Kate, Melody, and Lianna.



Dave Marchetti with one of his lizards.



Children – and their parents – were in awe of this giant Boa.



Hannah and Ava Desimone with their grandparents.

## MARATHON

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hill in the Boston Marathon that is a really big deal. Once I got to it, it wasn't as bad as I thought it was going to be. There were so many people there to support runners, too. So I'm really pumped about that during the actual marathon.

**What is the charity you're supporting?**

It's the Arredondo Family Foundation. It's really hard to run the Boston Marathon, even for charity. I wasn't going to do it if I didn't feel really strongly about what I was running for. I found this Foundation, which support suicide prevention for veterans. That's something I really care about, because my husband is in the military and I work in the mental health field.

**What do they do for this cause?**

It's called QPR, an evidence-based aid to help prevent suicide in the veteran population. I was all about it, when I read about it.

**What are you trying to do for the Foundation?**

I'm raising \$10,000. The charity is

going to use the money to buy free trainings for the suicide prevention team. They also do emergency funding for any family who has lost a member to suicide.

**That's amazing. What have you done to raise the money so far?**

I've done several different fundraisers. I did an Ugly Christmas Sweater Bar Crawl, and I also did a Panera Bread fundraiser, a 99 Restaurant fundraiser this Sunday. I sold t-shirts. I am also doing a Grid Fundraiser, basically where I have 100 boxes on this grid. Each box has a number 1-100 written on it. Basically you buy one of the boxes, paying whatever the box # is. Each box unlocks a prize. I got some donations from local businesses and restaurants.

**How do you feel now that the Boston Marathon is so close?**

It's really emotional. It's been something I've been working towards for so long. It's also terrifying. I'm excited. There's a part of me that can't wait for it to be over. But there's another part that's sad it will be over so soon.

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## Tourtellotte hosts student leader summit

THOMPSON — The Tourtellotte Student Leadership Team hosted a conference for 10 schools from Eastern Connecticut on April 10. The conference included student-led icebreaker activities and workshops, student panels, and keynote speaker Mr. Bryan Boppert. The conference focused on the theme of student leadership and student voice.

The Tourtellotte Student Leadership Team (TSLT) set its sights on hosting a conference at the end of last school year.

“We realized we were ready to host our own conference and knew there had not been a conference like this in a while, one where local student leaders come together and share experiences,” said TSLT President Jolie Wilber.

Preparation began early in the school year when members of the TSLT took a field trip to Holiday Hill Day Camp and Recreation Center in Mansfield. During the trip, student leaders participated in communication and team-building building exercises with two Holiday Hill facilitators. These student leaders then used these experiences to plan and facilitate their own workshops for a mini-conference that they hosted for forty 8th and 9th graders in the Thompson district. TSLT members ran four workshops focusing on communication, teamwork, and building rapport. After this successful mini-conference, the TSLT began organizing for the main event, the Eastern Connecticut Student Leader Summit. After determining that student leadership and student voice should be the focus, the program was designed and students began preparing to host their own activities and workshops.

On April 10 the Eastern Connecticut Student Leader Summit became a reality for students from 10 schools including Killingly, Parish Hill, Montville, NFA, Stonington, Griswold, Woodstock,



TSLT President Jolie Wilber leads the conference.



Bryan Boppert addresses the student leadership conference.



Students get to know each other during ice-breaker activities.

Arts at the Capitol Theater, Thompson Middle School, and Tourtellotte Memorial High School.

Attendees were then escorted from the library to different locations to participate in icebreaker activities led by TMHS student leaders. Once icebreakers were completed, students were guided to the auditorium for the keynote address from Bryan Boppert. Bryan Boppert graduated from Tourtellotte Memorial High School in 1998. After earning his bachelor's degree in communication from the University of Hartford, Boppert attended Harvard University where he earned a Masters in operational management. Currently, he is pursuing a doctorate in educational leadership from Drexel University. He is the Associate Director of the Student Navigation Center at Salem State University and the President of the New England Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers. In his keynote address, Boppert talked about what it takes to be a leader, using the word “leadership” as an acronym. For each letter he described a different

yet important leadership trait. For the letter “h” in leadership he said there are three words that must go together to be an effective leader and they are head, heart, and hands. In other words, a leader is someone who not only has an idea, but also believes in it and does the work to make it actually happen. For the letter “i” in leadership, Bryan talked about how

leadership sometimes means isolation. Sometimes leaders have to endure temporary loneliness in leading others to do what is right or needed.

After Mr. Boppert's keynote address, two students from each school participated in student panels where they shared experiences with student voice and leadership in their schools. One student from Montville High School expressed that he hopes to see more student voice in the learning process-what students learn and how they learn it. After lunch, conference attendees participated in workshops led by Tourtellotte students concerning stu-

dent voice processes and successes, student engagement, effective communication, teamwork, and how to facilitate a successful meeting. After the workshops, students gathered in the auditorium to share their takeaways.

“With all the hard work and dedication that was put into this, it turned into a successful event with a lot of networking among the schools,” said Tourtellotte Junior and TSLT Vice President Robert Terrell.

“For this being our first conference, it went really well. It was neat to meet new people from other schools and hear how their schools function,” said TMHS sophomore John Steglitz.

TSLT advisors Mike Joyce and Cindy Ouillette plan to continue this networking that they hope will lead to more collaboration among student leaders in Eastern Connecticut.



### MARY FISHER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

**April 22, Monday** – Mini Corn Dogs OR Vanilla Yogurt-Muffin-Cheese, Oven Baked Potatoes Baked Beans ~ Cucumber Wheels  
**April 23, Tuesday** – WG Mozzarella Sticks Dipping sauce OR Sunbutter & Jelly Sandwich  
 Mashed Potatoes~ Fresh Carrots 100% Juice  
**April 24, Wednesday** – Taco Salad w/ Fixings & Chips Salsa, Sour Cream WG Cookie OR Vanilla Yogurt-Cereal-Cheese Stick, Spinach Salad ~ Cucumber Wheels  
**April 25, Thursday** – WG Cheese

Pizza OR Ham/Cheese Sandwich, Pasta Salad, Fresh Celery & Tomatoes 100% Juice

**April 26, Friday** – Crispy Breaded Chicken OR Vanilla Yogurt-Muffin-Cheese Stick WG Mac & Cheese Seasoned Broccoli

### POMFRET COMMUNITY SCHOOL

**April 22, Monday** – Celebrate Earth Day! French Bread Pizza, Broccoli Trees, Crunchy Baby Carrots, Ranch Dipping Sauce, Assorted Fruits. Alt: Meatball Grinder. Breakfast: Breakfast Pastry.  
**April 23, Tuesday** – Beef and Cheese Nachos, Zesty Tomato Salsa, Sweet Steamed Corn, Refried Beans, Assorted Fruits, Milk. Alt: Meatball Grinder. Breakfast: Mini Pancakes  
**April 24, Wednesday** – Happy Pigs in a Blanket Day! Mini Corn Dogs, Oven Baked Potato Wedge, Vegetarian Baked Beans, Assorted Fruits Milk. Alt:

Meatball Grinder. Breakfast: Breakfast Pastry

**April 25, Thursday** – Zesty Orange Chicken, Seasoned Brown Rice Steamed Broccoli & Carrots Fortune Cookie Assorted Fruits, Milk. Alt: Meatball Grinder. Breakfast: Mini Waffles  
**April 26, Friday** – National Pretzel Day! Cheese Burger Deluxe Served on a Pretzel Bun, Lettuce, Tomato & Pickle Sweet Potato Fries Assorted Fruits. Alt: Meatball Grinder. Breakfast: Egg and Cheese

### PUTNAM ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

**April 22, Monday** – Chicken Bacon Ranch Flatbread, Crispy Sweet Potato Fries, Veggies W/ Dip  
**April 23, Tuesday** – WG Pasta With Meat sauce, WG Breadstick, Seasoned Broccoli, 100% Fruit Sherbet  
**April 24, Wednesday** – WG Mini Corndogs With Dipping Sauce, Baked Beans, Curly French Fries  
**April 25, Thursday** – Crispy Chicken Tenders, WG Breaded Chicken Tenders, Served W/ Gravy, Whipped Potato, Seasoned Corn & Whole Wheat Roll  
**April 26, Friday** – Putnam Special Pizza, Assorted Fresh Toppings on home-made Whole Wheat Pizza Dough, Fresh Garden Salad w/ Cherry Tomatoes and Cucumbers

### PUTNAM MIDDLE SCHOOL

**April 22, Monday** – Chicken Bacon Ranch Flatbread, Crispy Sweet Potato Fries, Veggies W/ Dip  
**April 23, Tuesday** – WG Pasta With Meat sauce, Wg Breadstick, Seasoned Broccoli, 100% Fruit Sherbet  
**April 24, Wednesday** – WG Mini Corndogs, With Dipping Sauce Or Hot Dog on Bun, Baked Beans, Curly French Fries  
**April 25, Thursday** – Crispy Chicken

Tenders, WG Breaded Chicken Tenders, Served W/ Gravy, Whipped Potato, Seasoned Corn & Whole Wheat Roll  
**April 26, Friday** – Putnam Special Pizza, Assorted Fresh Toppings on home-made Whole Wheat Pizza Dough, Fresh Garden Salad w/ Cherry Tomatoes and Cucumbers

### THOMPSON MIDDLE SCHOOL & TOURTELLOTTE (GRADES 5-12)

**April 22, Monday** – Hot Dog w/ Chili OR Managers Choice, Oven Baked Potatoes Baked Beans  
**April 23, Tuesday** – Mozzarella Sticks Dipping sauce OR Hot Dog, Mashed Potato  
**April 24, Wednesday** – Taco Salad w/ chips, Salsa & Sour Cream WG Strawberry Scone OR Managers Choice, Sweet Corn  
**April 25, Thursday** – Big Daddy “Hawaiian Pizza” OR Hot Buffalo Turkey Grinder w/ Cheese, Pasta Salad, Seasoned Green Beans  
**April 26, Friday** – Crispy Breaded Chicken OR Fish Filet Sandwich WG Mac & Cheese Seasoned Broccoli

### WOODSTOCK PUBLIC SCHOOLS

**April 22, Monday** – Fish Sandwich, Oven Fries, Steamed Carrots, Fruit/Milk  
**April 23, Tuesday** – French Toast Stix, Roasted Red Potato, Turkey Sausage, Fruit/Milk  
**April 24, Wednesday** – Chicken Nuggets, Mashed Potato, Lima Beans, Fruit/Milk  
**April 25, Thursday** – Rigatoni & Meatball, Green Beans/ Roll Fruit, Milk  
**April 26, Friday** – Pizza, Green Salad, Fruit, Milk

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# Fairy Fest in Putnam

PUTNAM – Putnam Mayor Barney Seney read a declaration to the Fairy Godmother, declaring April 13 Putnam’s official Fairy Day at the first annual Fairy Fest began. It was then followed by fairy-themed activities and crafts all day long. There was also fairy-

themed vendors along Main Street, carriage rides, scavenger hunts, and contests. Children – and adults – dressed up as fairies for the occasion.

*Olivia Richman photos*



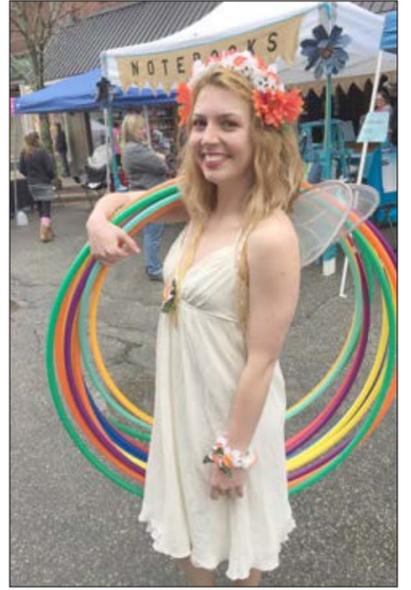
Stacy Claudio in her fairy costume.



Tracey Kida and Willow strike a pose.



Emma Otero had a hula hoop dance party with children on Main Street.



Emma Otero had a hula hoop dance party with children on Main Street.



Jude McDonald and Bill Barnsley.



Abigail, Greg, and Bock Biggs.

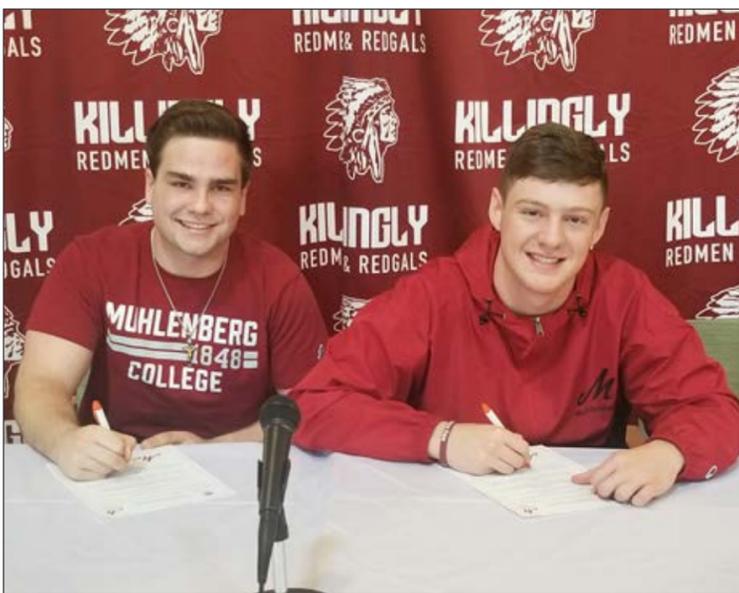


Malia and Lula Marshall



Putnam Mayor Barney Seney

## Killingly gridder to Muhlenberg



*Courtesy photo*

Matt Phelan, left, and Quinn Gervasio, on April 12 at Killingly High.

