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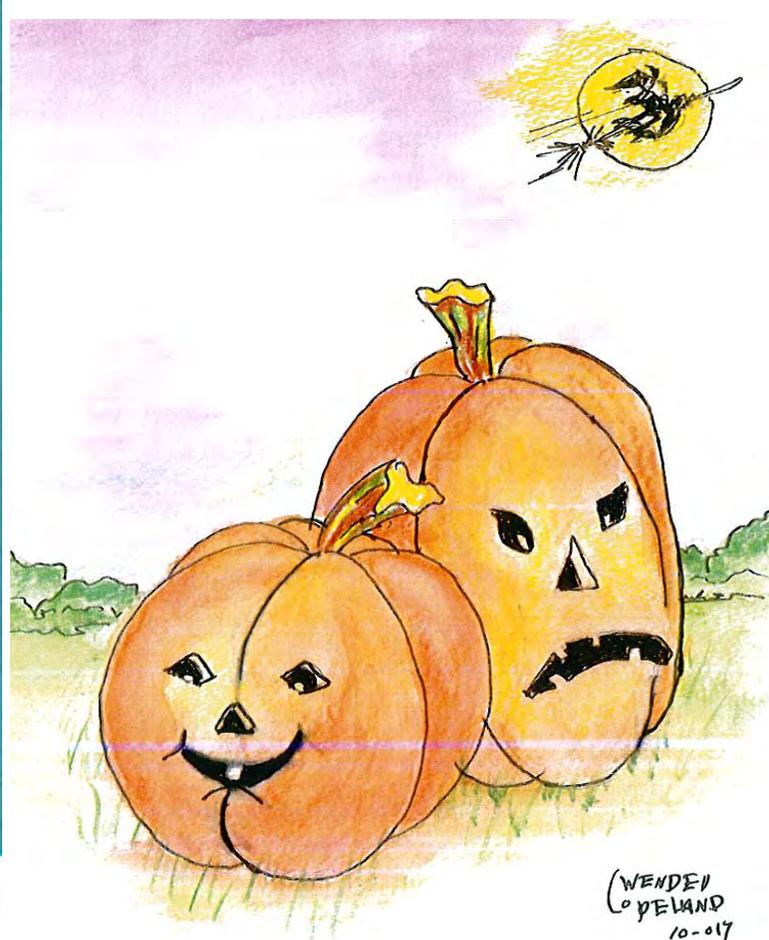
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faves and raves
Here are some of your favorite places, people or things around town to rave about this month!

{ Ray faves} I am looking forward to this years Pumpkinfest that is held in Downtown Plainville every year. Not only do the children have a great time, so do adults. I entered the Pumpkin carving contest last year. Could not beat the kids (I lost of course) but I will try again.

{Helen raves} I must RAVE about the Cracovia Restaurant, "Little Poland West" just over the Town line in New Britain. Just like my Grandmothers, "Potato Pancakes."

{ Beth faves} I have been a customer of Crowley Ford for many years. Every Ford I have bought from Ken Crowley have been perfect. I do take good care of them always getting them checked after so many miles, get the oil changes and etc. done by the Crowley service department. I always recommend to my friends to do business with Crowley Ford for the best service.

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Robert E. Lee, Town Manager's Report to Town Council September 11, 2017 Meeting

Loader/Backhoe Bid

- The CIP for FY18 has earmarked \$115,000 to replace the loader/backhoe in the Roadways Department. The Town advertised for bid and one proposal was received. The bid was submitted by Northland JCB in the amount of \$115,000.
- There is an item under New Business to consider awarding the bid to purchase a new backhoe/loader from Northland JCB of Wallingford in the amount of \$115,000.

Opioid Litigation

- Last week the City of Waterbury commenced litigation against six pharmaceutical companies and four physicians who were key opinion leaders for opioids. The lawsuit alleges that these companies and individuals harmed Waterbury through their aggressive marketing campaign that sought to, and did, change long-standing medical prescribing practices that dictated that opioids should only be used short-term or for terminal illnesses because of their highly addictive nature.
- The City's complaint alleges that the defendants orchestrated a campaign that falsely presented opioids as safe and effective for long-term use for chronic pain, even though the defendants knew that the promotion of opioids for these purposes was not warranted and would lead directly to increased costs for patients, healthcare insurers and payers, such as the City of Waterbury.
- The defendants have profited significantly as a result of their self-serving marketing, with opioid prescription rates increasing fourfold since 1999. At the same time, however, opioid-related deaths, opioid addiction rates and the costs associated with improper use of opioids and opioid addiction have skyrocketed.
- All cities and towns in Connecticut, including Plainville, have been impacted, to a degree, like the City of Waterbury.
- There are two law firms that are leading the litigation efforts to hold the defendants accountable for their role in the opioid epidemic. These law firms are performing their entire services on a "full contingency fee basis" meaning that they will only get paid if the pharmaceutical

companies are found at fault.

