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The Art Reception was held at the Connecticut Casualty Co. office recently for

Artist Marc Stolfi of Torrington. He was trained as an illustrator and worked as such for several years before focusing solely on fine art. He works in many styles and mediums despite having been told by several galleries to stick to one. This led to his workspace being named Wrong Way Studio. The artwork on display reflects the variety of Marc's work over the span of several years including his latest series of politicallyinspired charcoal drawings. These drawings are Marc's response to what is happening in our country and world today. Guns, freedom, morality, government, the Constitution and terrorism are in the news daily and he addresses these subjects in this series. These are to be viewed almost like court-room drawings reflecting the world as Marc sees it in that moment. Ultimately the viewer will interpret these works through their own worldview prism and may come to different conclusions about it. If a visceral response is produced with his visual stimulus, then Marc has achieved his goal. Pictured with Marc (center) Marc Johnston (Left) and Angelo Aldi (Right).

Take a Peek....





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Veterans Come Together to Celebrate the 4th

Patriotism and the Spirit of 1776 is alive and well on Bohemia Street. The veterans in the picture are from left to right, Carmine LaLama, U.S. Marine Corps, Joseph Babin, U.S. Army, Tony Doucette, U.S. Air Force and Larry Weeks, U.S. Navy.

Thanks to these men and all the Veterans from all the wars, that have kept us safe and kept our freedom.



Remember To Fly Our Flag on 4TH OF JULY







The Deed of Giving is the Very Foundation of Mankind

UBI Board of Director, Richard Guimond, supports a local charity while enjoying the beautiful sunshine at the 3rd Annual PARC Golf Tournament.

Guimond played alongside Chief Executive Officer, Stuart Philips, at the charity event held on May 18, 2013 at Hawks Landing in Southington. For the past three years both Guimond and the UBI team have been strong supporters of PARC and the Fredrick Franklin Lodge. This year, UBI was a proud platinum sponsor and is pleased to have participated in the tournament. The proceeds from the tournament benefit a scholarship fund for second year masonry students who are dedicated to making a tangible difference in the world. The event brought in approximately 83 golfers, "It was a good turnout," said Guimond. He went on to say that he hopes to see more people participate in the coming years.

"A man's true wealth comes from the good he does in the world." This quote by Muhammad is displayed in the UBI Federal Credit Union lobby and is demonstrated through the actions of its employees. UBI's dedication to helping others is evident in the countless efforts they make with members each day, as well as through their attentive devotion to contribution within the Plainville community.





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Here are some of your favorite places, people or things around town to rave about this month!

{Roberta raves}

I am not a restaurant critic, but when I stumble across a place worth raving about, I want to share it with friends and others. Tuscany Steak & Seafood has recently come to my attention. Service is efficient & friendly, the prices are more than reasonable. I urge you to visit Tuscany for real dining pleasure.



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Irene's Lingerie Shop, Whiting Street, was a lifesaver! I shopped at a few "big box" stores to find a particular item, I desperately needed and to no avail. A friend told me to try Irene's and sure enough, she had EXACTLY what I was looking for! The owner is very helpful and friendly. Let's help support our town businesses.

Email your "fave or rave" in today to be in the July/August issue. Praise your contractor for doing a good job or tell us about your favorite restaurant, store, or service you received by a professional. Phone 860-747-4119 ~ Thank you!

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Robert E. Lee, Town Manager's Report to: Town Council~June 3

Electronic Recycling – Green Monster

- The Towns' current electronic recycler has offered to pay \$.05 per pound to collect "computers and printers and all covered electronic devices generated by residents, businesses and schools" This is a higher offer than what was proposed by Covanta.
- Covanta was contacted and stated that they would not be willing to match the Green Monster offer.
- Last year Green Monster collected 19,800 lbs. of electronics at the transfer station. Under their current proposal, the Town would have received \$990.
- If the Town Council wishes to move forward this evening with either the Covanta or Green Monster proposal an item should be added under New Business.

Summer Meeting Schedule

• The regular meetings are currently scheduled for July 1st and 15th, August 5th and 19th and September 3rd.

Agent of Record Update

• The Agent of Record Committee received proposals from 6 different firms. Three of those firms were interviewed. After the interviews, the Committee voted to stay with the current Agent of Record – H.D. Segur of Cheshire. No action is required by the Town Council regarding the continuation of Segur as the Towns' Agent of Record.

FY2013 Budget Update

- As of May 29th, 83.2% of the FY 13 budget has been spent. It is anticipated that the general government budget will require an additional appropriation of approximately \$250,000 to cover the police OT line item. The BOE budget is expected to come in under budget by \$40,000. This is in addition to the \$384,000 that was transferred to the BOE capital improvement line item earlier this year.
- Overall, it is expected that revenues will come in almost \$1.4M above what was anticipated primarily due to several large capital projects being closed out – namely – the Linden Street School project, the Water Pollution Control Facility project and the Norton Park Grant program.
- The undesignated fund balance is anticipated to grow from 5.55% to 7.33%. (\$4.06M)

Town Manager Report to: Town Council ~ June 17

C-PACE Program

- The C-PACE program is an innovative financing model that will allow commercial, industrial and non-profit building owners across the state to access cleaner, cheaper and more reliable energy. The program requires that each Town pass a resolution before a property owner can take advantage of the benefits.
- The Plainville Chamber of Commerce has

Condominium Trash and Recycling Collection

- The three year CWPM contract to collect solid waste and recyclables from the condominiums is scheduled to expire at the end of June. CWPM has provided the condominium refuse collection since the early 1990's. The contract currently totals \$189,907 for 864 units.
- The condominium associations reimburse the Town for the difference between the residential unit rate and the condominium unit rate. The current year difference in the rates was \$61.98 per unit.
- CWPM has proposed to extend the current contract for three years. They are proposing to reduce the FY14 unit rate by 5% and then hold that same rate for the following two years. If accepted, the per unit reimbursement rate would decrease by \$11.59 or 18.7%. (\$61.98 to \$50.39)
- There is an item under New Business regarding the proposed extension of the CWPM contract.

NAGE Union Contract

- The NAGE union includes clerical staff, police dispatchers and library personnel. A tentative agreement has been negotiated. The tentative agreement is for three years and would increase wages by 2.25% in each of the first two years and 3% in the third year.
- Additionally, the employees would have their HSA deductable increase from \$1,500 (single)/\$3,000 (family) to \$2,000/\$4,000. The employee contribution to the deductable would increase to 60% in the second year (current year amount is 50%) and to 70% in the third year. Finally, the premium contribution would increase from 12% to 13% in the third year.
- Finally, there were some minor language changes and the dispatchers would also receive a \$150 uniform stipend.
- The tentative agreement has been approved by the Union. There is an item under New Business regarding the ratification of the NAGE contract.

Robert Street Area Demolition Bid

- Bids were received on June 12th for the demolition of 13 homes as part of the Hazardous Mitigation Grant Program. There were nine bidders. The low bid was submitted by Martin Laviero Contractor of Bristol in the amount of \$257,935. This bid came in almost \$95,000 less than the prebid estimate.
- The HMGP will reimburse the Town for 75% of the actual demolition costs. Town staff is recommending that the Town Council accept the low bid and there is an item under New Business regarding same.
- If approved it is anticipated that some homes will be bought by mid-July with demolition occurring in mid-August.

Landfill Stewardship Permit

In September 2011, the Town was issued a Stewardship Permit for the Plainville Landfill located on Grainger Lane. The permit sets out certain criteria to be followed towards the eventual closure of the landfill. The permit shall expire in September 2021.

- The first requirement under the permit is for the Town to retain an environmental compliance expert or Licensed Environmental Professional (L.E.P.) to prepare documents required. The required documents include a Closure Plan, and Ecological Risk Assessment, a Public Participation Plan, a Revised Water Quality Monitoring Plan and a Quality Assurance Project Plan. The Town is also required to submit progress reports.
- Town staff is recommending that the Town Council solicit a Request for Qualifications to engage a Licensed Environmental Professional to perform work required by the Stewardship Permit. If desired, Town Council members may wish to participate on the LEP search committee.

State of CT DOT - Master Municipal Agreement

- The CT Dept. of Transportation is introducing a new way of doing business with municipalities. They are proposing that Towns enter into a Master Municipal Agreement for Construction Projects. With a Master Agreement, the State will not require a separate agreement for each future project between the Town and the D.O.T. Instead, Project Authorization Letters will be issued by the Department for each project.
- The new process will eliminate the time that was taken up with producing a separate agreement for each project. This process generally took several months to complete. The new process is anticipated to reduce this time from several months to several days.
- The Master Agreement has been reviewed by the Town Attorney and he has stated that "it makes sense for the Town of Plainville to sign off on and agree to this document." There is an item under New Business regarding the proposed Master Agreement with the CT D.O.T.

TOWN OF PLAINVILLE HAPPENINGS TOWN COUNCIL MEETING ~ JUNE 17

By: Shirley Osle, Assistant Town Manager

- The Plainville Schools along with the Plainville Recycling & Solid Waste Commission are holding a School Furniture Give-A-Way on June 22, 2013. It takes place on June 22, 2013 at the Middle School on Northwest Drive between 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Various types of school furniture will be available to the public free of charge. All furniture will be given away in AS IS condition. This is a great opportunity for the public. Any furniture not taken will be recycled. The Historical Society recently added a new
- exhibit on the Civil War Period entitled "The Plainville Men of the Civil War." About 90 men from Plainville were enlisted in the War. It is located on the second floor of the Historical Society, and the displays that the workers have set up are "truly amazing and absolutely great." They have a plethora of artifacts including tents, medicine, uniforms, pictures, weapons etc. It is very interesting and educational, something that the whole family can appreciate and learn from. They're open Monday &Wednesday from 9:00-12:00 with tours on Wednesday and Saturday from 12-2:30.

endorsed the Towns' participation in the program. There is an item under New Business for your consideration this evening.

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FROM: Senator Jason Welch Statement on Gun Manufacturer PTR leaving Bristol "This is just the beginning"

Hartford, CT - State Senator Jason Welch (R-Bristol) released the following statement re: PTR announcement that it will be leaving Bristol Connecticut and moving to South Carolina.

departure is "PTR's unfortunate but understandable. They were already dealing in a high cost of operation environment. Misguided gun legislation that banned their product and a failure to get straight answers from the state as to its impact on their operations were obvious tipping points. The problems we have in Connecticut that impact all business: high costs, high taxes and over regulation. If your business model is one that the administration likes then you are eligible for millions of tax payer dollars. If not, then you are stuck in an unfriendly environment paying taxes to subsidize your competition. This model is a failure and if we do not change it soon more great companies and good paying jobs will follow PTR's lead. PTR and the families who will be following a loyal company will be missed in the greater Bristol area."

Sen. Jason Welch is a member of the General Assembly's Manufacturing Caucus.

From the Desks of ... **FROM: Jim Cassidy Plainville Greenway Alliance**

Cyclists from around the State rode on the Farmington Canal Heritage Trail with CT DEEP Commissioner Dan Esty from New Haven to Southwick, MA on SAT, June 29th. I know; it was a long ride (+/- 60 miles). At the 2 public ceremonies at which Esty spoke in Cheshire and in Plainville. He publicly thanked some folks for progress made on building the trail to date. It also provided an opportunity to ask him why it takes so long (the canal for which it is named took 10 years to build; we've been at building the trail for 20+ years), or why certain property owners along the trail seem uncooperative to help close the gaps.

The route started on the southwest corner of the New Haven Green and ended 2 p.m. at Miller Road, Southwick. The trail consists of a few blocks of road which goes to Cornwall Ave. Cheshire.Trail CT #10 from Southington to Whiting Street, Plainville, back to Rte.#10 in Farmington to border of Massachusetts.

Water was available at Canal Lock Park in Cheshire, at Plainville Center, and in Simsbury.

Town officials in Plainville greeted the riders. The purpose of the ride was to recognize the work done so far and encourage the completion of the Farmington Canal Heritage Trail. Any questions, please call me: (860-302-0596).

FROM: Mark DeVoe, Director & Val Dumais, Chairman

Plainville Economic Development Agency

- 311-349 New Britain Avenue (Chung Property) - As you know, an \$800,000.00 hazardous remediation loan through the DECD was approved recently. As of this writing, we have not heard if the owner finalized an agreement with the State.
- Phoenix Soil The final hearing was held on May 30, 2013 and a decision from DEEP is expected shortly.
- GE, 10 New Britain Avenue Nothing new to report at this time.
- Hospital of Central Connecticut Cancer Center and Medical Office Buildings - Work continues at a reasonable pace.
- Firestone Complete Auto Care Center An open date of late July, 2013 is still anticipated.
- ROYal Realty LLC Edward Roy, President of ROYal Realty, was approved by EDA for a three year, thirty percent tax abatement for proposed improvements at 50 Farmington Valley Drive. The Memo of Understanding has been sent to Town Council for their approval of the Town Manager entering into this agreement. Staff will provide an update to the EDA regarding the outcome of the Town Council meeting.
- Connecticut Valley Properties LLC has applied for a \$40,000, five year loan through the EDA to assist with remediation of property at 38 East Street. The applicant is scheduled to take ownership of the property on June 30, 2013, and has received an estimate of \$70,000 in remediation costs.