DAYVILLE — Killingly High School seniors Matt Phelan and Quinn Gervasio signed their celebratory letters on April 12 to continue playing football at Muhlenberg College in Allentown, Pennsylvania this fall.

Phelan was a three-year starter for the Redmen at linebacker and also played offensive guard where he was All-Eastern Connecticut Conference his junior and senior seasons and was Class M All State and Walter Camp First Team All State his senior year. Gervasio was as two-year start-

er for the Redmen at defensive end and tight end, and was named All Conference this past season at defensive end. He was also Killingly’s ECC Scholar-Athlete and will also be honored at the end of this month as a National Football Foundation and College Hall of Fame Southeastern Connecticut Chapter Scholar-Athlete. The Redmen’s record was 43-6 in their four years with four conference titles, four trips to the state playoffs, and won the Class M state championship in 2017.

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# First Signs of Spring

It's here. It finally happened. Against all odds and the polar vortex, spring has come to the Northeast.

Time to get out with the rakes and garden spades and bags of mulch. Time to say hello to neighbors you haven't seen since the last snowstorm, when waving shovels served as a greeting because it was too cold to talk. Time to sweep off the deck, fire up the lawnmower and rediscover your yard.

The "firsts" are what make the season of spring so much fun. First cook-out; first softball game; first trip to the garden center; first crocuses and daffodils and tulips blooming in the yard. The first seeds planted in the garden promise a summer salad harvest in just a month or so. The first time the weather forecast displays "humidity" instead of "wind chill" is almost a reason to stand up and cheer. There are endless reasons to celebrate.

So why is it that by mid-June, we're already complaining about the same things we found so thrilling in early April?

The lawnmower we so eagerly traded for the snow blower becomes the subject of family discussions – the kind that start with "It's not MY turn this week..." The thrill of the grill has waned a bit and those neighbors we were happy to see just seem to constantly have their music up loud and the windows open at all hours. The garden, site of so much TLC and attention in early spring, is now taking off in wild, weedy directions and is honestly just a bit creepy. And there are bugs.

So before our human nature takes over and ruins the party, let's enjoy these first, delicious, fleeting moments of the very, very beginnings of our spring season. Keep the windows open even when the evening chill sets in. Take that walk instead of staying put. Wear the spring jacket. Haul out the patio chairs. Enjoy the trees without leaves, because in this very first part of spring, the sunshine can reach you better that way.

*From the Publisher*

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# OPINION

*Opinion and commentary from the Quiet Corner*

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Not a fan of coal

For advocates of clean energy the news from Washington over the past two years has not been particularly encouraging with regard to government efforts dealing with the deleterious effects of climate change. Named as acting head of the Environmental Protection Agency by the president in July, Andrew Wheeler, a former coal industry lobbyist, was confirmed by the Senate in February. However, the administration's assault on the environment received a setback with the revelation that thermal coal prices have fallen sharply to multiyear lows.

Burning coal produces toxic pollutants and heavy metals hazardous to human health. The dangers have been known for decades. The coal mining industry, which President Trump swore to revive through subsidies and the easing of regulations, is the source of some of the most harmful airborne pollutants. Coal combustion emits large quantities

of carbon dioxide, one of the most significant drivers of global climate change. Also emitted are pollutants that trigger asthma attacks and interfere with normal lung development. The mercury from coal-fired power plants impairs brain development and is particularly hazardous for pregnant women and children. Fine particle emissions contribute to cancer, heart attacks and infant mortality leading to an estimated 20,000 premature deaths in America each year.

Mining companies are being severely impacted by falling demand as cleaner, less expensive fuels replace coal and as power companies close coal fired plants. Thankfully, for public health, and despite the efforts of the administration, market forces are prevailing over hollow campaign promises.

WILLIAM ZAMAGNI JR.  
PUTNAM

### Not another power plant

After denying its application in May 2017, the Connecticut Siting Council has reopened NTE Connecticut LLC's application for a certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction & operation of a 647 MW fossil fuel electric generating facility. If approved, this would be the second electric generation facility on Lake Rd Killingly. The proposed site is adjacent to the 32-acre Dunn Preserve, within half a mile of Alexander's Lake and located in the Quinebaug and Shetucket Valley National Heritage Corridor also known as the Last Green Valley. Next door, our neighbors in Burrillville Rhode Island are successfully mounting an effort to stop a similar fracked gas power plant – rise up!

New England presently has a surplus of generation resources and is moving to rapidly accelerate the development of clean, renewable generation in the region. Several of the New England states have increased their renewable energy commit-

ments and Connecticut, Rhode Island, and Massachusetts have all recently announced plans to contract for hundreds of megawatts of offshore wind generation. Our region does not need another power plant that relies on a supply of fracked gas impacting our climate, the air we breathe and the aquifers we rely on for our water.

Please contact the Connecticut Siting Council to voice your opinion on whether another power plant is needed in our area. This action is time sensitive as the Connecticut Siting Council has meetings 4/18, 5/2 & 5/16. For the well-being of our region, its current and future inhabitants - please voice your opinion to deny the application for this facility through the website: [https://actionnetwork.org/letters/rejectfrackedgas?source=direct\\_link&](https://actionnetwork.org/letters/rejectfrackedgas?source=direct_link&) or email [siting.council@ct.gov](mailto:siting.council@ct.gov).

DAVID HUSSONG  
POMFRET GREEN TEAM

### Rainbow flag stolen from Woodstock church

First Congregational Church of Woodstock is proud to fly a rainbow flag in front of our church as a visible sign of our belief that everyone is loved by God and our commitment that everyone is welcome here. As we arrived for worship on Palm Sunday, we were saddened, but not surprised, to discover that someone had taken down our flag, presumably as a way to communicate their discontent at our message of God's love for all of God's children, and specifically for our LGBTQ siblings and neighbors.

This act serves as a reminder of how important it is for us to continue our public witness to our belief that every human being, of every gender and sexuality, is created in the image of God. When we baptize a child, having no idea of who that child will grow up to be, we celebrate God's love for that child, and we promise our love to that child, no matter what. We make the same promise to every person who crosses our threshold, no matter who you are or where you are on life's journey.

Particularly this week, as we remember the events that led to the end of Jesus' life, we are aware of our call as followers of One who

made a habit of loving those deemed unlovable. We are conscious that Jesus taught his disciples to love God with all their heart, and soul, and mind, and strength, and their neighbors as themselves. And we are mindful that his message of radical love led him into conflict with the powers that be, who felt threatened by the power of people who know that they are loved.

We will be replacing our flag this week, and we will do so as many times as necessary, because the story of Easter also teaches us that there is nothing, not even death, that can defeat the power of love.

If you are seeking an inclusive and loving spiritual home for yourself or your family, we hope you will join us for worship at 10 a.m. any Sunday, or find us at [www.firstchurchwoodstock.org](http://www.firstchurchwoodstock.org) or on Facebook to learn more. Or swing by and visit us on Woodstock Hill. You'll know you've found us when you see the rainbow flag!

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## Wish I could hit the pause button

I want to slow down time. It isn't just that when I look in the mirror I see a face that is aging. It isn't just that I've lost several friends recently who were part of my life for more years than I can count. It isn't just that when I tell a story and reference the date an event happened, I am off by ten years. I want to slow down time so that



NANCY WEISS

I can savor, observe and experience where I am and what I am doing.

Walking is a wonderful way to slow down time. No matter how quickly one

walks, the pace is never fast. Walking helps us feel the surface beneath us, even the aches and pains of our feet, or the tightness of our muscles. Walking makes us consider our surroundings and the slow changes in what we see. I spent ten days hiking in southern France last spring, looking every day at Mount Ventoux. No matter how many miles we covered, the mountain looked the same, until the last day, when the perspective has changed a bit. When I walk with a friend, time zips by. When I walk alone, it is boring until I open my senses. Then I smell the trees, the diesel trucks, the cafeteria food, and the sweat of runners passing by. Time is slow and full of sensations.

Being sick is change of pace. After several days in bed, time creeps like a groggy salamander. Waking after a long nap turns out to be a day lost between the sheets as only sleep makes time pass. Reading, writing, movies are too complex to bear. I imagine what it must be like for people who have real illness and feel a twinge for being impatient with them. It seems wasteful to do nothing, but nothing is all that can be done. Meanwhile, the clock creeps toward another meal, perhaps one worth eating.

Waiting takes up time and can be interminable. There are all the childhood memories of waiting for one's birthday, Christmas, and, of course, getting old enough to be free, but the passage of life brings many moments of just waiting. There's the slowness of time waiting for the results of a medical test, or sitting while an older person eats a meal. There is waiting for the babies to finally take a nap and then waiting for them to wake up. There is the interminable wait in the DMV line and the heart pounding wait in the middle of the night when teenagers are out in cars. I try to find the spot inside myself that can settle down and wait. If I crouch down in the darkness, I can let the slow tick of time move toward whatever may finally happen.

Sometimes I seek out boredom as a way to slow down time. I look for moments of boredom in a church service because it is one place where I can't reach for something to distract me. A little boredom is good because it snaps us away from speedy stimulation and makes us pause, perhaps to think vaguely complex thoughts. At certain classical music concerts, I drift away in mix of boredom and sleepiness that makes the afternoon slow down. Occasionally I have a creative thought that would never come to me if I were busy filling my time.

The pace of time bedevils every human being. The good times go too quickly and the bad ones, well we know about them. The best we can do is enjoy the moments when we hit pause.

# Woodstock budget update

New Year, New budget, same old stuff just taken to a new level. After three Board of Finance budget meetings and a public hearing, on April 10 we, the BOF, met to set the final budget. To the surprise of no one, the total budget was set at the limit of Prop 46 as calculated by the town treasurer after review and approval by the town attorney – just has been the case five of the last six years. The one year that it was not at the absolute limit it was \$20,000 under the limit; that's \$20,000 out of a \$21 million budget, less than one tenth of one percent. You might wonder, "exactly what does the BOF add to this process?" It's a very good question. This year we did have one issue that had to be dealt with that did not fall under the simple calculate the limit scenario. As many know, this year Woodstock Academy added a charge for capital costs principally for roof repairs and removal of underground tanks at both the north and south campuses. While this isn't actually new, construction costs have been a part of the tuition expense for at least 17 years (that's how many budgets I have in my files). For Woodstock this expense has typically run between \$100,000

and \$250,000 per year over that 17-year period, and for that period, was treated as a period expense. In any case, these charges are a \$212,483 expense for the town of Woodstock. Now we have known about this, in principle, if not final amount, since November of last year but the discussion as to how to handle this period expense, at least in terms of Prop 46, didn't start until last month. As with other sending towns, there is a strong desire to keep this from further increasing the MBR (minimum budget requirement) – a particularly sensitive issue as school enrollment continues to drop and the state disallows a full reduction in spending for the drop in enrollment. This is actually fairly easy to do by having the towns pick up the expense as part of the town government budget – as most are doing, but not here in Woodstock. No we want to "capitalize" the expense so that it not only doesn't affect the MRB but doesn't show in the expense budget and therefore count against the spending limit under Prop 46. Forget that by definition a

GUEST COMMENTARY  
DAVE RICHARDSON

capital expense is an expense to acquire, modify or maintain an asset and that for the town of Woodstock there is no such asset, the important thing to the BOF and board of education is that it is not counted under the Prop 46 limit. Let's also forget that this is not a onetime expense, we will see it again next year, and if history is any indicator, for many years thereafter which means it would continue to impact the town's general fund and capital account and eventually result in having to raise revenue – i.e. TAXES – to maintain adequate levels of funding in the general fund. In the meantime all anyone seems to care about is how to side-step Prop 46. When the question of how to treat this expense was put to the town attorney he responded, "This is probably a question better addressed to the auditors, but it does seem as though it would be hard to treat the payment as a capital expenditure which can be attributed to any tangible asset owned by the Town", but still under review at this writing. If this is allowed you can

expect that there will be more "expenses" that will be capitalized. Again, in the hands of the town attorney.

The capitalization of period expenses is not the only assault being perpetrated on Prop 46. The BOE also wants to use funds from a reserve account that was set up to cover unplanned/unexpected liabilities under the self-funded healthcare plan that was terminated last July – but not count these funds as spending. These funds, the reserve account, are actually part of the town's General Fund that had been funded by surpluses in the Woodstock Public Schools budgets in 2016 and 2017 as an alternative to turning the surplus funds back over to the town for general use. These surpluses were so significant that the five year plan for funding this account was met in less than one year – we're talking nearly \$800,000. Additional surpluses were added above the policy requirement because the BOE mistakenly thought these funds could be used as a slush fund at their discretion – which would have been in violation of CGS 10-222 something that had been explained to them at least a dozen

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# Who remembers the Neighbor newspaper



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I'm always looking for new source material at the Killingly Historical Center for Killingly at 300 articles. Recently Joe Chauvin was browsing through old copies of a small newspaper called Neighbor. Published every two weeks, it started in 1953. An ad in the April 28 (1954?) issue indicated that Edward A. Evon was editor; Frank Bardy was circulation manager and photographer; Frances Schneiderman was in charge of advertising; Lucien Houle was the North Grosvenordale representative. The business was located at 202 Main Street, Putnam while the Editorial office was at 166 Main Street, Danielson. According to Joe it was upstairs above W. T. Grant and the Army & Navy Store.

