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State Senator Henri Martin (R-31st), has enthusiastically endorsed the election of Dr. William Petit, Jr. to serve in the Connecticut House of Representatives for the 22nd District (Plainville). “I am supporting Dr. Petit for the 22nd District because he is an honest, exceptional leader who fully embraces a more sensible spending plan for our future. Dr. Petit understands how the Malloy Administration and Democratic Party rule in Hartford have wiped out most of Connecticut’s rainy day fund and damaged the state’s bond rating making it more difficult and expensive to grow jobs and improve the state’s economy. He will work, as I do, to restore common sense to our economic policies and give voice to those who are often ignored by the Governor and Legislative Leadership.”

State Senator Henri Martin serves in the 31st District, representing Plainville, Bristol, Plymouth, Thomaston and Harwinton. He has long been a champion for responsible, non-partisan problem-solving with a focus on fighting for Connecticut’s taxpayers and job creators, while protecting the most vulnerable.



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{Jake raves}

I must say Ken Crowley is a true American Citizen.

Did you see his Blue Balloons honoring our men and women in Blue? Not only does he honor our Policemen but he also makes it his business to hire returning Servicemen. Oh, yes he raises money to help the PHS Senior Students for their school projects. At least once a year.

{Robert faves}

The Firemen's Balloon Fest offers the best "Going to the Fair Food" Interesting crafts and the best Fireworks. The balloons are the main attraction. The new parking arrangement was excellent. Good Job!!

{Kim raves}

The "Taste of Plainville" Fund raiser for the Community Fund & Plainville Republican Town Committee was great. I spent \$5.00 for the ticket and at only one restaurant saved \$8.00.

Email your "fave or rave" in today to be in the October issue. Praise your contractor for doing a good job or tell us about your favorite restaurant, store, or service you received by a professional.

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Town Manager Robert E. Lee ~ Report to the Town Council

~ Meeting of July 25, 2016 ~

Paderewski Pond – Assessment & Alternatives Analysis

- The Conservation Commission has been discussing the Paderewski Pond on a regular basis since the fish kill last September. Both the Commission and Town staff feel that it is important to get more information about the existing condition of the pond in order to determine what, if anything, can be done to improve the water quality and decrease the possibility for future fish kills.
- The Town Council budgeted \$10,000 in the FY17 Capital Improvement Plan to hire a consultant to conduct an assessment of the environmental conditions at Paderewski Pond.
- Loureiro of Plainville has submitted a proposal to conduct such an assessment. The cost for the assessment is \$9,991. The Conservation Commission has been provided a copy of the proposal. Town staff believes that it is important to move forward with the study during the mid-summer months before the anniversary of last year’s fish kill.
- It is recommended that the Town Council add an item under New Business that the Town Manager be authorized to move forward with the Loureiro proposal in the amount of \$9,991.

Concrete Foundation Issue Discussion

- In eastern Connecticut many communities are experiencing crumbling foundations due to the presence of pyrrhotite in the concrete. It is estimated that the quarry supplied as many as 20,000 homes with this concrete. The cost to correct the crumbling foundations can run from \$110k to \$200k.
- Potential remediation costs could be as much as \$2B. The total magnitude is completely uncertain at this time.
- With the unknown number of houses affected, the potential impact to the regional economy

could be very large. The CRCOG Policy Board has been asked to consider adopting a resolution regarding the possible state actions that could be taken regarding this situation.

- The CRCOG Policy Board is also suggesting that individual communities may wish to consider sending a similar letter to Governor Malloy in support of the towns that have seen direct impacts at this point.
- A copy of the suggested letter was included in the information for this evening’s meeting.

Land Record Indexing and Microfilming

- In 2009, the Town Council authorized a 4-year agreement with Cott Systems to provide computers and software for the indexing of documents on the land records. Due to an oversight, the contract was renewed by Town staff without Town Council approval for a second 4-year period in January of 2014.
- Due to the oversight, Town staff is recommending correcting the mistake by having the Town Council authorize, in arrears, the contract with Cott Systems. The cost of the contract has been incorporated into the Town Clerk’s budget since 2009. The annual contract price is \$19,860.
- There is an item under New Business regarding the Records Management System Agreement with Cott Systems, Inc. at an annual cost of \$19,860.

Sidewalk Construction Discussion

- Seven bids were recently received for sidewalk reconstruction in two locations. The first location is on the north side of New Britain Ave. between Williams Street and Rockwell Ave. The second location is various section of sidewalk at the Senior Center.
- The low bid was submitted by Martin Laviero Construction in the amount of \$32,950 for the New Britain section and \$18,100 for the Senior Center work. (total amount = \$51,050) It is proposed that the funds to pay for this work

would come from two sources \$41,000 from the CIP and \$14,500 from the remaining funds in the Senior Center Parking Lot Grant.

- There is an item under New Business that would award the sidewalk work to Martin Laviero Construction of Bristol in the amount of \$51,050.

Property Maintenance Update

- Town staff has spent a considerable amount of time and effort over the last several months enforcing the Property Maintenance Ordinance that was adopted by the Town Council last year. Scott Colby is here this evening to give an update on the Property Maintenance Enforcement efforts and results.

Storm Damage (new)

- Last week a severe thunderstorm impacted the northern portion of Plainville. Numerous trees were uprooted and power was interrupted for a period of time.
- The damage required that the public works department spend 52 overtime hours clearing the trees that blocked several streets. A tree service also had to be hired to take down some of the damaged trees as well. The police department also incurred some overtime costs as well.
- Public Works overtime is estimated to be \$2,200. Tree service work from Holcomb Tree Service is estimated to be approximately \$5,500. The Police Department also incurred about five hours of overtime. A tree also damaged the fence behind Wheeler School and will have to be repaired. Total cost of the storm damage could be in the \$10,000 range.
- In addition, the Public Works Department spent approximately 144 hours on the storm clean-up as part of their regular daily work. I want to thank both the Roadways and Buildings & Grounds Departments for their quick response to this storm.

Old Linden Street School Update

- The Old Linden Street School has been completely taken down. The next steps in the project is to repair the connecting points to the existing building and to construct the parent drop-off and parking.
- The project is currently showing a surplus of \$343,724 from the original amount that was appropriated. (\$2,635,813) The local share currently has a surplus of \$171,611 from the original amount that was budgeted. (\$1,092,853)
- Manafort representatives indicated that there were no proposed change orders currently being requested. There is still a significant amount of site work to be completed so that this could change as we get to the end of the project. However, this is all “above ground” work and any changes are expected to be minimal.
- Rich Ireland and Carmine Lalama from the Linder School Committee are here this evening to give a brief update on their Committee’s efforts to date.

Paderewski Pond Update

- Town WPCA Staff continues to monitor Paderewski Pond by taking dissolved oxygen and temperature readings. The latest readings show that dissolved oxygen levels stand between 8.32 to 8.99 in three area of the pond and at 4.6 in the shallow area of the pond. Some of the dense vegetation growth in the shallow area is dying off most likely leading to the low dissolved oxygen levels.

Meeting of August 22nd

- Temperature levels stand at 82 degrees. WPCA staff will begin to monitor the pond on a weekly basis through September. Before now, readings were being done on a bi-weekly basis.
- Loureiro has begun their analysis of the pond and their report is due back in approximately 60 days.
- The Conservation Commission has decided to move the fishing derby from October to next April.

Park Improvements Project Update

- Bids are due for the replacement of the playground equipment at Norton Park and Paderewski Park on August 30th. It is expected that some work will be done in November with the remainder of the installation to be completed by next May.
- The bid opening for the softball field lights at Norton Park will occur on September 14th. Construction could begin in November with completion scheduled for next spring.
- The tennis court fencing at Norton Park will have a bid opening on September 21st. Construction could begin in November with completion scheduled for next April.
- Other bid packages being developed by Town staff include softball field fencing replacement at Norton Park, the replacement of all of the fencing around Norton Park and the construction of new restrooms/concession stand at Norton Park. All of that work is scheduled to be completed in 2017.

Property Maintenance Update

- Scott Colby will give the latest update on the Property Maintenance Ordinance efforts Town staff.
- Property Maintenance Update: August 22, 2016
- Since the last Town Council meeting on July 25, 2016 we have continued with property maintenance and code enforcement.
- A total of 29 letters have been mailed out for violations.
- 17 – Bulky Waste
- 11 – Property Maintenance Section 5 – Grass
- 1 – Motor Vehicle
- Out of these 29 violations, 14 have come into compliance with the ordinance.
- We are currently following up with the remaining properties to ensure that the issues are resolved.
- An inspection of the Chung Property was conducted on August 10, 2016 by John Bossi, Director of Technical Services. This inspection indicated the Chung Property is an active construction site. Stockpiles of materials to be incorporated into the ongoing environmental clean-up and future development activities were observed on the site.

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The Health of Presidential Candidates and the Presidency

By: Francis Rexford Cooley

The buzz on the internet regarding the health of Democrat Presidential nominee Hillary Clinton is beginning to stir the major news media to begin to respond to questions about her health. Hillary Clinton’s numerous coughing fits at campaign events, her requirement of special pillows for her chair while being interviewed or during sit down appearances, and her health issues including a blood clot and the need for special glasses during her final days as Secretary of State in 2012 raise questions as to the state of her health as the country moves towards the Presidential election in just over two months. History shows the issue of a candidate’s health is of vital importance as the Presidency of the United States is a physically demanding job.

One of the universal comments regarding the toil of the Presidency is how it ages the occupant of the office regardless of party affiliation. The photographic evidence illustrates how taxing the demands are. The seemingly youthful vigor of a Bill Clinton or George W. Bush on inauguration day is replaced by a weary agedness as they left office. President James K. Polk died within three months of leaving office after his single term in 1849 and his successor President Zachary Taylor died in office in July 1850 due to ill-health as would Presidents William Henry Harrison, Warren Harding, and Franklin D. Roosevelt creating a crisis of leadership and elevating their respective Vice-Presidents to the highest office in the nation.

While the death of a President in office due to failing health seems uncommon to present day voters since it has not occurred since FDR’s passing in April 1945 ill health has also led to serious questions regarding policy and competency of the President, most recently with President Reagan’s last years in office and his later diagnosis of Alzheimer’s Diseases. President Woodrow Wilson suffered a stroke in 1919 as worked on securing the peace after the First World War then suffered more leading to his near complete incapacitation during the later part of his second term that he was “incapable of giving leadership...during one of the most critical periods in American history,” according to historian Arthur S. Link. Likewise President Franklin D. Roosevelt’s failing health in 1944 led to the ouster of Vice President Henry Wallace from the Democrat ticket to prevent him from becoming President when Roosevelt died and Wallace’s replacement by then Sen. Harry S. Truman. Numerous historians and critics of the result of the Yalta Conference and the Post World War II settlement point to FDR’s failing health as the major factor in the acquiescence to a Soviet dominated Eastern Europe.

Health issues of a President are not put out for public consumption for fear of hurting their effectiveness. President Grover Cleveland had secret cancer surgery during his tenure in office. The myriad of health issues President Kennedy had were not made public knowledge until well after his death by an assassin’s bullet lest they conflicted with his carefully crafted image of the youthful vigorous Presidential Candidate in 1960 and later President. Democrat Candidate Sen. Paul Tsongas covered up the fact that his cancer had returned while running in 1992, he would die in January 1997 of the disease.

It is important for the voters to be aware of the health of the candidates running for any office and especially the highest office in the country, the Presidency. The job is physically draining as a President does not truly get time off, any crisis, any time of day must be answered. Given Sec. Clinton’s abbreviated campaign schedule, health questions evident on the campaign trail, and past health issues serious questions regarding her physical health should be asked by the press.

Francis Rexford Cooley teaches History at Paier College of Art

From My Balcony

By: Jeannette Hinkson

IS A GOLF MEDAL FOR OUR OLYMPIANS REALLY GOLD OR IS IT FOOLS GOLD ?

If you were an athlete and were competing in the Olympic Games, would you really want to take home that Gold medal? If you didn’t know it before let me tell you now, those kids that are playing their hearts out to win the Gold, Silver or Bronze medal are in for a rude awaking when they get home and find the IRS is going to tax them on that very same medal at a rate of about 36% or about \$10,000. Other countries do not tax their athletes so are we so money hungry we penalize these kids for a job well done. (The IRS values each Gold Medal at \$25,000)

If you build a business then when you retire and sell your property your Social Security is taken because you now have money. What does your Social Security, which you paid into for perhaps fifty years, have to do with you selling property?

In the mean time you have people like Bill and Hillary Clinton, and many other politicians I might add, find loopholes and walk away with millions from their friends that somehow find a way to write it off their taxes. In the meantime let’s collect taxes from those kids competing in the Olympics or that couple that retired on the sale of their property only to find the IRS is there with their hand out.

QUESTION: SHOULD WE GET RID OF THE IRS? We hear about all these companies like Nabisco, Caterpillar and John Deere along with hundreds of other moving to Mexico. Those companies say they can make cars, tractors, cookies or clothing cheaper in Mexico. I do believe that might be right but if they can make it so cheap in Mexico why the hell, when you go to buy that new tractor, bulldozer or cookie does the price keep going up. I think if a cookie is made in the US and the price is \$3.99 then shouldn’t it be half that price if it is so cheap to make it in Mexico.

Where is all that money those companies are saving, not in our pockets we are still paying the same price or more? Have you priced a new Ford lately? Get smart Americans stop being led by a fast talking politician. Remember most politicians are lawyers and seem to have an answer for everything, almost like that used car salesman of old that when he showed you that car with the flat tire and said the tires were great the service department only removed the old air and hadn’t put the fresh air back in as yet.



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Life With Wanda



As the deadline approached for our paper to go the press I just couldn't think of something that happened over the summer that my readers might find amusing or of interest, until this morning when a friend called asking for my help. Now, my advice can be either good or bad because perhaps you might have noticed my judgment isn't always spot on as the British would say.

It seems my friend's husband was working on some project in the kitchen when he told her he would have to go to the hardware store. Like most men he left everything he was working on right on the counter. Tools, rags, brush, super glue and even his can of beer.

Well, it seems my friend decided to clean the counter so she put away his tools, picked up the tube of super glue and put the cap on. She then took his empty can of beer and went out to the trash and that is when she found she must have gotten super glue on her fingers and the palm of her hand. When she dropped the beer can into the trash it remained stuck to her fingers and the palm of her hand. She tried to pull it off but the harder she pulled the more it seemed to stick, that is when she began to cry and that is when she called me for advice.

I asked her if the can was full, she said no, so I told her to get another can, open it and dump the beer in the can stuck to her hand, at least she wouldn't look so stupid if she was drinking a beer instead of walking around the rest of her life with a empty beer can in her hand.

As we were speaking her husband walked in and she started yelling at him for leaving the super glue out. I told her to call me back with an update.

Well, she called me later in the day and said her husband looked on the packaging and called the super glue company and the company told him how to get her hand off of the can without removing her skin.

She was a little put out with the woman from the super glue company because her husband told her his wife couldn't put down the can of beer and the woman told him perhaps he should call AA if her drinking problem was that bad not their company's fault.

I guess he didn't phrase his story just right. All's well that ends well but, the moral of the story as far as I'm concerned is, let him pick up after himself, it's safer.

SPORTS APP EMERGING

A new sports App is in the making and will be available in early Fall for sports enthusiasts. Players will be able to download a Free App and call live plays while watching their favorite sports teams. They will get rewarded with achievement points and redeem them for items such as hats, t-shirts, electronics, tickets to games, and other premium items. Players get ranked at city, state, national levels. This App is considered by the company "the better way to play". It is a true game experience, loyalty to your team, everyone wins, every time.