- It is suggested that the Town Council consider joining in this lawsuit as well.

WPCA Phosphorus Project Update

- The plans and specifications for the phosphorus upgrade to the Water Pollution Control Plant will be submitted to the Department of Energy & Environmental Protection a week from today on September 18th.
- It is proposed that the referendum for the project occur on Tuesday, January 30th.
- If that date is acceptable to the Town Council, the following schedule would be recommended leading up to the referendum:
 - Develop a mailer to be sent to all property owners detailing the need and benefits of the project as well as the cost impact. This mailer would be reviewed by the Town Council at the October 2nd meeting.
 - The mailers would be sent on or about November 1st.
 - A Public Information Session would be held on Thursday, November 16th where residents could learn more about the project and have the opportunity to ask questions.
 - A Public Hearing on the Bond Ordinance would be held on December 4th and the Approval of the Bond Ordinance and setting the referendum date would occur at the December 18th Town Council meeting.
 - If the Town Council concurs with this proposed schedule, Town staff will proceed accordingly.

Eversource Energy Opportunities Program Proposal

- The School Facilities Department has been working with PTE Energy of Plainville on possible incentive monies to replace the boiler at the Middle School and to install LED lighting at the High School, Linden Street School, Fire House, Library, Municipal Center, Police Station and Senior Center.
- The boiler at the Middle School has exceeded its useful life. While it is still operating, there are currently some leaks that have developed in the boiler that need to be repaired. It is uncertain how long the boiler can last after these repairs have been made. The replacement of the boiler has been included in the BOE CIP Plan for several years.
- The total cost of the project is estimated at \$1,078,152 and

incentives totaling \$389,011 or 36.1% of the project are available if the boiler is replaced by December 31st. The incentives will not be available in 2018.

- If these improvements are made, the annual energy savings would be \$83,578. This would be a payback of 8.2 years and a "return on investment" of over 12%.
- There are four options regarding this proposal:
 - Do nothing – Would lose the opportunity to receive the incentive of \$390K and reduce Plainville's energy expenditures. In addition, the boiler could break down in future years requiring emergency appropriation.
 - Take advantage of Eversource "loan program" to pay for improvements. Because their program has a cap on what could be borrowed, the remaining balance would increase operating costs by \$88,700 for the next four years. (Split – BOE \$75.4K/ Town \$13.3K)
 - Authorize and Additional Appropriation of \$354,829 from unassigned fund balance. Would not impact the operations budget and savings would start after four years.
 - Authorize and Additional Appropriation of \$580,000 from unassigned fund balance. This would lower the operating cost for next year by \$56.3K for the next four years which would then increase to \$83,578 after that.
- I would recommend Option 4 because it would replace the boiler at the Middle School before this winter, take advantage of the incentive of \$390K, and LOWER expenses in the FY19 operating budget by \$56.3K. There is also sufficient monies in the unassigned fund balance to handle this additional appropriation.
- Additional information regarding the proposal was included in your meeting package.
- There is an item under New Business should the Town Council wish to move forward with this proposal from PTE Energy of Plainville.

Happenings By:

Scott William Colby Jr.
Assistant to the Town Manager

PLAINVILLE PUBLIC WORKS

Scheduled bulk pickups will take place Mondays beginning September 11 through October 30, 2017. Eligible residents must

call CWPM at 860-793-6721 to schedule a pickup. When calling, you will need to provide your name, address, phone number and a complete description of the items to be collected. Calls placed by 3:00pm Friday can be scheduled for collection on Monday.

PLAINVILLE YOUTH DEPARTMENT

The Plainville Coalition for Positive Youth Development is sponsoring a program for parents on October 3, 6:30 PM at the Middle School of Plainville: Chromebooks, The Internet and Your Child's Digital World. Parents will learn about Chromebook use in and out of school; resources for parental controls: negative and illegal consequences of inappropriate use of technology. To register call or write to Tina Gryguc at gryguc@plainvilleschools.org or 860 793-0221 x 2016.

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Contact the Councilors by calling Lisa Metayer 860-793-0221 Ext.#205 for a Board or Commission application.

AAA Speaks Out: Reveals True Cost of Vehicle Ownership

Owning and operating a new vehicle in 2017 will cost a driver an average of almost \$8,500 annually, or more than \$700 each month, according to a new study from AAA.