Some of the people and stories that I'll extract should hopefully take you down memory lane. Since I've written little about Finnish settlers in the area, I thought I'd include the following: "Surprise Party for Brooklyn Couple. Approximately 300 relatives and friends participated in a 'double' surprise birthday part for Mr. and Mrs. Eric Ryhanen who celebrated sixtieth and fiftieth birthdays, respectively. Dancing and entertainment were part of the program at Joyland ballroom, with Frank Oja as master of ceremonies. As a special honor to the Ryhanens, a Finnish speech was orated by Karl Salo of Brooklyn...One of the earliest Finnish settlers in the area, Mr. Ryhanen came to Brooklyn in 1924... (He) has built many new and remodeled many old business establishments in the area, totaling more than 30. And

he has always been active in community affairs. He built the Universal Food Store in Brooklyn, which he operated for years, then constructed the Village Grill there. In 1951 he moved to Dayville and built the Esso station and restaurant building which he later sold because of ill health, two years ago. The Ryhanens now live on Otis Street in a ranch house he also constructed." The only Ryhanen entry in Natalie Coolidge's Killingly Business Encyclopedia is for Erick, "Erik's Service Station, Dayville March 1952).

I was not familiar with Joyland, the venue where the Ryhanen party was held but discovered an ad in the Neighbor. "One mile from Danielson on Route 6. Dances, parties, auctions. Then I recalled that the Center had the 1954 Danielson-Brooklyn Directory. Its entry read, "Joyland Ballroom (Raymond Gregoire), dance hall. South Main" (p. 246). Please share your memories about Joyland Ballroom; I'm sure readers of the column will be interested.

I must admit that I found even the ads interesting because I always learn something new. Do you remember Wood-Shaw Opticians, located at 1 Canal Street in Putnam? If not, perhaps you recall Duby's Tire Service, "recapping & repairing truck and passenger tires" 56 North Street, Danielson, opposite Logee's Greenhouse. Many older residents have told me they have fond memories of Rudy's Rexall, Rudolph Methé, proprietor, at 100 Main Street in Danielson and I'm sure many of you had shoes from Del Pesco's at 81 Main Street, Danielson.

Do you remember the activities associated with the Cooties Annual Convention in Danielson? Joe Chauvin commented that he recalled the parade. The June 24, 1955 issue of Neighbor had the following: "Cooties and Cootiettes Take Over Danielson." For three days, the social organization that stemmed from the VFW, the Military Order of the Cootie, literally took over the town of Danielson for their 5th annual convention. And, according to resi-

dents, they did it in a manner befitting the prestige which this worthy organization has earned over the years. Highlights of the convention were a parade, memorial service for departed members, joint meeting for election and installation of state officers, and a gala joint banquet attended by several dignitaries, local, state and national." The article contained as number of photos. Since I found the names of the offices of the Cootiettes quite strange, I thought I'd mention them. "New officers installed during the convention were Mary Moulblow of Norwich, Grand Grayback; Florence McGowan, Lady Louse; Oglia Daniels, Baby Louse; Cora Cady, Crummy Louse; Anna Baker, Shekel Keeper; Eunice Bentley, Pious Louse; Dorothy Johnson, Louse Hunter; Rose Smith, Rustling Louse, Alice LaPage, Scratcher." "Captain George Racine (led) the Brooklyn Vets in (the) Cootie Parade."

The same issue of the Neighbor had a photo of cowboys Dick West and Kit Carson at Killingly Memorial School. Joe Chauvin recalled their performance. "Kit Carson came in as the hero and jumped up on the stage with no problem. His sidekick followed behind him but caught his foot and sprawled out on the stage." ("creating roars of laughter"-Bernie Mitchell).. I wish you could have heard those two and Fred Adamson reminiscing about all the cowboys from their childhoods--Hop-along Cassidy, Roy Rogers, Zorro, etc. When I did an internet search for Kit Carson, I first came up with articles on the inspiration for the television programs, the real Kit Carson. "Christopher Houston Carson (December 24, 1809 - May 23, 1868), better known as Kit Carson, was an American frontiersman. He was a mountain man (fur trapper), wilderness guide, Indian agent, and U.S. Army officer. Carson became a frontier legend in his own lifetime via biographies and news articles. Often exaggerated versions of his exploits were the subject of dime novels. His understated nature belied confirmed reports of his fear-

lessness, combat skills, tenacity, and profound effect on the westward expansion of the United States."(https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Kit\_Carson). "The Adventures of Kit Carson is an American Western television series that aired in syndication from August 1951 to November 1955, originally sponsored by Coca-Cola.[1] It stars Bill Williams in the title role as frontier scout Christopher "Kit" Carson. Don Diamond co-starred as "El Toro", Carson's Mexican companion"

(https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/The\_Adventures\_of\_Kit\_Carson).

Please feel free to share your memories of favorite childhood television or radio programs; I will pass them on.

I'd like to wish everyone a Happy Passover, Happy Easter and Happy Spring. Enjoy the beauty of God's Creation and give thanks!

Mark Your Calendars: The next program of the Killingly Historical & Genealogical Society will be "The Life and Legacy of Prudence Crandall--a Story that Still Inspires" Saturday, May 4 at Westfield Congregational Church, 210 Main Street, Danielson from 1:30-3:00 p.m. Presenters will be Kazimiera Kozlowski and Kendall Smith. The program is free and open to the public. Refreshments will be served. For additional information contact the Killingly Historical & Genealogical Society at 860-779-7250.

*Margaret M. Weaver Killingly Municipal Historian. Thanks to Joe Chauvin, Bernie Mitchell, and Fred Adamson for sharing memories. For additional information e-mail her 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.*



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Each month, we have discussed financial planning topics integral to any well-developed plan. So far, we have discussed the importance of beginning with the end in mind, tax considerations for your financial plan, and unique challenges women may face when saving. Throughout April, as a part of Financial Literacy Month, we want to talk about the basic principles you should understand in order to attain financial freedom and be able to achieve your "Live Well" financial life goals. It is also critical to pass the skills you learn on to your children and it is never too early to learn about finances.

The sooner the better: it's a saying that applies to many facets of life, including educating children about money. By introducing sound financial habits early on, you'll give your child a head start on the path to becoming an informed investor. Here are ideas to help your children start to form good financial habits.

Lessons for every age: Toddler. Although it may seem early to begin instilling investment know-how in your child, the first few years of life are critical for mental development.

Toys that incorporate counting, such as building blocks, can help your child develop mathematical skills. Other educational toys LeapFrog Learn & Groove Animal Sounds Guitar. Through rhythm, rhyme, and sing-along songs, children can rock out while sharpening their counting skills. Chicco Teddy Count With Me is another great tool. Children can learn first numbers and words in English and Spanish with this bilingual talking bear.

Age 5-plus. Board games are an entertaining way to teach kids about managing finances. Monopoly covers all the bases—earning money, saving and spending, capital budgeting, risk and reward, and taxes. This classic game now comes in an electronic banking edition and even as a smartphone or tablet application. Other options for a fun-filled family game night include The Game of Life, Billionaire Tycoon, Moneywise Kids, and Pay Day.

Age 8 to preteen. At this stage, many children start to accumulate income from allowances, cash gifts for birthdays and special occasions, and even small businesses, like lemonade stands or shoveling driveways. As your child begins dealing with actual money—no matter how small the amount—talk to him or her about saving and spending. Since many kids in this age group are Internet

experts, online games can be an effective teaching tool.

Teenage years. As a teen, your child may take his or her first summer job or build income through part-time work like babysitting. Visit the local bank together and set up personal savings and checking accounts in his or her name. This will give your child a sense of responsibility and help familiarize him or her with different banking transactions. Plus, banks often offer useful resources geared toward young customers.

Off to college. The transition to college is typically accompanied by a slew of credit card offers. Before sending your child off to school, be sure to discuss the pros and cons of credit cards and how to establish credit responsibly. Prepaid credit cards can be a good way to help college students build their credit history.

Young adulthood. Amid the excitement of a first job, it's all too easy to overlook retirement plan contributions. Remind your child of the benefits of opening a retirement account early—he or she is sure to thank you later. At this point, you may wish to pass the baton to your financial advisor, who can address any money management questions your son or daughter encounters on the road to financial independence.

Wired for wealth: online

games: One of the best websites for teaching kids about money is [www.monetta.com/game.htm](http://www.monetta.com/game.htm), presented by the Monetta Young Investor Fund, a mutual fund that invests in companies familiar to children and teenagers. While most of the games can be found elsewhere online, the site brings them all together and organizes them by age group. The games are free and range from basic quizzes to more advanced activities.

Of course, there are plenty of other websites that aim to help children build their financial literacy. But remember: although the Internet can be a valuable tool, it's no substitute for one-on-one conversations and your own good example.

Read, watch, or listen: It is important that your child can begin to understand the big picture, to be able to think long-term. They may not understand how important finances are for college and retirement. The more they read and understand the freedom that money will give them to choose what college they want or retire sooner, the more interested they may get because money is the tool to achieve your dreams.

Start early!: As with many financial matters, the best advice is to start early. The sooner children learn financial fundamentals, the more likely they are to become informed investors later in life. You may

even benefit from learning alongside your child! If there are areas where you could use a refresher, take the time to review those topics as you approach them with your son or daughter.

Leading by example makes good sense, no matter what the lesson at hand may be. If you've been meaning to work on your budget, organize your tax documents, do a retirement checkup, or pursue another financial goal, there's no better time than today to take control. A financial advisor can help you set the right example for your child and may even join you in fostering his or her financial literacy.

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## The ABCs of finance

## No longer hard to believe



BEYOND  
THE PEWS  
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JOHN  
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For most of mankind's history, people had to be within earshot in order to talk with others. So, it was hard to believe inventors of the industrial age who began postulating that someone could talk in one place and have their voice heard in another place, all with the use of electricity and wires. But, as a result of many believers pursuing this dream, such a device was invented, and some demonstrations were staged to help the public become believers. The story goes that on March 10, 1876, Alexander Graham Bell became one of the first to demonstrate that it could be done. Graham strung wires from his office to another room and hooked up his primitive telephones to the two ends

of the wire. Here are the results, in his own words:

I then shouted into M [the mouthpiece] the following sentence: "Mr. Watson, come here - I want to see you." To my delight he came and declared that he had heard and understood what I said. I asked him to repeat the words. He answered, "You said 'Mr. Watson - come here - I want to see you.'" We then changed places and I listened at S [the speaker] while Mr. Watson read a few passages from a book into the mouthpiece M. It was certainly the case that articulate sounds proceeded from S. The effect was loud but indistinct and muffled. (Bells Journal in the Library of Congress)

Eighteen months later, on 10 August 1876, Mr. Bell made the world's first long-distance telephone call in Canada, from Brantford to Paris, Ontario, a distance of about 6 miles. We can't blame people for being hesitant to believe that voices could travel over wires in the mid 1800s. But it is no longer hard to believe, because it is now demonstrated on a daily basis.

The same is true of amazing concepts such as heaven, eternal life, salvation

and miracles; they are sometimes hard to believe. Knowing this, God staged a demonstration that is one of the best known and most talked about in all of human history, despite the fact that it happened centuries before many of the greatest communication tools were invented.

The demonstration was set up in the Old Testament Scriptures, when prophets predicted (in hundreds of places) the birth, death and resurrection of a Savior. Then, to make sure there was no confusion, Jesus claimed to be that Savior and He predicted his own death and resurrection. Unfolding events further proved that this was not a cheap trick or sleight of hand. Jesus was arrested, illegally sentenced on bogus charges and publicly hanged by public enemies. He was buried and guarded by the elite military of His day who wanted to guarantee that He did not rise from the dead as predicted.

But then came Easter morning. In one fell swoop, Almighty God gave mankind the ultimate demonstration of power. When Jesus rose from the dead, He demonstrated that He was more powerful than religious institutions, political

powers, death, hell and the grave. The same Bible predicts that one of these days, when the rest of the Bible's prophecies are fulfilled, Jesus will declare I am he that liveth, and was dead; and, behold, I am alive for evermore, Amen; and have the keys of hell and of death. (Revelation 1:18)

Ironically, even such a dramatic and definitive demonstration was not enough for those who do not want to believe. But for those willing to face the facts, heaven and everlasting life are no longer hard to believe. Better yet, billions of people throughout the world who have struggled with life's difficult questions have discovered a personal relationship with God. As a result, their contemporary, personal encounters with the miraculous continue to demonstrate that God is real, alive and well. For these blessed people the wonderful promises of Scripture are no longer hard to believe.

*Bishop John W. Hanson oversees Acts II Ministries in Thompson. For more information, please visit: www.ActsII.org.*

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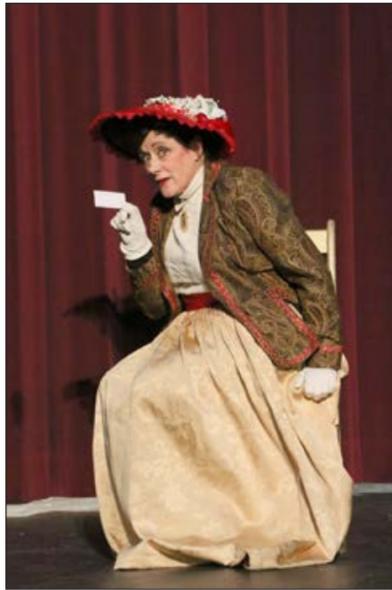
# Hello, Dolly! at the Bradley Playhouse

PUTNAM — Hello Dolly! opens on April 26 and runs for three weekends at the Bradley Playhouse in Putnam. The Theatre of Northeastern Connecticut is bringing the blockbuster Broadway hit that bursts with humor, romance, high energy dancing and some of the greatest songs in musical theater history. Performances are April 26, 27, May 3, 4, 10 and 11 at 7:30 pm and April 28, May 5 and 12 at 2 pm.