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Privacy... There is a lot of talk about privacy lately, the news is full of talk about the government listening to the conversations we have on our cell phones. They are spending millions on a center that will pickup, record and store all these calls and numbers of people calling us and who we might call. What is all that about and? Many are angry about the government listening to our calls, all you have to do is sit in a restaurant, walk through a grocery store or even stand in line at a checkout counter. I have decided to invent a privacy device. It would be like a full face motorcycle helmet and when you are going to talk on your cell phone you would have to put it on so no one can hear your conversation. Take last week. I was having dinner at a restaurant, not a fast food place, when a man was on the phone telling someone about his colon exam and described the procedure in great detail. This certainly didn't do anything for my appetite and why do these people have to talk so loud? Yesterday I went to the grocery store and a man was shopping while he had his wife on the phone and she was directing him what to buy, isle after isle while his child ran around the store pushing an empty carriage. The carriage wasn't empty long because Junior filled it with the stuff he wanted. No doubt the father didn't put the stuff back but left it for the store clerks to do. Could that have been you or your husband? I'm sure glad mom got to have some free time on Sunday morning while the rest of the shoppers got to listen to her husband as he described and name all the spices she might want. My invention would do away with all that and these people could even have a camera mounted in the helmet and their spouse could give them a virtual tour of the store. I have overheard women talking about their cheating husband, the drug habits of their children and the men her neighbor entertains when the husband is out of town. So if the government is wasting million of tax dollars to listen and store that kind of stuff I think we better rethink who we send to Washington next time. Remember when you are talking on your cell phone keep our voice down, no one cares about your conversation except those in Washington and perhaps the person behind you might just know the person you are talking about!

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Position Summary

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Qualifications

- BA in planning, economic development, public administration or related field (Masters preferred)
- Three to five years experience (preferably in a municipality)
- Experience with Grant writing is preferred.
- AICP certification desirable

Applications

Applications can be obtained by visiting the Town's website at www.plainvillect. com under the Human Resources section. Call Shirley Osle, Assistant Town Manager, 793-0221, ext. 202 or email sosle@plainville-ct.gov with questions. Applications should be submitted by July 22, 2013, but will be accepted until the position is filled. Send a letter of interest, resume, three (3) references, and salary requirements to: Human Resources, Town of Plainville, One Central Square, Plainville, CT 06062~The Town of Plainville is an Equal Opportunity Employer and Affirmative Action.

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By: Donna Ziccardi Gross

From Agent Orange to Round Up and Chemical Lawn Service

Remember Agent Orange----the scourge of the Viet Nam War? It was used as a defoliant by the US Military to expose the enemy. But, as true to the Law of Cause and Effect....Agent Orange had a vengeful component, wrecking havoc with the health of the American soldiers, causing their off spring to suffer horrific birth defects and delivered a blow to the reputation of the United States... portraying our country as the Monster of the Universe. But where did Agent Orange come from?....and where did it go?....Agent Orange was born in a laboratory at Yale University in our wonderful State of Connecticut. It's birth was not the intended outcome. Here is the story of a beneficial idea gone wrong.

Arthur Galston was a Plant Biologist at Yale University and experimented with a plant growth regulator, triiodobenzoic acid. He found that it could induce soybeans to flower and grow more rapidly but also noted that if applied in excess, the compound would cause the plant to shed its leaves and die. He aborted his experiment as it posed too much of a threat to plant life but seeing as he was working under a government grant....his research was reported to the US Government and his findings landed on the desk of the Department of Defense..... Galston's discovery was turned into a weapon of war...and one of the major health hazards to all living things, including YOU.

From 1962 to 1970, American troops released an estimated 20 million gallons of Agent Orange Defoliant to destroy crops and expose Viet Cong positions and routes of movement during the Vietnam War. But the chemical was loaded with dioxins, which have proven to be associated with cancers, birth defects and learning disabilities.

When Galston learned of how his research was being used....he became heavy of heart to think that his discovery was used to destroy "Life"....plant life, water life and human life for generations to come. In 1970, Galston charged that Agent Orange, being carcinogenic, posed a serious health risk and was a permanent pollutant to the environment. He lobbied the Department of Defense to conduct toxicological studies, which found that compounds PAGE 7

in Agent Orange could be linked to cancer and birth defects in laboratory rats. This revelation led President Nixon to order a halt to the spraying of Agent Orange.....and you would think THAT was the end of that. No it was not.... it was only the beginning of a story so horrifying and most people have no idea what they are doing to themselves, their children and pets...not to mention their neighbors. So....now we know the story of where Agent Orange came from, so.....where did it go?...

Enter....Monsanto. Remember how the US Government took Dr. Galston's discovery and turned it into Agent Orange during the Vietnam War?....well, who do you think manufactured Agent Orange?.....yup, Monsanto. Monsanto made MILLIONS during the war manufacturing Agent Orange. Yes, they knew it was detrimental to the environment and human health....but didn't care. They were making money!!!....bushels of it. So in 1970 when President Nixon Banned the use of Agent Orange in Vietnam do you think Monsanto was sad? NO!!!....because in 1969 Monsanto started producing herbicides with the same ingredients used in Agent Orange (2, 4, 5-T, and 2,4-D or otherwise known as Round Up) but instead of selling these herbicides to the US Military....they started selling it to YOU in the form of Chemical Lawn Service.

The era of herbicides and pesticides took off.....making billions of dollars in profits for chemical companies..... thanks to the "American Consumer". But the chemical companies were not the only businesses making money off the public. Advertisers and commercialism capitalized on brain washing people into thinking they needed chemical products to kill ants...kill insects...kill weeds....kill dandelions...kill, Kill, KILL. But what they didn't tell you was that these products were killing YOU....killing you, and your children and pets, and your neighbors.

Another industry that made money off the sale of chemical pesticides and herbicides was the medical industry and the pharmaceutical companies. Yes folks, the pesticides and herbicides that you have been brainwashed into thinking you need will make you sick and eventually kill you. Let me put it this way Pesticides and Herbicides are CARCINOGENIC!....Cancer....sound familiar? Cancer has hit practically every family, so instead of fighting for the cure....don't you think it makes more sense to eliminate the cause? If studies show and have proven that pesticides and herbicides are detrimental to your health and the health of your family...why in the world would you use them, let alone pay money for them? Just doesn't make sense.

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency says that Americans apply 90 million pounds of pesticides and herbicides every year in order to get lush green yards, and surveys have found that because their use is so heavy, those chemicals can drift into our homes-even if they started out on a neighbor's lawn and not your own. Lawns that have been chemically treated on a regular basis eventually become "chemically dependent"....something like a drug addict. You will know soon enough when your lawn becomes chemically dependent because it will literally start to die....and your soil becomes contaminated....and you have no one to blame but yourself. Our chemically addicted lawns are as polluting to our health and to waterways as chemical agriculture has become.

Chemical Lawn Service seems like a quick, easy fix for lawn problems that can be corrected without nervedamaging and ecohazardous chemicals like glyphosate (used in Roundup) and 2,4-D (used in products made by Scotts and Weed B Gone). A safer way to eliminate weeds from your lawn would be to do what your grandparents did....bend over and pull them up. Not only would your lawn be weed free....but your waistline would look better and the sunshine would be good for you. Or, if you do not have time for that, there are Organic alternatives that are chemical free and it is a proven fact that you will have a healthier and better looking lawn for less money in the long run....and you will not be killing yourself, your children and pets and your neighbors.

So here you have it folks. Agent Orange from the jungles of Viet Nam, brought right to your door step by Large Companies like Monsanto, disguised in catchy names like....Round Up and Tru Green. Proven to be carcinogenic....and you order it, pay for it and probably get sick on it....all in the name of "the Perfect lawn". Don't you think you owe it to your family...your pets.... and your neighbors to stop the use of pesticides and herbicides and....GO Organic?.....

For Organic alternatives to chemical lawn services and products, please visit my Blog.... http://livechemicalfree.blogspot.com/...where you can read the remainder of this article explaining the alternatives to chemical lawn services and pesticide and herbicide products.







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The Plainville Historical Society

THE GRAND OLD DAME OF PIERCE STREET

by: Roberta Lalama

The Plainville Historical Society's home is presently in the former Town Hall on Pierce Street. As in many small towns, this grand old lady has served in many capacities Originally, it served as the Fire House where the wagons and horses were kept on the ground floor with large doors to allow access to the street when a fire call came in. There was a tall, narrow tower on the west side for drying the fire hoses after a call. Our new fire house has a similar tower.

On the second floor was the Town Hall and a sizeable vault where documents were kept. This is now a safe room where the many vintage garments are preserved. The second floor also housed the court room and space for town officials. The third floor *(no longer there because of a severe fire in 1917)* was a large community room.

The building was constructed circa 1890 and has stood the years of time bravely and with love. Today, however, this grand old dame is in trouble.... bricks in her foundation are in dire need of restoration. Work should begin soon before another one of our precious landmarks is lost and gone forever. (*What a shame and waste this would be if that should happen!*) The Town of Plainville owns this building. The Historical Society has been researching and applying for grants to preserve the 19th century bricks on the ground floor More maintenance is required, sooner rather than later.

This handsome building is the repository of a great deal of Plainville's colorful history. There are stunning displays of portraits of our ancestors and pictures of long gone homes and mansions. There are interesting rooms devoted to the stories and artifacts of early Plainville history, including a short-lived canal and the knitting mill, a small part of which remains across the street from the Center. The mill was a factory in the Civil War, manufacturing "Union Suits" for our troops.

Browsing through this amazing collection is an enriching, informative chronology of the changes that have evolved over the years from our beginning as a small "plain", part of Farmington, through our progress to the present day.

Unfortunately, as in many communities, the "locals" sometimes overlook the treasures in their own backyards. The Plainville Historical Society's excellent staff works very hard in keeping body and soul together. They offer many interesting programs and entertainment, along with lectures and guided tours of the museum. A special feature is an annual spring tour of the museum for third graders. (*How many parents have been here?*).

The Historical Center is currently focusing on the **Civil War Period** and the Plainville men black and white who served in this horrific war. Some returned, many didn't! Our Plainville troops served from Bull Run to Appomattox, Antietem, Fredericksburg, Chancellorsville, and Gettysbury. **Come to the Historical Society and see an amazing Civil War display.**

On my last visit a Plainville man who has lived in Michigan for many years was there with his wife to show her some of his heritage. As I was leaving two young men, missionaries from New Zealand, came to the door. Although the museum was officially closed, a willing docent volunteered to take them on the tour. This is a great place to meet your friends and to take your out-of-town visitors for a view of our past.

If you think you might like to spend some time here, except for an occasional visit, volunteers are very much needed and will be most certainly welcomed and appreciated. Among the positions needed are docents, researchers, computer technicians, and clerical help in the office. As always, monetary contributions are most appreciated if you cannot donate your time or talents.

The Historical Center and gift shop are open Monday and Wednesday from 9AM to noon, and on Saturday from noon until 2:30. Tours are available upon request by calling **860-747-6577.**

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AAA Speaks Out:

Think You Know All About Distracted Driving? Think Again.

Drivers face dangerous mental distractions, even when they keep their hands on the wheel and their eyes on the road, according to new findings from the AAA Foundation for Traffic Safety.

Hands-free technologies might make it easier for motorists to text, talk on the phone, or even use social media while driving, but the research finds that as mental workload and distractions increase reaction time slows, brain function is compromised and drivers scan the road less and miss visual cues—potentially resulting in drivers not seeing items right in front of them including stop signs and pedestrians.

Cognitive distraction expert Dr. David Strayer and his research team at the University of Utah measured brainwaves, eye movement and other metrics to assess what happens to drivers' mental workload when they attempt to do multiple things at once, building upon decades of research in the aerospace and automotive industries. Drivers engaged in common tasks, from listening to an audio book or talking on the phone to listening and responding to voice-activated emails while behind the wheel. Researchers then rated the levels of mental distraction drivers experienced while performing each task. Similar to the Saffir-Simpson scale used for hurricanes, the levels of mental distraction are represented on a scale:

- Level 1 (Minimal Risk) -- Listening to the radio
- Level 2 (Moderate Risk) -- Talking on a cell phone (in hand or hands-free)
- Level 3 (Extensive Risk) -- Listening and Responding to voice-activated features

With a predicted five-fold increase in infotainment systems in new vehicles by 2018, AAA is calling for action as result of this landmark research. "There is a looming public safety crisis ahead with the future proliferation of these in-vehicle technologies," said AAA President and CEO Robert L. Darbelnet. "It's time to consider limiting new and potentially dangerous mental distractions built into cars, particularly with the common public misperception that hands-free means risk-free."

AAA urges the automotive and electronics industries to join us in exploring:

- Limiting use of voice-activated technology to core driving-related activities such as climate control, windshield wipers and cruise control.
- Disabling certain functionalities of voice-to-text technologies such as using social media or interacting with e-mail and text messages while the vehicle is in motion.
- Educating vehicle owners and mobile device users about the responsible use and safety risks for in-vehicle technologies.

AAA also is using the findings to promote dialogue with policy makers, safety advocates and industry to ensure that these emerging in-vehicle technologies won't lead to unintentional compromises in public safety.

AAA provides travel, insurance, financial, and automotive-related services to 53 million people nationwide and is located locally at 17 Farmington Avenue in Plainville. For more information about AAA, members and non-members can go online to AAA.com or call 860-236-3261.