The App will be available at participating sports bars, bars, restaurants, pizzerias and deli's. Liquor stores, health clubs, barbers shops can also participate. Virtually all businesses that view, talk or any type of business that have some type of sports advertising on banners or posters

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Businesses that do not enroll, they can still be listed on the website. According to Don Satalino of New Britain, an Independent Affiliate that is promoting the App throughout the State Of Connecticut, feels that businesses will keep customers at their place of business longer viewing the game and playing the Sports App. Bottom line, increase in revenue. Businesses can go to www.thebetterwaytoplay.net for a brief overview.

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Our Lady of Mercy Church Fall Tag Sale will be held at the OLM parish center on Friday, September 16 & Saturday, September 17, 2016 from 9am-3pm. There is a \$1.00 charge for Friday only.

Thank you! Any questions, please call the church at 860-747-6825.

FINAL NOTICE TO MEMBERS OF PHS CLASS OF 1966!

If you are coming to our 50th Class Reunion on October 1, 2016, we need your check for \$66.00 (per person) as soon as possible for an accurate count to be given to the DoubleTree Restaurant. Checks are to be made out to Treasurer, PHS Class of 1966, c/o Gail W. Ferreira, 5 Martin Drive, Plainville, CT 06062.

Our final planning meeting is Wednesday, September 7th at 7:00 p.m. at the Plainville Fire House. Hope to see you all at the reunion...and at the Alumni Pizza Party on September 30th at the VFW

Any questions, contact David Laurie david.laurie@snet.net

Jane (Laz) Prior janeprior48@hotmail.com or Gail (Woerz) Ferreira at gwferreira@aol.com

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FRIENDS OF THE PLAINVILLE LIBRARY BOOK SALE

Friends of the Plainville Library will hold their semi-annual BOOK SALE on Friday, September 16th from 6-8 PM (\$3 entrance fee per family) and Sat. September 17th, 10 AM-3PM no entrance fee. The Bag of Books sale is from 2-3 PM. There is a large selection of books covering many subjects in both hard cover and paperback. The Friends of the Plainville Library are committed to helping the Library through our semi-annual sales and our ongoing book sale. Prices are low and the selection is good. The money raised at these sales is used to help the Library. Come join us to pick up favorite authors or find new ones.

The Plainville United Methodist Church Fall Craft Fair and Apple Festival on Saturday, September 24th

Crafters Needed:

The Plainville United Methodist Church, 56 Red Stone Hill, has scheduled its Fall Craft Fair and Apple Festival on Saturday, September 24, 2016, from 10 am to 4 pm. There is still room for crafters for this event. For more information, please call Donna Burns at 860-747-2813 or the church office at 860-747-2328.

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Letters to the Editor for the October Edition

All Letters must be submitted by September 15th No exceptions, please limit words to 125 All letters must have your name, address & phone number The volunteer staff reserves the right not to publish letters and the right to edit all letters E-mail to: **hmtnn@comcast.net** If you don't have a computer you may mail to: Hometown Connection, 27 Sherman Street, Plainville, CT 06062 Must be received by the 15th of the month we are getting short on space each month.

News Briefs in case you missed some of these!!!

Lobster/Bar-B-Q Chicken Fest

The Faith Bible Church 8th annual Lobster Dinner Fund raiser on Saturday, September 10, 2016 from 4-8 pm. There will be a Bar-B-Q Chicken dinner for non-lobster lovers. The menu consists of main course, plus salad, baked potato, corn on the cob, corn bread, blueberry bread, plus drinks and dessert. The blueberries are freshly picked from Maine. **Children’s menu consists of a choice of hot dog/hamburger/cheeseburger, with chips, dessert, and a drink for \$5.00. Kids 5 and under eat free.** We offer “TO-GO” dinners with pre-purchased tickets. Choices include: **twin lobster dinner - \$30.00 Single lobster dinner- \$22.00 Bar-B-Q Chicken /Lobster combo dinner - \$25.00 HALF CHICKEN - \$15.00**

Rev. Jim Caron, pastor of the church, commented, *“This will be our last and final dinner for the community. We expect our biggest turnout ever. Purchase your tickets early this year.”* The team travels to Friendship Maine on Friday, September 9. On Saturday morning the lobsters, fresh out of the ocean, will be cooked to order for you on the same day. Rev Caron added. *“You won’t taste fresher anywhere else. There’s nothing like a Maine Lobster. So, please join us for a wonderful time and bring the whole Family and friends.”*Tickets must be purchased prior to the event to insure ample supply. Please call the church office at 860-747-5209 for questions, and to reserve your chicken/lobster dinner by Sept. 7th, 2016. The first 500 lobsters will be sold, and then all sales will stop. So, stop in the church office to get your tickets; You can also email us at fbc@snet.net

Outstanding Volunteer
Mark W. Chase

Volunteers give hundreds of hours of service to the Town Council, Town boards and commissions, and the fire service. These contributions truly make a difference in our community.

The Town of Plainville is pleased to recognize Mr. Mark W. Chase for his outstanding voluntary service. For over 16 years Mr. Chase donated countless hours of his time and expertise taping the Town Council and Board of Education meetings which aired on Nutmeg TV. In addition, he has served on town committees including the Economic Development Agency where he continues to serve today.

In an effort to recognize and honor the voluntary contribution of Mark Chase to the Town and the community, a donation by the Town of Plainville is being made to the Plainville Community Food Pantry on behalf of the Chase Family.

PLAINVILLE VETERANS
MEMORIAL WALL

The following names have recently been added to the Plainville Veterans Memorial Wall.

- SGT Earl C. Snyder Jr. – US Army
- SGT Robert R. Cassidy – US Army
- LT Edward J. Mchon – US Army
- PFC Roland “Gary” DeVoe – US Army
- SGT Christian J. Roth – US Air Force
- Donald J. Martin – US Marines
- SGT Otto B. Vaughan – US Army
- MSG Alfred J. Mastrianni – US Army
- PFC Edward Drezek – US Army
- PFC Warren R. Perron Sr. – US Army
- SP4 Karl M. DeVoe – US Army
- SC1 Robert L. Dickman – US Navy

The Memorial Wall is located on the main floor of the Plainville Municipal Center adjacent to the Town Clerk’s Office. Visitors may view the Wall during normal business hours. If you are interested in adding a Veteran’s name to the Wall, applications are located in the Municipal Center, Senior Center, American Legion Post 33, and VFW Post 534.

Dr. Bill Petit Qualifies for
Citizens Election Program
Candidate for General Assembly to
Receive Public Financing
for Campaign

Dr. Bill Petit, a candidate for State Representative for the 22nd General Assembly House District, which includes Plainville and a section of New Britain, has qualified for the Citizens Election Program (CEP), according to the State Elections Enforcement Commission. This state program encourages clean elections by allowing candidates for statewide and legislative offices the opportunity to receive public financing to fund their campaigns instead of raising unlimited money from private interests after qualifying for the program.

Dr. Petit stated, "I have loved meeting many folks in The 22nd District both in Plainville and New Britain and look forward to meeting many more in the next 2.5 months. I believe it is time for a change in CT." Dr. Petit seeks his first term as state representative against a longtime incumbent.

To qualify for CEP, candidates for a state representative seat must raise \$5000 in donations from \$5-\$100 and receive a minimum of 150 donations from individuals who reside in a municipality represented by the district. Eliminating the need for large amounts of fundraising frees candidates up to spend more time talking to voters in their district about issues that concern them.

Dr. Petit also has announced his campaign team which consists of Scott and Andrea Saunders as his campaign managers. Scott currently serves as Vice-Chairman of the Plainville Town Council and Andrea is the Plainville Board of Education Chair. Glenn Petit is the treasurer, Kris Dargenio is the advertising/graphic designer and Nicole Palmieri is in charge of social media. In the coming months, Dr. Petit will be officially kicking off his campaign appearing at the Balloon Fest August 26-27, the PumpkinFest on October 22 and visiting neighborhoods in the district by going door to door.

If anyone has questions for Dr. Petit, he can be reached at 860-479-2828.

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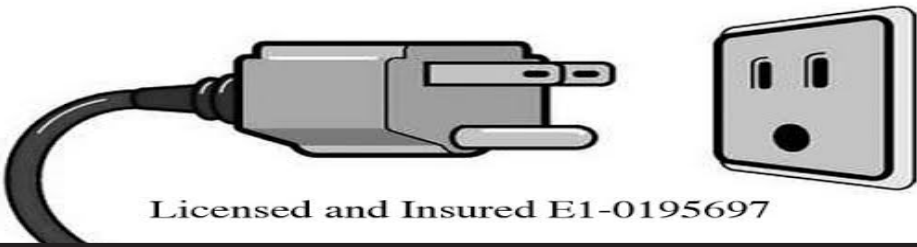
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Two plus months to the most important election of our times!! What is the reaction of the “Progressives” Do they hold dear to our Liberties, or do these liberties just get in their way? Do they embrace the Free Market Place of ideas or are they afraid of open debate?

Have the American people waken up from their slumber? We should all agree the Administration’s agenda is detrimental to the pursuit of happiness by the American People, that it is leading us down a road to Socialism or worse, and is undermining the fiscal future of our children and grandchildren.

The mission is to inform and educate people. (Not through Common Core) The media and our politicians have portrayed Tea Parties as radical obstructionists, hateful and racist. They could not be more wrong! Let me tell you who they really are. They are salt of the Earth people from numerous Areas. They are parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles, and kids. THEY ARE YOU!

Be united by shared concerns about the direction our country has taken. We have to believe that adherence to the US Constitution will result in a limited Government, fiscal responsibility and free markets.

Wake Up! Wake Up. The enemy is coming. Rise up. America let your voice be heard! We will not go silently into the night. We will not sit and shut up. The silent majority is no more and we will turn this country back to its foundations.

There is a difference between ISIS and ISIL.

Listen to the President and his press secretary and his spokesperson for the State Department and his joint Chiefs of State presentation spells out the letters I-S-I-L so there is no doubt in your mind, look it up for yourselves.

Terrorists’ attacks are on the rise. Yet the world IS still not united against these Radical Islamic terrorists. Our own president will not even say those three words. “What matter does it make?” he says.

We have the so called national news media--not reporting the facts; but clearly stating their opinion as facts with the stating their opinion as facts with the slant they want to give the public. Clearly we have definitely lost “truth in journalism”

These are Radical Islamic terrorist here in America. We don’t really care if they are “home-grown” radicalized or here illegally-it makes no difference. The war IS on our soil and it is here to stay until we eradicate it completely. Until we have a strong leader in America who is willing to take drastic measures, it will continue to grow until it consumes us.

Let’s hope that America will see the light and become again the leader of the free world.

WILL AMERICAS GO THE PATH OF THE ROMAN EMPIRE?

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We know most terrorists are Jihadists Muslims. But not all Muslims are terrorists “**And fight them until there is no more persecution and religion is only Allah**” *Qumran 8:39*

Gun control will lower crime rates just Like-Obama care lowered Health Insurance!!! Ever notice libs say they will move to Canada if Trump gets elected? Why don’t they move to Mexico?

WATCH OUT for Marshall Law, it will not be called Marshall Law, it will officially be referred to as Continuity of Government.

“An enemy at the gate is less formidable for he is known and carries his banner more openly” *Roman Philosopher Cicero*

Letter to the Editor:

Now that old Linden St. School is down, it is time for this situation to be put to rest. During the whole process of how to fund it confused a lot of people, whether to borrow the money because interest rates are low or to take from unassigned funds, The point was FUNDING, not the preservation of the old school. We often hear politicians using the phrase "we are doing this for the future of our children" but when you have adequate funds in your treasury, use them! Borrowing more money puts the burden on your children's future.

My line of work for the last thirty years has been in building, home restoration and remodeling, so I wrote articles in favor of saving the school because I believe any building can be restored, it's just a question of money.

Back to now. A few months ago I attended a meeting at the Historical Center. They were discussing the use of the allotted green space and ways to accommodate the Arch, the bell from the old Broad Street School, benches and so forth. The discussion turned to the bricks of the school and what to use them for. And the linden tree, still standing, a gift of earlier classes. At that point, I had a few ideas of my own, not that they are original of how to use the bricks and ways to make the linden tree more of a focus, I understand that this area cannot be called by a certain name, for my purpose I like to call it an "Oasis of Tranquility" where these artifacts can be preserved. I realized then that one cannot complain all of the time if things don't always go your way. If you have something positive to contribute then jump right in. For all of those that I often hear speak of how much you love Plainville and how awful the demise of the old school was. Then take the time comes to help make that Oasis of Tranquility a destination point don't be part of the problem, be part of the solution! Make a donation and receive a brick that has been saved and printed with the words. "Linden St. School 1924-2016" What a great memento for all of those students who passed through those doors and remember her fondly.

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PLAINVILLE SPORTS HALL OF FAME

2016 INDUCTION CEREMONY SCHEDULED FOR OCTOBER 1, 2016

The Plainville Sports Hall of Fame committee is proud to announce The Class of 2016 Inductees into the Plainville Sports Hall of Fame. The class of 2016 Hall of Fame Inductees include: RJ Anderson class of 1998, John Blackmore class of 1997, Janice Mancarella Portlock class of 1983, Herbert Santos class of 1950, Charles Petit class of 1957, 1996 State Champion Girls Track Team and the 1958-59 State Champion Football Team. This year’s recipient of the Distinguish Service Award recognizes Tom Arcari, Sr.

The Plainville Sports Hall of Fame will celebrate its Athletic Induction Banquet on Saturday, October 1, 2016. The banquet will be held at Nuchie’s Restaurant, 164 Central Street in Forestville CT. The Sports Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony Banquet is an event to recognize the accomplishments and successes of athletes of Plainville who have brought pride to the community. The ceremony will begin with a social at 5:30 and dinner at 6:15 with the awards following immediately. The cost for a ticket is \$45 and can be purchased at the Dental Offices of Dr. Rusty Camp, Angelo’s Modern Barber Shop or Farmington Bank at 117 East St. in Plainville.

In conjunction with the banquet the committee prepares a program and are hopeful that you will consider being a valued supporter of the inductees or advertiser. Revenues from this program assure the future of the Founders Award presented annually to a graduating senior at PHS, the banquet and the Sports Hall of Fame itself. Please contact Mike Bakaysa @ 860-573-8015 or Byron Treado @ 860-836-3377 for details All commemorative plaques can be viewed at Plainville High School in the Hall of Fame Showcase or you can visit the website www.plainvillesports.com for more information about the Plainville Sports Hall of Fame. The Plainville Sports Hall of Fame is an IRS recognized 501c3 non profit organization. Please like us on Facebook.

Inductees include:

Robin “RJ” Anderson, a 1998 graduate who was a three sport star athlete in Football Basketball and Baseball. RJ was a record setting quarterback in football who as captain, lead his team to 1st victory over Berlin in 15 years, conference championship and to CIAC class M tournament. He was a consummate power forward in basketball- played four years. RJ was also an ALLSTATE centerfielder in baseball leading the team in hitting, homeruns and stolen bases as senior. He was considered by coaches to have the ability to “change the completion of a game by simply stepping onto the playing field” He went on to attend Syracuse University playing as a four year varsity quarterback. RJ is ranked fourth on the career passing list and fifth on career completions and sixth in career passing TDs.

John Blackmore, a 1996 graduate who excelled as captain in three sports, soccer, basketball and

baseball. As a fullback on the Soccer Team, earned All-Northwest Conference and Class M All-State honors. On the Basketball Court, John was named All-Northwest Conference in his Senior Year. In baseball, John earned ALL STATE honors, District 1 All Star honors and was selected as the Connecticut Gatorade Player of The Year that is awarded which recognizes and celebrates the nation's most outstanding high school talents for their athletic achievement, academic excellence and exemplary character. With a fastball consistently clocked at more than 90 mph, was drafted in the 10th round of the 1996 Major League Baseball Amateur Draft by the Houston Astros. John Pitched 4 seasons in the Houston Astros organization, Compiling a 13-8 record, 7 Saves and 134 K’s in 169.1 innings and was named to the 1999 Midwest League All-Star team.