Hello, Dolly! is the story of Dolly Gallagher Levi, a strong-willed match-maker and “woman who arranges things”, in turn of the century New York City. She travels to Yonkers to arrange a match for the miserly “well-known unmarried half-a-millionaire” Horace Vandergelder. Could it be that Dolly may want Horace for herself?

The TNECT performance of Hello, Dolly! is co-directed by Kathleen Atwood and Greg Brock. Joshua Smith is the music director, assisted by Emily Zornado. Choreography is by Kelly Madenjian, with style consultant Leslie Snow and assistants Sarah Andrews and Larissa Bailey. Carroll Mailhot appears as Dolly and Michael Griswold is Horace. Irene Malloy is played by Andrea Olson, Larissa Bailey appears as Minnie Fay, Kevin Ladd is Cornelius and Scotty Duval plays Barnaby. Ambrose is played by Trevor May and Cecilia Satallone is Ermengarde. There is, of course, an enthusiastic ensemble of singers and dancers.

The Bradley Playhouse is located at 30



Carroll Mailhot (Dolly)



Michael Griswold (Horace) and Carroll Mailhot (Dolly)

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Front Street (Route 44) in Putnam. All seats are reserved. Reservations may be made at [www.thebradleyplayhouse.org](http://www.thebradleyplayhouse.org) or by calling 860-928-7887. Tickets may be purchased at the theater box office, either before the performance or at the door if available. Purchasing your tickets ahead of time is strongly recommended.



Andrea Olson (Irene) and Scotty Duval (Barnaby)



Kevin Ladd (Cornelius), Andrea Olson (Irene), Scotty Duval (Barnaby), Larissa Bailey (Minnie Fay)

## Cording joins WHZ wealth advisers

POMFRET CENTER — Leisl Cording recently joined Weiss, Hale & Zahansky Strategic Wealth Advisors’ advisory team as Vice President, Associate Financial Advisor. She joins the wealth advisory firm where she will be working to assist clients in achieving their financial life goals using their unique, strategic Plan Well. Invest Well. Live Well™ process.

“It’s a true pleasure to join a team where the genuine pursuit of client satisfaction is so embedded within the culture of the firm. There is so much to be motivated about when a firm deeply cares about their clients’ goals and will go above and beyond to ensure an exceptional experience. I’m looking forward to bringing my skillset and experience in strategic financial planning to help our team fulfill our clients’ financial life goals,” Cording said.

Leisl brings over 10 years of experience in working with high-net-worth individuals in multiple areas of retirement, financial, and estate planning. Her most recent position was with People’s United Bank in their wealth management department in Hartford, where she was responsible for individual financial planning, trust and fiduciary administration, estate settlement, and investment management. She also holds the Certified Financial Planner certification.

“Leisl is not only extremely well qualified, but is also a great person. Her trustworthiness and approachability are absolutely essential characteristics of our firm. Much of our success is aligned to these service values and we are ecstatic to bring someone to help deepen and strengthen our promise of



Leisl Cording

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excellent strategic financial planning and investment management to our clients,” said Managing Partner, Jim Zahansky.

Cording grew up in Pomfret and graduated from Woodstock Academy. She later received a degree in Finance in 2008 from Quinnipiac University where she also captained the women’s soccer team for two years. She now lives in Woodstock and enjoys playing and coaching soccer, golfing, and running in her spare time.



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### TOWN OF PUTNAM 2019 APRIL/MAY FLUSHING EVENT

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Please note that during flushing events you will most likely experience periods of discolored water coming out of your taps. It is best that you try to limit water use while flushing is taking place in your area and, flush your water line afterwards by running a cold water faucet in your residence until the water clears. Your water is safe to drink, the discoloration is caused from iron build up in the water lines being flushed out. Remember, flushing your water system is essential in maintaining water quality and preventing iron and manganese build up in the system. Although it may be an inconvenience during flushing, the benefits thereafter are lasting and positive.



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**DAY THREE  
Tuesday April 30, 2019**

Addison, Auburn, Ballou, Battey, Bibeault, Breault, Chase, Church (Upper), Cleveland, Cloran, Daniels, David Circle, David St, Dudley, Dufault, Duffy, Emond, Harrison, Lafayette, Latici, Marshall (Upper), Maynard (Upper), North, Oak Hill, Riverside, Smith, St. Peters, Van Den Noort (Upper), Viens, Woodside.

**DAY FOUR  
Wednesday May 1, 2019**

Arthur, Bradley, Buck, Bundy, Burnham, Center, Chapman, Eden, Edmond, Fremont, Front, Grove, Harris, James St East, James St West, Kennedy (Upper), King, Lee, Livery, Main, Massicotte, Memorial Terrace, Monohassett, Perry, Perry St Condos, Pleasant, Seward, South Main, Union, Vine.

**DAY FIVE  
Thursday May 2, 2019**

Ash, Barber, Bellevue, Bolles, Brown, Centennial, Charles, Chassey, Corbin, Davis, Farrow, Flagg, Florence, Frank, Genevieve, George, Hammond, Laconia Ave, Laconia Court, Letters, Leyden, Lyon, Market, May, Newport, Oak, Phillips, Prospect, Railroad, Ring, Rowe, School (Lower), South Prospect, Tatum, Thayer, Walnut, Wilkinson.

**DAY SIX  
Friday May 3, 2019**

Alpha, Bates, Brookside, CVS Pharmacy, Dewey, Furnace, Groveland, Intervale, Knoll Woods, Mechanics, Mohegan, Nichols, Olney, Overlook, Powhattan, Providence (East of Kennedy), Providence Pike, School (Upper), Smithfield, Stop & Shop Parkade, Thompson Ave, Tractor Supply, Walmart, Waltham, Whittemore.

**DAY ONE  
Friday April 26, 2019**

Arch, Brookside, Canal, Danco, Day Kimball Hospital, High, Highland, Industrial Park, International Paper, Kennedy (Lower), Park Rd, Park St, Pomfret, Putnam Baptist Church, Quinebaug, Richmond, Richmond Rd Condos, Ridge, Sabin, Sabin St Condos, Sunset, Technology Park, Underwood, Underwood Condos, WWTP.

**DAY TWO  
Monday April 29, 2019**

Bonosconi, Church (Lower), Cottage, Dukeland, Dupre, Fairmount, Fenner, Gilman, Green, Harrisville, Hurlbut, Keech, Labossiere, Lamoth, Lane, Laurel, Maple, Marshall (Lower), Maynard (Lower), Milton,

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# Putnam Lions hold Night of Giving



POMFRET — The Putnam Lions celebrated their favorite night of the year on April 12. On that night, the Putnam Lions and Putnam Leos, local organizations and charities, as well as Lions' charities, gathered at the Connecticut Audubon Society in Pomfret to celebrate the Putnam Lions' Annual Night of Giving. The Night of Giving is the culmination of a year of hard work and fund-raising events by the Putnam Lions and Leos. It is at this special event that they are able to give back to the community all the funds they have raised throughout the course of the year. This year the Putnam Lions distributed over \$13,000.

Recipients represent needs ranging from children to veterans to eye research to feeding the hungry and many more. It is not only a night for the Lions to give back to the community but also a night for everyone attending to hear what all the organizations do for others. The night shows everyone how the Quiet Corner is truly a caring and generous community.

Organizations represented at the Night of Giving included Lions charities such as CRIS (Connecticut Radio Information Service), Camp Rising Sun, Connecticut Lions Eye Research Foundation, FIDELCO Guide Dogs, Lions Clubs International Foundation, Low Vision Center and the District 23-C Hearing and Speech Foundation. Local



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The Putnam Lions gave \$13,000 to local groups at their Night of Giving.

charities and organizations included the Audubon Society, American Legion Baseball, the ARC, Camp Quinebaug, The Bradley Playhouse, Barton Center, Connecticut Children's Medical Center, Community Cafe, Interfaith Human Services, Day Kimball Hospital Chaplaincy, Day Kimball Homemakers/Hospice and Homecare, Day Kimball Pediatric Reach Out & Read Program, Family Resource Center, 4-H Camp,

Putnam High School Girls' Volleyball, Putnam High School Yearbook, Putnam PRIDE, Putnam Ambulance/EMS, Putnam Library, Putnam Little League, Putnam Middle School End of Year Activities, Quilts of Valor, Ronald McDonald House, Sunshine Foundation, the Veterans' Coffee House and Putnam Leo II Club.

For more information on the Putnam Lions visit their Facebook page.

## BUDGET

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times. But they never give up. Without these manipulations the WPS is still looking at a more than 5% increase in per student spending due in large part to a continuing decline in enrollment – an issue the current school administration would like ignore. With the added funds more than 7% per student – more than the increase from the Academy with construction costs! One last note on this “reserve fund”, during last December's audit review for 2018 (the year ending June 30th 2018) it was found that \$74,195 was unaccounted for. In a discussion with the auditor, you can see on video, he acknowledged that it appeared that some \$30,000+ of those funds ended up in the BOE non-lapsing account – legality of this is “highly” questionable. This was to be reviewed by the auditor and the town attorney, also present at the time. No explanation to date. In addition, the remaining \$44,000 has yet to be located. It has been more than four months!

Maybe outside resources need to come in to find out what happened to this taxpayer money.

What does all this mean to you the taxpayer? More than \$360,000 ripped from the General Fund and not recorded as spending under Prop 46, but real money that the taxpayer will eventually have to replace through taxes. Fact: until you the voter and taxpayer start showing up at the polls and saying “no more”, your representatives on the BOF are going to continue to be more interested in avoiding responsibility than protecting you against more taxes.

If you want to see your BOF in action, go to the town website under finance where you can access video recordings of BOF meetings. Hopefully by the time you read this the meetings through April 10 will have been posted.

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

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

## STRIKE

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wage,” said Teamsters Local 493 member Ken Matteau. “People have been working here 30 years, and Stop & Shop will lose them. I am appalled at what they're doing to their employees. It's a shame. I dumped my stock.”

According to Matteau, who has joined strikes throughout the state, unions establish labor rates throughout New England. This means that if the Stop & Shop strikers are successful, it could benefit other workers at other businesses throughout the state.

Still, while most customers are supportive of the striking employees, many customers have said it's an inconvenience.

They have had to shop at other grocery stores in the

area, and some people feel bad walking past the strikers and entering Stop & Shop to get to their chosen pharmacy or bank.

In response to the strike, the supermarket chain activated a contingency plan that included support-office staff members and temporary replacement workers to select locations. Other stores have been forced to close for the time being.

Currently, there's no clear end to the strike.

A previous three-year contract ended in February, which led to the new negotiations. The company has stated that they are “disappointed” with the strike given that negotiations are supposedly still ongoing with the help from federal mediators.

“This is a challenging time, but I want you to

know that I and the entire Stop & Shop team remain firmly committed to getting a fair new contract in place for all of our associates in New England,” Stop & Shop President Mark McGowan said in a statement Friday. “Our team is standing by and remains ready to continue negotiations anytime. We hope that the UFCW local unions return to the table to reach a fair and responsible contract now.”

But for the unions, making a stand can make all the difference in these negotiations. The protest has continued because the company refused to back down from their proposed cuts during the months of negotiation.

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# Mercier is Westview Employee of the Month



Courtesy photo

Toby Mercier

DAYVILLE — Toby Mercier was named Westview Health Care Center's Employee of the Month for March 2019. Mercier, from Moosup, has been employed at Westview since August 2016 within the facility's Support Services department.

Mercier's position at Westview revolves around two primary areas of focus: housekeeping and laundry, two duties that most of us begrudgingly perform at home. But passing by Mercier in the hallways of Westview as she carries out her work reveals the true nature of her personality; one that is earnestly interested in the well-being of others and diligently committed to her workplace obligations. Day in, and day out, it's done with a genuine smile on her face.

While not attending to the comfort

and welfare of others at Westview, Mercier enjoys spending as much time as possible with her fiancé, Randy; son, Dylan; and their dog, Decon. Whether she's getting her hands dirty in her garden or getting her feet wet at the beach visiting her parents in South Carolina, it's easy to imagine that she's doing so with the ease and grace that she exhibits for the patients and residents of Westview.

“Toby's positive disposition and attention to detail are just some of the reasons that she was awarded this distinction” said David T. Panteleakos, Administrator. “We're proud to have her on our team of caregivers.”

“I work with a bunch of great people,” said Mercier. “Not only are the staff at Westview amazing, but I love getting to know the residents and their



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# Quiet Corner Shouts discusses Medicare for all

BY MONICA MCKENNA  
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**At the Quiet Corner Shouts! healthcare meeting: from left, John Whitbeck from Monroe, Stephan Ramdohr, from Putnam, Johanna Heller, from Guilford.**

**POMFRET** — A discussion about the increasing costs of medical care and possible alternatives prompted a crowd to turn out April 11 during a meeting of Quiet Corner Shouts! at the Pomfret Senior Center.

Guests included Karen Weseliza from Congressman Joe Courtney's office, Stephan Ramdohr from Putnam, Johanna Heller from Guilford, and John Whitbeck from Monroe. They shared insights about Medicare for all.

Several in the crowd complained about the current system. Gail McElroy of Pomfret said she was prescribed a certain heart medicine but stopped when its manufacturer stopped producing it. Later, that drug's new owner brought the same drug back onto the market, she said, but charged much more. Most were familiar with the cost of the epi-pen that skyrocketed when a new owner took over. Some patients have insurance at the onset of an illness or a condition requiring hospitaliza-

tion, but that coverage may expire in mid-treatment.