The annual evaluation of driving costs reveals that small sedans are the least expensive vehicles to drive at just over \$6,300 annually, however small SUVs, hybrids and electric vehicles all offer lower-than-average driving costs to U.S. drivers.

Conversely, of the nine categories included in the evaluation, pickup trucks are the most expensive vehicles to drive costing more than \$10,000 a year.

"Determining the cost of a new vehicle is more than calculating a monthly payment," Amy Parmenter, spokesperson for AAA in Greater Hartford. "While sales price is certainly a factor, depreciation, maintenance, repair and fuel costs should be equally important considerations for anyone shopping for a new vehicle."

To estimate the overall cost to own and operate a new vehicle, AAA evaluated 45 2017 model-year vehicles across nine categories and focused on mid-range, top-selling vehicles.

Key findings include:

Depreciation

Depreciation -- the declining value

type, ranging from almost 4 cents per mile (electric vehicles) to almost 14 cents per mile (pickup trucks). New vehicle owners, on average, will spend just over 10 cents per mile -- about \$1,500 annually -- to fuel their vehicles.

Additional information can be found at NewsRoom.AAA.com or AAA.com/YourDrivingCosts.

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OPEN FOR THE SEASON

Tomasso Nature Park is open for the season through November 15th. The Park is located off Granger Lane near the Dog Pound.

Information for tours with groups or special needs individuals call Art Marino at 860-628-1386.

Ideal tour for young children and young adults. Volunteers are needed to do maintenance and general upkeep at the Park contact the Plainville Recreation Department at 860-747-6022.

From the Desk of: Dominick Moschini Roadways Superintendent

SUBJECT:

Leaf Collection

Leaf collection in the Town of Plainville will begin on Monday, October 23, 2017 and will continue to December 1, 2017 weather permitting. Listed below is the schedule of areas to be covered on the first collection (schedule of areas are subject to change):

Central Area

West Main Street Area

Farmington Avenue Area

South End/Red Stone Hill Area

Shuttle Meadow Area

Arcadia Avenue Area

Metacomet Area

Northwest Area

Unionville Avenue Area

Every effort will be made to keep you informed as to the progress of the operation. If you have any questions, please call the Public Works department at 860-793-0221 ext. 208 between the hours of 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM, Monday - Wednesday, 8:00 AM - 7:00 PM Thursday and Friday 8:00AM to Noon

Please be sure to rake your leaves to the curblin as early as possible. **GRASS CLIPPINGS WILL NOT BE COLLECTED - ONLY LEAVES will be picked up. NO STICKS OR STONES!!!**

If your street has an island on it, please **DO NOT** put your leaves on the island. Bagged leaves will not be collected at curbside; you can bring them to the Drop-Off Center on Saturdays from 8:00 AM to 3:00 PM. **During the month of November the Drop-Off Center will be opened Monday thru Friday from 2:00 PM to 4:00 PM, for LEAVES ONLY.**

Funding for Housing Rehab

The Town of Plainville has funding through the State of CT Dept of Housing Loan program.

Eligible home repairs include items like furnace, roofing, siding window and etc.

For an application and more information contact Lisa Metayer in the Town Manager's office at:

(860) 793-0221 x 205.

First-come, first-serve basis and funding is limited.

West Cemetery Chapel

The Chapel in the West Cemetery on North Washington Street, is open to the public Monday through Wednesday 8 a.m. to noon. The chapel is also available for services or memorials for a fee.

For more information, call the Superintendent at 860-747-2314 or visit www.plainvillect.com/plainville-cemetery-association.

TOWN OF PLAINVILLE MUNICIPAL OFFICES CLOSED

The Municipal Center, Senior Center, and Library will be closed on Monday, October 9, in observance of Columbus Day. All municipal offices will open again on Tuesday, October 10. The weekly refuse collection will take place as usual.

Plainville Food Pantry

Plainville Community Food Pantry is in need of the following items: toothpaste, toothbrushes, paper products, kids snacks/beverages, canned fruit, tuna, boxed potatoes, rice. Any donation is appreciated. If you cannot drop off during our normal business hours, Gnazzo's Food Center has a food donation drop for the Plainville Food Pantry. There is a barrel right next to the cashiers. Thank you for your continued support.

Feel free to contact me with any questions.

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A Plainville Woman's Club History Moment

It was a ladies sewing circle made up of friends and families living in homes located along Farmington Ave. that created a spark of inspiration to form a Club that would help benefit the early residents of our town. The six women were Minnie Gwillim, Maude Trumbull, Nettie Trumbull, Bertha Wheeler, Jessie Clark and Florence Spaulding.