Janice Mancarella Portlock, Graduated in 1983 and was a Three Sport Athlete. In Volleyball, she was a 4 year player, Captain in her senior year earning All Conference Honors 2 years. Janice played basketball for 2 years and Softball for 4 years as Captain in senior year, Janice earned All Conference Honors for 3 years and batted over .500 in her senior season. She earned the Athletic Backers Female Athlete of the year as a senior. She attended Springfield College playing softball as a 4 year starter and being named, Captain in senior year leading team to National Division II tournament.

Herbert J. Santos, Sr. “Herb” is a 1950 graduate who gained national prominence in the sport of boxing. While at PHS, Herb played 3 sports: football, basketball and track. After graduation, Herb enlisted into the Navy, and after an honorable discharge, attended Suffolk University and ultimately went on to graduate from Suffolk Law School. He moved to Nevada and made his mark as an attorney and boxing official. He has been involved in Nevada Boxing since the 1970’s as a Judge and member of Nevada State Athletic Commission (NSAC) 1985-88, and Chairman 1987-88. Herb advocated safety practices for safety including attached thumb gloves as a result of the eye injury to “Sugar Ray” Leonard and helped to modernized NSAC rulebook published 1989. He received Special WBC recognition in 2012 as one of the top judges of the past 50 years. Herb has also received Special WBC recognition in 2014 for his contributions to boxing and he received 2016 Nevada Boxing Hall of Fame “PRESIDENTS AWARD” in honor of his contributions to the sport. In his illustrious career, Herb has judged over 720 professional bouts including over 60 title fights that included “Marvelous” Marvin Hagler vs. Thomas “Hitman” Hearns at Caesars Palace. Other judged bouts included the likes of: Mike Tyson, Michael Spinks, Larry Holmes, Julio Ceasar Chavez, Donald Curry and James “Bonecrusher” Smith.

Charles Petit “Chas” was a 1957 graduate of Plainville High School. While attending Plainville High School Chas was a three sport varsity athlete excelling in baseball, basketball and football. A two-year varsity starter in baseball, Chas was considered a natural leader and a team player by all. A versatile team player Chas played the football positions of center, tight-end and quarterback during his varsity

career and was elected co-captain of the football team in his senior year. In basketball Chas was voted the player of the week five times and earned the moniker “The Gentlemen of the Court” from then coach Pat Riera. During the 1957 season Chas averaged 15.9 rebounds per game and set the record for the most rebounds in a single game with 32 rebounds. By the end of his senior year he set the school record for most rebounds in a single season 349, the record stood until 1961 when Hall of Famer Earle Jackson eclipsed it. After high school Chas was an active participant in sports until his mid-thirties playing for the Jaycees and various men’s leagues. Chas also committed his time effortlessly to youth sports and the Plainville community.

1996 Girls Outdoor Track Team: The undefeated Class M STATE CHAMPION team was lead by captains Denise Brousseau, Jen Hayes, Kelly Kong and Naoemi Villafane. The 35 member team worked together under coaches David Wesoloski, John Laskarzewski, Jeff Sorel and Nikki Jones to culminate the first girls STATE CHAMPIONSHIP team in school history. 26 different team members contributed points during the season. Several members lead by Jill Giannini and Naoemi Villafane participated in the State Open Championships and New England Championships. Naoemi Villafane also competed in the Heptathlon. The team’s dual meet record from 1993 thru 1996 an amazing 32 wins and only 2 loses.

1958-59 State Champion Football Team: Who can forget the names of Steve Vargo, John Gacek, Jim Parilli , Joe Natale, Tom Graney, Brian Brooks, Larry Biskupiak, Bob Dalke, Dave Christiansen, Roger Roy, Dick Synott , Bob Browne and so many others. The 58-59 almost duplicated the undefeated feats of the 1937 and 1947 teams going into its final game against arch rival Southington coming out o the short end of a 12-0 score. The team outscored its opponents 278 to 12, The 266 point margin still stands as the school record for scoring supremacy. It was also mystifying to the opposition how an offensive line that averaged 155lbs could dominate the line of scrimmage with stability every game that year.

Distinguished Service Award Winner Tom Arcari, Sr. Tom Arcari has been the silent “gem” of the PHS record keeping for more years than we can remember. Tom has been a volunteer statistician for the PHS football team and softball team for more than 30 years and is considered by many as “Mr. Statistics”. Tom’s passion for Plainville sports is unparalleled as is his commitment to his community. In addition to all of his sports record keeping and analysis, Tom also volunteers as a math tutor at PHS and is a resource to student athletes, coaches and the Plainville Sports Hall of Fame making all of his statistics and game histories available to share with colleges, coaches and many of PHS alumni.

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Nolan Lostocco Graduates



Nolan Lostocco son of Michael and Gwen (O'Dell) Lostocco, formerly of Plainville, graduated recently with honors from Appleton North in Appleton, WI. Nolan is the grandson of Bill and Cathy O'Dell of Newington, formally of Plainville and Pat and the late Ralph Lostocco of Plainville. Nolan will attend the University of Wisconsin Eau Claire in the fall.

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PLAINVILLE STUDENTS RECEIVE PRESIDENT'S AWARD

Students at Linden Street School were awarded the Presidential Award for Educational Excellence; Tea Autunno, Michael Bakaysa, Natalie Basile, Matthew Bonney, Lauren Elwood, Megan Gray, Alexander Harland, Austin Lausier, Keith Lagassey, Garrett Lausier, Stella Liebler, Annalisa Little, Izabel Malek, Michael Moore, Analea Peshka, Trevor Rau, Leah Raucci, Nevaeh Riddick, Joshua Smith, Caitlin Stilwill, Anneli St. Lawrence and Daniel Talarico. This national award is given annually to students who have shown outstanding academic effort on a consistent basis. We are proud to honor our fifth grade students who received this award.

In addition, the following students were awarded the Presidential Award for Educational Achievement; Joshua Barrette, Sydney Christiansen, Mya Grigerek, Seth Lahoud, Seth Lizon and Amber St. Onge as they have shown outstanding academic effort on a consistent basis.

The American Citizenship Award was given to Susan Barnett, David Czereba, Jacob Keen and Nikolas Penta. These students promote citizenship within their school and/or community.

CHRIS FARRELL APPOINTED INTERIM ATHLETIC DIRECTOR FOR PLAINVILLE COMMUNITY SCHOOLS

Plainville High School Physical Education Instructor Chris Farrell has been appointed Interim Athletic Director for Plainville Community Schools, according to Superintendent of Schools, Dr. Maureen Brummett. Farrell will replace former Athletic Director Amy Labas who resigned earlier this month, until a permanent Athletic Director is named to the position.

As Interim Athletic Director, Farrell will be responsible for organizing all of the school district's athletic programs. In addition, he will develop, coordinate and manage the athletic program budget, coordinate the use of district athletic facilities, and administer all athletic policies.

"Mr. Farrell has been successfully and enthusiastically involved in our athletic programs for many years. I am pleased he has assumed this important role in our district," said Brummett.

The Athletic Director position hiring process has begun and the school district has received applications from several candidates. Ultimately, the intention is to fill the permanent Athletic Director position as soon as possible, which is anticipated to be before the end of September.

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SCHOOL DISTRICT EXPANDS COMMUNICATION THROUGH SOCIAL MEDIA

Plainville Community Schools will expand communication this fall officially adding social media to the district's current channels of communication, according to Superintendent of Schools, Dr. Maureen Brummett.

During the previous school year the district adopted a Social Media Policy and many faculty members and administrators across the district are sharing classroom and building level information through a variety of social media platforms such as Twitter and Instagram. Beginning this fall, the district's central office administration will also use Twitter to communicate district related information using the handle @PlvComSchools, and invite parents and community members to "follow" the district's posts for easy access to important information and district highlights throughout the year. Future social media plans may include a Plainville Community Schools' Facebook page to also expand communication efforts with district stakeholders.

"Our expanded use of communication via Twitter will be kicked off during our upcoming Convocation meeting with faculty members and administration on August 29. I am very excited about providing parents and community members with an additional avenue to learn about important district events and updates," said Brummett.

Plainville Schools Announce Policy For Free and Reduced Lunches

The Plainville Community Schools announced today its policy for determining eligibility of children who may receive free or reduced-price meals served under the National School Lunch Program (NSLP) and School Breakfast Program (SBP), or free milk served under the Special Milk Program (SMP).

Local school officials have adopted the United States Department of Agriculture's (USDA) Income Eligibility Guidelines (IEGs) for family size and income criteria for determining eligibility.

Children from families whose income is at or below the levels shown are eligible for free or reduced-price meals or free milk. Application forms are being sent to all homes with a letter to parents. To apply for free or reduced-price meals or free milk, households should fill out the application and return it to the school. Additional copies are available in each school office, and can be printed off the Plainville Schools website. Only one application is required per household and applications for free or reduced-price benefits cannot be approved unless it contains complete eligibility information as indicated on the application and instructions.



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Plainville Adult and Continuing Education's fall enrichment course offerings (see class list) are held evenings and moderately priced. Pre-registration is required for all classes. The Fall 2016 Program Guide will be mailed to all Plainville residents, mid-August. For further information, please call Plainville Adult and Continuing Education: (860)793-3209 or visit www.plainvilleschools.org/family/adulted

Nicole Plourde Recipient of George T. Gaudette Scholarship

The path one takes can equate with success or failure. Nicole Plourde chose to change the chaos she felt into a learning experience. Life in a blended family of seven helped to mold her character. Nicole is an active participant in the Boy Scouts and became President and Secretary of the Venturing Crew. She is also a member of the Interact Club.

Academically, Nicole was inducted into the National Honor Society and the Science National Honor Society. She plans to attend Southern Connecticut State University.

Nicole was selected to receive the George T. Gaudette-PhS Class of 1958 Scholarship for \$5,000. Nicole's achievements foster Mr. Gaudette's enthusiasm for learning and determination to push forward against all odds. Mr. Gaudette was a teacher at P.H.S. and a much loved advisor to the class of 1958. Paul Maskery presented the scholarship to Nicole.

Members of the George T. Gaudette-Class of 1958 Scholarship Foundation Board include Robert Bocwinski of Ft. Myers, FL; Barbara Dinardo Dahlgren of Southington; Robert Whelan of Orono, ME; Paul Maskery of Bristol; John Folcik of Southington and Janice Fanciullo Kane and Judith Nesser Gallagher both of Plainville.

Plainville Students Receive Robert T. Kenney Scholarships

The Robert T. Kenney Scholarship fund recently announced the following Plainville students as recipients for the 2016-2017 academic year.

Dante Correa, Endicott College; Eilanna C. Dignazio-Dvis, University of Saint Joseph; Chloe Lamarre, Eastern Connecticut State University; Stephanie L. Laprise, University of Connecticut; Vincent Mullin, University of Connecticut.

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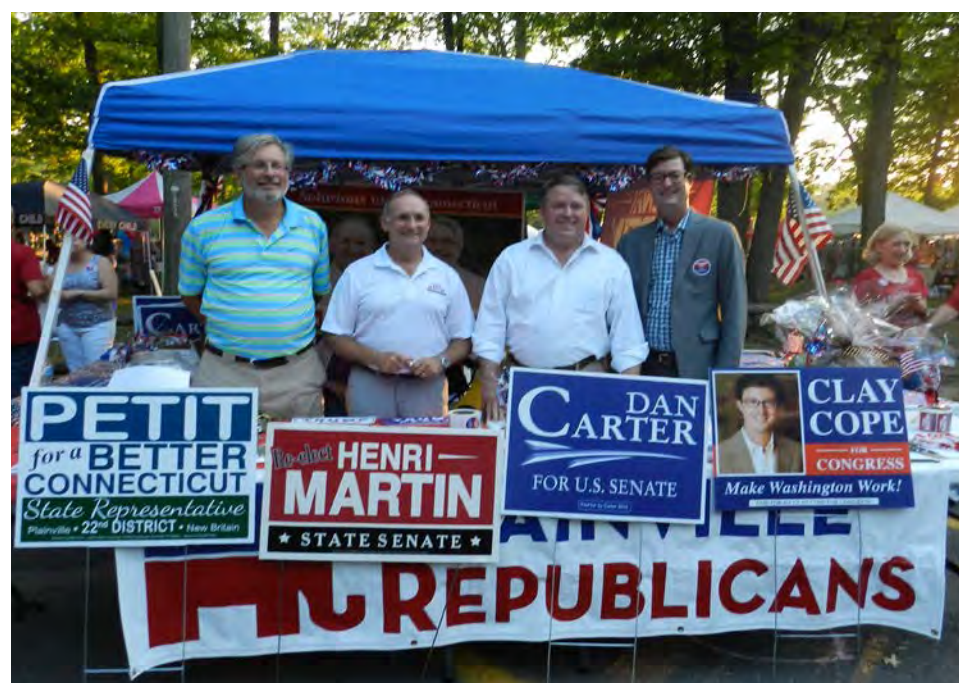
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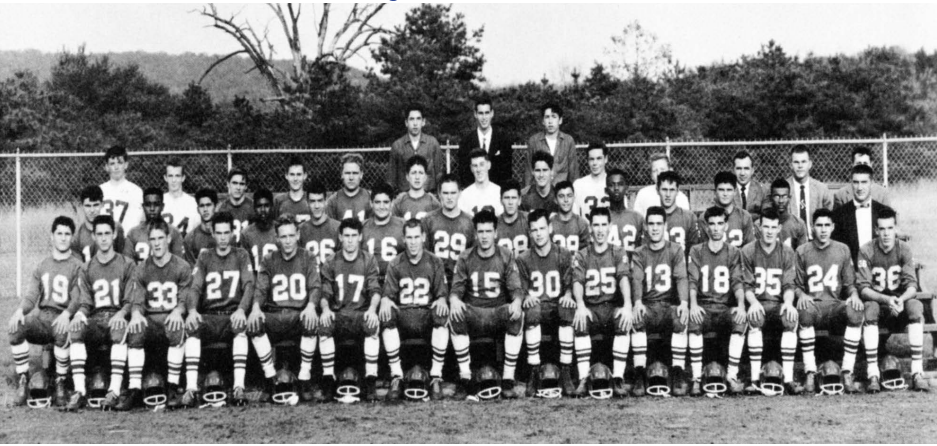






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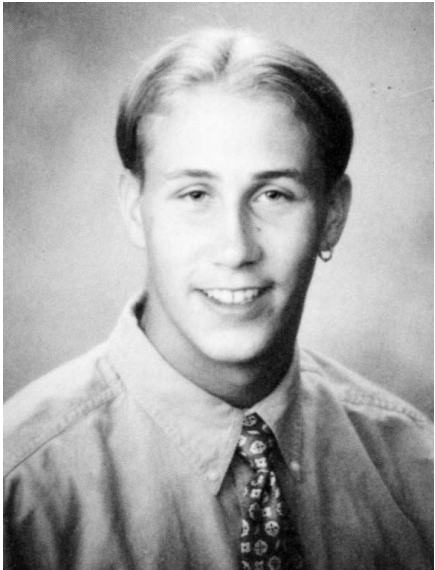
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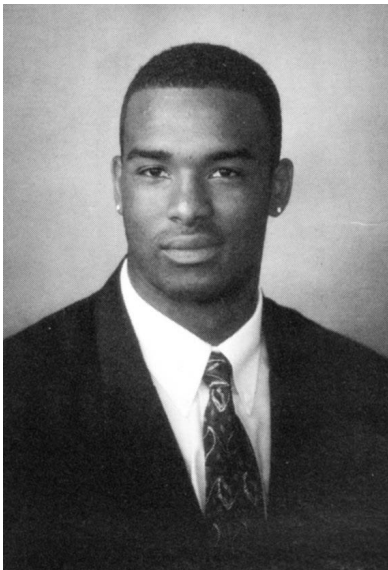
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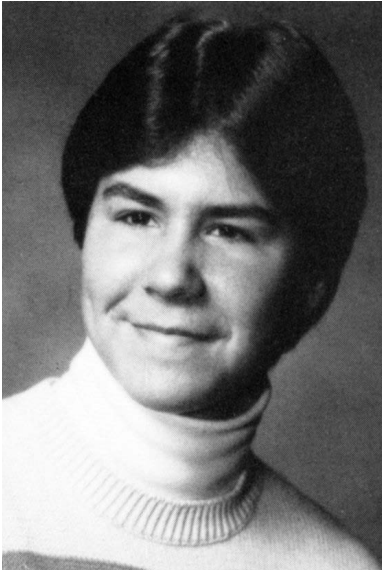
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More From Our Lady of Mercy....
Blood Drive Sept. 2 from 10 - 3pm at 19 South Canal St., Parish Hall. For info: www.redcrossblood.org
First week of September Religious Education Classes will be starting. Call Jeanne at 860.747.6825 for information.
Collecting items for the OLM Tag Sale. Drop off is 15 South Canal St., behind building in garage on the left. Furniture can be dropped off starting Sept. 12 at 19 South Canal St. at the Parish Hall between 9am & 4pm. Tag Sale will be held at 19 South Canal St. on Friday, Sept. 16 & Saturday, Sept. 17 from 9am to 3pm. \$1 admission on Friday.
Our Lady of Mercy Feast Celebration. Mass celebrated at 4pm with potluck dinner to follow. For more info call 860.747.6825 or www.olmct.org.
Teen Youth Group Bottle Drive, Oct. 1, 9 - 11am, 19 South Canal St., Parish Hall