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MSCF Awards Over

\$112,000 in Scholarships

to Local Students

Five Plainville residents were among the 68 area

students honored at the Main Street Community Foundation's annual Scholarship Reception on June

12 at Hawk's Landing Country Club in Southington. Over \$112,000 in scholarships was awarded and the

2013 Plainville scholarship recipients are as follows: Plainville Blue Dolphins Scoreboard Fund:

Radcliff Plainville High School Fund: Vincent

Mullin, Alexis Rodriquez, Charles Romanow

Samantha Bradley and Jennifer Heslin







Monica Gauvin and Tristan Petit are this year's recipients of Our Lady of Mercy Memorial Scholarships. Monica, daughter of Robert and Janice Gauvin of Plainville, is a graduate of Plainville High School. She plans a career as a veterinary technician, studying at Tunxis Community College. Tristan, son of Michael and Erin-Nora Petit of Southington, is a graduate of St, Paul High School, Bristol. He will be attending Worcester Polytechnic Institute, majoring in engineering. Tristan also received the parish's Rev. E. Lanouette Memorial Scholarship.

Congratulations ~ Monica and Tristan!!!



Ken Crowley and Lincoln Auto did it again for the students in Class of 2014 this year to raise money for the class. Pictured are some of the students that assisted in the "Drive one" for their school. For everyone that participated in the test drive the class received \$20.00. This year it was held on a Sunday because the original date which was a Saturday got rained out. Over \$4,000.00 was raised.

The entire Class of 2014 wishes to Thank Ken Crowley and Lincoln Auto for their generosity!!!

A total of 88 scholarships were awarded from 48 scholarship funds established by donors at the foundation. The reception to celebrate the recipients and thank the generous donors was attended by close to 200 people. Scholarships are available annually to students at varying levels of their academic careers from the towns of Bristol, Burlington, Plainville, Plymouth, Southington and Wolcott as well as other communities.

> is available on the Foundation's website at www. mainstreetfoundation.org. Education is the key that unlocks the door to freedom

By: Lauren Spitz

The full list of 2013 scholarship award recipients

UBI Federal Credit Union's new AVP of Marketing, Lauren Spitz, made her way to Plainville High School on June 13th to present a financial literacy program to its business classes. The welcoming demeanor of the students and staff made the rainy Thursday much brighter for the young marketing representative.

"I feel that it is critical for today's youth to be educated on the importance of sound financial planning," says Spitz. She went on to say that by empowering students with the knowledge they need to make wise decisions; we are ensuring their economic success.

The UBI team will be pairing up with area schools to continue educating teens as they plan for a brighter financial future.



Plainville Republican Town Committee invites all to attend the Town Committee Open Meetings 4th Wednesday of each month at 7:00 P.M. The Municipal Center, 1 Central Square-Council Chambers For information or questions call:

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A Message from BOE Chair Andrea Saunders

It's hard to believe that another school year is ended. As faculty and students began to look forward to the summer vacation we can take this time to reflect on the past year's successes. A few of the things worth mentioning are:

- New Strategic Plan and Mission Statement for Plainville Community Schools
- Envision Math for grades K-6
- All day Kindergarten
- Energy Education

And while all of these initiatives have yielded great results we must always be looking to the future and what is ahead for our school district. Some of next year's programs include:

- Curriculum upgrades to Common Core State Standards
- Google Chromebooks for all students in grades 8-12
- New security upgrades throughout all of the five schools
- A new Teacher Evaluation Plan
- PHS College & Career Readiness Center
- New Math program 7th and 8th grade

Plainville Community Schools can celebrate all of the improvements to our schools and educational programs that will continue to prepare our students for life in the 21st century.

As we congratulated the PHS class of 2013 and wish them well in the next stage of their lives, may everyone enjoy a great summer and see you next year!





MSP Scholars Honored

The Connecticut Association of Schools (CAS) established the Scholar-Leader Banquet in 1985 to give public recognition to one boy and one girl from each middle level school in Connecticut who have distinguished themselves in scholarship and leadership in school and the community. The two Scholar-Leaders chosen by the faculty at the Middle School of Plainville this year are Jessica Gorski and Grant Sarra. The students and their parents attended a statewide awards banquet on June 3 at the Aqua-Turf in Southington. Each Scholar-Leader received an award signifying the honor, as well as an individual photograph commemorating the event.

Wheeler Students Visit Rock Cat



Forty "leaders of the Pack" from Wheeler School attended a Rock Cats baseball game a part of the school's Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (PBIS)program. The students enjoyed watching the New Britain Rock Cats beat the Binghamton Mets 1-0!

PHS SENIOR NAMED TOP ALL ACADEMIC CHEERLEADER IN CONNECTICUT



Plainville High School senior Kelsea Fithian-Giantonio was recently named "Top All Academic Cheerleader" in Connecticut for the 2012-13 school year by the Connecticut School Coaches' Association. Fithian-Giantonio was nominated by Plainville High School Cheerleading Coach Courtney Perrotti. According to Perrotti, the criteria for the "all -state" portion of the recognition includes girls who are dedicated, responsible, letter-winners, who are role models for their teammates. Once nominated, it is the cheerleader's responsibility to create a video of material to be assessed by the all-state judges. This video includes jumps, a cheer, tumbling and stunting. "Based on all of the components reviewed by the judges, Kelsea was the top academic cheerleader - a huge accomplishment! I am proud of Kelsea and she fully deserves this recognition," said Perrotti."Kelsea has been an overachiever throughout her high school career. She has been a four year member of our Student Athlete Leadership Team and a two year member of the State Advisory Board of Student Leaders. She has already made the cheer leading squad at the University of Massachusetts next year. "She will be missed at P.H.S., but she has a bright future ahead of her," noted Athletic Director John Zadnik.



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Wheeler School Students Rewarded



It was another fun outing for Frank T. Wheeler Elementary School Leaders of the Pack! Students in grades 3, 4, and 5 were able to sign up for a bicycle ride as a reward for displaying positive behavior in the classroom and throughout the building. Twenty students pedaled their way around the neighborhood and then to Praline's for ice cream. Thanks to Officer Miller from the Plainville Police Department for escorting the group on this hour long event. Wheeler School would also like to thank Subway, Dairy Queen, and Pottery Piazza for matching donations for gift cards.

Apple Store Hosts Wheeler Students



A group of Frank T. Wheeler Elementary School fifth graders recently traveled to the Westfarms Mall, to participate in a workshop at the Apple Store. The students learned short hands on Mac computers, secrets in Pages and how to use the operating system (Mountain Lion OSX 10.8) properly. The group of students was then able to create their own Keynote with tips and tricks (with multi-touch gestures) that they acquired throughout the training. At the conclusion of the workshop, the Wheeler students were presented with Apple T-shirts, Apple flash drive bracelets, and certificates of graduation from Apple Field Trips.

National Honors Society

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The Plainville High School chapter of the National Honors Society 2013 new inductees are:

Juniors

Shayla Beausoleil Kaitlyn Bernier Brittany Brown Claudia Cwalina Danielle Dixon Nikky-Ann Duncan Sarah Durkin Sarah Ercoli Joseph Esposito Stephen Gallo Sage Gentry Alicia Gorski Joshua Hausman Jessica Hillburn Jacob Jones Lisa Muraca Ashley Nalewajek Marisa Rizzo Chandler Rogozinski Andrew Rottier Michele Thibodeau Sarah Thompson Taylor Varrato

Seniors

Sarah Hall Natalia Kacprzyk Caitlin Lister

The elected officials are: President- Jacob Jones Vice President- Joshua Hausman Secretary/Treasurer- Sage Gentry

The advisor for the National Honors Society is Mrs. Shaylene Krupinski.

Students in the National Honors Society show performance in the areas of academic scholarship, service, leadership and character.

Plainville Fire Company Announces Scholarship Awards

The Plainville Fire Company has announced the 2013 Memorial and George and Ridabell Seymour Scholarship recipients for 2013.

Graduating Senior Scholarships

Kathleen Ashelman Allison Fangiullo Morgan Guimond Rebecca Lauzier Kyleigh Paneta Kayla Plourde

Continuing Education Awards

Taylor Doughty Timothy Johnson Rebecca Lenois Abigail Moschini Amanda Toner

Local Student Elected President of UCONN's Honor Society

Ashley Raynock, a 2010 graduate of Plainville High School, was elected President of UCONN's chapter of The International Honor Society in Psychology, Psi Chi. She was inducted as a member of Psi Chi in November 2012, in recognition of her outstanding academic achievement, and will serve as the leader of this organization in the upcoming 2013-2014 academic year. Ashley will be graduating in May 2014 and hopes to pursue a graduate degree in the field of clinical psychology.

Notice to: <u>Students</u> of Plainville Schools

The Hometown Connection invites you to join the volunteer staff by writing about activities at your school.

- Adventures of Field Trips
- Fund-raisers
- Sport activities
- About your favorite Teachers and why they are your favorite.
- Subjects of interest to you and your friends

Plainville Student Named to Dean's List At Southern New Hampshire University

The following student from Plainville has been named to the Dean's List for the Spring 2013 semester at Southern New Hampshire University in Manchester.

Alexandra Carroll~BA Psychology

To be eligible for this honor, a student must compile an academic grade point average of 3.0-3.49.

Devil Dash

The rain did not stop the Devil Dash from happening. On June 7th, teams of teachers and students participated in an obstacle course set up across Plainville High School's athletic fields and track. This included army crawling on the softball feild, jumping hurdles,flipping tires and running up and down the bleachers. The team of Connor Oakes, Marcus Slivinski, James Lux and Domenick D'Onofrio won the vent with the best team overall time. Connor Oakes had the best individual overall time. The Devil Dash procedes were donated to The Wounded Warriors.

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Brianne Bergenty graduated Summa Cum Laude from the University of Saint Joseph May, 2013 earning a Bachelor of Science degree in Special Education. Brianne also received a professional practice award in teaching. John and Elise Bergenty of Plainville are parents.



Coryn Bergenty earned an Arts degree in Psychology at Auburn University May 5, 2013. Coryn graduated Summa Cum Laude. A member of the equestrian team which won the national championship 2011 and 2013. Coryn will continue studies at Auburn seeking a Master of Arts in Clinical Mental Health Counseling. Parents are Darren Bergenty of Bristol and Maryann Bergenty of Farmington.

Kara Bergenty graduated Summa Cum Laude from the University of Tennessee at Martin May 4, 2013 with a Bachelor of Arts degree. As a 4-year member of the equestrian team, Kara received several honors. Sacred Heart University has acceped Kara to contnue studies in Physical Therapy. Darren Bergenty of Bristol and Maryann Bergenty of Farmintyon are parents. John and Audrey Bergenty are grandparents of Brianne, Coryn and Kara.



2013 Mid State Olympians





LOCAL PLAINVILLE RESIDENT SELECTED TO PARTICIPATE IN ADVANCED PLACEMENT PROGRAM READING

Francis Rexford Cooley, Dean of the College at Paier College of Art in Hamden, Connecticut was selected to participate in the College Board's Annual AP Reading in European History. Each June, AP teachers and college faculty members from around the world gather in the United States to evaluate and score the free-response sections of the AP Exams. AP Readers are high school and college educators who represent many of the finest academic institutions in the world. The AP Reading is a unique forum in which an academic dialogue between educators is both fostered and encouraged. "The Reading draws upon the talents of some of the finest teachers and professors that the world has to offer," said Trevor Packer, Senior Vice President, AP and College Readiness at the College Board. "It fosters professionalism, allows for the exchange of ideas, and strengthens the commitment to students and to teaching. We are very grateful for the contributions of talented educators like Francis Rexford Cooley." The Advanced Placement Program® (AP®) enables willing and academically prepared students to pursue college-level studies - with the opportunity to earn college credit, advanced placement or both - while still in high school. Through AP courses in 34 subjects, each culminating in a rigorous exam, students learn to think critically, construct solid arguments, and see many sides of an issue – skills that prepare them for college and beyond. Research indicates that students who score a 3 or higher on an AP Exam typically experience greater academic success in college and are more likely to earn a college degree than non-AP students.

Gazebo Gets New Home



Then new Gazebo has finally arrived at its new location in front of the Plainville Police Department on Neal Court. Shown above helping with final touches are PHS Instructors David Gaignard (on top) Mark Chase and Al LeSage. The Downtown Beautification Commission funded the project which was ultimately assembled by Plainville High School students in the Tech. Ed. Department. Many thanks for a job well done.



Jonathan Saraceno Receives Ralph F. Lostocco 2013 Memorial Scholarship

The family and friends of Ralph F. Lostocco are so pleased to present the third annual memorial scholarship to Jonathan Saraceno given in Ralph's memory.

This \$500.00 scholarship is presented to a graduating senior who not only participated in sports while attending Plainville High School, but also displayed strong academic effort with the goal

of working toward a two or four year business degree.

Mr. Lostocco, a lifelong Plainville resident and Plainville business owner, played football while attending PHS and graduated with the class of 1956. Jonathan will be attending CCSU in the fall. His strong and humble respect for his family, his love of tradition and a strong desire to pursue a college degree emanated so clearly from his application and essays. We are proud to offer him this scholarship and wish him the best as he moves into the next phase of his life.