The were introduced to a subscription of books on "America and the Far East." It was such an uplifting experience that they wanted to inspire others by contributing to the local library and to the welfare of the people of Plainville. By January 21, 1913 they were ready to make a serious effort to make the Woman's Club of Plainville happen. They elected officers, developed by-laws and soon made a deposit of \$8.00 in the Plainville National Bank.

It wasn't long before they formed a committee of three women to be known as the Library Committee. With Bertha Wheeler at the helm they set out to start raising funds with the ultimate goal to build our town a library. They inspired the townspeople with all their fundraising food sales, Whist Card Parties, Country Fairs and Carnivals. These events took place until the outbreak of WWI when they supported the troops by doing Red Cross war work. It wasn't until the beginning of the 1930's that they were able to finally help to build the first Plainville Library which has grown to be what we see here today.

I hope that this History Moment will inspire our local women today as they were inspired long ago and join our local Woman's Club. For more information on becoming a member contact Maria Wyncoop, Membership Chairman, 860-747-2236.

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Plainville residents to receive water survey

PLAINVILLE- Residents can expect to receive a questionnaire within the next few months to help evaluate the city's drinking water, according to Valley Water President Don Vaughn. The questionnaire was prompted by more than 100 complaints about the taste of water and *(continued below)*

the plumbing issues hard water caused starting in December 2016. Typically, the state Department of Public Health, which oversees 2,500 water carriers, receives 30 to 50 complaints per town in a year, Town Manager Robert E. Lee said.

"We're in the middle of the project and want to get it right and evaluate everything as fairly and objectively as we can," Vaughn said. "[We'll] put it out to customers and let them indicate to us what to do next."

Lee had put out a call to resi-

dents, requesting that they contact him with any issues with water quality.

"I made it very easy for people to complain by contacting me directly instead of the Department of Public Health. I don't know if that played a role in it, but the Department of Public Health announced that they had received a certain amount of complaints and they felt it was important for them to get involved," Lee said.

State health officials completed tests on 32 local houses, businesses and municipal buildings. Those tests indicated the water was hard, which could cause scaling on water fixtures and eventually clogging issues if plumbing is not cleaned regularly. The water also was reported to have a distinct taste due to more minerals in the water. Neither of these effects are dangerous to health, and some minerals, such as calcium and magnesium, are beneficial.

All of the results met state and federal standards for maximum contaminant level, aesthetic quality, pH, color, turbidity and odor, but the water is considered "very

hard."

A public information forum was held June 8 to share the results of the tests and discuss possible courses of action.

"We are very appreciative of the assistance and guidance we're getting from the state health department in this matter. They have taken it seriously and would like to see people more satisfied," Lee said. "The reason you have a water system is so people will drink the water, not buy the water. We have had people say they won't drink the water. We want to get the water company to a position where people want to drink the water."

Since the meeting in June, Valley Water hired an engineering company to determine what strategies could be used on the whole system.

They were considering engineering analysis, water chemistry, effectiveness, technical feasibility and regulatory approvals. Valley Water also looked at other systems used for other cities to see what types of treatments they utilize.

Valley Water is currently evalu-

ating all options to treat hard water and what costs are involved in each possible solution, said Vaughn.

"That's not an easy thing to do. It's not something you can just look up in the book. You have to look at a system and understand how it operates to soften the water," Lee said.

"It's going to be a process that will take a while. I'm not sure where it will end up, but we're moving in a direction to resolve this issue once and for all."

Once it has completed its investigation — which is now underway and consists of collecting water samples — Valley Water will send the questionnaire to Plainville residents.

Valley Water would like to send it out before the end of the year, Vaughn said. The project has been delayed due to the complexity of the engineering involved and its cost.

Lee said the town will also hold another information session, at which residents can hear what the potential cost would be and give feedback. Then Valley Water can come up with a solution.

Steps to Be Taken by Property Owners When Sewage Back-up Occurs

If a back-up occurs during

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Water Pollution Control

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Once contacted a WPC Maintenance crew will be notified of the situation and will arrive to determine if the backup is from the main sewer line. If it is, they will clear it. If the blockage is not in the main sewer line then the WPC Maintenance crew will direct the property owner to contact a licensed drain layer/plumber.