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19. DEGREE
20. NORWEGIAN POET
22. LOCAL SCHOOL ORGANIZATION
23. CONSUMER
25. BREWS
26. HERO
28. TO CLEAR OR TIDY
29. 9TH MONTH
30. HIT LIGHTLY
31. PINNA
33. DOD COMPUTER LANGUAGE
34. ONE DIRECTION WON AT 2014 AWARDS
36. NO. AM. PEAT BOG
38. CLEAR WRAP
40. NAPPED LEATHER
41. IN A WAY, TAKES
43. TRANSPORTED
44. BACK MUSCLE
45. UNHAPPY
47. WRONG
48. CHIT
51. EPIC POEM
53. CAPUCHIN GENUS

55. ____ TRAZ: THE ROCK
56. WEIGHT UNIT
58. FOOT (LATIN)
59. EGG-SHAPED NUT PALM
60. A RADIOACTIVE ELEMENT
61. ROOSEVELT V.P.
64. RAILROAD TRACK
65. MORE DENSE, LESS LIQUID
67. BLOCK, FIRE & REUNION
69. A SET THAT IS PART OF ANOTHER SET
70. HAIR PRODUCT

CLUES DOWN

1. INEFFECTIVE
2. 39TH STATE
3. SKINS
4. IN A MOMENT
5. JAPANESE PRIME MINISTER HIROBUMI
6. TYRANT
7. A CRUELLY RAPACIOUS PERSON
8. POINT MIDWAY BETWEEN NE AND E
9. ABNORMAL BREATHING
10. ESSENTIAL OIL OR PERFUME OBTAINED FROM FLOWERS
11. ITALIAN RIVER
12. FIXED FIRMLY INTO

13. OPERA SONGS
15. CLOTH MEASUREMENT
18. 7TH GREEK LETTER
21. EXTRACTOR
24. FOR BOILING WATER TO MAKE TEA
26. POSSESSES
27. EDIBLE TUBEROUS ROOT
30. GLASS WINDOW SHEETS
32. TACTICS
35. MORE (SPANISH)
37. OUR STAR
38. MAKES A CHOICE
39. GREAT PLAINS INDIANS
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I FINALLY Cut the Cable TV Cord!

Three years ago I wrote a series of articles about cutting the cable TV cord. I wrote about the good and bad of such a significant change, available substitutions, and what was keeping me from doing the deed. Here is my story about how, after much debate, I freed myself (sort-of) from Comcast.

In June, I reviewed my Comcast bill, which had jumped by about \$30 per month to over \$170 for internet and the X1 television package. I contacted Comcast via Twitter. Believe it or not, I have had several very effective communications with Comcast via direct messaging (DM) with their @ComcastCares account. This time, they offered me the usual deal which would have cut my bill back to about \$140 per month. It just didn't work for me. What really bothers me about Comcast is that they tell me I can have a great TV package and fast internet for only \$89 per month. Sounds great until you factor in an additional \$41.89 per month in fees including \$10 Internet Modem rental, \$9.95 HD technology fee, \$13.94 Digital Converter fee, \$5 Broadcast TV fee and \$3 Regional Sports Fee. Some of these fees are ridiculous. It is disingenuous to sell a package for \$89 and then throw in all these fees. \$140 was simply too much.

After looking at this I took some time to consider honestly what TV I actually watch. I wrote down all of the stations and shows that I watch on a regular basis. I then looked at the services that I subscribe to for On Demand video including Netflix (\$9.99/mo) and Amazon Prime (\$99/yr). Finally, I looked at what was available to me through online streaming services.

There are some things that I enjoy watching live. I would miss some sports channels and a few cable channels. I waffled a bit and wasn't sure about cutting the cord just yet. Then I looked into two online streaming services that are new to the game. These services broadcast live cable TV channels over the internet. Sling TV (slingtv.com) offers 25 channel (\$20/mo), 30 channel (\$25), or 70 plus channel (\$40/mo) packages with no hidden fees and no contracts. Playstation Vue (goo.gl/bo8WSF) also offers three packages including 55 channels (\$30/mo), 70 channels (\$35/mo), or 100 channels (\$45) also with no fees or contracts.

I chose the Slim package from Playstation Vue which includes ESPN, Fox Sports, NBC Sports, Discovery, Syfy, TNT and more. It also has on demand content from all of the stations I subscribe to. This covers about 90% of the channels I watch most often besides the broadcast channels. I also invested in a good quality antenna which gives me NBC, CBS, FOX, CW, PBS, and about 10 other channels. Unfortunately, where I live in Plainville, ABC does not come in. I'll need to rely on ABC ON Demand which comes with the Playstation Vue service.

One would ask, how do I get the Playstation Vue channels, Netflix, and Amazon on my TV's? I am using two Roku devices. Roku (roku.com) makes an inexpensive device which has hundreds of apps with a wide variety of streaming internet content. Among those apps is a Netflix app, Amazon app, and Playstation Vue app. There are also devices from Amazon (Fire TV), Apple (TV), and Google (GoogleCast) that work just as well.

I was not able to cut the Comcast cord completely. Internet is still needed to stream all of this content. I cancelled my TV service and returned the cable boxes. I also purchased my own cable modem and WiFi router. This allowed me to return the \$10/mo rented device to Comcast. All I pay Comcast for now is internet service. The rep I messaged with on Twitter gave me a deal for their "Blast" internet package for \$49.99 per month with a 1-year contract.

What is the bottom line? With taxes, my Comcast bill will be about \$55 per month. Playstation Vue is \$29.99 per month. This comes out to about \$85 per month. I do not count the Amazon Prime and Netflix in my fees because I've been a subscriber for years. Best part, is I can pause or cancel any of the streaming services if the budget requires.

How is it working so far? Generally, it is working very well. Because I live in a low lying area in Plainville, some over-the-air broadcast channels drop out occasionally. Bad weather seems to affect the video. Playstation Vue is fantastic so far. High Quality HD live and On Demand video. Add in Netflix and Amazon Prime, and I have more than enough to keep me entertained. I am very pleased!

In the next couple months I will go into more detail about how you can cut the cord too and save \$50 or more per month and free yourself from overpriced Comcast, Frontier, or Satellite TV services.

As always, if you have any questions about this column or ideas for future columns, please send along an email to jim.phc@gmail.com

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A Little Bit of Everything

Peach Shortcake Festival

The Plainville United Methodist Church is holding their Annual Peach Shortcake Festival on **Friday, September 9, 2016, from 10 am to 3:30 pm.** The shortcakes will be served at the church or you can pick up your shortcakes as takeout orders. The church will also be providing free delivery for orders of 10 or more. If you have any questions or would like to place an order, please contact Greg Michaud at 860-793-9590 or the church office at 860-747-2328

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Plainville Community Fund Accepting Grant Applications

The Plainville Community Fund at Main Street Community Foundation is currently accepting grant applications from nonprofit organizations serving Plainville residents. The grant application is available on the Foundation's website, www.mainstreetfoundation.org, and all proposals are due by September 16, 2016 at 4 p.m.

Consideration for funding from the Plainville Community Fund will be given to, but not limited to, proposals requesting support for charitable projects in the areas of community outreach, arts/culture, youth programs, education, health, human services and the environment.

The grant application, including all eligibility criteria, is posted on the Foundation's website. Interested organizations are required to contact Jarre Betts, Vice President of Programs, at 860.583.6363 before submitting a proposal.

In addition, the Women & Girls' Fund at the Foundation is accepting grant applications from nonprofit organizations with programs serving women and girls in Plainville, as well as Bristol, Burlington, Plymouth, Southington and/or Wolcott. All proposals are due by September 30, 2016 at 4 p.m.

All information and materials are available on the Foundation's website, www.mainstreetfoundation.org.



ONCE A LIBRARIAN, ALWAYS A LIBRARIAN

After working for the past 34 years as a School Library Information Teacher for the town of Plainville, I retired on June 13, 2016.

Unknown to me, my colleagues arranged with Brandon Richards, Plainville High School technology teacher in the wood shop, to build a Little Free Library. Two Plainville High students in the advanced woodworking class, Tariq Waite and Matt Festa carefully constructed a beautiful Little Free Library which was presented to me at my retirement party on May 27, 2016.

Second grade teacher, Amy Mahtaney, and her class painted bricks to look like books. They were placed as a stepping stone in front of the Little Free Library.

Mike Turcotte, Wheeler School Physical Education teacher and Ryan Marks, parent of two Wheeler students, spent a day digging, measuring, cementing and completing the installation of my Little Free Library in front of my house at 221 Farmington Ave.

As with any library, the idea is to take a book, return a book. It's an "on your honor" system. My Little Free Library is open to all!

I may have retired from the Plainville school system, but I am still sharing my love of books and reading with the community. *Please come and check it out!*

OLM - An Invitation

Jesus calls us friends. How do you define friend? A Facebook like? A neighbor? A longtime associate? Anyone who isn't an enemy? We have various 'definitions' of friend. A 'true' friend is one with whom we can share our hurts, our desires, our successes and failures. We only do that when we know the friend well. Come, get to know Jesus well.

Annually, Our Lady of Mercy Church hosts a series of monthly intergenerational faith formation events called GIFT, which are open to all (5 -105 years). The series theme of the upcoming GIFT season is I AM changes who I am. GIFT events consist of presentations, videos, discussion, music, and more. We will be exploring the 7 'I AM' Statements of Jesus to help us to know Jesus better. For over nine years, adults, as well as families, have been enjoying GIFT events. Is this the year you will join others in the parish? More information and registration is available by calling the Parish Office, 860-747-6825. We look forward to having you join us!

A Celebration

We are kicking off this GIFT season with a special celebration of the Feast of Our Lady of Mercy on Saturday, September 24th. The celebration begins with Mass at 4PM at Our Lady of Mercy Church and is followed by a Parish Potluck at the Parish Center. All are invited! Let's honor our Patroness and enjoy the company of fellow parishioners. Please bring a food item to share. See suggestions below:

- If your last name begins with A through L: Please bring a main dish, casserole, or sandwich tray
- If your last name begins with M through S: Please bring a vegetable or salad
- If your last name begins with T through Z: Please bring a dessert.

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Wouldn't you like to join our Plainville Woman's Club?

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Since 1913 our Club has raised thousands of dollars that have been generously donated to the Plainville Community. Evidence of our work throughout the community include the original building of the Plainville Public Library and during the Library expansion the club donated the new circulation desk, the Town Seal over the doorway of the new Plainville Police Station, as well as all the blinds throughout the station, The first "Thermal Imaging Device" for the Plainville Fire Department, Two cement planter boxes outside of the Plainville Post Office and we maintain them all year, continual raising funds for needed items for the Plainville Food Pantry, Easter Baskets for the Girls Group Home (L.I.S.A.) and to annual scholarships to deserving High School seniors. We also donate to the Norton Park Summer Concerts and to Project Graduation.

Please consider this a special personal invitation and call me if you would like more information about getting involved. Maria Wynkoop 860-747-2236

WOMAN'S CLUB BUS TRIP TO WRENTHAM PREMIUM OUTLET MALL

"The Woman's Club of Plainville, Inc. will be hosting a bus trip to Wrentham Premium Outlet Mall in Massachusetts on Saturday, December 3, 2016. The schedule for the day: 8:00 a.m. bus leaves from in front of the Plainville Library; 4:30 p.m. the bus leaves Wrentham Mall; and at 6:30 p.m. the bus returns to Plainville Library. The cost per person is \$43.00 and it includes the transportation to and from Wrentham Premium Outlet Mall; the driver's tip; BINGO; raffle prizes; and on the return trip: a movie, bottled water, & a snack-bag. The bus will be available for storing your purchases throughout the day.

Reserve your seats today by sending a check made out to the Woman's Club of Plainville by Oct. 31, 2016 to:

Linda Prelli, 16 Dairy Farm Road, Portland, CT 06480.

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Ask the Brayne...

Q. What is going to be done with the tennis courts at the Middle School on Northwest Drive? The little playground was taken out but the tennis courts haven't been used in years - how about more parking?

A. As part of the Capital Projects Building Committee recommendation, the tennis courts will be removed to provide more parking. This will be accomplished as part of a large renovation project at the Middle School still in the planning stage. The small playground equipment was removed as it was no longer compliant according to current safety standards.

Q. Why is shifting responsibility to someone else called "passing the buck?"

A. In card games, it was once customary to pass an item, called a buck, from player to player to indicate whose turn it was to deal. If a player did not wish to assume the responsibility of dealing, he would "pass the buck" to the next player.

Q. How do I submit questions to you?

A. To submit questions call 860-747-4119, E-mail hmtnn@comcast.net, write to Hometown Connection, 27 Sherman Street, Plainville, CT 06062 or drop them at the office.

Deadline for submitting questions is the 15th of each month.

Thank you for the above questions. Keep them coming!!

I will be looking for your questions for the October issue. Have a safe Labor Day!! Thanks, Bill Brayne

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- The Property Maintenance Ordinance does not address active construction sites nor material stockpiles. It is in his opinion that the current conditions of Chung Property are not in violation of the Property Maintenance Ordinance.
- If residents have any questions regarding property maintenance, please feel free to contact me at (860)793-0221 Ext. 209.

Senior Center Building Controls

- The Capital Improvement Budget includes \$65,730 to install HVAC Controls at the Senior Center. Town staff is recommending that Automated Building System be engaged to install these controls. ABS has performed similar work at the Municipal Center with very good results. The ABS proposal would also update the software at the Municipal Center as well.
- ABS has submitted a proposal in the amount of \$66,130 which also includes balancing the system after the controls have been installed. This proposal is \$400 over the amount allocated, however, there are some funds in the Boiler Replacement project to cover the difference.
- There is an item under New Business that would waive the bid process and award the work to install the HVAC Controls at the Senior Center to Automated Building Systems, Inc. of Glastonbury in the amount of \$66,130.

Happenings – Scott Colby

Assistant to the Town Manager

PLAINVILLE RECREATION DEPARTMENT

Recreation registration for the Fall will begin on Tuesday, September 13, 2016

Tomorrow will be the last day for the Berner Pool. The hours will be from 1:00pm – 7:00pm.

Splash pad at Paderewski will open daily from 10:00am to 7:00pm until September 5th.

PLAINVILLE COMMUNITY FOOD PANTRY

Caterina Labella along with her #03 Legend Race Car will be at this year’s balloon festival. Caterina will be collecting non-perishable food and non-food donations to benefit The Plainville Community Food Pantry.