Jonathan is the son of Seb and Joanne Saraceno.

THE PLAINVILLE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE 34TH SCHOLARSHIP AND "STAFF" KELLAM BOOK AWARD BREAKFAST WEDNESDAY, JUNE 5TH AT CAPRI RESTAURANT



Photo left to right

Sarah Hall, recipient of the PARC Scholarship, behind Sarah is Brian Lister, recipient of the Staff Kellam Book Award, Lilia Miller and Nicholas Hill were the recipients of the Carling Technologies scholarship, Andrew Chapman and Rebecka Mousch were the recipients of the Joan Deegan Memorial Scholarship.

In 2012, more than 11,000 AP Readers evaluated more than 3.7 million AP Exams.

Missing from photo is Kate Treado, recipient of the Manafort scholarship and Dylan Chasse, recipient of the Mizzy Construction scholarship.



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PLAINVILLE'S HOMETOWN CONNECTION

Young at Heart...Senior News AT RISK LIST

The Plainville Senior Center maintains a list of Plainville residents who are at risk in the event of an electrical power outage. Individuals of any age, who have medical problems dependent on electrical power to operate medical equipment, should be on the "At Risk List". Those who are not on the "At Risk List", and need to be, should call the Senior Center, 860-747-5728.

In the event of an electrical power outage, Plainville residents with health risks and no other alternative, should call the Plainville Police Department at 860-747-1616. Neither the Police Department nor the Senior Center will call them.

The Connecticut Light and Power Company, not the Police Department, should be called to report a power outage or to inquire when the power will be back on. The Connecticut Light and Power Company can be reached at 860-947-2000, option #1. In a true emergency, call 9-1-1.

SENIOR CENTER TRIPS

The public may sign-up for trips seven days after a trip is made available to Senior Center members. Sign-ups, held at the Plainville Senior Center Monday through Friday, are between 9:15 a.m. and 12:00 noon only. Payment is due at the time of sign-up. Complete itineraries are available at the Senior Center Front Desk.

The Senior Center is offering a trip to the Delaney House in Holyoke, MA, for All-You-Can-Eat Lobster and Comedy Show, on Friday, July 12. The cost is \$89.00 per person and includes transportation, lunch, comedy show, reserved shed tickets and gratuities.

The Senior Center is offering a trip to Lobsterfest at

Newport Playhouse on Sunday, August 11. The cost is \$85.00 per person includes transportation, lunch, show and gratuity.

The Senior Center is offering a chance to see Bobby Vinton at the Aqua Turf. The cost is \$80.00 per person and includes meal and show. Participants drive themselves to the Aqua Turf and meet at 11:30 a.m. The Senior Center is offering a trip for Tea and Tour of Gracie Mansion, the New York City Mayor's Residence. The cost is \$77.00 per person and includes transportation, walking tour of Central Park, tour and tea at Gracie Mansion and gratuity.

OUTDOOR ADVENTURE CLUB

There are many exciting trips planned for the outdoor adventure club. For more information about the club, contact the Plainville Senior Center.

THE PLAINVILLE SENIOR CENTER IS COLLECTING CELL PHONES AND SMALL **ELECTRONICS**

The Plainville Senior Center has expanded its collaboration with Cellular Recycler to make the most of not only used cell phones, but also laptops, cameras, iPOD players and video game consoles. Don't throw your old electronics away, donate them to the Senior Center and raise money for the Dial-A-Ride program. Please bring used cell phones and small electronic donations to the Senior Center front desk.

SENIOR CENTER BAND JAM

The Plainville Senior Center has a live band at the Center every Thursday from 2:30 – 4:30 p.m. Come down and dance or just sit back and enjoy the music. The band plays all the favorite standard classics and more! Cake and punch are served, friendships are made. Call the Senior Center, 860-747-5728, for more information.

Dear Editor,

Since I am a volunteer on The Hometown Connection I like to patronize the businesses that place ads in our paper.

Today, I brought my car to Mikes Auto Service Center on Farmington Avenue for an oil change. On entering the business, I was totally surprised to find a clean, cheerful office and waiting area, and there was no odor of auto repairs from the working area in the back. Everyone was cheerful and friendly, including other waiting customers.

Before I had an opportunity to finish the magazine I had chosen, the car was ready and waiting for me outside the door. I paid my \$20.00, plus a \$5.00 tip for the young mechanic, and I was on my way.

I will use Mikes Auto and Service Center from now on!

Mary Ziccardi

From Charlie Weldon's Book

~ March 31, 1865 ~

On Sunday last, the only daughter of J. W. Ottman of Plainville, formerly of this place, was accidentally shot by a playmate. She was in the house of a neighbor; her mother being absent in New Haven. The little daughter of the neighbor found a revolver and playfully pointing it at her said, "I am going to shoot you". The pistol was loaded, the aim too sure, and the ball passed through her shoulder, striking the back of the chair in which she was seated. But little hope of her recovery was entertained on Sunday evening.

Thanks, Charlie Weldon

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TAG SALE, USED JEWELRY SALE AND **"CLEAN OUT YOUR COMPUTER CLOSET** SALE"

The Senior Center will be holding a tag sale, including used jewelry and computer equipment, on Tuesday, July 16. Early Bird Admission will cost one dollar and will be between 9:30-10:00 a.m. From 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m., admission will be free. The Senior Center is accepting donation starting July 8. They will not accept clothing, shoes or hats. Donations may be brought the Senior Center Front Desk.

COFFEE WITH A SOCIAL WORKER

Stephanie Soucy, Plainville Senior Center Outreach Coordinator, will hold Coffee with a Social Worker, at the Center, on Mondays, July 1-29, from 12:30-1:30 p.m. Stephanie will be available to answer questions about Medicare, Medicaid, Medicare Part D, Medicare Savings Program, Housing Options, Alzheimer's Help, Caregiving, Homecare etc. No registration is necessary for these one-on-one meetings. This program is open to Plainville Senior Center Members who are residents of Plainville Call the Senior Center, 860-747-5728, for more information.

Hold on, my friends, to the Constitution and to the Republic for which it stands. Miracles do not cluster, and what has happened once in 6000 years, may not happen again. Hold on to the Constitution, for if the American Constitution should fail, there will be anarchy thoughout the world.

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Bright and Bold in July! By: Linda Coveney, Certified Health Coach, AADP

Nature is amazing. Each seasonal harvest provides just want we need to be nurtured, protected, energized and healthy.

- The fall harvest provides bounties of high fat, high protein, and warming foods to get us through the cold winter months.
- Spring provides low fat leafy green vegetables, spouts, and berries that are rich in vitamins, minerals and chlorophyll that help us to detox and unclog any sluggishness in the blood and lymphatic systems. These foods strengthen our immune system and get us ready to turn up the heat!
- In the summer, we benefit from high carbohydrate, high energy, antioxidant rich cooling fruits and vegetables. These beautiful foods with help us to maintain balance when the weather is hot and we experience longer days and shorter nights.
- Here are some examples of great cooling energy foods that you can enjoy this summer:
- Cucumbers, Peas, Green Beans, Sweet Peppers, Zucchini

Blackberry/Blueberries, Cherries, Watermelon, Peaches, Strawberries, Apples Starting in July, the Plainville Farmer's Market will re-open. You can buy local and organically grown fruits and vegetables. Be sure to stop by and experiment

with a vegetable or herb that you have not tried yet. Most people do not get enough vegetables in their diet. Did you know that Gorilla's eat ¹/₂ their body weight in vegetables per day! Vegetables are the best for antioxidant food and can aid in preventing high cholesterol. They are very low in

calories and cause you to slow down to actually chew your food. So adjust your shopping list to incorporate a significant amount of vegetables this summer. They are bountiful, beautify and a bargain for our health. One-half or two-thirds of your plate should be vegetables. Then you can supplement with lean protein, healthy fats and starch.

Vegetables are not just for dinner. Consider integrating vegetables into your breakfast, with an egg or as a vegetable soup, or roasted veggies or in your smoothie. It is time to be bold and re-think breakfast from a fat increasing meal to a fat burning meal. These vegetables will provide you with foundation to get your digestive juices going, burn fat and help keep you satisfied until your next meal.

Make your Summer Bright and Bold

Now that your plate is bring and bold, it's time to add some adventure to your life. What better time than summer, when there are more opportunities to slow down, get out into nature, swim, row or sail a boat and go on vacations. Make this your year to try something new to energize your senses and enjoy your life. Increasing new experiences and excitement in your life can decrease your dependence on artificial stimulants like caffeine and sugar, leading to more vibrant health.

Nature has done the heavy lifting for us, providing us the sunshine, the foods and a digestive system that craves good food. It is up to us to make the right choices.

Choose Boldly and Wisely.



Linda Coveney is an AADP Certified Health Coach who provides one-one coaching and group wellness programs. Her advice and articles are not meant to replace a one-onone relationship with a qualified health care professional, and they are not intended as medical advice. She can help you set up wellness programs that are sustainable and deliver results for both the employer and employee. You can reach her through www.healthy-behaviors.com or lindacoveney@healthy-behaviors.com. Let her know what topics you would like to hear about in the next newsletter.



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"I.T. Jim" **Xbox One Playstation 4?**

In June Microsoft and Sony announced new game consoles. Microsoft's Xbox 360 which has been around for 7 years will be replaced by the new Xbox One (xbox.com/xboxone). Sony's Playstation 3 has

also been around for over 7 years. It too will be replaced this fall with the new Playstation 4 (playstation.com/ps4). If you are looking to upgrade or purchase a new console for yourself or your family this fall, here is an overview of what each company has announced for their next generation consoles.

Microsoft Xbox One

The Xbox One from Microsoft bills itself as the one entertainment device you will need for your living room. The new console builds on its predecessor by combining the best features of the Xbox world with features now available in Windows 8 and Windows Phone. The new system will offer a user friendly experience that compliments the gaming with live TV, music, internet, and Windows 8's app environment. It will allow users to manage live TV, hundreds of on demand services like Netflix, HBO Go, and Hulu Plus, communicate using Skype, and is even partnering with the NFL to bring an innovative integrated experience that will be popular with the fantasy football crowd.

Unlike the Xbox 360, the Xbox One includes the Kinect component that uses cameras and microphones for motion detection. This allows users to physically interact with games, use hand gestures and voice commands to control the Xbox, and use programs like Skype to communicate with family and friends.

The new hardware is very powerful and promises to bring a fantastic gaming experience for the next generation of games that in some cases offer amazing visual lifelike experiences. Gamers will be able to use disc based games and download games directly onto the system. Unfortunately, the Xbox One does not play games from previous consoles. A Blu-Ray player is also built into the system. The Xbox One will be available in November for \$499.

Sony Playstation 4

The Playstation's history as a gaming centric console continues with the Playstation 4 "PS4". It will offer most all of the main stream games coming out and has a much friendlier environment for independent game developers. The PS4 has a new interface that replaces the PS3 which does not offer quite as impressive of a TV, on-demand video and computer like experience that the Xbox One offers, but it does have one and appears to be very good. The new system does integrate a new social experience where game accomplishments and recorded action can be shared.

The PS4 does not have a motion interaction system like that of the Xbox One. It doesn't really have one at all. But as I stated, it is a console clearly focused on gaming. As with the Xbox One, the PS4 does not natively support games from older systems. However it appears that it will offer a connection to a streaming game service called Gaikai that will play some games from the older consoles.

The new hardware in the PS4 is a bit beefier than the Xbox One, so the gaming experience should be very good. It does include a Blu-Ray player as well. Sony did not provide a precise release date but should be out this holiday season and has an attractive price of \$399, \$100 less than the Xbox One.

Both systems look to be quite exceptional. If your primary need is gaming, the Playstation 4 appears to be the way to go. If you're looking for an all-around home entertainment experience, the Xbox One should excel. There is a very good comparison article here... http://goo.gl/tmuUG

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.

My fellow Americans: ask not what your country can do for you--ask what you can do for your country. My fellow citizens of the world: ask not what America will do for you, but what together we can do for the freedom of man.

John F. Kennedy

FROM MY BALCONY **By: Jeannette Hinkson**

The condition of our state and our country is in such bad shape no one seems to know what to do. At the capitol's, both in Hartford and Washington, funds are so short budgets have been cut and it is the people that are suffering. Our Governor says we have no money yet we are building a "buss way" from New Britain to Hartford for about 700 million. Couldn't that have been used for other things? I am sure each town in our state could have found a use for the money. Who will ride these busses? If you take a bus from New Britain to Hartford how will you get to your job when you get off of the bus? Talk show hosts are running fund raisers to see those that lost limbs fighting for our country can receive special wheelchairs. Shouldn't that be something our government should be giving to these brave men and woman? They closed the tours of the white house because there is no money but the President goes on a trip to Africa that is costing the taxpayers 100 million dollars, Yes 100 million, while his wife is in Ireland and the cost of her room is some 300 thousand dollars per night. No one expects her to stay at Motel 6, but 300 thousand a night. She could have purchase a house in Ireland for that and resold it when she left. Are these people nuts? When I recently spoke to an Obama supporter she argued the President and his family pay for their own vacation...Give me a break. Does anyone really believe that? Are people this blind? This is another case of; "I never had sex with that woman." When our president and his wife get back for overseas they will then be going to Cape Codnon vacation. How long can we support these freeloaders and if someone, like the tea party people rebels then the IRS comes down on them. This is much like the KGB, Gestapo or the days of Hitler's Germany. What is it going to take for the people to say enough is enough?