"What can we do?" asked Cris Cadiz of Pomfret, co-founder of Quiet Corner Shouts! The consensus was that residents need to let their representatives in the General Assembly and on Capitol Hill know how they feel.

Currently H.R. 1384 — a Medicare-for-all 2019 bill — is going through various committees of the U.S. House of Representatives before a vote that could send it for a vote in the U.S. Senate. In Connecticut, U.S. Congressman Joe Courtney of Connecticut's Second District and John Larson of the First District, recently co-sponsored the Medicare Buy-in and Health Care Stabilization Act, which would allow persons ages 50 to 64 to buy into the



Medicare program. Quiet Corner Shouts is a grassroots organization in northeast Connecticut that encourages civic engagement. The

group meets the second Thursday of each month. For information, go to Facebook QuietCornerShoutsInfo!

## CUTS

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TMHS we have so many kids...who find a home in the music department, who find a home in the arts...They find a home, and they find a relief, and they find a way to escape whatever is going on. If you cut that, you're proposing a risk right to the students. We have a Superintendent who wants to build up the Arts, why would you want to tear it down?" Coderre said.

Halladay Glode, a senior at TMHS, echoed Coderre's loyalty towards the music department. "The music department means everything to me and I am completely against any cuts that would be made there. We are musicians, we are vocalists, so our voices are what we know. We are a small school with big opportunities...Cutting the music department at all would cut (enrollment of students, and we can't afford to do that," Glode said.

Brian Loffredo, whose daughter is a senior at TMHS, has served on the town's branding committee. His comment built on Halladay's concern of cuts leading to lower enrollment.

"From a branding committee standpoint in developing this town, I see the loss of these programs as being maybe, eventually, the death of the school. More kids will choose to go other places," Loffredo said.

Rae'Anne Hazard, a sophomore at TMHS, stressed the supportive, family-type atmosphere that is fostered through the district's music programs.

"I struggle a lot with Self-confidence. I couldn't have found so much confidence in myself if it hadn't been for our amazing music director, Kate Anderson. We've accomplished great things as a department this year. I know budget cuts so large would take all this away," Hazard said.

John Embair, a Tourtellotte sophomore agreed.

"The school is there for us, and the music department teaches us how to respect ourselves and have a dream. And if we didn't have that, I could not say I would stay at Tourtellotte, because, I go there FOR the music dept.," Embair said.

Channing Boss, another TMHS student, spoke of her struggle with social anxiety.

"Tourtellotte has really helped me with coming out of my shell," Boss said.

So much so, that she just performed in the district's performance of Wizard of Oz in a major role as the Scarecrow.

Katalina Adams, a TMHS freshman, continued the student conversation.

"Tourtellotte's music dept has really helped me find myself and give me a way to cope with things. There really is no limitation when it comes to expressing yourself and Tourtellotte really lets you do that. I really love the family I've made while being in the music department while at Tourtellotte so please don't make any cuts to our budget," Adams said.

Paul Boisvert, a senior at TMHS, will be attending Anna Maria College this fall as part of the music program, and expressed his appreciation for the music program. He said he was prepared enough to be accepted to the college program, despite not having a private instructor, something almost all other accepted students had during their high school years.

In addition to the student body's heartfelt outcries, several parents stood up and spoke in support of their speaking out.

Valentine Iamartino, member on the town's Board of Education, echoed the citizens' concerns. "When I sat in on the BOF last week to hear that they want to spend \$200k on a salt shed, and then cut a budget of the school system? I can't

feel comfortable with that... I want to invest in the kids of this community," Iamartino said.

Thompson resident Amy St. Onge supported them as well.

"I think it's sad that we would even consider cutting the BOE budget when they've presented a responsible budget with very little increase. That aside, we hired (Superintendent) Melinda (Smith) to help turn the school around. Why would we backpedal and take funds away from her and prevent her from doing the work that she's begun doing," St. Onge said.

Thompson parent Karen Coderre elaborated.

"Sports. Music. Drama. Art. Band. It's a place that gives them a sense of identity. These programs give these kids a sense of purpose, a sense of meaning, something they really connect with. It helps with their mental well-being. It's wrong to cut these programs from our kids," Coderre said.

Resident Karen Lamontagne touched on the topic of mental health and safety as well.

"A lot of these kids' parents work 2-3 jobs. They go home to empty homes. There is a lot of mental health illness in our children. I am a pediatric nurse. I see it firsthand. There is not enough

mental health help in northeastern Connecticut for these kids. These kids need us," Lamontagne.

Board of Education Chairman, William Witkowski, offered a glimmer of hope in making a personal suggestion that the cuts be offset by using the \$291,000 revenue the district received from the sale of its bus fleet when it outsourced to DATTCO, stating the chances of backtracking are extremely slim.

While the BOF does not make decisions for the Board of Education on the individual programs affected by the proposed cuts, they do have the say on the bottom line.

BOF Vice Chair Larry Groh, Jr. offered his thoughts on why citizen comment such as this is important.

"I've been doing this a long time; I'll give you my two cents. When you have residents and the children come in and speak about what is important to them, and how important it is to them, that makes everybody stop and think for a minute. Sometimes, when you're in a room and everybody's making decisions, you don't really realize what the impact will be," said Groh, Jr.

The final budget workshop was scheduled for Thursday, April 18, and citizens had chance to vote on the final proposed budgets at referendum.

## DONORS

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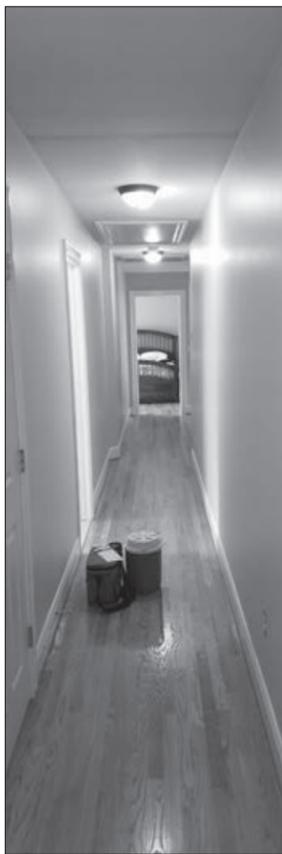
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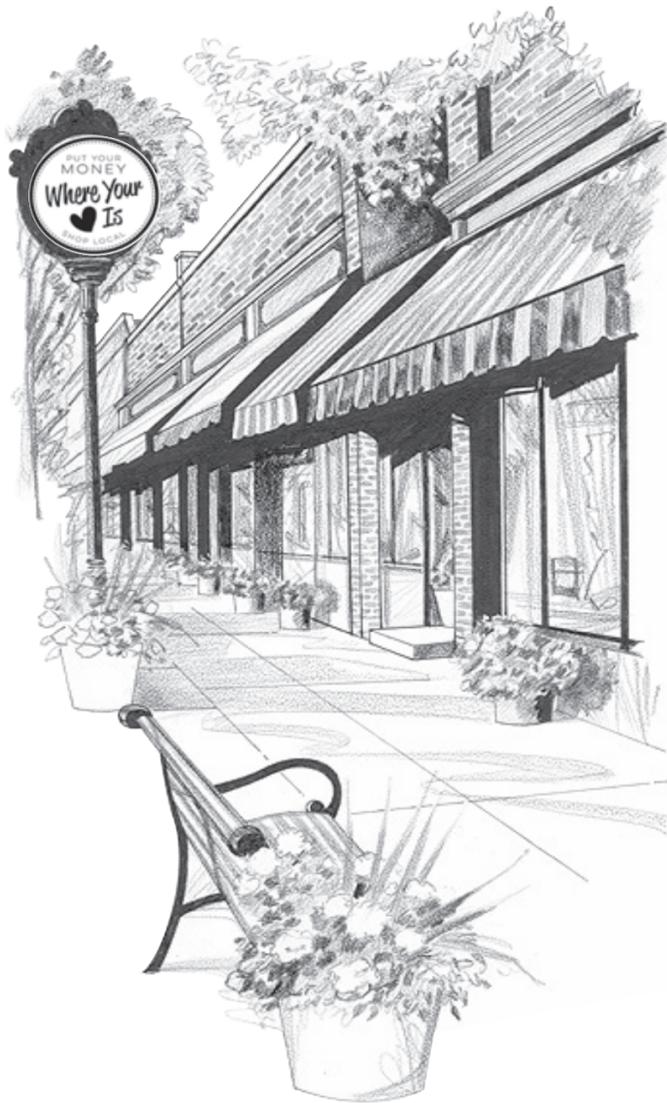



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Board of Education, 7 p.m., Town Hall

**Thursday, April 25**  
Board of Selectmen, 6:30 p.m., Town Hall

### KILLINGLY

**Monday, April 22**  
Board of Recreation, 6 p.m., Town Hall  
Republican Town Committee, 7 p.m., Town Hall

**Tuesday, April 23**  
Agricultural Commission Steering Group, 5 p.m., Town Hall

**Wednesday, April 24**  
Public Safety Commission, 7 p.m., Town Hall

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

**Thursday, April 25**  
OSLA, 6:30 p.m., Town Hall

**Friday, April 26**  
NE CT Council of Governments, 8:30 a.m., Town Hall

### PUTNAM

**Monday, April 22**  
Board of Finance, 7 p.m., Town Hall  
Library Board, 7 p.m., Putnam Public Library

### POMFRET

**Wednesday, April 24**  
Board of Education, 6:30 p.m., Town Hall

### EASTFORD

**Monday, April 22**  
American Legion, 7:30 p.m., Town Hall

**Tuesday, April 23**  
Transfer Station Committee, 1 p.m., Town Office Building

**Wednesday, April 24**  
Special Board of Selectmen, 9 a.m., Town Office Building  
Recreation Commission, 4:30 p.m., Town Office Building

### WOODSTOCK

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Conservation, 7 p.m., Town Hall  
Historic Properties, 7 p.m., Town Hall

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WPCA, 7 p.m., Town Hall

**Wednesday, April 24**  
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### THOMPSON

**Monday, April 22**  
Planning & Zoning Commission, 7 p.m., Town Hall

**Wednesday, April 24**  
Recreation Commission, 7 p.m., Town Hall

**Thursday, April 25**  
Board of Assessment Appeals, 6 p.m., Town Hall  
Fire Advisory Committee, 7 p.m., Town Hall  
Board of Finance, 7 p.m., Town Hall

**Friday, April 26**  
NECCOG, 8:30 a.m., Town Hall

# Sweet treats make Easter special



From chocolates to marshmallows to caramel eggs to jelly beans, Easter is chockful of candy. And for those who

think Easter is only child's play, guess again. Americans spend up to \$2 billion on Easter candy each year,

according to Sweet Services, an online candy retailer. The National Confectioner's Association says people in the United States consume nearly seven billion pounds of candy during the year, and Easter is the second-most popular holiday (behind Halloween) for indulging a sweet tooth.

Faith comes first for many Easter celebrants. But there's nothing wrong with enjoying some candy come Easter Sunday. Here's a look at the history behind some of the sweets the Easter Bunny might leave in your basket this year.

- **Chocolate eggs:** The first chocolate eggs were made in Europe in the early 19th century. Since then, they have become one of the most popular and recognizable treats associated with Easter. The chocolate

egg is predated by edible Easter eggs made from sugar and pastry first designed in Germany. According to the "Guinness Book of World Records," the largest chocolate Easter egg ever made debuted in 2011. It was just over 34 feet high and weighed nearly 16,000 lbs.

- **Chocolate bunny:** The Easter Bunny also is a German incarnation. The seasonal bunny was introduced to America in the 18th century by German immigrants who believed in the "Osterhase," an egg-laying hare they believed was a sign of new life and prosperity. Germans also introduced the first edible chocolate bunnies. The NCA says 76 percent of people eat the ears on chocolate bunnies first.

- **Jelly beans:** People aren't quite sure where the jelly bean

originated, but some think it was based on a soft, chewy Middle Eastern sweet called Turkish delight and the hard candy shell of Jordan almonds. William Shraft, a Boston-based confectioner, may have coined the phrase "jelly bean" when he urged people to send these sweets to Union soldiers fighting in the Civil War.

- **Peeps:** Peeps are owned and made by Just Born Inc., a Pennsylvania-based company started by Russian immigrants when they acquired the Rodda Candy Company in 1953. Just Born figured out a way to automate and streamline the process of making Peeps, and today they can produce 5.5 million per day.

Easter is a day filled with fun and lots of sweetness. Candy is a big part of the celebration.

# Create colorful Easter eggs

Beautifully colored Easter eggs are a beloved holiday tradition. In many cultures, eggs represent new life, fertility and rebirth. For Christians, the Easter egg is symbolic of the resurrection, or the eternal life, of Jesus Christ. The practice of coloring eggs and offering them as decorative items is embraced during both secular and religious Easter celebrations.

Many fond memories and traditions are tied to Easter egg coloring, and some people may have their preferential kits or practices to achieve beautiful eggs. But embracing some new tips and tricks can produce beautiful eggs and make this beloved tradition even more fun.

- **Begin with firm, hard-boiled eggs.** Bring a pot of water to a rolling boil. Then use a large spoon to gently lower the eggs into the water. Lower the heat to maintain a simmer and boil for just about 12 minutes. Transfer the eggs to a bowl with ice cold water and let them cool. Allow the eggs to cool

completely before coloring.

- **Lay out newspaper or an old tablecloth to soak up any spills.** Spills are inevitable, so don't let them spoil the fun. In addition, empty egg cartons make ideal drying racks, so do not discard them.