PLAINVILLE TOWN CLERK

The Town Clerk’s Office is now accepting absentee ballot applications for the Nov, 8 Presidential Election. If you know you will not be in town on that day you may complete an application in advance from the Town Clerk’s website and give it to the Town Clerk’s office. As soon as the absentee ballots become available on October 7 a ballot will be sent out.

PLAINVILLE TAX ASSESSORS

The Assessor’s Office has just finished sending out all of the delinquent notices, delinquent sewer notices will not be going out until September.

PLAINVILLE FIRE MARSHAL

The “CT Prepares” app, which can be downloaded to most smartphones, incorporates and integrates text messaging, email, and social networking, allowing residents to communicate with family members during an emergency. Real-Time notifications including emergency news, state office closings, and public safety messages can be sent directly to the device, providing up-to-the-minute information for residents. Other features of the app include: Send an “I’m Safe” message to contacts via email, text, and social networks

View real-time alerts for emergencies, weather and traffic

View current and extended National Weather Service forecasts based on current location

Access Connecticut Emergency Management Agency news and events

View emergency preparation guides for different types of emergencies

Locate Connecticut Emergency Management contacts and other useful emergency resources

The app can be downloaded for free from the iTunes Apple Store for Apple devices and Google Play for Android devices by searching the keyword “CT Prepares.” It was developed jointly by DESPP and Connecticut Interactive.

On September 14, 2016, the Fire Marshal will be attending a presentation at the New Haven Fire Academy to participate in Operation Save-A-Life.

Through the generosity of Home Depot, Channel 8 News, and Bridgeport Hospital Burn enter, Plainville will be receiving free smoke detectors. More information will follow as to when these smoke detectors will be available for Plainville residents.

PLAINVILLE PUBLIC WORKS

The Town of Plainville has an on-demand policy for the collection of bulk pickup. Residents who currently have curbside rubbish and recycling collection from the Town can request one bulk pickup per calendar year free of charge for large items that do not fit in normal rubbish collection. The Fall Bulk collection will take place Monday’s beginning September 12 through November 7, excluding Monday, October 31. Eligible residents must call CWPM at 860-793-6721 to schedule a pickup. When calling, you will need to provide your name, address, phone number, and a complete description of the items to be collected. Calls placed by 3:00pm Friday can be scheduled for collection on Monday. Bulk items should be placed curbside no more than 24 hours before your scheduled pickup. Bulk items must not block or create a safety concern for sidewalks or driveways. More information and a list of what items are acceptable for bulk pickup can be found online at plainvillect.com under the Public Works page.

The Roadways Department will be performing road construction on Maple Street from Whiting Street to East Street and Park Street from Maple Street to Broad Street from August 8, 2016 to September 23, 2016. Traffic delays should be expected during this time. Motorists are urged to seek alternate routes. Construction activities will include drainage and curb repairs, minor sidewalk improvements, milling existing pavement and installing new pavement surface.

PLAINVILLE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

At their regularly scheduled meeting of August 10, 2016, the members of the Conservation Commission voted unanimously to postpone the Annual Fishing Derby scheduled to be held on Sunday, October 2, 2016. Water testing that will be conducted at Paderewski Pond may not be made available until after the date of the Derby. Given the timing of the testing and the time required for the results to be published. The Commission decided to look at rescheduling this event for the spring of 2017.

Petit Receives Independent Party Endorsement

Dr. Bill Petit, the Republican candidate for the General Assembly’s 22nd House District, has also been endorsed by the Independent Party of Connecticut.

The Independent Party has been established to provide all Connecticut residents an alternative political organization dedicated to ensuring open, honest government, with realistic objectives. The party provides assurance that it will strive to protect all of Connecticut’s assets, and improve and maintain them through a continuing, rigorous plan of action designed to enhance the economic well being of all Connecticut residents.

The Independent Party is committed to succeed in returning Connecticut to the esteemed position it once enjoyed through the proper usage of all its resources and economic potential.

Upon receiving the endorsement, Petit noted, "I firmly believe that if we are going to seriously tackle the issues facing Connecticut today, we must make structural changes to the way the state does business. I am grateful that the Independent Party has endorsed me and recognizes that if we are going to make these necessary changes in Hartford, it's time for a change in representation for our district as well."

September Programs Plainville Public LibraryChildren’s Department

Weekly storytimes begin in the Children’s Department the week of September 12. The schedule is as follows:

Preschool Storytime – Mondays at 10:30 a.m. for ages 3 and 4 with a caregiver. Each week we’ll explore different themes through books, songs, rhymes, educational activities, and crafts.

Baby and Toddler Storytime – Tuesdays at 10:30 a.m. for ages 0 – 23 months with a caregiver. Perfect for little ones, this short storytime includes a story, fingerplays, songs, and a playtime for socializing and learning.

Two Much Fun – Thursdays at 10:30 a.m. for two-year-olds with a caregiver. This storytime geared toward the terrific two’s features stories, rhymes, and lots of movement and music.

“Flying Fingers” Knit and Crochet Group meets every Wednesday at 3 p.m. for kids, teens and adults. Come learn to knit or crochet, or bring your current project. Members of the group are here to help you!

PJ Storytime – Thursday, September 15 at 6:30 p.m. for ages 3 and up with a caregiver. We’ll share some cozy stories, snack on some animal crackers, and wish upon a star. Wear your PJs and bring a cozy blanket or stuffed friend to cuddle with.

Halloween Costume Drop & Swap – Drop off the week of September 26. Swap the week of October 3. Drop off any children’s Halloween costumes and accessories (in very good condition) you no longer use from September 26—October 1. Then, visit the library from October 3—October 8 to see if there is a costume you can use (while supplies last.)

2016 September Bulletin Board

Since school begins 9/1 the Board of Education hasn’t had their first meeting of the new school year but there are plenty of things to report.

There are a lot of new faces around the district so I will name a few:

Roberto Medic	New Principal at PHS
Carl Johnson	New Assistant Principal at PHS
Timothy Shea	New Football Coach at PHS
Sam Alderstein	New BOE Director of Business and Operations starting9/19/16

Chris Farrell, the former PHS Football Coach, has been named interim Athletic Director. School Administration is currently in the interview process looking for a permanent replacement.

During September and October, the Plainville Community Schools will begin the Strategic Planning Process, which will set district goals and direction for the next 5 years. The committee consists of a variety of stakeholders which includes teachers, administrators, school support staff, students, parents, employees of the town, government officials, Board of Education members and local business partners.

The first BOE meeting will be Monday, September 12th, at 7pm in the PHS Cafeteria. Please feel free to come and learn about the business of the school district. The meeting schedule for the entire year can be found on the Plainville Community Schools website.

Last but not least the Plainville Community Schools is now on Twitter. You can tweet us @PlvComSchools.

That’s the news for now. Welcome to a new school year!

Andrea Saunders, Chairperson Plainville Board of Education

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The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) released a final rule implementing Section 216(a) of the Protecting Access to Medicare Act of 2014 (PAMA), requiring laboratories performing clinical diagnostic laboratory tests to report the amounts paid by private insurers for laboratory tests. Medicare will use these private insurer rates to calculate Medicare payment rates for laboratory tests paid under the Clinical Laboratory Fee Schedule (CLFS) beginning January 1, 2018. The final rule includes provisions to ease administrative burdens for physician office laboratories and smaller independent laboratories.

The final rule is on display at the Federal Register and can now be downloaded from the Federal Register website at <https://www.federalregister.gov/public-inspection>. It was published on June 23, 2016.

Healthy-Behaviors

By: Linda Coveney, Integrative Nutrition Health Coach

Hello Fall!

The lazy, hazy days of summer will soon be a memory. Given the amount of excessive heat and humidity this year, you may welcome this.

Soon the beautiful Fall season will be here. Cool, crisp air begins the transition from picnics and barbeques, swimming, and fireworks to Fall harvests and a grounding diet to boost your immune system in preparation for the winter months.

Seasonal change creates an opportunity for a pause, a reset. While putting away bathing suits, flip-flops and winterizing your boat, give some thought to what else you want to continue/put away/renew in your life. How will you maintain the energy and movement of summer into the fall and winter months?

Along with seasonal eating, I've identified four critical components to healthful living and will cover one in this article

Mindful - When you pay attention to your current actions and thoughts, you discover the impact of one to the other. If you rush though eating a meal at lunch while focused on what you have to do that afternoon, you may discover that you have no memory of eating, except for an upset stomach and uncontrollable cravings for more food around 2 pm. To start a mindful practice, pick one activity to focus on. It can be eating, brushing your teeth or washing dishes. Decide that you will take an extra 5-10 minutes to pay attention to what you are eating, feeling, seeing, hearing, smelling or thinking. Slow it down further and make notes of what you have discovered about yourself and your environment. No judgment allowed. Just notice and reflect and wait for what happens next.

Seasonal Eating

You may want to end the summer season by incorporating foods that will help you maintain balance while providing important nutrients:

Apples - Antioxidant rich fruit helps reduce inflammation and is linked to heart and lung health.

Lentils – Fiber-rich legume aids in elimination, helps lower cholesterol, balances blood sugar and increases your energy.

Spinach – Rich in vitamins, minerals and nutrients, spinach protects against inflammation and cancer.

Cucumbers – Nutrient dense, 95% water. Helps to flush out toxins and alkalize the body.

Pears – Packed with antioxidant, anti-inflammatory properties and can help lower the risk of type 2 diabetes. The skin of the pear provides good fiber to help in elimination. Buy organic when you plan to eat the skin of any fruit.

Broccoli - A strong detoxifier with a healthy dose of vitamins, especially Vitamin D.

Carrots – Rich in fiber, antioxidants and phytonutrients. Aid the digestive tract and protect against color cancer.

Kale – One of the most nutrient dense and antioxidant rich foods. Kale is a powerful detoxifier.

Enjoy!

Try this sweet treat recipe as summer turns into Fall.

Cranberry Baked Apples & Pears---Serves 2

Ingredients:

- 1/2 TB butter, coconut oil, or ghee
- 1 ripe apple, seeded and chopped
- 1 barely ripe pear, seeded and chopped
- 1/4 cup unsweetened dried cranberries or currants
- 1 TB coconut sugar or raw honey
- 1 tsp cinnamon
- 1/2 tsp nutmeg

Directions:

1. Set a small pot of water to boil. When boiling, drop cranberries in water, turn off heat, and let soak for 5 minutes, then drain. Alternatively, you can get a tea kettle boiling and pour over cranberries in a bowl.
2. Heat oven to 375 degrees. Meanwhile, spread butter/coconut oil/ghee in bottom of an 8x8 glass baking dish.
3. Place apple, pear, cranberries, coconut sugar/honey, cinnamon and nutmeg in the baking dish, and toss gently to combine. Place baking dish in oven and bake for about 15 minutes or until fruit is steaming, lightly browned, and fragrant.

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References for Fruit and Vegetable Nutritional Information from IIN and www.whfoods.com

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Property Transfers

24 Elizabeth Court, Unit 2: FNMA of Plainville to Syed M. and Muhammad Naqvi, \$60,000 on 06/23/2016
 38 Hardwood Road: FNMA of Plainville to Dawn Dallas, \$96,100 on 06/20/2016
 100 Hilltop Road: Niel F Fitzgerald LT and Kenneth Fitzgerald of Plainville to Vanessa Dayon, \$178,900 on 06/20/2016
 28 Pershing Drive: Bruce D. and Victoria A. Scott of Plainville to Martin and Sylvia Swider, \$175,000 on 06/23/2016
 133 W. Main St.: Roland J. Simard of Plainville to Oradee Naraphiromkhan, \$173,000 on 06/20/2016
 44 Birch Tree Road: Gastone and Holly Colantonio of Plainville to Cathleen Greene, \$168,000 on 06/27/2016
 51 Cooke St.: Raymond and Darlene Deangelo of Plainville to Joshua S. Asadow, \$185,000 on 06/29/2016
 17 David Ave.: Ryan P. and Kathy M. Ebert of Plainville to Pawel Siofer and Agnieszka Kowal, \$215,000 on 06/30/2016
 89 Diamond Ave.: Misty Real Estate LLC of Plainville to DCU Developers LLC, \$135,000 on 06/29/2016
 36 Forshaw Ave.: Paige Bartels of Plainville to Holly Kucharczyk, \$114,500 on 06/27/2016
 24 Great Plain Drive, Unit 24: JNS Development LLC of Plainville to Florian Maier and Sara Walk, \$410,000 on 06/27/2016
 20 Hamlin St.: Mary Roche of Plainville to Amanda M. Maskaitis, \$176,500 on 06/27/2016
 151 Red Stone Hill: Shelia E. and Catherine P. Fusco of Plainville to Dana Dziob, \$209,900 on 06/29/2016
 189 Red Stone Hill, Unit 3: Marguerite P. Fletcher of Plainville to Thomas D. and Marisuzan L. Kennedy, \$225,000 on 06/27/2016
 33 W. Main St.: Palumbo Realty LLC of Plainville to Valenti Real Estate LLC, \$335,000

6 Nod Road: Jeffry Sinn of Plainville to Edgar C. Montalvo, \$350,000 on 07/08/2016
 57 Russell Ave.: Teresa Jarosz of Plainville to Horace K. and Linda A. Andrews, \$300,000 on 07/05/2016
 3 Samuels Crossing, Unit 66: JNS Development LLC of Plainville to Nicholas B. StPierre, \$367,900 on 07/06/2016
 112 Diamond Ave.: Lee A. Toffey of Plainville to Vivian J. Bournival, \$140,000 on 07/13/2016
 19 Lincoln St.: Amanda R. Fletcher of Plainville to David W. and Janet M. Lloyd, \$190,000 on 07/13/2016
 33 Loomis Ave.: Silver Developers LLC of Plainville to Heather A. Hitchcock, \$185,000 on 07/11/2016
 12 Park St.: Mario Hernandez of Plainville to Marlon D. Virtue, \$215,000 on 07/14/2016
 5 South Ave.: Albert Kalanica of Plainville to Nicholas Cassone, \$205,000 on 07/13/2016
 22 Ashford Road: Side Street Realty LLC of Plainville to Matthew P. Reynolds and Katelyn N. Dobrowolski, \$138,000 on 07/29/2016
 261 Camp St.: Daniel S. Watson of Plainville to Brenda Dejesus, \$241,000 on 07/25/2016
 236 East St., Unit C1: Rohan Blackwood of Plainville to FNMA, \$120,488 on 07/26/2016
 46 Fairbanks St.: James J. Accousti of Plainville to Geoffrey J. Gennett, \$135,500 on 07/26/2016
 18 Hollyberry Lane: Marilyn Gugal of Plainville to Roland R. and Marie S. Albert, \$227,000 on 07/29/2016
 58 Kent St.: Benjamin D. and Kristina J. Peterson of Plainville to Alan G. Barsch and Melisa S. Cooper, \$195,000 on 07/29/2016
 8 Testa Drive: Pipitone Joan M Est and Robert Barganier of Plainville to Haberfeld Enterprises LLC, \$118,000 on 07/28/2016
 165 Trumbull Ave.: Carey Earl F Sr Est and Anne C. Marshall of Plainville to John M. and Karen C. Grosse, \$128,500 on 07/27/2016

PLAINVILLE LIONS CLUB HELPING THE HOMELESS

As the summer is winding down, thoughts of cooler days and nights will be approaching, which brings to mind the people in our district who are homeless. Although Plainville does not have many in our town, the surroundings communities do.

In July, the Plainville Lions Club held a successful fundraiser at the Five Below store and collected 97 back packs. These back packs will be filled with items to help the homeless and be distributed through out the district to the homeless.

We are currently seeking donations to fill these back packs.. Collection boxes have been placed at the Town Hall Municipal Center, as well as, the Plainville Senior Center. This is an ongoing project and anyone wishing to get involved would be more than welcome by contacting Carol Casey, 860-410-5086.