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Second Look..... In Case you Missed It!!

Plainville Recycling & Solid Waste Monthly Updates, Tips & Trivia By: Jen Zakrzewski

Since my increased involvement in recycling, I have often heard the term "composting." Unfortunately, I am more of a plant killer than a green thumb, so I figured I would do some research and find out exactly what composting is all about. I was pleased to find that there is a lot of information on the internet and that composting is used to reduce trash throughout the country. Hopefully, it will become a Connecticut way of life at home and at businesses in the future.

There are several pros to starting a compost bin. According to the EPA, 20-30% of our waste is made up of food scraps and yard waste. When this waste sits in landfills it not only takes up space, but it also releases methane gas into the atmosphere. I questioned whether the methane is really reduced with an at home compost pile as opposed to a landfill. Sustainablog. org answered this question: "Landfill methane is a gas that is produced in a landfill because the things in the landfill undergo anaerobic decomposition. Basically, this means that because municipal solid waste that is buried in a landfill does not receive oxygen, it will produce methane. A compost pile, on the other hand, undergoes aerobic decomposition. Because it is exposed to oxygen, either by turning it or through the use of worms and other living organisms, it produces CO2 (carbon dioxide) instead of methane." While it may be trading one gas for another, the benefits seem to be greater with an at home compost pile. Another benefit is the end result of the compost pile because it can be used to enrich your soil. Finally, composting can be a money saver to you by not having to purchase fertilizers, as well as the Town by further reducing trash costs.

How to start? Composting can be done in a bin or pile (although probably better to do in a bin so as not to attract vermin). There are many suggestions online on how to make your own bin or you can simply purchase one. Begin by adding items to the bin that would otherwise go in your trash. Ideally, the ratio should be 3 parts brown waste to 1 part green waste in alternating layers. Green waste includes: fruits and veggies, breads and grains, coffee grounds and filter, grass clippings, tea bags without staple, hair and fur, and manure. Brown waste includes: cotton or wool rags, dryer and vacuum cleaner lint, egg and nut shells, sawdust, hay & straw, yard trimmings, house plants, used potting soil, shredded newspaper, cardboard rolls, etc. Add water and oxygen and let Mother Nature take its course! When completed, you will have a usable material to enrich your lawn and garden.

As stated, there is a lot of information online and this is a very brief overview. If you are interested in finding out more information go to:

Dear Editor:

On behalf of the Plainville Community Food Pantry and the J. Timothy's Golf Classic Committee, we would like to thank you for your supporting the 22nd Annual J. Timothy's Golf Classic.

For the first time ever, this year golf classic was a sold out event. Your dedication, time and efforts were certainly proven by the success of this event. We are very grateful to the many golfers, sponsors, in kind donors, and volunteers for helping raise a record breaking year in the amount of \$41,000.00.

The money raised from this year's tournament will enable the Plainville Community Food Pantry to continue their mission as an outreach agency providing food, energy assistance, clothing, crisis intervention, and referral services to individuals in need.

Once again, thank you for helping us make a difference in so many ways. *Sincerely, Susie Woerz Executive Director*

The Town of Plainville Roadways Department

will be replacing catch basin tops, milling and repaving Hollyberry Lane, Condale Lane, Highland Driveand Skyline Drive starting Monday, June 17th. Please try to avoid this area during the hours of 8:00am - 3:00pm.

If you have any questions, please call the Department of Physical Services at 860-793-0221 ext 208 Monday – Wednesday 8:00 am – 4:00pm, Thursday8:00am – 7:00pm and Friday 8:00am – 12:00 pm.

Dear Editor:

On behalf of the American Cancer Society, I would like to extend my appreciation to the volunteer committee as well as all who attended and supported the Relay For Life of Plainville. More than 330 people participated, raising more than \$73,000 for the American Cancer Society's research, education, advocacy, and service programs. The outstanding support received proves that the Plainville community is truly committed to the fight against cancer.

I want to applaud the 50 cancer survivors who participated in the opening lap and reception in their honor. They are the reason we continue the fight, because each year there can be more and more people living wonderful lives after a cancer diagnosis.

A special thanks to the many Relay For Life volunteers who worked to make this event a success.

Again, thank you for supporting the American Cancer Society, and remember it's not too late to become involved with the American Cancer Society. There are many opportunities to volunteer your time helping patients and implementing programs here in Connecticut. For more information please call us at 1-800-227-2345 or visit cancer.org.

Sincerely, Laura Falcone

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Community Executive, Income Development American Cancer Society

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### **ESPN Laying Off Employees;** At Least 100 in Bristol

The Bristol-based company which received millions under Gov. Malloy's "First Five" program, is laying off employees in Connecticut and elsewhere in a cost-saving move that is set to eliminate hundreds of jobs.



### www.epa.gov/compost or www.mastercomposter.com (this site has many tips and on to build and maintain

a compost pile).

**Trivia:** The United States makes up 6% of the world's population and produces half (50%) of the world's garbage. (www. cornell.edu)

Jennifer Zakrzewski for

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#### PLAINVILLE'S HOMETOWN CONNECTION

# What's Going On...

### **ANIMAL LOVERS SAVE THIS DATE**

On September 21st an organization called H.O.R.S.E. of CT. has organized a fundraiser at the VFW Hall in Plainville. The main focus of this group was to save abused & neglected horses. However, it has been expanded to include cats, dogs & birds. A wonderful member has adopted my nine pretty hens. They are living healthy & happily at her small farm with a number of other rescued pets.

The group is in desperate financial need to continue this work. Any donations of services, gift certificates or cash will be welcome. All donations are tax deductible and your business will be acknowlrdged at the event.

There will be a DJ and a Doo Wop group & a raffle of many baskets with all sorts of items. Soft drinks etc. will be available or BYOB.

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### The 9th Annual Lake **George Festival of Bands**

Being held at Lake George New York, features community bands from throughout New England and Canada. Center Stage Jazz, conducted by John Abucewicz, will perform on July 19th at the lovely lakeside music shell in Shepard Park and will feature vocalist Beverly St. Onge with the Plainville Wind Ensemble performing on Saturday, July 20th. The concert is free. Concert goers are encouraged to bring lawn chairs or blankets. In case of inclement weather, the concert will be moved to the Lake George High School. For information on participating band performances, visit www.lgcb.org.

**2013 Band Festival Schedule** Saturday, 20 July 2013 9:45 am- Welcome. American and Canadian **National Anthems** 5:00 pm- 6:00 pm Plainville Wind Ensemble 6:00 pm-7:00 pm Ballston Spa Community Band 7:00 pm- 8:00 pm Nepean Concert Band 8:00 pm- 9:00 pm Lake George Community Band

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By: Jessica Johnson, Customer Service

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The fee of \$25.00 is to help defray the cost of the program.

Registration is limited so register as soon as possible.

Please call Jeanne at the Parish Center at 860-747-6825 for additional information.

### **Catachesis of the Good Shepherd**

Is a religious formation program that has its roots in Maria Montessori. Method of learning and developed materials that would bring children ages 3-6 to God in a very special way. The Program will begin in September. For details contact: Jeanne, 860-747-6825 or a tour of the Atrium.

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Additional information can be provided by contacting Jennifer McHale at 860.224.6375 or jmchale@wheelerclinic.org.

## Men in the Civil War

Beginning now until August 28th, the Plainville Historical Center will feature the men and the battles they fought in the Civil War. You will also learn what daily life was like, what equipment they had, what the uniforms were like, and what weapons they used. There will be maps of the battlegrounds and photos of the men for visitors to look at, as well as a display of the battle of Gettsbury showing where the Plainville troops fought. Our men fought in at least 80 battles, some of them being major battles such as Antietam, Peach Tree Creek, the Siege of Atlanta and Gettysburg. They also fought in lesser-known battles such as Cane River, Bermuda Hundred, and Deep Run. There were at least 62 men that we know of who enlisted from Plainville.

The Historical Society will be closed on July 6th and 7th. For group tours you may call and make an appointment at (860) 747-6577. The Center will be open on Wednesdays and Saturdays from 12 to 2:30 pm. The building is handicapped accessible.

## 2013 Sweden Day

& Family Picnic Come join us on Saturday July 20th~1p.m. for the 108th Anniversary of SVEA Social Club!!! Swedish Music by Ed Hendela (1-5pm) Swedish Dancers from CT Scandi Dance Hamburgers, Hot Dogs, and Sides Domestic Keg Beer \$10.00 for Adults~15 and under FREE! Swedish Crafts will also be available for sale! Kids games start at 1:00 pm! For any questions, please contact Kay at860-223-7233 Location: 999 Kensington Road Kensington~860-828-9447



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CT Dental of Plainville was honored in June with the Women's Club annual Beautification Award. Shown above are Audrey Zack, President of the Club, Dr. Stephen Lupini, Dr. Ralph Sambor, Dr. Francis "Rusty" Camp and Diane Misko, Beautification Chairperson.





Shown above are members of the St. Anthony Society at their annual breakfast at the Oasis Restaurant. Prior to the breakfast, a Mass was performed for the deceased members of the Society. Members work all year long raising funds and providing services for the Church.





Photo right: front row are office personnel Stacy St. Pierre, Jessica Lembo, Kelli Finn and Mary Susco. Back row: Dr. Ralph Sambor, Dr. Francis "Rusty" Camp, Dr. Stephen Lupini and Diane Misko.





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Kyle Jones, a Plainville native, is shown above left receiving a badge from his mother following his appointment by the Plainville Town Council. Kyle originally worked in the Roadways Department with Dominic Moschinni, Superintendent and Michael Widger, Roadways Foreman. Robert Lee, Town Manager, congratulates our newest officer. Kyle will now attend the CT Police Academy.

## Father's Day Visitor!!!

Thought you and your readers might want to see our Father's Day visitor. This huge black bear was roaming around Pierce Street, Plainville. This picture was from in front of our house as the bear came out of the bushes, across the lot and down our driveway! Hope all is well. Kathleen Cook



Plainville's Farmers Market Ready for Season



The second annual Farmers Market will open its second season beginning Friday, June 28th and continue every Friday through mid-September. The market was widely received in its first year of operation and the participants look forward to another successful outing. Produce comes from Connecticut farms and a variety of farmers are represented . Hours of operation are every Friday, from 3-6 pm on the lawn in front of Plainville High School.

Thanks for sharing!!

## 1st Annual "Taste of Plainville" Popular with Residents and Restaurants

The first annual "Taste of Plainville" was a successful venture with both residents and local restaurants. This event was sponsored by the Plainville Republican Town Committee with proceeds benefitting the committee and the Plainville Community Fund. Co-Chairs for the Taste of Plainville, Deb Hardy and Andrea Saunders were very pleased with the ticket sales and positive feedback from those who purchased the tickets.

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## **PATRIOT STEVE B'S** LAMENT

By Steven Bovin America, Oh, America, used to be the land of the brave, and of the free Now, I want to run and flee, from Hussien Obama and Hillary. The reds in D.C. do not care, but want to stick us with Obama Care. The CT General Assembly played the fool. They used the Newtown victims like a tool. The lame stream media went along for the ride, 'cause they lack integrity and have no pride. The Nazis of the 30's used registration, like the General Assembly to bring on confiscation. I look to the left and to the right, and up and down

I see our governor act like a circus clown. Losing our liberties with S.B.1160 makes me sad. If you don't like my poem, that's too damn bad. The Tea Party Patriots are the best, from the north, south, east, and west. I try to laugh, but want to cry. After 4 years of protest, I must say good-bye 'cause DHS (Dept.Homeland Security) has empty buildings, cold and damp, to intern noncompliant right-wingers like me into re-education camp.

### Allow and enable..... **By Ralph Marston**

If it seems that you're stuck where you are, no matter what you do, then you're almost certainly trying too hard. Stop trying and start allowing.

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you're working against yourself. Take a deep breath, calm down, and be.

Be you, in the moment, honestly, authentically, needing nothing and appreciating everything. Allow, accept, enjoy, and you cannot possibly remain stuck. Where there is genuine love, appreciation and enjoyment, there can be no resentment or frustration. When you fully allow life to flow to you and through you, then you enable creativity and value to naturally and easily flow out from you.

Life is beautiful to a degree that goes far beyond anything you can possibly imagine. Stop trying to imagine that beauty and start allowing yourself to experience it.

Let go of the need to strive and to judge. And embrace the profound opportunity to be, now.

## **TEA PARTY PATRIOTS**

by: Gene

### **COMMON-CORE**

Do we all know what it really is? Like Nancy Pelosi said, "Pass it and we will read it later"?

#### Just A Few Highlights:

Common Core is centralized education control. Destroys Federalism. Common Core is education without representation or paternal input. Common Core is intrusive data tracking. Common Core comes with an exorbitant price tag. Get connected @www.stopcommoncore.com Who is the one who wanted to be a transparent president to all the people? Now, he is with Verizon, Prism, Microsoft, Yahoo, Facebook, A.O.L., Skype, You Tube, and Apple.