- **Make patterns or other designs on the eggs.** Use a white crayon to draw on the egg directly. The dye will not stick to the wax. Or use string, rubber bands, tape, stickers, or other items to create your pattern. Dip the egg and then remove the materials afterward to reveal the design.

- **Swirl a few drops of food coloring into shaving cream on a flat surface.** Roll the eggs into the mixture, let dry, and then gently clean to remove the excess shaving cream. The result is a marbled effect.

- **Recognize that you don't have to "dye" eggs at all.** Use a sponge to dab on a design. Strips of tissue paper can be adhered to the egg with glue or shellac. Children may enjoy submerging the egg in glue and then coating it in glitter.

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#### THOMPSON

**Friday, April 12**  
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## New sheriff in town for Tigers

BY CHARLIE LENTZ  
VILLAGER EDITOR

THOMPSON — With the bases empty and Tourtellotte Memorial holding an eight-run lead over Parish Hill in the seventh inning last Friday, Tigers catcher Dylan Vincent failed to catch a pitch in the dirt. Tigers first-year coach Lee Blanchette would not let it slide.

“I got on my senior catcher for dropping a three-and-two pitch,” Blanchette said. “The ball was in the dirt but it was still catchable. We focus on every pitch, every single play.”

Blanchette’s attention to detail signals his hands-on style as he takes over the coaching reins for the Tigers this season. He’s determined to take Tourtellotte to the state tournament — something it has failed to reach the past two seasons. Blanchette demands mental sharpness on every pitch.

“They’re always in the game. We have high expectations this year. We need to win the games that we can win,” Blanchette said. “This was our first home game. We really haven’t been able to find our groove yet and find our consistency. But once we start to get going I think we’re going to get even better.”

Blanchette’s philosophy paid dividends in fifth inning of Tourtellotte’s 14-6 win over Parish Hill on April 12 in the Tigers home opener. With Tourtellotte clinging to an 8-6 lead in the fifth frame, the Pirates loaded the bases with two outs. Blanchette summoned reliever Jack Merrill to the mound.

“Just wanted to throw

strikes. We needed to get out of that inning,” said Merrill, a junior right-hander. “I was just trying to concentrate on the batter, same way as with no runners on, just throwing some strikes and get the job done. It was big.”

Merrill escaped the fifth-inning, bases-loaded jam — striking out Parish Hill’s Zach Mihok to end the threat and preserve Tourtellotte’s two-run lead. The Tigers broke the game open with a six-run outburst in the bottom of the fifth inning.

Merrill said the team has adapted to Blanchette’s coaching style. Blanchette mentored many of the Tigers when they played youth baseball.

“Lee’s known us for a long time and he knows our strengths and weaknesses,” Merrill said. “We came in with the right mindset, go out and win every single game.”

Blanchette had faith in Merrill when he brought him to mound with the bases loaded in the fifth inning.

“I have a lot of confidence in Jack. He’s one guy that I can really go to. He’s one of our team leaders,” Blanchette said. “He’s good under pressure. I thought that bringing him in, we could shut them down, keep (Merrill) under his pitch count, so I can use him the next couple days and he was efficient.”

Vincent didn’t mind getting reprimanded in the seventh inning. He’ll go along with whatever it takes to get the Tigers back to the state tournament — something he hasn’t reached since his freshman



Charlie Lentz photo

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# Woodstock girls playing catchup



Charlie Lentz photo

Woodstock Academy's Mackenzie Leveille pitches against Fryeburg on Tuesday, April 16, at Roseland Park's field.

BY CHARLIE LENTZ  
VILLAGER EDITOR

WOODSTOCK — Two and a half weeks into a rainy softball season and Woodstock Academy had played just three games. Precipitation led to a drought of competition. “You can practice a few

times but you really want to keep seeing live every couple days because you feel like you have to start over. Out of our first four games, two of them were cancelled and we're trying to fit them in places all over the place at the end of the season,” said

Woodstock coach Jason Gerum. “The bigger thing is moving these games to the end of the season and there's no spots.”

The Centaurs made up for some lost time by stuffing their schedule with a split-day doubleheader on Tuesday, April

16. Woodstock played host to Fryeburg, Maine, in game that started on Tuesday morning and the Centaurs completed their twin bill with a late-afternoon game against East Lyme. Both games were played Roseland Park's softball

field because, naturally, the field was waterlogged at Woodstock's usual softball venue at Bentley Athletic Complex. The Centaurs got off on the right foot on Tuesday, defeating Fryeburg 7-3 in the first game of their doubleheader.

“We'll catch up. Happy to get a win,” Gerum said. “We have a tough season and to grab a win anywhere we can is great.”

Woodstock showed its versatility against Fryeburg when right-hander Mackenzie Leveille had to leave the contest after two innings after spraining her right ankle at home plate while racing home with the Centaurs first run in the bottom of the second inning. Reliever Megan Preston went the final five innings and picked up the victory. Preston struck out three, walked one, allowed four hits and one run.

“A little adversity today. Mackenzie's started every game this year and she's done a nice job. Having her roll an ankle there, Meg came in and did a nice job,” Gerum said.

Trailing 3-2 going into the bottom of the fifth inning, Woodstock took advantage of three errors by the Raiders along with an RBI-single from Amanda Bond to erupt for four runs and take the lead for good. Bond took over at third base when Preston moved from third base to the pitching circle in the top of the third inning.

“Girls that have been role players stepped in,” Gerum said. “Amanda Bond stepped into third

base. We asked Megan to pitch. We were able to get it done. Now we're using the role players so we can't afford any more breaks or sprains.”

The win lifted Woodstock's record to 2-2. Woodstock's Hannah Burgess went 2-for-4 and scored two runs. Preston went 1-for-3 with one RBI. Caroline Conden took the complete-game loss for the Raiders (2-2). Conden went seven innings, struck out none, walked none, allowed five hits and seven runs, one earned.

Gerum hopes the rain lets up over the next couple of weeks.

“Every game they're getting better. They're working hard,” Gerum said. “We've got a couple wins. They're coming along.”

## EAST LYME 5, WOODSTOCK 4

In the second game of split-day doubleheader Tuesday at Roseland Park, Woodstock's Hannah Chubbuck had three hits and two RBIs and Heather Converse had two RBIs in the loss to the Vikings. The loss dropped Woodstock's record to 2-3, 0-3 Eastern Connecticut Conference. The win lifted East Lyme's record to 4-4. Woodstock is next scheduled to play at Bacon Academy on Monday, April 22.

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## Slow start for Putnam High girls

BY CHARLIE LENTZ  
VILLAGER EDITOR

PUTNAM — A key hit might have unlocked Putnam High's confidence against Wheeler last Tuesday at Owen Tarr Field. But the big hit has eluded the Clippers all season and it vexed them again in a big way in a 2-1 loss to the Lions.

“Unfortunately manufacturing runs was not happening,” said Putnam coach Jon Miller. “The hitting is not in a row, can't get a streak of them. And that's our struggle. We keep ending up with two, three girls on base and no runs out of it.”

The Clippers loaded the bases in both the fourth and seventh innings against Wheeler but failed to score in either frame. Wheeler right-hander Addie Hauptmann stranded 10 Putnam base runners overall.

“Twice we had bases loaded with one out, couldn't get a bunt down on either occasion,” Miller said.

Putnam High freshman right-hander Halie Reidy picked up the hard-luck loss. Reidy stranded nine Wheeler baserunners, allowed just three hits over seven innings, striking out six, while walking two. Reidy's only hiccup came in the top of the first inning when the Lions scored both of their runs on two hits, a walk, and a Putnam error. Wheeler's Julie Budd knocked a run-scoring single to pace the Lions' first-inning rally but Reidy shut Wheeler down the rest of the way, allowing just one hit over the final six innings.

“After she got past the first inning she was great. The last six innings she really pitched very well. It was really windy today. The first inning was a little bit of

an adjustment for her and after that she was great,” Miller said.

Hauptmann picked up the complete-game victory for Wheeler. Hauptmann struck out 13, walked seven, and allowed five hits and one run.

Jillian Gray went 2-for-3 with a walk and scored one run for Putnam. Lauren Blackmar went 2-for-2 with two walks and one RBI for the Clippers. Emma Barbeau finished 2-for-3 for the Clippers.

Putnam is next scheduled to play host to Lyman Memorial on Monday, April 22, with the first pitch scheduled for 4 p.m. at Owen Tarr Field. Miller will undoubtedly hope the Clippers can come up with the big hit against the Bulldogs on Monday.

“It's frustrating for the girls. We know that it's a process. The hitting's getting better. People are making good contact, it's just not at the right time always,” Miller said. “We're definitely due. It just has to happen at this point. We know that we have seven freshmen, seven games into the season they're no longer considered freshmen. Once you get close to the middle of the season they should be used to it. It's our time. We have to start playing.”

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Charlie Lentz photo

Putnam High's Halie Reidy pitches against Wheeler on Tuesday, April 16.



## HIGH SCHOOL ROUNDUP

### TOURTELLOTTE 12, ST BERNARD 9

THOMPSON — Lindsey Houghton struck out six to get the win for the host Tigers in softball on April 16. For Tourtellotte: Lauren Ramos went 3-for-4 with two doubles, four RBIs; Steph Daly went 2-for-3 with a double, homer, and two RBIs; Houghton went 2-for-3 with one RBI and Alivia Dalpe went 2-for-4 with two RBIs.

Meghan Bergeron took the loss for the Saints, striking out one. Taryn Bellinger went 3-for-3 with five RBIs and hit two homers for the Saints. The win lifted Tourtellotte's record to 3-3, 3-0 ECC Division 4. The loss dropped St. Bernard's record to 1-4, 0-2 ECC-Division 4. Tourtellotte is next scheduled to play at Norwich Tech at 11 a.m. on Saturday, April 20.

### KILLINGLY 21, LYMAN 6

LEBANON — Lauren Kirkconnell went 3-for-3 with two homers and seven RBIs in Killingly's softball win over Lyman Memorial on April 16. Karly Seiffert went 2-for-3 with one homer and two RBIs for the Redgals (4-3). Lexi Faucher got the win, striking out six and allowing one earned run over four innings. The loss

dropped Lyman's record to 2-4. Killingly is next scheduled to play at 11 a.m. on Saturday, April 20, at Plainfield High.

### GRISWOLD 8, TOURTELLOTTE 6

GRISWOLD — Tourtellotte's Mason Barber went 2-for-3 with one RBI in the Tigers loss to the Wolverines in baseball on April 16. Jack Merrill had two hits for Tourtellotte. Kaden Strom took the loss, going three and one-third innings, striking out three. The win lifted Griswold's record to 4-2. Tourtellotte (2-3) is next scheduled to play at Killingly on Friday, April 19.

### WOODSTOCK 5, EAST LYME 2

EAST LYME — Luke Mathewson struck out six in the complete-game win to lead the Centaurs (5-2) past the Vikings in baseball on April 12. Jonathan Smith had a two-run double while Mathewson, Eric Preston and Nathan John had RBI singles. The loss dropped East Lyme's record to 4-2. Woodstock is next scheduled to play at Fitch on Monday, April 22.

### FITCH 15, WOODSTOCK 14

WOODSTOCK — Maddie Catlett scored three goals for the Falcons (3-0, 1-0 ECC Div. I) in girls lacrosse on April 16. The Centaurs (4-2, 0-1). Ivy Gelhaus had five goals for the Centaurs and Aislin Tracey added three goals.

### KILLINGLY 5, NEW LONDON 2

DAYVILLE — The Redgals defeated the Whalers in girls tennis on April 12. In singles: Sabrina Berard (K) def. Cassandra Cannon (NL) 7-5, 6-1; Francesca Ledoux (NL) def. Alyssa Blade (K) 6-2, 6-2; Keren Gabriel (NL) def. Isabel Tang (K) 6-3, 5-7, 6-2; Madison Rattray (K) def. Tanzania Green (NL) 6-2, 6-2.

In doubles: Allison Levesque/MacKenzie Chatelle (K) def. Shariena Green/Luisanny Castillo (NL) 6-3, 7-5; Rebecca Walker/Alyssa Gaudreau (K) def. Nayeli Lozada/Emily Fielding (NL) 1-6, 6-1, 7-5; Julia Purcell/Taylyn Lemoine (K) def. Christmalela Bouquet/Mary Lembree (NL) 6-4, 6-4.

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**April 19, Fri., noon to 8pm**

Club 2087 will hold a Lenten fish fry from in its hall at 1017 Riverside Drive, North Grosvenordale. Fish and chips (\$10); baked haddock or fried shrimp (\$11); fried scallops (\$12, \$15); fried clams (\$16); seafood platter (\$17), and more. 860-923-2967, council2087@gmail.com.

**April 20, Sat., 7-8:30am**

The Soldiers, Sailors and Marines Fund (SSMF) assistance is available this Saturday and every Saturday morning, 7:00-8:30 at the Pomfret Senior Center, 207 Mashamouquet Road (Rt.44) in Pomfret. Always free and confidential; call 860-928-2309 for questions. (The SSMF is administered by the American Legion to provide temporary financial assistance to qualified veterans.)

**April 24, Wed., 6pm**

Northeastern Insurance Professionals and Insurance Professionals of Eastern will host a joint Industry Night at the Black Dog Bar & Grille, Park Road, Putnam, Key Note Speaker, Debra Kuhne, Past President of International Association of Insurance Professionals. Dinner and awards to follow. For more details and RSVP, contact Lysa Molnar 860-377-0755

**April 24, Wed., 10-10:40am**

(& May 1) Preschool Storytime, Killingly Public Library, A story time held on Wednesday mornings for children ages 3-5. Registration required. To register for children's programs at the Killingly Library go to www.killinglypl.org or call 860-779-5383.