Donations needed:

chap stick, filled crackers, fruit snacks, tuna pouch, chicken pouch, chicken/ tuna and crackers, juice boxes, spam, vienna sausage, dried fruit pouches, raisins, individual size nuts, granola bars, jerky, toothpaste, toothbrushes, bar soap, travel size shampoo, deodorant, women's feminine products, men's personal care items, wet wipes (travel size), hand sanitize (travel size), tissues (travel size), wash clothes, gloves, hats, and socks.

Reconstruction of Maple Street and Park Street

The Town of Plainville will be initiating the reconstruction of Maple Street and Park Street from Maple Street to Broad Street.

Beginning on or about August 8, 2016, the Town of Plainville and their subcontractors began construction activities encompassing the repair of the existing pavement and the installation of new roadway surfaces on Maple Street and Park Street. During construction, motorists could expect a gravel roadway surface. Additionally, the construction activities will involve the replacement of catch basin grates and frames. Construction activities are anticipated to continue for approximately seven weeks, (October 1, 2016).

Construction is most likely to occur during the hours of 7:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Monday through Friday. Construction activities may occur on some Saturdays contingent upon scheduling and weather conditions. Motorists can expect delays. It is also likely that vehicle traffic at times will be restricted to only residents, (local traffic only), and emergency vehicles during the hours of 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM. A detour route will be established and identified should it be necessary.

Motorists should consider an alternate route during these times.

Anyone having questions may contact the Plainville Engineering Department at 860-793-0221 Ext. 208.

Notice to All Crafters

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VWS has seven employees and a six-member Board of Directors reporting to approximately 200 stockholders. The size of this organization is typical of a cluster of investor-owned water utilities in the Farmington River Valley.

As what might be called a medium-sized Company, the challenges VWS faces today probably would seem no more imposing than those viewed by Superintendent Joseph McKiernan back in 1912. Take for instance his comments in regard to certain water mains known locally as CLCC pipe: Said Mr. McKiernan, "The old cement-lined pipe has about reached its age of usefulness, and I should advise the gradual replacing of it by cast-iron pipe, using nothing less than 6" pipe, except for short extensions. I should advise further the cutting in of several gate valves to make possible a good control of the system. Your superintendent would like to have taken up soon the matter of grading and otherwise beautifying the pumping station grounds."

During the intervening period between then and now, other competing priorities have delayed the replacement of the "old cement-lined pipe" so that particular project shares just a spot with other challenges for the Company's attention in this capital intensive industry.

Today VWS has replaced all of that old CLCC pipe and is addressing new infrastructure challenges. As a consequence of replacing significantly long stretches of nearly century old pipe, hydraulic capacity of the system has so improved as to place VWS at the top of the Insurance Service Office's #ISO# rating scale. ISO is a major consultant to the insurance industry's underwriters.

Of course, all the Company's accomplishments could not have been possible without its talented work force. There was a time when a water utility of our size could get by just with hard work. No more. Today's drinking water industry demands individual expertise and job commitment. If you are one of VWS' employees, you have a college degree or you have a specialized license to work as an operator of drinking water facilities.

Each veteran employee brings experience to the job site that enables efficiency and productivity. Each new employee brings state of the art skills to the Company that facilitate new ways of working that are transferred to other employees. With this depth of expertise, the Company has leveraged technology resulting in increased productivity while maximizing customer to employee ratios. Examples of these technologies include system control and data acquisition #SCADA# systems, radio frequency based meters, and state of the art computer networks. You will see many of these employees on other pages of our website.

Behind the scenes of this Company dynamic are the mentors, namely our very knowledgeable Directors who individually bring their skills to the Board table. They are:•William Galske •Nicholas LaChance •Hank Mulle •Richard A. McGrath •Donald J.E. Vaughan •Stephen Densberger

They are very accessible; do not hesitate to give them a call. In the meantime, Valley Water System will be looking forward to an expected new round of challenges, meeting them, and recording them in the minutes as Mr. McKiernan did so aptly in 1912

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Saturday and Sunday, September 24 & 25, 2016

The Reverend Nigel Mumford will lead a HEALING PRAYER CONFERENCE the weekend of September 24th & 25th at Holy Trinity Anglican Church in Plainville, Conn. Fr. Nigel has a powerful Christian healing ministry and is the founder of By His Wounds Ministry.

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All events and workshops are FREE OF CHARGE, however, reservations are requested. Visit the Holy Trinity Church website www.holy-trinityanglican.net or by phone at (860) 747-1426 to register or for more information on Fr. Nigel Mumford and the conference.

Sometimes “No” is the Right Answer

Anyone who has gone shopping with children or lived within a budget knows that sometimes you need to say “no” to short-term requests and focus on longer-term needs. The same holds true for running our economy and government. We cannot always say “yes”, but must decide where and when it is appropriate, affordable and sustainable given the uncertainties of the future and our limited resources.

Therefore, it is embarrassing to watch Democratic Party candidates struggle to convince people that Governor Malloy and their Democratic leaders in Hartford are managing the state professionally and successfully after almost 40 years of single-party control of the legislative agenda in Hartford. It is equally embarrassing to hear how Democrats don’t accept Republican inputs on budgets and priorities because Republicans are the “party of no”. This reminds me of my teenagers whining that adults are no fun, we always say no, we’re just being mean and we don’t understand.

Given the disastrous “progressive” tax and spend policies the Governor and Democratic Party have rammed through over the past few years, and the obvious negative consequences their unsustainable programs have had on our economy, educational system and competitiveness, it seems that “no” should have been the answer more of the time, if anyone cared to ask. Not one Republican voted for the last two record tax increases passed by the Governor and Democrats. Nor did any Republican vote for the last few budgets stitched together by the ruling-class since they were full of wildly optimistic assumptions about state revenues.

Even the top financial manager in Connecticut, State Comptroller Kevin Lembo, disagreed strongly with Governor Malloy and Democratic Party budget assumptions, but was ignored because he refused to go along with their agenda. And since the State Constitution requires a balanced budget, Democrats simply played fast and loose with revenue and expense assumptions until the numbers worked, on paper. This is not a budget that anyone with any integrity should vote “yes” for and the results have been incredibly bad as we see business, people and money leave the state in increasing numbers, while revenues miss every target, expenses go through the roof, and services get cut. And the worst is yet to come.

Governor Malloy and Democratic Party rule in Hartford are absolutely wrong for these times. Their tax and spend agenda is wrong, their support of unsustainable, overly generous state contracts is wrong, their desperate strategy to pay businesses to stay in the state is wrong, and their allegiances to left-wing special interest groups is wrong. We must change this by voting Republicans into office in November and break Democratic single-party control. If Democrats continue to have a strangle hold on our state’s economy and social agenda without input from others, things will not change. We will continue to lose our businesses, our jobs, our future and our rights. Vote Republican in November – for a change and for the betterment of our State. *Submitted By: Jim Albert*

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Dr. McCleary has been working with Dr. Maglio in Plainville since early 2014, and is entering her 9th year of practice. She received her Doctor of Optometry with Honors from Pacific University College of Optometry in Forest Grove, OR. While Dr. McCleary sees patients of all ages, she has expertise in the area of pediatric eye care. She will continue to add this specialized service to the already comprehensive eye care historically provided by Dr. Maglio.



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Dr. Maglio received his Doctor of Optometry from New England College of Optometry in Boston, MA. He opened his practice in 1984, and has been dutifully serving the eye care needs of the residents of Plainville and its surrounding area ever since. While he is excited to have Dr. McCleary officially join the practice, he is not diminishing his role in the practice, his care

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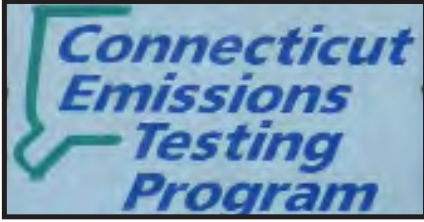


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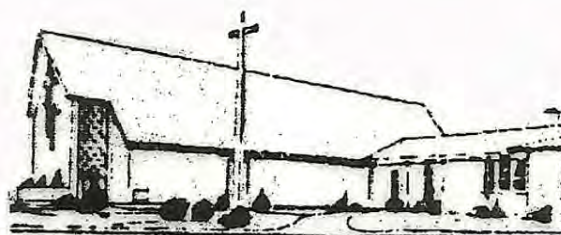
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2 bacon strips, diced
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2 garlic cloves, minced
2 tablespoons finely chopped green onion
2 tablespoons vinegar
2 tablespoons minced fresh tarragon
1 bunch romaine, torn
4 slices bread, cubed and toasted
In a skillet, cook bacon until crisp. Drain on paper towels. Add oil to drippings, saute onion and garlic until tender. Stir in vinegar & tarragon.
In a large bowl, toss the romaine, bread cubes and bacon. Pour dressing over salad and serve. Makes 4-6 servings.

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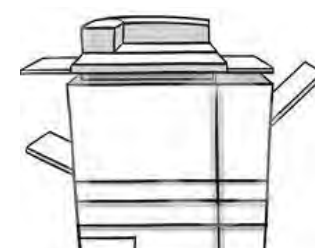
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Two Remarkable Women and a Cat Named Snowball

By: Sally Miller

I constantly read about hatred, jealousy, bullying and other atrocities in the world today. These behaviors almost always lead to tragedy. These actions cause the idea of perceived power. They include making threats, spreading rumors, attacking someone physically or verbally, and excluding someone from a group on purpose are also part of the scenario. Again, we read about it every day and may even experience it in our daily lives. But this is not what my story is about today. My story is about the complete reverse of this. My story is about love and positivity.

I know three individuals who possess the ultimate power of love. My story is about these remarkable individuals Marilyn, Myrtle and Snowball- two women and a cat. Marilyn and Myrtle live a few houses apart. Marilyn owns a cat named Snowball, which she loves and he loves her back. Snowball went walking one day and met a lady named Myrtle. It was love at first sight. Snowball really had a dilemma. He wanted to stay with Marilyn but Myrtle, the cat whisperer was too much for him to avoid. Snowball decided that both women would be his mommy. Myrtle immediately called him “Mums Boy”. Marilyn’s love for the cat was so unconditional that she allowed the partnership/ownership of Snowball to exist. How lucky and smart was this cat. ! He decided he could have the best of both worlds. Every morning except winter, Snowball would sit in Myrtle’s lap on the porch as she read her paper. Snowball and Myrtle would walk around the complex and he walked a few steps behind. People could not believe that he would follow Myrtle around the complex and every time she stopped to talk, he would sit and wait for her. During the day, he would visit his other mom, Marilyn and her family. In the evening, he would come back to Myrtle and they would sleep together.

During the spring, it appeared as if Snowball had been beaten across his back. He had a hard time walking. Myrtle doctored him and would pick him up and take him to the litter box and feed him by hand. He healed under her attention and love. When he was caught out in the rain, and Marilyn wasn’t home, he would come to Myrtle’s and sit and wait for her to dry him with a towel. The fact that Marilyn loved Snowball so much that she was willing to share him was a true statement of love and caring. Such love between all three of these individuals seemed almost unfeasible

Marilyn and family made sure that he was up on his flea medicine and kept a warm place for him in their home. He would stay with Marilyn for a few days and then return to Myrtle. One of Snowballs interesting habits was to listen for Myrtles car coming down the road. He would jump off his sleeping spot on her porch and watch for the car to come into sight. He would run to her as if to say, “What did you bring me Mom?” He would sit in the car and protect the groceries until she finished bringing them all in. Then, he’d follow her into the house to see what she bought for him. If it was winter, she would dry him off when he came in and let him lay near the electric blanket.

Snowball was injured again recently and due to circumstances beyond the control of the people who loved him, a tragedy occurred. Snowball died and he died in a manner that could have been avoided but the loving women were unable to stop the horrific out of control situation. Many of us will miss him terribly. I sat with these two wonderful women who together loved this cat and now sat and grieved together on Myrtles’ porch. The women had so much love and caring in their souls that they were willing to share this wonderful cat’s life and sit and talk about the memories of this outstanding cat. Marilyn and Myrtle possess none of the negativity mentioned above that you read about and thus were willing to love with a pure heart. These compassionate and loving women gained so much more because of this quality.

So many people in this complex miss seeing Myrtle and Snowy walk together. Your MOMMIES miss you so much Snowball that the grief is almost unbearable. Rest in Peace Snowy, “Mums boy”.

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From the Desk Of..... Thomas A. Wurz, Esquire

CONNECTICUT FIREARM LEGISLATION

In the wake of the Sandy Hook massacre the state enacted a law requiring individuals who own an “assault” rifle, such as an AR-15, to register it before the end of 2013 or potentially be charged with a felony. However, due to the unrealistic timing constraints this swift moving legislation placed on people many were unable to register in compliance with the law.

The reason so many people were unable to comply with this law is because the sheer number of applications overwhelmed the system. The state simply could not process all of the applications in a timely enough fashion to comply with the law. Adding to the problem was that many people purchased assault rifles in the weeks before the law. So not only were there people looking to register old guns, there were also new gun owners waiting on federal registration paperwork looking to register with the state. One individual informed me that he went through the process only to have his paperwork sent back to him by the state. He still does not know if his rifle is legally registered or not.

Currently, many residents are left to be in violation of the law due to this legislation. Enforcement of this law has taken a backseat for the time being. This is problematic for the general public’s confidence in the system and the overall function of government. In order to clean this mess up the law should be repealed. If further legislation is sought, all of the regular procedures and gerrymandering should take place. It baffles me that elected officials fail to consider things from all angles before they seek to push through laws that affect so many lives.

Laws are made to keep the public safe and provide everyone life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness. They should not criminalize people for unjust reasons solely because their impact was not well thought out by the legislature. Compounding the issue is that this law remains on the books and has the potential to be enforced against individuals who attempted to comply. I thought we have checks and balances for a reason...



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This article brought to you in the interest of better dental health!

By: David R. Edelson, D.M.D.



Pacifiers Have Negative and Positive Effects



It’s one of the hardest habits to break and can require a great deal of persuasion: Parents often struggle with weaning their child off of a pacifier.

There is much debate regarding the use of pacifiers, but there is evidence to show that there are both pros and cons, according to a study in General Dentistry, the Academy of General Dentistry’s (AGD) clinical, peer-reviewed journal.

Contrary to popular belief, there are some positive effects that result from sucking on pacifiers. One is that they assist in reducing the incidence of sudden infant death syndrome (SIDS). Babies who are offered a pacifier do not sleep as deeply as those who sleep without a pacifier. Pacifier sucking makes it possible for the infant to be aroused from a deep sleep that could result in the stopping of breathing. Pacifiers also increase sucking satisfaction and provide a source of comfort to infants.

However, parents should be aware of the negative effects of pacifier sucking on an infant’s oral health. Children should stop using pacifiers by age 2. Up until the age of 2, any alignment problem with the teeth or the developing bone is usually corrected within a 6-month period after pacifier use is stopped. Prolonged pacifier use and thumb sucking can cause problems with the proper growth of the mouth, alignment of the teeth and changes in the shape of the roof of the mouth. There is also an association between pacifier use and acute middle ear infections (otitis media).

Continuous sucking on a pacifier can cause the auditory tubes to become abnormally open, which allows secretions from the throat to seep into the middle ear. Transmission of bacteria in secretions would lead to middle ear infections.

The bottom line is that if your child is continuously battling middle ear infections, you may have an alternative to surgery or antibiotics to stop this problem which would be to remove the pacifier.

Breaking the pacifier habit is not always easy, and there are several methods parents can use to stop it. Parents can dip the pacifier in white vinegar, making it distasteful; pierce the nipple of the pacifier with an ice pick or cut it shorter to reduce sucking satisfaction; leave it behind on a trip; or implement the “cold turkey” method.