Even the A.C.L.U. doesn't like what the present administration is doing. Can the Attorney General Eric Holder appoint a commission to investigate himself? Are the journalists finally tiring of the president and all his back tracking? Look up Cremtrails. Your world is being artificially created?

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Who's hoarding ammo for a 30-year war? Is there a private army being formed? IRS says they can't investigate themselves? (*Big Brother is Watching*).

Is Edward Snowden a hero or a villain (*Whistleblower*)...did he take an oath?

CT Governor Malloy knows how to drive business to Texas.

Governor Rick Perry who wants the jobs and people to move.

### Here are only a few of the 28 Principles of Liberty:

1. The only reliable basis for sound government and just human relations is Natural Law.

2. A few people cannot survive under a republican constitution unless they remain virtuous and morally strong.

3. The most promising method of securing a virtuous and morally stable people is to elect virtuous leaders.

12. The United States of America shall be a republic.

15. The highest level of prosperity occurs when there is a free market economy and a minimum of government regulations.

19. Only limited and carefully defined powers should be delegated to government, all others being retained in the people.

- 21. Strong local self-government is the keystone to preserving human freedom.
- 24. A free people will not survive unless they stay strong.

28. The United States has a manifest destiny to be an example and a blessing to the entire human race.

Quotes from National Center for Constitutional Studies Visit nccs.net

Thank you all who attended Flag Day on the green in Southington, June 14, 2013.

### Get ready for local elections this fall. Vote right, make it count.

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Republican Town Council and Board of Education Members Review Accomplishments

The Republican members of the Town Council and Board of Education recently reflected on their accomplishments during this past two year term. Both boards have prioritized a number of tasks and are very pleased with the successful completion of a variety of projects.

### **TOWN COUNCIL**

- Restored Fund Balance to 7.5% from a low of just over 2%
- Combined the Town and Board of Education Finance Departments
- Successfully implemented recommendations by Charter Revision Commission
- Reviewed and updated Plainville's Fire Department Ordinance this had not been done in 30+ years
- Sold 1989 GMC Fire Rescue truck for \$30,000 to Gamewell Volunteer Fire Department in Lenoir, North Carolina
- Passed two consecutive budgets on first ballot...Never before accomplished since all day voting procedure adopted
- Oversaw new runway installation & improvements at Robertson Airport
- Added new police officer positions
- Restored Sunday hours at the Library
- Kept mill increase to only .25 for past two years
- Consolidated Human Resources functions with BOE

### **BOARD OF EDUCATION**

- Reversed Pay to Participate program, saving \$\$ for families
- Instituted All Day Kindergarten
- Approved installation of new tennis courts at Plainville High School
- Relocated BOE offices to 3d floor in Municipal Center
- Worked with Town to combine Finance Departments
- Hired additional Music and Health teachers
- Returned excess funds to General Fund 2 consecutive years
- Purchased Chrome Books for students 6-12 grades

By working together the Town Council and Board of Education have not only saved tax payer dollars, but made transparence and accountability a priority. Taxes have been minimally impacted while services have been retained or expanded.



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The Plainville Republican Town Committee will hold a caucus to nominate candidates for the upcoming municipal election on Wednesday, July 17th, 7:00 pm at the Plainville Municipal Center.



## **IT'S LEMONADE TIME AGAIN**

By: Mary Ziccardi



Shown above left is Nico with Kim Smith, Development Director of Make-A-Wish, CT. At right, Nico collecting at recent PHS Crowley-Lincoln-Drive One event.

Plainville's eight year old, Nico Fasold, has chosen Saturday, July 13 to hold his Annual Lemonade Stand. All proceeds benefit the "Make A Wish Foundation."

Along with his lemonade, he will serve gluten free candy and homemade cookies. This will be Nico's fourth year. The first year he earned \$51.00. After word reached town of his efforts, he made over \$101.00 the second year.

Publicity from newspapers and TV earned him \$5,200 his third year, and he was able to send seven year old Dakota, his parents, and grandmother to Disney World. Dakota is from Waterbury and was chosen by Make A Wish Foundation. This year Nico hopes to earn \$10,000 for "Make A Wish".

Ken Crowley of Crowley Motors has been extremely generous allowing Nico to set up his lemonade stand in his dealership and also presented him with a check to help his cause.

His father tells me he will need a larger canopy for the Lemonade Stand and another canopy for tables for children to play games, eat cookies, and drink lemonade.

What started as a little lemonade stand in his driveway has developed into an enterprise with people coming from Plainville and surrounding towns; drinking lemonade and socializing; lots of laughter and fun. For those who could not attend, donations were received by mail.

Nico's address is 109 Northwest Drive, Plainville; save the date, take time to relax, socialize, have fun, and drink Nico's, now famous, lemonade.

### **FREE BREAKFAST AND LUNCH PROGRAM FOR LOCAL YOUTH**

(Plainville, CT) A free breakfast and lunch program will be available this summer for Plainville youth 18 years of age or younger, as part of the Summer Food Program provided by the Connecticut State Department of Education.

The free breakfast program will be served at Veteran's Memorial Park (next to the town's Recreation Building on Whiting Street) from 8:30 AM – 9:30 AM. The free lunch program will be offered at Norton Park on South Washington Street from 11:45 AM – 1:15 PM. Both breakfast and lunch programs will be available Monday through Friday, from July 1 to August 15, with the exception of July 4.

"We are pleased to bring this program to Plainville again this year. I hope all of our children take advantage of the free breakfast and lunch opportunity throughout the summer," said Assistant Superintendent of Schools, Dr. Maureen Brummett.

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Summertime in Connecticut provides a great opportunity to hit the water on a boat or other personal watercraft. Before you go out and fire up the engine there are a few laws and regulations that you need to follow in order to be in compliance with Connecticut law. Let's take a look now so you can enjoy the rest of the summer on the water.

In Connecticut recreational boaters must obtain a Safe Boating Certificate (SBC) before they can operate any recreational vessel. In order to operate a personal water craft or "Jet Ski" you need to obtain a Certificate of Personal Watercraft Operation (CPWO). In order to obtain the SBC, individuals need to complete an approved basic boating course. For the CPWO, individuals need to complete a combination safe boating and personal watercraft course or receive a passing grade on the DEEP equivalency exam. The CPWO certificate is more extensive because it allows you to operate different types of vessels.

So once you have your certificates and are ready to operate a vessel, don't make the mistake of operating under the influence. When operating a vessel in Connecticut waterways you are subject to the same laws of the road. Instead of a DUI, you can be charged with a BUI (Boating under the Influence). The laws were amended in 2003 to mirror the motor vehicle laws. Over .08 blood alcohol level gets you a BUI charge.

On that note, I'll let you go out and enjoy the summer and all of the water activities living in Connecticut has to offer. Enjoy and stay safe!



### Attorney Thomas A. Wurz

is an associate of his father Attorney Theodore J. Wurz, LLC in the law office of Attorney Richard Witt at 132 East Street. Attorney Wurz is a graduate of Avon Old Farms School in 2001, Providence College in May 2005 on the Dean's list and Juris Doctor Program at Western New England College School of Lawin May 2009. He was admitted to the Connecticut Bar and U.S. Federal Court in 2010. His activities and interests are Secretary of Sports Entertainment Law Club at WNEC and is a Special Olympics Volunteer.

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## Plainville Optical 20 Years & Counting ~Part One~

By: Jonathan Lindberg Licensed Optician

Plainville Optical is celebrating 20 years in business and our new location has plenty of parking. The central location with easy access will ensure another 20 years of service to our customers and patients.

Plainville Optical opened for business in June of 1993 amidst a moderate recession. The genesis of the store was a laboratory and door to door service business called Licensed Optician Services based out of my home in Plainville. I attended to disabled clients in their own homes and convalescent facilities, filling their prescriptions at my laboratory in the cellar then returning to dispense the eyewear. Soon after the business was up and running well I expanded the service to Medicaid clients in their own homes. Optometrists in four different cities referred examined patients to me for eyewear fittings. That kept me busy 3-4 days each week while I filled in the days with freelance coverage at independent practices all over Connecticut. In three years I worked at nearly 50 different stores. Many of these businesses also used my laboratory for fabricating their eyeglass orders. During those 3 years I worked an average of 6 days a week for about 70 hours per week covering about 100,000 miles in Connecticut. The job taught me that good service, competency and a friendly willingness to help was all I needed to do to succeed with a retail store front.

So I was confident when I signed a 3 year lease June, 14th 1993 with the Olde Canal Square owners for 1500 sq. ft. at about \$1,000/month that Plainville Optical would grow. It did and next month I will write about the changes and improvements that were made over the earlier years.

## Farmington Bank Announces New iPad<sup>®</sup> App Enhances Mobile Banking

FARMINGTON, Conn. – Farmington Bank announced today the addition of a banking App for the iPad® tablet that adds to its existing mobile applications for iPhone® and Android<sup>TM</sup> smartphones.

"Farmington Bank Mobile Apps now offer banking on both smartphones and tablets, giving customers additional convenience and more options for conducting their banking anywhere 24/7," said John J. Patrick, Jr., chairman, president and CEO of Farmington Bank.

Farmington Bank's new iPad App also heralds enhanced mobile applications for its customers. Both the iPad and smartphone Apps allow customers to check balances, transfer money, pay bills, view transaction history and locate a branch or ATM. In addition, users of both the tablet and smartphones now may turn their debit card on or off as needed for security with the Debit Card On/Off Switch. Customers can easily and quickly view their account balances and recent transactions through Auto Login.

For users of the new iPad App, they may also use a feature called Scratchpad to post notes to their accounts.

Farmington Bank's free Mobile Apps for the iPad or smartphones can be downloaded from the Apple App StoreSM or Google PlayTM.

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## **Plainville Historical Society Civil War Exhibit**

The Plainville Historical Society is currently hosting an exhibit of Civil War memorabilia titled "The Plainville Men of the Civil War" About 90 men from Plainville were enlisted in the War. The display is on the second floor or the building and the items are "truly amazing and absolutely great." Included in the presentation are artifacts including tents, medicine, uniforms, pictures, weapons and various collections of that period. Please visit Monday & Wednesday from 9:00-12:00 with tours Wednesday and Saturday from 12:00-12:30.







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### The GE 5K Road Race July 14



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### PHS Class of 1973 **Celebrate 40 years!**

The Plainville High School Class of 1973 will celebrate 40 years since graduating high school on Saturday, July 13, 2013.All classmates are invited to support the events of the GE 5K Road Race/Petit Family Foundation. The plan is to meet at the Pasta Supper, 5pm, hosted on the grounds of General Electric. There will be an informal gathering at D'Amico's following the pasta supper. For more information, email Gary Hovhanessian at garyhov@aol.com or call Gary 860-690-5959



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My name is Finn, yah, yah, I know my name is a little unusual but that is not what I want to talk about. Last month my picture appeared in the Plainville Hometown Connection with Miss Betsy the mail lady. It seems many people thought Miss Betsy was

many people thought Miss Betsy was moving to Boston. This is not true! I left Plainville and moved to Boston with my new mom Tia. It is real nice here but I miss my eighteen brothers, sisters and cousins. Hello, Plainville, and especially Miss Betsy.

Love, Finn

Miss Betsey with Finn's Brothers, sisters and cousins



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OBITUARIES

### ~ Marie Vennetta (Noke) McLellan ~



86, of Plainville, passed away on June 6, 2013 at Apple Rehab Farmington Valley.

Born in Saco, Maine on April 4, 1927, she was one of three children of the late Charles and Grace (LaChance) Noke. She was a 1945 graduate of Thorton Academy in Saco, moving

to Connecticut shortly after. Marie met the love of her life, Eugene, on a blind date in 1958, whom she married after two months of dating. They moved to Plainville in 1963 where they raised their children, sharing more than 55 years of love and devotion. Marie worked in various positions while caring for her family, including that of a teacher's aide while her children were in school and a teller at American Savings Bank until 1985. Upon her retirement, she joined the Plainville Senior Center where she took a drawing class taught by Patricia Mottola, quickly discovering her natural artistic talent. She became an accomplished painter, who was proud of her work and found great enjoyment in art and the friends she made through her art classes and as a member of the Plainville Art League. A woman a great faith, she was a longtime communicant of Our Lady of Mercy Church, and had a lifelong special devotion to our Blessed Virgin Mary.

In addition to her beloved husband, Gene, she leaves her son, Keith of Middletown; her daughter and sonin-law, Lynelle and Stanley Maj of Bristol; her adored grandson, Christopher Maj; several aunts, uncles, cousins, and many dear friends. She was predeceased by her sister and brother, Juanita and Thomas Noke.

A Mass of Christian Burial in celebration of Marie's life was held at Our Lady of Mercy Church. Committal services followed at St. Joseph Cemetery. Bailey Funeral Home, 48 Broad St, Plainville, CT assisted the family with arrangements.

In lieu of flowers, Marie may be remembered with contributions to the Plainville Senior Center, 200 East St, Plainville, CT 06062 or Our Lady of Mercy Church, 19 s. Canal St, Plainville, CT 06062. For online expressions of sympathy, please visit Marie's tribute page at www.Bailey-FuneralHome.com

#### ~ Richard S. Osipowicz ~

78 of Plainville, passed away Thursday May 23, 2013 at his home surrounded by his loving family.

He was the husband of Elaine (Squillacote) Osipowicz. Richard and Elaine were married on June 6, 1959.