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**April 27, Sat., 7pm**

The Killingly Grange will host our 4th Annual Pickin Party, with many local bluegrass specialists to entertain you. We are at 801 Hartford Pike in Dayville. There will be food available starting at 7pm for a donation of \$12. Come one, come all, and enjoy the music.

**April 27, Sat., 8am**

Windham-Tolland 4-H Camp Camper Scamper 5K Race/Walk and 1 Mile Kid Run. 326 Taft Pond Rd., Pomfret. Registration begins at 8 AM, Kids Race at 9:30, Adult Race starts at 10 AM, walkers start immediately after runners. Professionally timed by Last Mile Race Management. Register by April 1 to receive discount and free t-shirt. Go to www.4hcampct.org for more details and registration forms.

**April 27 & 28, 2-4pm**

Visit the Windham-Tolland 4-H Camp Open HHouse at 326 Taft Pond Road, Pomfret, CT. Meet the director & other camp staff, take a camp tour, registration materials available. On Saturday the 27th, join us from 1:30pm-2pm for an informational Parent Panel on the benefits of Windham-Tolland 4-H Camp for you and your child, hosted by Heather Logee, Camp Director.

**April 28, Sun., 2pm**

A Christian Healing Service, will be held at Trinity Episcopal Church, 7 Providence Rd, Brooklyn (formerly at St. Philip's Church in Putnam). Prayer teams will be available to pray with individuals for physical, emotional and spiritual healing. Healing services will be held every fourth Sunday of the month. For

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**May 2, Thurs., 6pm**

Annual Day Kimball Healthcare Wine Tasting to Benefit: Northeast CT Cancer Fund of DKH at Stonehurst at Hampton Valley, Hampton

**May 3 & 4, Fri., & Sat.**

65th Annual Windham County 4-H Auction & Tag Sale at Windham County 4-H Outdoor Center, 326 Taft Pond Rd, Pomfret, CT. Auction - Preview at 5pm both nights, unique and antique goods and services, live plants, tickets to events. Tag Sale Early bird buy in to 3,500 square feet of bargains \$5.00/person from 10:30 - 12:00 on Friday, May 3 (\$5/person). Tag Sale open free to all from 12:00 - 5:00 on Friday and 9:00 - 5:00 on Saturday. Mary's Kitchen open during all open hours both days.

**May 4, Sat., 9-11am**

Mr. Dennis Reiter of PeaceMaker Ministries will be facilitating a seminar entitled "Resolving Relational Conflict" at Creation Church, 47 W. Thompson Rd., Thompson (near the damn) www.creationchurch.org

**May 4, Sat., 4-6pm**

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**May 7, Tues., 6pm**

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

**May 9, Thurs., 1-2pm**

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

**May 11, Sat., 9am-2pm**

Plant & Flower Sale sponsored by The Quiet Corner Garden Club In the Agriculture Building at Woodstock Fairgrounds. Free parking! - no pets (except service animals) Huge! Silent Auction & Raffle

**May 15, Wed., 6-8pm**

FREE RETIREMENT PLANNING WORKSHOP will be held on Wednesday, May 15 from 6-8PM in the auditorium at Matulaitis Rehab & Skilled Care, 10 Thurber Road, Putnam in the auditorium. Professionals in the fields of: elder law, financial planning, health & disability insurance, real estate and chiropractic wellness will discuss their specialties from 6 to 6:45PM. Networking and private Q & A will be from 6:45 to 8PM.

**May 19, Sun., 1-2:30pm**

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## Gertrude M. Latici, 99



**WOODSTOCK** – Gertrude M. (Moynihan) Latici, 99, of Roseland Park Rd., died Saturday evening, January 5, 2019 at the home of her daughter, with her loving family.

Gertrude is survived by two sons, Steven Latici and his wife Laura of Gilmanton, NH and Renald Latici of Woodstock; three daughters, Cristina Latici and her husband Justin McAvoy of New York, NY, Elena Latici of Bologna, Italy, and Jennifer Latici of Woodstock; a sister, Phyllis Coulp of Hampton, NH; a brother in law, Donald Latici of Montvale, NJ; five grandchildren, Justin Latici, Margot Stern, and Finn, Blaise, and Millicent Latici-McAvoy; and three great grandchildren Emma

and Alden Latici and Joslin Stern; and several nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by her husband, Bruno N. Latici; a brother, Fred Moynihan and three sisters, Elaine Herindeen, Barbara Drinan, and Helen Moynihan.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held on Saturday, April 27, 2019 at 11:00 a.m. in Most Holy Trinity Church, 568 Pomfret Rd. Pomfret, CT. Burial will follow in Elmvale Cemetery. Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to the Gilman Funeral Home & Crematory, 104 Church St., Putnam, CT 06260. Memorial donations in Gertrude's memory may be made to Day Kimball Homecare- visiting nurses, 320 Pomfret Street Putnam, CT 06260 or the Nantucket Land Council, P.O. Box 502, Nantucket, MA 02554. For memorial guestbook visit [www.GilmanAndValade.com](http://www.GilmanAndValade.com).

## Alan Lamica, 59



**SOUTHBRIDGE** – Alan Lamica, 59, died April 11, 2019 at UMass after being stricken earlier in the week.

He leaves his wife Joyce (Gagnon) Lamica, 3 daughters Lisa Bechman of Dudley, April Lamica and her companion Jason, Sara Lamica and her companion Sholei of Southbridge, 2 brothers Daniel F. Lamica Jr. and his wife Normandy of Putnam, CT, Chris E Lamica and his wife Tammy of Charlton, 12 grandchildren 2 great grandchildren and nieces and nephews.

He was born in Malone, NY the son of Daniel and Jeannette (Peach) Lamica and lived in the area most of

his life.

Alan graduated from Bay Path Regional High School in 1978. He worked for Dexter-Russell as a machinist for 41 years.

He was an avid golfer and belonged to Nichols College Golf League and the Heritage Golf League. He coached girls Lassic League, bowled at American Lanes and was a New England Patriots season ticket holder for 25 years and at one time he was a Southbridge Volunteer Firefighter.

His funeral was on Tuesday, April 16, at 10:00AM in the Belanger-Bullard Funeral Home, 51 Marcy St. Southbridge. Burial will be in St. Mary's Cemetery, Southbridge.

Calling hours were Monday, April 15, 6:00 to 8:00PM in the funeral home.

An online guestbook is available at [www.BelangerFuneralHome.com](http://www.BelangerFuneralHome.com)

## Evangeline M. Gallant, 88



**ROCHDALE** – Evangeline M. (MacQuarrie) Gallant, 88, died Friday, April 12, 2019, at St. Vincent Hospital in Worcester, surrounded by her family. She was predeceased by

her husband of 66 years, Steven J. Gallant Sr. who died in 2015. She is survived by five children, David W. Gallant Sr. and his wife Joan of Oxford, Charlene M. Sampson and her husband Robert of Rochdale, Cynthia L. Orrell and her husband Steven Potter of Rochdale, Mark S. Gallant and his wife Julie of Spencer, and Daniel C. Gallant and his wife Tammy of Rochdale; her daughter-in-law, Kathleen Gallant of Ocala, FL; her son-in-law, John Yolda of Danielson, CT; her brother, Charles MacQuarrie of California; her sister, Margaret LaFleche of Charlton; 14 grandchildren and 16 great-grandchildren. She was predeceased by a son, Steven J. Gallant Jr. who died in 2002; a daughter, Barbara L. Yolda who died in 2011; four sisters and four grandchildren.

She was born in Worcester, daughter of the late Charles and Margaret (Mullins) MacQuarrie, was raised in Charlton and lived in Oxford for several years before moving to Rochdale in 1952.

Mrs. Gallant was a homemaker who enjoyed caring for her home while raising seven children. She was very involved in politics throughout her life. She was a den mother for the Blue Birds, a member in the Rochdale 4-H Club, and a volunteer at the Nazareth Home for Boys. She crafted dolls and loved spending summers at the family camp in Maine. Most of all, she enjoyed spending time with her family.

A funeral service was held at 11 a.m. on Wednesday, April 17, 2019, at Paradis-Givner Funeral Home, 357 Main St., Oxford. Burial followed at St. Roch's Cemetery in Oxford. Calling hours were Wednesday from 9-11 a.m. prior to the service. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105-1942.

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

## Mary H. Beaulac, 83



**PUTNAM** – Mary (Hannifan) Beaulac, 83, of Myers St., passed away on Sunday, April 14, 2019 at Westview Healthcare. She was the loving wife of over 50 years to the late Maurice

Beaulac. Born in Putnam, she was the daughter of the late Timothy and Hildur (Peterson) Hannifan.

A 1952 graduate of Putnam High School, Mrs. Beaulac, along with her late husband, owned and operated Beaulac's Pharmacy. Mary was a very social person who loved to get together with family and friends. She loved taking pictures, took up golf in her retirement, and was a UConn sports fan. She liked completing crossword puzzles and watching Jeopardy and the Wheel of Fortune. She enjoyed her summers at Alexander's Lake and wintering at Lake Fairways in N. Fort Myers, FL. Mary was also a Corporator of Day Kimball Hospital and a communicant of St. Mary Church of the Visitation.

Mary is survived by her son, Michael Beaulac of Putnam; her daughters, Maureen Beaulac of Marlboro, MA,

and Margaret Beaulac and her partner Eileen McLaughlin of Las Vegas, NV; her sister-in-law, Colleen Hannifan of Boca Raton, FL; her nephew, James Hannifan of Boca Raton, FL; her niece, Kathleen Hannifan of Boca Raton, FL; and many cousins and friends. She is predeceased by her brother, the late John Hannifan and her sister, the late Jean Hannifan.

Relatives and friends are invited to visit with Mary's family from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. on Monday, April 22, 2019 in the Gilman Funeral Home and Crematory, 104 Church St., Putnam. A gathering will begin in the funeral home at 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, April 23, 2019 followed by a Mass of Christian Burial at 11:00 a.m. in St. Mary Church of the Visitation, 218 Providence St., Putnam, CT. Burial will follow in St. Mary Cemetery.

Memorial donations may be made to the Maurice P. Beaulac Scholarship Fund, c/o The Putnam Rotary Foundation, Inc., PO Box 682, Putnam, CT 06260, St. Mary Church of the Visitation, 218 Providence St., Putnam, CT 06260, or to Day Kimball Hospital, P.O. Box 632, Putnam, CT 06260. For memorial guestbook visit [www.GilmanAndValade.com](http://www.GilmanAndValade.com).

## Doris M. Guiou, 82

**MILLBURY** – Doris M. (Paquette) Guiou age 82 passed away Saturday, April 13, 2019 at the Univ. of MA Healthcare Center Worcester. She leaves her husband of 64 years Freeman B. Guiou. She is also survived by a son Kevin Guiou of Webster, two daughters, Cynthia Paradise and her husband Paul of Southbridge, Donna Guiou of Southbridge and three grandchildren. She also leaves two brothers Leo Paquette of Whitinsville and Wilfred Paquette of Webster, two sisters Theresa Lawrence of Whitinsville and Cecile Greene of Warren. Doris

had a sister that predeceased her, Jeanette Moore of Millbury. She was born in Manchaug, MA daughter of the late John Paquette and Rosealma (Merchant) Paquette and lived in Millbury for the past 49 year prior to that living in Manchaug. There are no calling hours. All services are private. The Shaw-Majercik Funeral Home, 48 School St., Webster, MA has been entrusted with her arrangements. A guest book is available at [www.shaw-majercik.com](http://www.shaw-majercik.com) where you may post a condolence or light a candle.

## Sandra B Johnson, 57



**OXFORD** – Sandra B Johnson 57, passed away peacefully at home on Saturday, April 13, 2019 following an eight month battle with brain cancer. She was predeceased by her father

William W Johnson in 1999 and brother William R Johnson in 2019. She leaves behind mother and her husband Richard and Carol Calvert of Collegeville, PA, a daughter Kristin Shurek of Quincy, MA, and siblings Cathy Johnson Young and Deborah Johnson of Worcester, Joel Johnson of Sutton, Jennifer Johnson of Millbury a twin sister Susan Kirpatrick of Douglas, 4 grandchildren and many nieces and nephews. Also her life companion of 28 years Frank Zayonc which whom she lived with and her beloved black lab Sophie. Sandy was raised in Sutton. Sandy was employed for the last 18 years as a CNA at The Meadows nursing home in Rochdale and worked the day before she was admitted to the hospital. Sandy was a

super strong and very active person as part of her routine was to walk Sophie for an hour every day regardless of weather conditions, then served as a caretaker for her lifelong elderly friend Shirley Nelson of Sutton along with excelling as an artist, gardener, carpenter and cook but especially enjoyed her craft "projects" as she was artistically gifted and made countless creations that she gave to friends and family. Special thanks to her twin sister Susan for putting a hold on her life for the last 8 months to be by her sister's side, a true expression of the bond between twins, her mother, brother Joel, Angie Congdon and Tracy Glockner for their unrelenting support during her illness. There are no calling hours. Internment will be private and any donations made be made in her name to Second Chance Animal Shelter in West Brookfield, MA. The Shaw-Majercik Funeral Home, 48 School St., Webster, MA has been entrusted with her arrangements. A guest book is available at [www.shaw-majercik.com](http://www.shaw-majercik.com) where you may post a condolence or light a candle.