Tips and recommendations:

- Pacifier use should be restricted to the time when the infant is falling asleep.
- Pacifiers can cause severe lacerations if the shield is held inside the lips.
- Look for a pacifier with ventilation holes in the shield, as they permit air passage. This is important if the pacifier accidentally becomes lodged in your child’s throat.
- In order to prevent strangulation, do not place a cord around your child’s neck to hold a pacifier. Look for pacifiers that have a ring.
- A symmetrical nipple permits the pacifier to remain in the correct sucking position.
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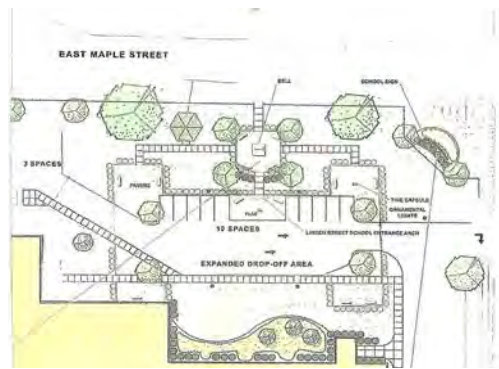
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Poems are made by fools like me,
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Linden Tree

Alfred Joyce Kilmer

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Ask the Linden Project Committee
Submit Your Historical Questions

Ask Nan and Rose

LINDEN CORNER – SEPTEMBER 2016

THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU

The demolition phase of the project is now behind us and the Linden Project Committee moves toward restoration of the property and the creation of the envisioned student safe passway. Before we can move forward, the committee pauses to acknowledge the superb cooperation, caring support, extra time and attention we have received from the Manafort Brothers, demolition contractor, the Town of Plainville Buildings and Grounds and Facilities management and crew, the Town Manager and the Historical Society. These efforts have been much appreciated and essential to the ultimate successful completion of the pleasant, safe, pick up/drop off area for the use of students who arrive at Linden St School in private vehicles.

This property came with an inherent historical element. It was discovered that in the past, Linden families, students and staff had donated memorial artifacts to be placed there, alongside the original school bell salvaged from the Broad St School. The committee made a commitment to save these things, along with some elements of the old building and incorporate them in the new design.

Manafort Brothers must be complimented on the clean, minimally intrusive, safe operation during the demolition of the building and the adherence to the timeline—critically structured by the school year for the safety of the student body. We know, for sure, that it took extra time and effort to save the Linden tree, a gift from a Linden Student Council, and the Helen P. Coughlin tree, a gift of the Coughlin family. Both remain where they were planted, the Linden tree precariously close to the 1924 foundation and the Coughlin tree standing near the entrance to the new safe passway. Workers were noticed watering them through the extreme heat and possible root disruption. Be assured that Plainville was watching and that we thank you.

The committee is compiling a new list of benefactors who have expressed a desire to contribute to the new design of the Linden corner and Manafort Brothers will top that list by providing us with a generous pallet of hand-cleaned, salvaged bricks that we plan to offer to the public for a modest donation. The funds will be used at the discretion of the Linden Project Committee. Other people have spoken about purchasing lasting elements of the design.

The town crew has moved, and safely stored, most of the historical artifacts-- gifts to the town from the past. The Christopher Auer gazebo, however, could not be restored. The weathervane, the flower boxes and the original plaque are stored and we plan to replace the gazebo near the pick-up area to provide students with another safe place to wait for their ride. It was a chore during a busy season and we thank them. (We know the bell was heavy.) I would be remiss if I didn't comment here on the personal support and professional expertise and guidance this committee has received since the beginning from Mr. Lee, throughout the planning process. We also appreciate all of the interest and input of citizens and Linden alumni. You know who you are.

It is our wish to make Plainville proud of this little corner nestled in a charming traditional neighborhood.

The Linden Project Committee, appointed by the Town Council, consists of Nan Eberhardt and Rose Stanley of the Plainville Historical Society, Richard and Rebecca Ireland, Gary and Janice Eisenhauer and new member, Carmine Lalama.

...Janice Eisenhauer, Secretary

JUST TO BE CLEAR....

The Linden project committee is offering the first of several opportunities for the community-- the historic brick sale-- so ably headed up by Carmine Lalama, your chance to personally support the reclamation of the Old Linden Schoolyard. We appreciate every bit of interest and support.

Just for clarity, it should be noted that all monetary contributions to the historic brick sale will be deposited in a special fund to be used only and specifically for this project. Gary Eisenhauer will serve as citizen treasurer. The fund will be administered at the discretion of the committee and will furnish a full and public report at an appropriate time. The Historical Society is supportive of this effort and bricks are available at the Historic Center and you will see them at other venues around town. But do not misunderstand, the Historical Society will not be the direct beneficiary of your donation.

If this is not clearer than mud, please feel free to contact me.

...

Janice Eisenhauer, Secretary
The Linden Project Committee

Rotary Welcomes New Members



The members of the Plainville Rotary Club are proud to announce the induction of its newest members, Plainville Community Schools Superintendent Dr. Maureen Brummett and Assistant Superintendent Steven LePage. Pictured from left, Stacy Boyajian, membership chairperson and membersponsor, LePage, Brummett, and Jane

Buden, Club President The inductees are one of two groups currently under the Corporate Membership now being offered through Plainville Rotary. Businesses can join and appoint up to four designees as the individuals attending club meetings, participating in fundraisers and projects, serving as club officers, etc. The Plainville Rotary Club meets Monday's at 12:15 at J. Timothy's. For more information, visit our website www.plainvillerotary.org

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East Street Gang Reunites

Shown are photos of a recently held (August 13 – 95 degrees and 95 percent humidity) reunion for a group of Plainville neighborhood friends from the 60's loosely titled the East Street Gang reunion. The gathering is held annually at the home of one of the original members being the Steadman clan. . .Donald, Jimmy, Peter, Russell and Kenny who own property constituting a compound where christmas trees are grown and sold. This years event was held at Jimmy and Cathy Steadman's Maple Hollow Farm in New Hartford, CT.

The Bellos (3 boys) and Steadmans (6 boys/3 girls) lived next store to each other on the East Street block between Maple Streets and Pine Streets. . .and grew up the old fashioned way. We have been life long friends although most of us went separate ways. . .the Steadmans managed to hang together over these many years. . .the Christmas Tree business started on East Street with the Bello, Poulous and Flood properties.

Lots of stories about Cronk Road, Wiffle Ball, Barbelloman Stadium, Hough Street Gang 7 Years War, Sherman Sand Pit, Train Hopping. . .then high school sports and it goes on. . .Vietnam War. . .



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L-R Peter Steadman, John Bello, Tom Barber, Jim Steadman, Bobby Lucco. . . all PHS 64 except Jim PHS 63.



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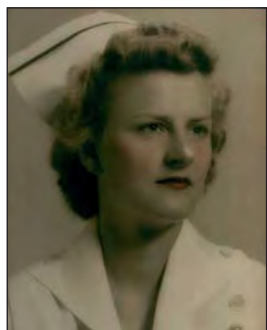
~ Joan Carol (Doolittle) Beyer ~

73, died July 23, 2016. She was born and raised in Plainville and graduated from Plainville High School as a member of the class of 1961.

She married Fred Beyer who also graduated from Plainville High as a member of the class of 1958. After her husband's discharge from the Air Force, they settled in Glendale, Ariz. They were married for 54 Years. Joan is survived by her husband, her son, Frederick II of Glendale, Ariz; her grandchildren Frederick III and Benjamin, also of Glendale, a brother Robert Doolittle of Plainville; a nephew, Christopher Doolittle; and many cousins in the Plainville-Southington area.

She was buried in Glendale at the discretion of her family.

~ Ann J. Brow ~



was born on December 18, 1917 in New Britain, CT. She was the daughter of the late John and Stella Lapinski. Ann graduated from the New Britain School of Nursing and worked at the New Britain Hospital in the Surgery Center.

Ann along with her late husband Joseph Brow, opened the East Coast Super Market in Bristol, CT. In 1964, Ann, her husband and children packed up their bags and moved to Lighthouse Point, FL. There she and her husband opened up the Rainsoft Water Conditioning dealership in Pompano Beach, Florida. While there she worked hard, raised her family and still had a chance to enjoy Florida sunshine.

In 2012 Ann moved to Port St. Lucie to live with her daughter and son-in-law. At the age of 98 she transcended to the next leg of her journey.

Ann is preceded by her husband, Joseph Brow, and sister Lydia Kulmatz. Ann is survived by her loving children, David Brow, of Deerfield Beach, FL.

Martin Brow of Franklin, North Carolina with wife Evy, Kathleen Sterner, of Port St. Lucie, FL. with husband Karl, and Joel Brow of Lighthouse Point, FL. with wife Patty. Ann is also Survived by her grandchildren, Loren, Jeremy, Nicolas, Eleanor, Stephanie, Danielle and her great grandchildren Max and Ella, as well as sister-in-laws Helen Bergenty and Patricia Lostocco of Plainville, CT.

In lieu of flowers please send donations to Disabled American Veterans or Treasure Coast Hospice. Funeral arrangements have been entrusted in care of Martin Funeral Home. On-line condolences and memories can be made at www.martin-funeral.com

~ Joseph 'Joe' Cumbo ~



42, of Plainville, passed away on August 3, 2016. He was the loving husband and father to his wife, Carrie (Dains) Cumbo and his two children, Jayden and Alexis.

Joe was born on November 4, 1973 in New Britain. He attended schools in Plainville and worked as an assistant grocery manager at Shop Rite supermarket for many years. Being a father was his greatest achievement and favorite hobby. He was very involved with his kids, including being a parent helper for his son's little league baseball team.

In addition to his wife and two children, Joe is survived by his mother and step -father, Maryann Cumbo- Paul and Ralph Paul; his father and step-mother, Jerrold Cumbo and Georgia Cumbo, of AZ; his parent-in-laws, James and Frances Reed; his aunts and uncles, Linda Zavec, Jackie Blowers, Reggie Plourde, of LI, and Joanne Stuckey, of TX; and many cousins. Joe was predeceased by his maternal grandparents, Damas and Cecile Plourde, of New Britain; his paternal grandparents, Joseph and Loretta Cumbo, of Windsor Locks; and his uncles and aunts, Raymond and Jonie Plourde, of Plainville, Rosemarie Volonino, of New Britain and Doug Blowers, of Cromwell.

Funeral services in honor of Joe's life were held on at Bailey Funeral Home, 48 Broad Street, Plainville. There will be a visitation period an hour prior to the service. In lieu of flowers, the family has set up a fund, "Jayden and Alexis Cumbo Fund," for Joe's two children and donations can be made out to the fund through any Webster Bank.

~ David Michael Carroll ~



Marine Corps. He served with distinction in Vietnam and afterwards he was assigned Embassy duty, also serving with distinction. He was a proud Marine. After his service to our country, he followed his dream and traveled to many exotic places in the Far East, learning about people, cultures and places. He was an avid reader and loved books by Hemingway and other adventurers. He then settled in Reno, Nevada and assumed his role in Casino security for several casinos and hotels. His broad base of knowledge made him an exact fit for this profession.

He leaves behind his brother, William P. Carroll, Jr and his wife Kathleen of Bristol, their sons Neil, Michael and Bryan; his sister Kathleen M. Carroll-Goff also of Bristol. He will be missed by his favorite niece, Nancy Eastwood and her husband Mark of Somers and their children, Bryan and Brandon. Also missing him will be his nephew Jere Murphy and his wife Jeannie and their children, Ryan, Nate, Carly and Sam. David was also predeceased by his sister Diane.

Funeral services and burial with military honors will be held privately. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Marine Corps League Hardware City Detachment #781 41 Veterans Drive VFW Post 511 New Britain, CT 06051. The Bailey Funeral Home 48 Broad Street in Plainville has care of arrangements.

~ Geraldine Dionne ~



72, of Bristol, formerly of Plainville for 50 years, passed away peacefully surrounded by her family on June 23, 2016. Born in Canada, June 19, 1944.

She was predeceased by her husband Gerald of 50 years and her parents, Joseph and Theresa (Nadeau) Bonenfant. She is survived by her children, Linda Gregg and her husband,

David of Bristol, Jimmy Dionne and his wife Debbie, of Plymouth, Roger Dionne and his wife Michelle, of Unionville and Sandra Dionne of Bristol; 17 grandchildren; Rachel Bourdeau, Melissa Baskin, Ryan and Sean Gregg, Stephanie and Domanick Lutz, Abigail, Katherine, Susanna, Jimmy Jr., Joseph, Noah, Nicholas, Nicole, Jaclyn, Elijah and R.J. Dionne, four great-grandchildren; Sophia and Hannah Bourdeau, Addyson Beloin and Travis Gregg; a brother, Real Bonenfant of Southington and a sister, Marie Claire Gagnon of Bristol.

Geraldine was a devoted Wife, Mother and Méméré. She attended Faith Bible Church in Plainville.

A memorial service was held at Faith Bible Church, 168 Unionville Ave. Plainville.

~ Everett Johnson ~



93, of Plainville passed away at the Hospital of Central Connecticut on August 8, 2016. He is now reunited with his loving wife, Dorothy Johnson.

Everett was born on July 30, 1923, son to the late William and Ebba (Norton) Johnson. He was a lifetime resident of Plainville and a member of the Plainville United Methodist Church. A proud American, Everett served our country in the United States Army Air Force where he was honorably discharged, having received a Purple Heart and a Good Conduct Medal. In addition, Everett was prisoner of war during the time he served our country in WWII. He later became a member of the organization, "American Ex-Prisoners of War."

Everett is survived by his son, Jeffrey Johnson, of East Hampton; several nieces and nephews, great nieces and nephews, and great-great nieces and nephews. In addition, he is survived by his loving companion, Anna Newell. He was predeceased by all of his siblings.

Funeral Services in honor of Everett's life were held at the Plainville United Methodist Church, 56 Red Stone Hill, Plainville. Bailey Funeral Home, 48 Broad Street, Plainville assisted the family with arrangements.

~ William Alfred "Al" Johnson ~



age 101, of Plainville, passed away peacefully on July 18, 2016 at the Hospital of Central Connecticut in New Britain. He is now reunited with his loving wife of 70 years, Bertha Johnson, who predeceased him in 2010.

Al was born in Plainville on March 28, 1915 son to

the late Clifton and Ceatter (Martin) Johnson. He was a former member of the Redeemer's AME Zion Methodist Church in Plainville and then became affiliated with the Church of the Bible in Plainville. Al was a member of the Farmington Valley Choral Society and of all tunes, he loved classical music. He spent many years gardening with his wife by his side providing fresh produce for their family and neighbors. A cancer survivor himself, Al was a volunteer for the American Cancer Society for many years receiving state-level recognition for his continuous support. He also volunteered his time at the voting polls for many years. Al spent the majority of his working years in the metal finishing industry and was employed by Plainville Plating Company, INC, the company he retired from. In addition, Al was a member of the Order of the Masonic Lodge and in his former years served tables at the Farmington Country Club.

Al is survived by his son, Gary Johnson and Gary's wife, Emelita, of Los Angeles, CA; his grandchildren, Derek T. Johnson, Sr. and Derek's wife, Arnetta, of AZ, and Shonagh R. Bass, of CA; his great-grandchildren, Essence Beachum, Ebony Johnson, and Derek T. Johnson, Jr.; his nieces and nephews, Gail Williams, Alison Johnson, Rodney Johnson, Lisa Johnson, Gordon Mayers, Francis Hobson, MD, Norene Robinson, Anita Baldwin, Charlyne Brooks, and John A. Johnson, Jr. He also leaves a host of great nieces and nephews and great-great nieces and nephews. In addition to his wife, he was predeceased by his siblings, Clifton Levester Johnson, Mary Louise Mayers, Ethel Williams, Ceatter Ernestine Johnson, and John A. Johnson, Sr.