Richard was born March 22, 1935 in New Britain a son of the late Stanley and Susan (Ordrick) (Stathis) Osipowicz and has lived in Plainville for many years. He attended schools in New Britain and Hartford and was employed as a heavy equipment operator for Union Local # 478, retiring after many years of service. Richard proudly served his country in the US Navy during the Korean War were he was a member of the Seabees second expedition to Antarctica. He was an avid outdoorsman who enjoyed fishing, hunting, boating and NASCAR. Richard was a Communicant of Our Lady of Mercy Church.

Besides his wife of 53 years, he leaves his children, Joan Pease and her husband Mark of Plainville, David Osipowicz and his wife Michelle of New Hartford, James Osipowicz and his wife Lisa of Mississippi, Linda Turner and her husband Johnathan of Terryville and Paul Osipowicz of Norwich, his sisters, Catherine Romanko of Florida and Florence McAllister of East Hartford, his grandchildren, Mark Allen Pease, Jr, Ashley L. Pease, Kassy L. Falkner, Jena L. Falkner, Jacob Turner, Cheyenne Turner, Joseph Turner, Brooke Turner, Carli Freeman, Danielle Freeman, Michael Osipowicz, Stephen Osipowicz, William Bishop, John Bishop and Lindsey Bishop and his great grandchild, Swayze Bishop. He was predeceased by his brother, Ronald Hickie and his sister Patricia Morley.

Funeral services for Richard were held from the Bailey Funeral Home 48 Broad Street in Plainville to Our Lady of Mercy Church for a Mass of Christian Burial. Committal services followed by military honors will be in St. Joseph Cemetery in Plainville. In lieu of flowers memorial contributions may be made to the Wounded Warrior Project P.O. Box 758517 Topeka, Kansas 66675

(www.woundedwarriorproject.org). For additional information or to leave words of condolence please visit: www.bailey-funeralhome.com.

### ~ Helen D. (Majewski) Maurice ~

84, of Plainville, passed away Saturday, June 15, 2013, at the Hospital of Central Connecticut in New Britain. She was the wife of the late Robert L. Maurice.

Mrs. Maurice was born October 20, 1928, in Hartford, a daughter of the late Ignace and Mary Majewski and has lived in Plainville for many years.

She was a homemaker who enjoyed cooking and being with her family, especially her grandson. While she was a resident at Apple Rehab of Plainville, she enjoyed bowling and bingo.

She leaves her daughter, Diane L. Raymond and her husband, Bobby, of Summerton, S.C.; her sisters, Lea Bednarczyk, of Simsbury, Mary Ann Lata, of East Hartford and Josephine (Shirley) Palmieri, of Southington and her grandson, Sean M. Raymond, of Bristol. She was predeceased by brothers, Chester and Edward Majewski and her sisters, Amelia Serignese and Sophie D'Anzi.

Funeral services for Mrs. Maurice were held at the Bailey Funeral Home, 48 Broad St., Plainville. Burial was held privately. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Alzheimer's Foundation of America, 322 Eighth Avenue 7th Floor, New York, NY 10001. For additional information or to leave words of condolence please visit www.Bailey-FuneralHome.com.

A beautiful garden now stands alone, missing the one who nurtured it but now she is gone. Her flowers still bloom, and the sun it still shines, But the rain is like tear drops, for the ones left behind. The weeds lay waiting to take the gardens beauty away, But the beautiful memories of its keeper

are in our hearts to stay.

She loved every flower even some that were weeds, So much love she would plant with each little seed, But just like her flowers she was part of Gods plan, So when it was her time he reached down his hand. He looked through the Garden searching for the best, That's when he found my love, it was her time to rest. It was hard for those who loved her, to just let her go, But God had a spot in his garden, that needed a gentle soul. So when you start missing her, remember if you just wait, When God has a spot in his garden, She'll meet you at the gate....

~ William Theodore Christopher ~



80, of Bristol, formerly of Plainville, passed away at his home, surrounded by his

family, on Wednesday, June 19, 2013.

Born in Scranton, PA on September 10, 1932, he was the only child to the late Michael and Caroline (Pysar) Christopher. Raised and educated in Scranton, he enlisted in the U.S. Army shortly upon graduating high school. Bill proudly served his country for 2 years, going on to join the Navy Reserves. He married the love of his life, Lucy (Graziano), with whom he shared 57 years. They moved to Plainville where they raised their family of three, and shared many happy times. Bill's early passion was restoring antique cars, for which he won many awards. He retired after more than forty years as a master mechanic and supervisor in the construction industry. The former "Mayor of Grant Ave.", he and Lucy moved to Bristol five years ago, where he earned the same title for his admirable ability to be the go-to man for anything that needed repair or simply have a chat with his neighbors and befriend everyone he met. A devoted husband, father, and grandfather, attending his sons' car races, and spending time with his family brought him much joy. He leaves many cherished memories and will be greatly missed by his family and

#### countless friends.

In addition to his wife, Lucy, he leaves his children, Michael Christopher and his wife, Jennifer; Theodore "Teddy" Christopher and his wife, Quinn and Judy Mannix and her husband, Joseph; his grandchildren, Michael, Jr., Nicole, Jacob, and George; and many nieces, nephews and extended family.

Bailey Funeral Home, 48 Broad St, Plainville assisted the family with arrangements. A Mass of Christian Burial was held at St. Matthew



Church, 120 Church Ave. Forestville. Burial will be held at the convenience of the family.

Bill may be remembered with contributions to the Plainville Community Food Pantry, PO Box 233, Plainville, CT 06062. For online expressions of sympathy, please visit Bill's tribute page at www.Bailey-FuneralHome.





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### ~ Alice E. (Connolly) Clark ~



70, of Plainville, formerly of Bristol, passed away after a brief illness, surrounded by her family and friends, on Tuesday, June 04, 2013.

Born in Norwood, MA on November 7, 1942, she was the only child of the late Thomas and Alice (Lunt) Connolly. Raised in Norwood, she attended local schools and, upon her marriage, moved to

Connecticut where she raised her three adored children. She resided in New Britain and Bristol, prior to moving to Plainville 10 years ago. An office manager, she retired from Clean Harbors in Bristol. A devoted mother, Alice enjoyed even more becoming a grandmother, helping to care for and raise her six beloved grandchildren. She made a hobby of crocheting, and enjoyed card games, BINGO, and countless fun times spent with her best friends, Margie Curran, Carol Fletcher and Rich Jackson. She will be greatly missed, leaving many cherished memories.

She is survived by her children, Donald Clark and his wife, Cassandra of Plainville, Daniel Clark and his wife, Rebecca of Plainville; and Trisha Kowalski and her husband, Michael of Bristol; and her six loving grandchildren, Kayla, Kristian, Alicesyn, Jonathan, Carl and Skylar. Alice held a special place in heart for her feline companions, leaving her two cats, "Um" and "London".

Funeral services in celebration of Alice's life were held at Bailey Funeral Home, 48 Broad St, Plainville. Alice's love for cats may be remembered with contributions to the Connecticut Humane Society, 701 Russell Rd, Newington, CT 06111. For online expressions of sympathy, please visit Alice's tribute page at www.bailey-funeralhome.com.

#### ~ Donald W. McKeon ~



86 of Plainville and Southington, CT. beloved husband of Carmella (Boilard) McKeon passed away peacefully on May



side, following a long battle with Alzheimer's. Born in New Britain, CT January 12, 1927.

Donald was the son of the late Thomas F. McKeon and Hannah (Johnson) McKeon. Donald was a U.S. Navy veteran serving during World War II and worked as a foreman at Stanley Works for over forty years. A loving husband, father, grandfather, and great grandfather, his family was his pride and joy. Donald enjoyed spending time with his family and never missed a sporting event or school activity that any of his grandchildren were involved in. Donald enjoyed many family vacations and time spent in Las Vegas with his wife. Donald was an avid New York Yankees and New York Jets fan. He is survived by his four devoted children, Thomas McKeon and his wife Debra of Colebrook. Michael McKeon of Las Vegas, NV, Donna (McKeon) Krewson and her husband William of Southington, Deborah (McKeon) Rio and her husband James of Plainville; his six adored grandchildren, Michael Rio of Trumbull, Ashley (Krewson) Hunt and her husband Benjamin of Plainville, Kayla Rio and her fiancée Brian Kriscenski of Melrose, MA, Brittany McKeon of Colebrook, Courtney Krewson of Southington, Kaitlyn Krewson of Southington and his great-granddaughter Sophia Hunt of Plainville, as well as many nieces, nephews, extended family members and friends. In addition to his parents, Donald was predeceased by his three brothers Edward, William and Frances and two sisters Lillian (May) and Helen. Funeral services were held at Bailey Funeral Home, 48 Broad Street Plainville Committal services with military honors will be at St. Joseph Cemetery, Plainville. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made, in Donald's name, to the Alzheimer's Resource Center, 1261 South Main St. Plantsville CT 06479. The family of Donald would like to extend a special thank you to the nurses and staff of the Alzheimer's Resource Center for their dedication and loving care. For online expressions of sympathy, please visit Donald's tribute page at www.Bailey-FuneralHome.com

#### ~ William (Bill) Holcomb, Jr. ~

**OBITUARIES** 



#### 75, beloved husband, father, grandfather and great-grandfather, entered into life

eternal peacefully on June 11, 2013 surrounded

by

the love of his family. The oldest son of William and Katherine (Koch) Holcomb, he was born in New Britain, on January 15,

1938 and lived in Plainville for most of his life. He shared 31 wonderful years of marriage with Valerie Holcomb. A veteran, Bill proudly served in the U.S. Air Force and was stationed in Iceland as well as Michigan. He inherited Holcomb Tree Service from his father, which he owned and operated for more than 45 years before passing the business, Holcomb Tree, Inc., on to his sons who continue the family tradition in Plainville. Two of his sons began their own endeavors as arborists - Bill Holcomb III owns and operates Holcomb Arboricultural Services out of Southington, and David Holcomb owns and operates Dave Holcomb Tree out of New Hartford. Bill loved his work and the outdoors. He enjoyed exploring the back roads, mountains, streams, and parks of this country in his pickup truck or on his motorcycle. He touched many lives and was loved by all. He could always be counted on to help a friend, no matter how big or small the job. He will be missed by many and leaves behind his loving wife, Valerie; five sons, William (Bill) Holcomb III and his wife Debbie of Southington, Dave Holcomb and his wife Kelly of New Hartford, Michael Holcomb of Bristol, Tim Holcomb of Plainville, Jim Holcomb and his wife Jackie of Bristol; and one daughter, Sue Hincks and her husband Andy of New Hartford. He also leaves fourteen grandchildren -Steve, Caroline, and Tyreck Hincks; and Mikayla, William (Will) IV, Paul, Scott, Robert, Matthew, Juliana, Morgan, Shamus, Jacob, and Victoria Holcomb; one great-grandson Paul Holcomb, Jr. and Paul's mother Melissa. The oldest of seven children he leaves behind his five sisters - Kathy DiBenedetto and her husband Tito of Middletown, Tricia Rice and her husband Dewey of Oregon, Mary Vachon of Rocky Hill, Betty Balchazard and her husband Roy of Massachusetts, and Laurie Holcomb of Plainville; he was predeceased by his brother, Plainville police officer Robert Holcomb who was killed in the line of duty in 1977. Bill was dedicated to his family and especially enjoyed spending time with his grandchildren.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to The Robert M. Holcomb Scholarship Fund. c/o Plainville Police Association, PO Box 375, Plainville, CT 06062.

Bailey Funeral Home, 48 Broad Street, Plainville, CT assisted the family with arrangements. A memorial service to celebrate Bill's life was held at Gloria Dei Lutheran Church 355 Camp Street, Forestville, CT followed by a reception in the Church Hall. Interment was in the Gloria Dei Memorial Garden at a later date.

#### ~ Christopher "Bruce" Pelletier ~



49, of Riverview, FL, formerly of Plainville, husband of Elisa (Gegenheimer) died unexpectedly at his home on Thursday, May 23, 2013.

He was born in New Britain on December 25, 1963, one of three sons of Elmer "Bee" Pelletier, Sr. and Juanita Pelletier of Hudson, FL. The ultimate handyman, Bruce

## What to Do When a **Loved One Dies**

#### **By: Jason Alderman**

Whether it's expected or accidental, the death of a loved one can shake you to the core. The last thing you want is to have to interrupt grieving to deal with mundane tasks, but unfortunately there are many actions that must be done on behalf of the deceased. Some must be taken immediately, while with others you can take your time and reflect on the best path to follow.

#### Here's a checklist:

If the death occurs under hospital or hospice watch, they will notify the proper authorities and help you make arrangements with the coroner's office for transport of the remains. If it happens at home, call local police or 911 for assistance. If he or she was an organ donor, you'll need to act quickly.

Reach out for help in making arrangements and locating key documents. Split up such tasks as contacting others who will want to know, taking care of pets, collecting mail and safeguarding the deceased's home if it's now vacant.

Look for a will or other document that spells out the deceased's burial or cremation wishes - many people make funeral arrangements in advance, even paying ahead of time. The funeral home can guide you through the paperwork process, such as placing an obituary and ordering death certificates.