## Costa David Beno, 72



Costa David Beno, age 72, of Southbridge died Monday, April 8, 2019 at Harrington Memorial Hospital in Southbridge after being stricken ill at his home. Costa was born December 5, 1946 in Webster, MA.

He is the son of the late Christopher George Beno and Jean Mae (Sandlin) Beno.

His companion of 30 years Mary Sawyer invites everyone to memorial Calling hours on Friday, April 19 from 6 to 8 PM at Bartel Funeral Home, 33 Schofield Avenue, Dudley to celebrate his life. [www.bartelfuneralhome.com](http://www.bartelfuneralhome.com)

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# OBITUARIES

## Wilfred L. Decoursy, 84



**DANIELSON** – Wilfred L. Decoursy, 84, of Woodward St., died Wednesday March 27, 2019, in Matulaitis Nursing Home. Born in Brockton, MA, he was the son of the late William B.

Decoursy and Noella (Giard) Koons. Wilfred was a graduate of Lexington High School and Boston University School of Business class of 1961.

Wilfred was a proud United States Marine serving during the Korean War where he received the National Defense Service Medal, United Nations Service Medal, and Korean Service Medal.

Mr. Decoursy worked as an administrator for the Department of Social Security

He was a member of the American Legion Post 200, Disabled American Veterans, Veterans of Foreign War Post 2650 in Danielson, Life Member of the Marine Corps League where he received the Distinguished Service Medal, Salvation Army advisory board and Cornerstone Baptist Church in Danielson. Past President from 1984 – 1986 of the Northeastern Connecticut Personnel Association. He also received an official citation

from the State of Connecticut General Assembly for his many years of dedicated service to the public as manager of the Social Security Office in Willimantic and the Paul C. Houghton Detachment Marine of the Year Award on November 6, 1999.

He enjoyed attending Boston University chorale and sporting events, was an avid reader and was extremely knowledgeable especially about history and loved to have in depth serious conversations. Wilfred traveled to Europe and joined the Scottish McCleod clan after visiting a festival and finding out his paternal grandmother was from Isle of Skye.

Wilfred is survived by many loving cousins and friends. He was predeceased by a sister Florence Mason.

Relatives and friends are invited to attend a graveside service at the State of Connecticut Veteran's Cemetery, 317 Bow Lane, Middletown, on Wednesday, May 22, 2019, at 1:00p.m. (Please meet at the main gate starting at 12:45p.m.) Memorial donations may be made to Toys for Tots, 53 Quebec St., Devens, MA 01434. Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to the Gilman Funeral Home & Crematory, 104 Church St., Putnam, CT 06260. For memorial guestbook visit [www.GilmanAndValade.com](http://www.GilmanAndValade.com).

## Barbara Ziak, 87

**WEBSTER-** Barbara (Budzinski) Ziak age 87 passed away Wednesday, April 10, 2019 at Brookside in Webster. She leaves her husband of 61 years, Joseph Ziak of Webster and a son Rodney Ziak of Charlton. She also leaves nieces.

She was born in Worcester, MA daughter of Bernice Budzinski and lived here all her life. She was employed as shoe worker for many years.

There are no calling hours. A Mass of Christian Burial was held Wednesday, April 17, 2019 at 10 AM in St. Joseph

Basilica, Whitcomb St., Webster with burial in St. Anthony Cemetery, Webster, MA. Morning of funeral, please go directly to the church. Omit flowers and family requests donations in her memory be made to St. Joseph Basilica, 53 Whitcomb St., Webster, MA 01570. The Shaw-Majercik Funeral Home, 48 School St., Webster, MA has been entrusted with her arrangements. A guest book is available at [www.shaw-majercik.com](http://www.shaw-majercik.com) where you may post a condolence or light a candle.

## Deseada Roman, 44

**SOUTHBRIDGE-** Deseada Roman 44, of Mechanic Street, died April 5, at UMASS.

She leaves 2 sons Christopher Santana of Southbridge, Joshua Ramirez, of Putnam, CT. 3 daughters Delia Ingles of Putnam, CT. Destiny Ingles of Putnam, CT. Angela Ingles of Durham, NC. her father Pedro Roman of the Bronx, and her mother Juana Valentin of the Bronx, 2 brothers Manual Valentin of Albany, NY. Edwin Velez of New Brittan, CT. 2 sisters Beatriz Roman of the Bronx, NY, Sonia Velez of New Britton, CT. 6

grandchildren.

Deseada enjoyed playing Sudoku, crocheting and music. She always kept a clean home, was outgoing and a very honest person.

Relatives and friends were invited to join the family for calling hours, 3:30 to 6PM, Saturday, April 13, in the Belanger-Bullard Funeral Home, 51 Marcy St. Southbridge.

An online guestbook and a video tribute are available at [www.BelangerFuneralHome.com](http://www.BelangerFuneralHome.com)

## Gary E. Haynes, 67

**WOODSTOCK** – Gary E. Haynes, 67, of Playground Dr., died Thursday April 11, 2019, at home. He was the loving husband of Priscilla (Downes) Haynes. Born in Burlington, VT, he was the son of the late William F. and Noella (Menieur) Haynes. On January 17, 1986 in Enfield, CT, he was united in marriage to the former Priscilla Downes.

Mr. Haynes worked for many years as a welder for Carlin Burns in Windsor. Gary also worked as a self-employed Plumber and handyman. He enjoyed fishing, camping, and

was a master woodworker.

Gary is survived by his wife of thirty-three years Priscilla; his children, Gary M. Haynes of Enfield and Jennifer Cote of ME; brothers, Thomas, William, and Lawrence Haynes, three grandchildren, and two great grandchildren.

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

## Suzanne Sarty



**D A Y V I L L E** - Suzanne "Sue" Sarty passed away after an illness on Friday, March 1, 2019 surrounded by her children.

Sue loved to garden, she had a green thumb and could grow most anything. She loved animals especially her cats. She was a fantastic cook and loved hosting holiday celebrations with her friends and family. She spent many years working at Beit Brothers in Dayville before they closed and then at Better Value in Plainfield, she was close to many of her coworkers from both stores and had many loyal customers that enjoyed talking to her when they went into the stores.

She was predeceased by her moth-

er Jean Jackson, her father Robert L. Jackson, her brother Butch Jackson, her brother David Jackson, her husband Robert E Sarty, and her step-daughter Susan Skrzypczak.

She is survived by her sister Joy Jackson, her children: Carla Boturla, Robert Jackson and his partner Tabettha Benton, Jeffrey Jenkins, and Carrie Benoit and her husband Corey Benoit, her stepchildren: Robert Sarty and Debra Baxter and her husband Donald Baxter, her grandchildren: Camille Benoit, Patrick and Benjamin Baxter, Devon and Taylor Sarty and Amy Skrzypczak, and her lifelong friends: Madelyn Sayles Grzesiak, Jackie Fowler, and Judy Pepin. She also leaves behind many nieces, nephews and close friends. The family thanks everyone who has reached out with their kind words. [tillinghastfh.com](mailto:tillinghastfh.com)

## Lucille Cl Beauchesne, 98

**BROOKLYN, CT-** Lucille Cl (Laferriere) Beauchesne age 98 passed away Sunday, April 14, 2019 at the Pierce Memorial Baptist Nursing Center. She was the wife of the late Joseph Beauchesne who died in 1995. She leaves a daughter Pauline Beauregard and her husband Joseph of Brooklyn and five grandchildren, Michael Beauregard, Alexis Stowe, Anna Stromquist, Ari Fidler and Trevor Fidler. She had a daughter who predeceased her Lorraine Fidler of New Mexico.

She was born in Woonsocket, RI daughter of the late Guy Laferriere and

Cecile (Asselin) Laferriere and lived in Brooklyn for the past five years prior to that living in Woonsocket, RI. She was a spinner and worked in Textile Mills through the years. Lucille enjoyed knitting, crocheting, word games and reading. There are no calling hours and all services are private. Donations in her memory may be made to the St. Jude's Children's Hospital. The Shaw-Majercik Funeral Home, 48 School St., Webster, MA has been entrusted with her arrangements. A guest book is available where you may post a condolence or light a candle.

## TIGERS

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season. The win over Parish Hill lifted Tourtelotte's record to 2-2.

"Everybody's focused and wants to win. The last couple seasons haven't worked out for us," Vincent said. "I'm really proud of our team so far. They've really been putting in the work in the preseason and it showing right now."

He wants to reach the state tournament in his senior season.

"It will mean a lot. I did it my freshman year, I didn't play as much then. But now, with everybody working so hard and everybody wanting to win we deserve it," Vincent said. "It would be great to go out with a state championship but I want to make the playoffs. That's important to me."

Before Vincent moved behind the plate to catch in the top of the fifth inning he spent the first four innings on the mound in his high school pitching debut. Vincent earned the win in his first-ever start, going four innings, striking out three, walking one, allowing nine hits and six runs. Tourtelotte's Mason Barber walked three in two-thirds of an inning. Merrill went one and one-third innings, allowed no hit and no runs while striking out two and walking one. Brady Monahan finished up for the Tigers, notching three strikeouts with one walk in the seventh inning for Tourtelotte.

Blanchette used four pitchers against Parish Hill and he said that pitching by committee won't be unusual for the Tigers.

"It all depends on how we start. If we can get some runs early then we don't have to. But if we fall behind early and we don't hit our spots, then yeah, we're going to cut them loose early," Blanchette said. "Each guy has different off-speed pitches. Each guy has

different motions. And some guys do better keeping guys honest the bases. At the high school level with pitch counts, you have to manage that. By getting runs early, and getting out of here early, you can save your pitchers for the next game."

Blanchette intends to be aggressive on the base paths.

"The top half of our lineup can run the bases," Blanchette said. "We practice it. We work on small ball. We're very aggressive. Good things happen when you put a lot of pressure on. The other thing is that by getting runs early and getting guys in scoring position early, and moving them over, teams tend to fall apart."

Bert Augmon took the loss for Parish Hill, going two and one-third innings, striking out three, walking three, and allowing three hits and seven runs for the Pirates (3-2). Cyrus Sprague went 3-for-4 with two doubles and three RBIs for Parish Hill.

Barber went 2-for-2 with run-scoring sacrifice bunt and finished with three RBIs for Tourtelotte. Kaden Strom finished 2-for-4 with a double and three RBIs. John Steglitz went 1-for-4 with a two-run single and a fielder's choice RBI. Merrill finished 2-for-3 with a double. Vincent 2-for-4 with one RBI and Devin Dalpe doubled for the Tigers.

Tourtelotte is next scheduled to play host to Lyman Memorial on Friday, April 19, with the first pitch scheduled for 4 p.m. Vincent will likely hear about it if he fails to snag a pitch in the dirt against the Bulldogs on Friday.

"They all have to be in the game," Blanchette said. "We focus on the little things up until the last pitch of the game."

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

# LEGALS

## TOWN OF THOMPSON PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION LEGAL NOTICE

The Planning and Zoning Commission will hold a public hearing on Monday, April 22, 2019 at 7:00PM at the Thompson Town Hall, 815 Riverside Drive, North Grosvenordale, CT for the following:

**PZC#19-07:** Applicant: Strategic Commercial Realty, Inc. d/b/a Rawson Materials, owner: River Junction Estates, LLC, for property at 363 Quaddick Town Farm Rd, Map 156, Block 8, Lot 7, Zone RA80, requesting a Gravel Mining Operation Permit, to excavate sand and gravel.

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-Brown, Chairman  
Planning and Zoning Commission  
April 12, 2019  
April 19, 2019

## NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF Beatrice B Guertin (19-00131)

The Hon. Leah P. Schad, Judge of the Court of Probate, District of Northeast Probate Court, by decree dated April 9, 2019, 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.

Alysia Casiano, Clerk

The fiduciary is:  
Dawn Krasnecky  
PO Box 124, Thompson, CT 06277, US  
April 19, 2019

## NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF Linda E. Noon (19-00134)

The Hon. Leah P. Schad, Judge of the Court of Probate, District of Northeast Probate Court, by decree dated ordered that all claims must be 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.

Alysia Casiano, Clerk

The fiduciary is:  
Nancy E. Wolfe  
45 Wrights Crossing Road,  
Pomfret Center, CT 06259, USA  
April 19, 2019

## TOWN OF THOMPSON

At the April 9, 2019 meeting of the Thompson Inland Wetlands Commission the following actions were taken: Application #IWA19002, Town of Thompson, Sand Dam Road Bridge over 5 Mile River (Assessor's Map 114, Block 24, Lot NA) - Replace existing bridge with pipe arch culvert; Application #IWA19004, Strategic Commercial Realty Inc., 363 Quaddick Town Farm Road (Assessor's Map 156, Block 8, Lot 7) - Gravel mining within the inland wetlands 100-foot upland review area.

Francesca Morano, Vice Chair  
April 19, 2019

## Notice of Permit Application Town(s): Thompson

Notice is hereby given that Raceway Golf Club (the "applicant") of 205 East Thompson Rd, Thompson, CT has submitted to the Department of Environmental Protection an application under Connecticut General Statutes Section, 22a-369 for a permit to divert waters of the state.

Specifically, the applicant proposes to renew a water diversion permit in order to irrigate golf course. The proposed activity will take place at 205 east Thompson Rd. The proposed activity will potentially affect: Janson Brook, unnamed pond, Stump pond. Interested persons may obtain copies of the application from Raceway Golf Club PO Box 278 Thompson Ct 06277 860-234-6722.

The application is available for inspection at the Department of Environmental Protection, Inland Water Resources Division, 79 Elm Street, Hartford, CT 06106-5127, telephone 860-424-3019, from 8:30am to 4:30pm Monday through Friday.  
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