Funeral Services in honor of Al's life were held on at the Church of the Bible, 160 West Main Street, Plainville. Friends and family are asked to meet directly at the church. Burial will be held in West Cemetery, Plainville. Bailey Funeral Home, 48 Broad St, Plainville, CT assisted the family with arrangements. If people wish to send condolences to the family, they can be sent to the funeral home and will be passed onto Al's family. Contributions in memory of Al's life can be made to the American Cancer Society, 1075 Chase Parkway Suite 4, Waterbury, CT 06708.

*When you were born, you cried
and the world rejoiced.
Live your life so that when
you die, the world cries
and you rejoice!*

OBITUARIES

Samuel Joseph “Kimmie” Kimble Jr.



65, passed away on Saturday, July 9, 2016 at home after a long illness.

He was the first son of Samuel J. Kimble, Sr. and the late Virginia (Corlette) Kimble. He is survived by his sisters, Nancy Kimble, of Hamden, and Julia Kimble-MATHIS, of Atlanta, and his brother,

William Kimble, of Bristol. He was preceded in death by his brother, Jeffrey Kimble. In addition, he is survived by Kelly Killduff, whom he loved as his own daughter. He was the fun uncle to his many nieces and nephews, including his godson, Michael Glines, of Florida.

Kimmie attended Plainville schools graduating from Plainville High in 1969 where he was a stand out in Track and Field and Basketball. He continued to play basketball at Winsted and Tunxis Community Colleges.

Kimmie leaves a host of friends at John F. Kennedy Apartments in Bristol where he lived for many years. He was a musician his whole life spending many years playing alongside his father.

The family would like to thank those who cared for Sam for many years, especially Karen Harris.

A Memorial Servicewas held at Bailey Funeral Home, 48 Broad Street, Plainville, CT. Friends and family gathered at the funeral home prior to the service.

~ Helen A. (Skalaban) Schultz ~



89, of Plainville, passed away peacefully at the Alzheimer’s Resource Center in Plantsville on August 6, 2016. She is now reunited with her loving husband of 28 years, Alfred Schultz, who predeceased her in 1970.

Helen was born on October 9, 1926 in Waterbury daughter to the late Alec and Anna (Onishko) Skalaban. She was a communicant of Our Lady of Mercy Church in Plainville for several years. Helen worked for Stanley Magic Door for 25 years. Helen was very involved with the activities and outings at the Plainville Senior Center, including taking trips to the casino. She enjoyed traveling, one of her favorite destinations being the beach. Helen was a member of AARP and the Women’s Auxiliary at the VFW. In addition, she volunteered her time at the voting polls. Above all, Helen enjoyed spending her time with her family, especially her grandchildren that she adored.

Helen is survived by her daughters, Maryann Davis and her husband Jim, of Plainville, Carol Timbro and her husband Michael, of Middlefield, and Mary Jane Schultz; her grandchildren, Salvatore Timbro and his wife Sue, Christine Timbro, Robert John Timbro and his wife, Tracy, Brian Timbro and his wife, Michelle, James and Matthew Davis, Ryan Schultz and his wife, Loretta, and Melissa Boege and her husband, Kurt; her great-grandchildren, Cole, Meaghan, and Nathan Timbro; her sister, Sophie Riback; her nephew, John Riback and his wife Mary Ellen; and several nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by her husband, Alfred Schultz, her son, Robert Schultz, and her brother, Alex Skalaban.

Helen’s family would like to extend their gratitude to all of the caretakers of 2A at the Alzheimer’s Resource Center for taking exceptional care of Helen and for all their love, compassion, and kindness.

Funeral Services for Helen were held from Bailey Funeral Home, 48 Broad St., Plainville, to Our Lady of Mercy Church, 94 Broad Street, Plainville for a Mass of Christian Burial. Burial was in St. Joseph Cemetery in Plainville. In lieu of flowers, contributions in memory of Helen can be made to the Alzheimer’s Resource Center, 1261 South Main Street, Plantsville, CT 06479.

*"Live as if you were to die tomorrow.
Learn as if you were to live forever."
- Mahatma Gandhi*

~ Jean Kong ~



67, of Plainville, wife of James Kong, passed away surrounded by her family on Thursday, August 4, 2016, following an illness that she faced with much dignity and strength.

Born in China on December 13, 1948, she was the only child to the late Chow Tung Chun and Hom Hing Gwong. After moving to the U.S. at age 11, she resided in Newington, where she graduated high school, and went on to earn her Bachelor’s Degree in Mathematics from St. Joseph College in West Hartford. Jean and James settled in Plainville where they raised their three children, and owned and operated the Great Wall restaurant downtown for 10 years. Jean went on to work for the Hartford Insurance Company for the next 23 years, after which she retired. Her greatest joy was being a grandmother to her five adored grandchildren. She will also be remembered for her love for reading, gardening, previously working part time at the Plainville Public Library, and cheering on the UCONN women’s basketball team.

In addition to her husband, James, she leaves her son, Colin and his wife, Grace; her daughters, Erin and her husband, Gerald and Kelly and her husband, Adam; her five grandchildren, Christian, Emelia, Geoffrey, Andrew, and Emily; her extended family and many friends.

A memorial Mass in celebration of Jean’s life was held at Our Lady of Mercy Church, Broad St, Plainville. Committal services followed at St. Mary Cemetery, New Britain. In lieu of flowers, Jean’s love for reading may be remembered with contribution to the Plainville Public Library, 56 E. Main St., Plainville, CT 06062. P

Plantsville Funeral Home has been entrusted with handling arrangements. For online condolences, please visit www.plantsvillefuneralhome.com.

~ Norma D. Powell ~



91, of Plainville, passed away peacefully at Touchpoints of Farmington on August 5, 2016. She is now reunited with her loving husband, the late Andrew H. Powell.

Norma was born on February 20, 1925 daughter to the late Duane and Maydelle (Safford) Daniels. She was a member of the United Methodist Church in Plainville where she regularly attended services and gatherings, becoming one of the “Tuesday Ladies” of the church. In addition she was very involved with the activities and outings at the Senior Center of Plainville.

She is survived by her sons, Dana Powell and Don Powell and his wife, Heidi; her daughters, Karen Roux and her husband, Phillip, and Laura Landgren and her husband, Glen; her grandchildren, Mary, Joseph, Justin, Ashley, Raeann, Cheryl, and Nathan; her six great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by her siblings and by her daughter, Elaine Powell.

Funeral Services in honor of Norma’s life was held at the United Methodist Church, 56 Red Stone Hill, Plainville. Bailey Funeral Home, 48 Broad Street, Plainville assisted the family with arrangements. Burial was held in the State Veterans Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, contributions in memory of Norma can be made out to the Plainville Senior Citizens Center, 200 East Street, Plainville, CT 06062

~ Mary (Chmura) Tagariello ~



84, of Plainville died July 11, 2016, at home peacefully with her family by her side. She was the beloved wife of the late George J. Tagariello Sr. for 65 years.

Mary was born in New Britain, Conn., on July 2, 1932, the daughter of the late Albert Chmura and Anna Prus. She attended schools in New Britain. She was a homemaker until all her children attended school, then went to work for GE for a short period of time, and later made a career at Hi-Speed machine products in Kensington, as a dedicated employee for more than 20 years. She retired at a young age of 57 so she and her husband could travel around the world meeting a lot of wonderful friends along the way. She was a member of Our Lady of Mercy Church since the 1960s. Mary enjoyed crocheting, needlepoint, and gardening. Among her favorite things were going to the casino and the beach. Her family was the most important thing in her life and she found great joy in caring for her grandchildren and great-grandchildren over the years.

She is survived by her devoted daughters and son and their spouses, George Tagariello of Enfield; Joann Quinones and Mike Goody of Oakdale; Carol and Chuck Klein of Tolland; Rosemarie Albert of Plainville; Tina and Alfred Bossie of Southington; and Annabel Tobey and Matt Welk of Jacksonville, Vt. She is also survived by her grandchildren and great-grandchildren, Christopher and Kacee; Mikki and Will and their children, Jenna and Jazzy; Lonny and his son, Nikko; April and Lenny and their children, Sydney, Alexandria and Kylie; Samantha and her daughter, Katlyn; Diana and her son, Jacob; Conrad and Maria and their son, Mico; Michael and Laurell Marinelli; Ricky and Carol and their daughter Ann Marie, Eli and Lindsey, and their children Dustin, Shane, and Anastasia; Michelle Heinzman and her children, Sabrina, Adrian and Steven; Jessica and Jason and their son, Logan; Christopher, Elizabeth and Kevin and their sons, Emmett and Samuel, and Mary. In addition, she is survived by her brother, Albert and his wife, Janet, and their children, Jennifer, Annie and Albert, and Jennifer’s daughter, Kiana. She was predeceased by her granddaughter, Jasmine Reynolds.

We would like to extend a very special thank you to the Vitas Hospice group that ensured our mother was comfortable and supported us through this difficult time.

Funeral Services for Mary were held from Bailey Funeral Home, 48 Broad St., Plainville, to Our Lady of Mercy Church for a Mass of Christian Burial in St. Joseph Cemetery in Plainville.



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~ Andrew "Andy" Jackie ~



72, passed away at his home in Plainville, CT on May 24, 2016 with family by his side. He battled cancer for 3 years, specifically pancreatic cancer in his final six months. The battle was difficult and he fought valiantly. His final moments, however, were peaceful for which his family will be forever grateful.

Andy was born in New Britain on March 12, 1944. He attended New Britain High School and later served in the National Guard. He worked with Fafnir and New Departure before becoming a partner in business with his brother in Sno-White Car Wash, which he owned until his death. He was active in the CT Car Wash Association and loved the car wash business. Andy was also passionate about sports. He loved the NY Yankees, NY Giants, and UCONN Huskies. He was also a baseball coach for the Plainville Alumni Baseball league for many years (much to the chagrin of many umpires). Andy also loved to talk. He never met a stranger and would often chat for hours with new friends (whether they knew it or not). Close family and friends knew to budget their time, as brief conversations often turned into lengthy discussions. You see, he was not a great student in scholarly terms (as he would tell you), but he learned from life's interactions with others. He learned from everyone willing to participate in one of his verbal marathons. So while many may have walked away from him exhausted, each and every person he encountered helped shape him and we are eternally thankful for the their time.

Andy was predeceased by his parents, John and Helen, and his brother Bob. He is survived by his wife Nancy; two sons, Phil and Paul; daughters-in law Andrea and Barbara; two sisters, Judy and Kathy; and brother John. He also is survived by seven grandchildren Philip, Stephanie, Kristina, Kasha, Kayla, Alyssa, and Megan. He also left behind the beloved family granddogs Mugsy, Mars, Molly, Maggie and Blue. Nancy Jackie was the love of his life. They met as 16 year olds in 1960 and wed in 1966. They were a team until the very end. In his free time, Andy enjoyed travelling with Nancy to Gloucester, MA and Sanibel Island, FL. He loved the beach and watching the boats sail by, which marked the rare occasions that left Andy speechless. His family wants to express gratitude for the loving care and compassion he received from Bristol Hospital Cancer Care Center throughout his battle. Katie, his primary nurse, is a special person and someone Andy considered a friend. A service was conducted at St. Mary's church in Newington, CT. Burial will be private for family. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to the The Lustgarten Foundation at www.lustgarten.org/donate for pancreatic cancer research.

~ Elsie (Thibodeau) Tardiff ~



74, of Plainville passed away Thursday August 18, 2016 at Apple Rehab of Farmington Valley. She was the loving wife of Gerald Tardiff.

Elsie was born October 29, 1941 in Saint Francis, Maine a daughter of the late

Hector F. and Celia M. (Bouchard) Thibodeau and was a longtime Plainville resident. She had worked as an administrative assistant at Johnson & Johnson retiring in 2002 after many years of service. Elsie enjoyed bowling, traveling and dancing, but mostly she loved spending time with her family, especially her grandchildren.

Besides her husband Gerald, she leaves her daughter, Lisa Cole of Plantsville, her son, Todd Edgecomb of Northeast, Maryland, her brother, Eldon Thibodeau of Fort Meyers, FL, her sisters, Nancy Hughes of New Milford and Judy Lockhart of Hermon, Maine, her grandchildren, Jessica and Kayla Cole and Paige and Dylan Edgecomb, her step daughters, Christine Boucher and her children, Angelique, Makenna and Leah and Elizabeth Boyd and her children, Breanne, Isabell and Seth all of Georgia. Elsie was predeceased by her brothers, Wilbur, Martin and Ervin Thibodeau.

A mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at Our Lady of Mercy Church 94 Broad Street in Plainville. Burial followed in Saint Joseph Cemetery in Plainville. There were no calling hours. The Bailey Funeral Home 48 Broad Street in Plainville has care of arrangements.

~ Jeannine (Cyr) Vaillancourt ~

87, of Sayre, PA, formerly of Plainville, passed away on August 22, 2016 at the Athens Health and Rehabilitation Center. She is now reunited with her loving husband, Ernest Vaillancourt.

Jeannine was born on June 16, 1929 daughter to the late Ludger and Florence (Caron) Cyr. She was a communicant of Our Lady of Mercy Church in Plainville. Jeannine worked as a CNA at Plainville Healthcare for over 28 years.

Jeannine is survived by her son, Ronald Vaillancourt, daughter-in-law Patricia, and Granddaughter Carrie all of Sayre PA.

Funeral services in celebration of Jeannine's life began from Bailey Funeral Home, 48 Broad Street, Plainville, and a Mass of Christian Burial followed at Our Lady of Mercy Church, 94 Broad Street, Plainville. Burial followed in Saint Joseph Cemetery, Plainville.

Voice of the taxpayer, not the lobbyist.... people before politics

*By: Helen Bergenty, Chairman
Plainville Republican Town Committee*

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DO YOU ACCEPT CASH?

Bank of America policy

Jeannette Hinkson; Publisher/Editor

We have often joked the day will come when someone questions our use of cash and this past week something happened that came very close to that. I went to Bank of America on Whiting Street in our town and attempted to make a deposit. When I got to the cashier I said I wanted to make a deposit but didn't have the account number but perhaps they could look it up. The young lady said I would have to fill out a deposit slip, with the name and address on the account and she would look up the account number. OK, so far, so good. She gave me the deposit slip and I filled it out and then placed the "\$400 cash" deposit on the counter.

That is when things went south, or so you might say. The cashier then said she had to see my I.D. My question was, "WHY?" She explained it was bank policy and she could not take my "cash" deposit unless I produced my I.D. Now, my wallet was in my car, it was a hot day and I am of an age that the less I have to walk, the better. Well, I went to my car and got my I.D. and got back in line and the longer I waited the madder I got.

Others entered the bank and soon a line formed as we waited for the one teller that was working. It was finally my turn and I placed my drivers' license on the counter in front of her, along with the deposit. She glanced at my I.D. and reached for the deposit and that was when I told her I wanted to see her I.D. I said I didn't know her and perhaps she didn't even work for the bank and was a robber. I asked for her boss and wanted her I.D. as well. The head teller said it was bank practice to require I.D. when accepting deposits or withdrawals. I can understand you would need I.D. when getting money out of the bank but this was a "cash" deposit. I made the offer to anyone in the bank that wanted to put money in my account at any time, to go for it.

QUESTION: Are the people at Bank of America crazy. What kind of scam can someone pull depositing cash into a bank account? I have done business with almost every other bank in Plainville over my many years in business and have yet had to produce my I.D. when making a deposit. I called the other banks in Plainville and none of them require an I.D. to make a deposit. From my point of view this is the most customer "unfriendly" institution I have ever done business with.

Now, you might wonder why this article is appearing on the pet page. As the Publisher of the paper I feel if you are going to treat your customers like dogs this is where a story about Bank of America belongs, but I must say I believe my dogs receive better treatment!

Money will buy a fine dog, but only kindness will make him wag his tail

Pet Page

"New from the Pet Page"

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Thank You Jeannette:

I had to move into an apartment that did not allow pets & one of your Hometown readers called me and my dog is now with a loving family in town. Good Idea at least I know he has a good home. Thanks again, Jackie B.



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