Hopefully, the deceased prepared a will that names an executor to oversee the disposition of his or her estate; otherwise, the court will have to appoint one. In sorting through their files, also look for: a trust; insurance policies; bank, credit card, mortgage and loan accounts; safe deposit box key; contact information for lawyer, doctor, accountant or other professional advisors; and passwords to computer and other accounts.

Within the first few days, start notifying organizations with which the deceased had business or financial arrangements. In most cases you'll be required to submit a certified copy of the death certificate, so be sure to order ample copies. You'll need to contact:

- Current or former employers for information about possible final wages, accrued vacation, retirement, life insurance or other death benefits.
- Social Security Administration. If they were receiving Social Security benefits, you'll need to stop payment right away. Funeral homes often do this, but be sure to ask.
- Once you've notified Social Security, they will contact Medicare to cancel benefits. However, if they were enrolled in a Medicare Prescription or Advantage Plan or had a Medigap policy, contact each to cancel coverage.
- Veteran's Administration. Veterans, their immediate family members and certain others may be entitled to burial at a national cemetery.
- Forward their mail to a secure address so you don't miss important correspondence.
- Cancel their driver's license to avoid identity fraud.





was also a sports enthusiast who had a love for the outdoors, and found the greatest amount of joy in spending time with his granddaughter.

In addition to his wife, Elisa, and his parents, he is survived by his daughter and son-in-law, Michelle and Roman Archer of Dover, NH; his adored granddaughter, Ellie Marie Archer; his grandmother, Martha Pelletier of Southington; his brothers, Elmer Pelletier, Jr. and Gregory Pelletier of Hudson, FL; and many aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, and cousins.

Funeral services in celebration of Bruce's life were held at Bailey Funeral Home, 48 Broad St, Plainville. Committal services followed at West Cemetery.

For directions and online expressions of sympathy, please visit www.Bailey-FuneralHome.com

- Banks, credit unions, credit card issuers and other lenders to close accounts - or if you are a surviving spouse, to convert accounts to your name only.
- If they had a safe deposit box and you don't have the key, ask what documentation you need to gain access.
- Insurance companies, to cancel auto and homeowner's policies; however, consider keeping them activated until assets are sold, in case of theft or damage.
- Close email accounts.
- Cancel magazine subscriptions and utilities.

Finally, the executor will have to deal with such issues as locating beneficiaries, distributing inherited property, filing final tax returns, and settling outstanding debts. You'd be wise to work with an attorney who specializes in probate issues.

Jason Alderman directs Visa's financial education programs. To Follow Jason Alderman on Twitter: www.twitter.com/PracticalMoney.

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E-mail:plainvillesda@gmail.com

jacksonsg5@sbcglobal.net Pastor Franklin Jackson Saturday Morning Bible School @ 9:30 a.m. Worship Service @ 11:00 a.m. FREE lunch after service Wednesday Evening Family Prayer Meeting @ 6:30 p.m. The Lord Jesus Christ loves you ... John 3:16

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Sunday 10:00 am

Sunday School for All Ages 11:00 am

Morning Worship Service 11:00 am

Junior Church ages 4-8 6:30 pm

Evening Worship Service Wednesday 7:00 pm

Bible Study and Prayer

For information about the church visit our website @ cobplainville.org

## **BIBLE CAMP**

Summer is here! The highlight of our summer is our Summer Bible Camp. Our staff is busy planning for an exciting week. This year it will be Monday through Friday, July 29 thru August 2nd from 7:00 to 9:00 pm each evening. Our theme this year is going to be "Investigation Destination." We are inviting anyone from ages 4-13. Each evening we have a song time for the children, a Bible story, game time, snack time, a missionary story, and we end with craft time where each of the kids make something to take home with them.

Our goal in having Summer Bible Camp is to take the opportunity of telling children about the gospel. Do you know what the gospel is? The gospel is good news about Jesus Christ. He came to this earth to die on the cross for the sins of the whole world. He was the perfect One, the Spotless Lamb of God. His death on Calvary's cross was sufficient to pay for all our sins. God the Father was pleased and satisfied with Jesus' payment and so He raised Jesus from the dead. Jesus is alive and He is the Risen Savior offering salvation (eternal life) to whosoever will believe on Him and receive Him as their personal Savior. This is what we stress at our

Bible Camp because we believe a personal relationship with the Lord Jesus Christ is the most important decision anyone can make. If you would like to send your children to Bible Camp you can call us at the number above. Hope to see you there!



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<u>Thursday Night Youth Bible Study</u> 7:00 p.m. New Study: Maturing in the Christian

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## **God's Backyard Bible Camp**

will be held on July 8-12th, from 5:30 to 8 pm, at St. Andrew Lutheran Church, 1125 Stafford Avenue, Bristol.

Stafford Avenue, Bristol. St. Andrew and Gloria Dei Lutheran Churches invite children ages 4 to Grade 6 to join us for dinner from 5:30 to 6 pm, followed by bible stories, games, music and crafts, while having a blast serving Jesus! Registration is free, and donations are gladly accepted. The service project will be the Backpack project, and donations of school supplies and backpacks are welcomed also. For more information, and to register, please contact St. Andrews Church at 860 583-4809, or Gloria Dei at 860 582-0629, or go to www.standrewct.org/whats happening for a registration form.

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## **Ask the Brayne**

**Q.** Can we make the "walk lights" stay on longer or is that timing mandated by the state?

**A.** The State of Connecticut, Department of Transportation control the traffic lights. Each intersection varies depending on traffic flow. Persons having a problem with a particular intersection should contact the Department of Transportation to request a study on the timing of the "Walk Lights" and perhaps make a correction.

**Q.** Why is it that these motorcycles are allowed to "gut out" their exhaust so they can ride around town and annoy everyone?

**A.** Depends on each town if they have a noise ordinance for motorcycles. To my knowledge there is no State Law against the noise of a motorcycle.

 $\mathbf{Q}$ . What is the legal allotted time for the yellow caution light to stay lit?

**A.** I called the Department of Transportation about a week ago and am still waiting for a reply on this question. In my opinion the caution light should stay on longer and should be uniform in the whole State of Connecticut.

To submit questions: Call 860-747-4119, E-mail hmtnn@comcast.net, or write to Hometown Connection, 27 Sherman Street, Plainville, CT 06062 or drop them at the office. Deadline for submitting questions and/or articles is the 15th of each month. Thank you for the above questions. Keep them coming!!

## **Thanks, Bill Brayne!**



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## **Newtown First-Responder Aide**



David Rohner, a student at CCSU, comes from a family of first-responders and, as such, is sympathetic to the first-responders of the tragedy at Sandy Hook Elementary School. Like so many of us, he wondered what he could do to help. David used his skills to design custom pins to sell, with the profit going to help the first responders. All funds raised go toward needed counseling and additional sick time for those Newtown police officers who are dealing with the emotional trauma of such a situation.

Pins are available in both silver- and gold-tone and sell for \$5 each. Purchaser form on page 26. Thank you for supporting such a worthy cause.



Jolt, Our Lady of Mercy Youth Group, assisted with the project by taking orders after Masses at the church for the last two week ends. Jolt will not be benefiting from this effort. All proceeds go toward the firstresponder aide. Pictured L-R Sam Lynes, Monica Gauvin & Jacob Somers. Other Jolt members also assisted in taking orders.

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PLAINVILLE'S HOMETOWN CONNECTION

NEW PIZZA PLACE OPENING WITH **FAMILIAR FACES AT HELM**

The new pizza place on 5 Stillwell Drive will have a familiar air about it. The owner of Fiores IV on Whiting Street is taking over the old pizza house which is set to open in the middle of July.

"Being in Plainville for the last five years I feel that Plainville is my new home and I saw a good opportunity to open a new pizza house which we will call "Pesto Pizzeria. "Pesto's Pizzeria will feature specialties such as chicken pesto, which is fresh chicken strips basted in pesto with diced tomatoes, a spinach ricotta pie, a buffalo chicken pizza The menu also include an array of pizza, appetizers, calzones, salads, grinders and soups. You can make your own pizza by choosing from the large variety of toppings offered.

Once they obtained the homey feel of a neighborhood pzza place, the owner Admir Cecunjanin set out to craft a menu that reflected simplicity but also familiarity. One of the first things Admir decided was to go for simplicity over mass production. "Instead of doing forty things good, I want to do ten things great, it works out a lot better", he said.

Pesto Pizzeria has sitting inside and also on the patio. It is handicapped accessible. There will be take out and free delivery for Plainville residents.





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Dental Health

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

What Can I Do to Keep My Gums and Heart Healthy?

Cardiovascular disease is a class of disease that affects the heart and/or bloodvessels. It is estimated that more than 80 million people in the United States have one or more forms of cardiovascular disease; these forms include high blood

pressure, coronary heart disease (acute heart attack and angina pectoris), stroke, and heart failure. Studies have shown that there is a link between cardiovascular disease and periodontal (gum)disease, the chronic inflammation and infection of t

he gums and surrounding tissue. Forms of gum disease, such as gingivitis (gum inflammation) and periodontitis (bone loss), can be indicators for cardiovascular problems, which is why it is important for individuals at risk for cardiovascular disease to visit a dentist on aregular basis, practice good oral hygiene, and keep their dentist informed of any oral and overall health issues.

How are periodontal disease and cardiovascular disease connected?

It has been suggested that the inflammatory proteins and bacteria associated with gum disease enter a person's bloodstream and can cause various effects on the cardiovascular system. A study published in the February 2005 issue of Circulation examined the presence of the bacteria known to cause periodontitis and the thickening of the blood vessel wall typically seen in heart disease. After examining samples from more than 650

participants, the investigators concluded that the presence of the same bacteria known to cause periodontitis was associated with an increased level of blood vessel thickening.

What can I do to keep my gums and heart healthy?

Practicing proper oral hygiene is essential to maintaining healthy gums. This includes flossing regularly, brushing twicea day with antibacterial toothpaste, and visiting a dentist at least every six months.

A healthy diet and regular exercise can help improve both your cardiovascular health and your overall health.

What do my physician and dentist need to know?

It is important to keep all medical professionals up-to-date on your oral and overall health issues. Inform your physician if you have been diagnosed with a form of periodontal disease or are experiencing any issues with gum inflammation. Likewise, inform your dentist if you have been diagnosed with any form of cardiovascular disease, have experienced any cardiovascular problems, or have a family history of cardiovascular disease.

What other risk factors are associated with cardiovascular disease?

Individuals who are most at risk for cardiovascular disease include those over age 65, African-Americans, Hispanics, and males. While these particular factors cannot be changed, there are some risk factors that you can change through lifestyle management and/or medical treatment to reduce your risk for cardiovascular disease. These risk factors include smoking, high cholesterol, high blood pressure, physical inactivity, obesity, excessive alcohol consumption, and stress.



David R. Edelson, D.M.D., M.A.G.D.

B.S. Biology, Trinity College, Hartford, CT Doctor of Dental Medicine, Tufts University School of Dental Medicine; General Practice Residency Boston City Hospital, Boston, MA Master of the Academy of General Dentistry; Fellow of the: Association Orthodontics



Dr. Linh Nguyen, D.M.D.

Dr. Nguyen graduated from the University of Texas at Dallas with a double major in Biology and Business Administration, graduated cum laude from the Goldman School of Dental Medicine at Boston University with a Doctor of Dental Medicine degree and then continued her training at the University of Connecticut Health Center's Advanced Education in General Dentistry program.

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First of all, be sure you check with the place or people you'll be staying to be sure your pet(s) are welcome there with you. If you can't have a pet with you where you are staying for a part of your trip, look into boarding facilities in that area and book ahead. Most boarding facilities don't have last minute openings in the summer, and you certainly don't want

to find yourself far from home with no place for your pet to go. While you are at it, check with your Vet to be sure your pet is up to date on all vaccinations that may be needed, and make a copy of the vaccination certificate and rabies certificate, as well as any medical records if your pet has a known medical condition, to carry with you just in case there should be a problem.

Now, how will your pet travel? If you are using public transportation, you will have to use an approved carrier or crate. If you are going in your car, a carrier or crate is still the safest way for your pet to travel, especially if you have it secured so that it can't fly around in case of a sudden stop. Cats, birds and small animals absolutely should travel this way. Dogs can be safely tethered by the chest ring of an appropriate harness to a seat belt or into a secured car seat. For your pet's safety, never let him/her ride loose in the car. And don't forget that a loose pet can tangle with the driver's feet if he/she is small, or push into the driver if big, and change the direction of the steering. And if you have a tethered dog, remember it can be dangerous for them to ride with the head hanging out of the window. Eye injuries from a bug or other foreign matter hitting the eye at high speeds can be quite serious.

Does your pet suffer from travel anxiety? If so you may want to have a calming collar, a natural anti-anxiety remedy or medication from your vet as part of your travel kit. Shouldn't all of you have the best trip possible?

Is your pet on any medication? If so, be sure you have enough of it to last until you get back. The same holds true if your pet is on a special diet - it's better to carry food with you that to be unable to find what you need away from home.

Always remember that the interior of a car heats up very quickly in the summer, and can easily become hotter than the outside temperature, so don't leave your pets in the car, even if the windows are partly open

Finally, remember to bring an emergency clean-up kit for your car in case it's needed, and plastic (preferably biodegradable) bags for poop patrol if you are traveling with a dog.

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