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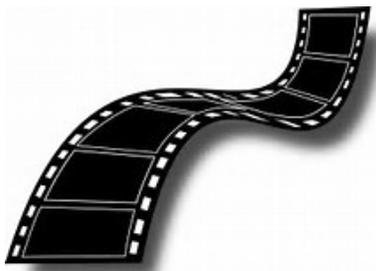
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it matches the framework of a typical horror film. Young girl in an old house deep in the middle of nowhere plagued by unexpected events, unexplained happenings and ever increasing threats to her safety must discover what is behind the inexplicable danger she's facing. But that's just the surface plot line onto which a complex of the foils of mankind, religion and the sins against Mother Earth are played out in grand style. It is, for lack of a better description, an allegorical metaphor if such a thing is even...a thing! This film is a dizzy spin of multiple personalities that conflict, compromise and complement one another. I am sure that whether you love or hate it or fall somewhere in between, you will be thinking and perseverating about it long after you've seen it. It's a film that will stay with you, that you'll change your mind about and then change it back again many, many times.

Darren Aronofsky is an audacious filmmaker who seems to specialize in making divisive films. From his first film to be noticed "Pi" to 'Requiem for a Dream' to 'The Wrestler' to 'Black Swan' to "Noah", Aronofsky has challenged audiences with dark films with damaged people facing critical life altering circumstances and he does it without compromise. Although thematically "mother" shares a lot in common with his previous work, it is very different. It is definitely his vision but it is laid out in such a way that it can be enjoyed without recognizing any of the symbolism involved. He has made a daring but inspired move of having no background score relying instead on the sounds in the house to enhance the overall effect of the unknown and impending danger. Sound department: kudos for your brilliant contributions to the mood and tone of this film. Aronofsky's screenplay utilizes short,

crisp dialogue and his directorial approach is to stay focused on Jennifer Lawrence's face as she navigates the events that turn her world upside down. We get to see things through her eyes and experience her emotional fluctuations as she witnesses the circumstances getting totally out of control.

Lawrence gives a career defining performance here. She is moving into the next phase of her acting career and this film and her performance provides that great leap forward. She demands your attention as she witnesses the state of affairs swirling around her and tries but fails to regain control. It's unlike any of her previous work and though it won't win her an Oscar as the film is way too divisive for that, it will firmly put her in line for being sought after by the most austere directors working (if she wasn't there already).

Javier Bardem is well cast as Lawrence's husband, an artist with writer's block who needs to be inspired once again to write something that will restore his celebrity and earn him the adulation he so desperately needs. Bardem allows his character to remain an enigma as we see him showing sincere concern for his wife only ' to make choices that provide him with the adoration of others even as it pushes his wife further away. Bardem has both the charm and the vanity to keep us off balance concerning where his true feelings lie.

Ed Harris and Michelle Pfeiffer as the husband and wife who first invade the couple's privacy expertly inhabit their characters pretense of normalcy while behaving in odd displays of behavior. Pfeiffer has her best role in years and plays it with verve and acidity.

I don't believe in providing what is known as spoilers that would diminish

the pleasure of having it revealed by seeing the film itself. So, take my word for it, this film is a metaphorical take on our troubled religious history. You've got God, Cain and Abel, Adam and Eve, the flood, Mother Nature....I could go on.

This is a film that won't be going away any time soon. It's going to be argued about for years to come. It's just that kind of film.

For the sake of total transparency it behooves me to let you that the response by typical moviegoers has been overwhelmingly negative with the film garnering an "F" on cinemascare, a service that polls attendees as they exit the theater having seen the film.

Ratings: Acting: 100% Directing 100% Script: 93% Cinematography: 95% Entertainment Value: 95% Overall Rating: 97%



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FAMILY VIOLENCE IN CONNECTICUT

There has been a media explosion in the past few weeks regarding NFL players involved in domestic abuse and child abuse cases. These incidents have put the NFL under the microscope for not only their policies, but also for what are their true priorities.

Here in Connecticut the legislature has been quite active since the mid-1980's defining and reshaping family violence law. Given today's climate, I thought a review of the Nutmeg state's law would be appropriate.

Connecticut law defines "family violence" as an incident between family or household members that either causes physical injury or creates fear that physical injury is about to occur. Verbal abuse or argument is not considered family violence unless there is present danger and the likelihood that physical violence will occur. The discipline of minor children by parents or guardians is not considered family violence unless abuse occurs. Family violence is not a separate criminal offense. Crimes that may be charged as a family violence offense include assault, kidnapping, and sexual assault. Those who engage in violence against a spouse or family member can be charged with a misdemeanor or a felony depending on the facts of the case.

"Family or household members" are spouses, former spouses, parents and their children; people age 18 or older related by blood or marriage; people age 16 or older either living together or who have lived together; people who have a child together whether or not they are or have been married or have lived together; and people in, or who were recently in, a dating relationship (CGS § 46b-38a).

There is a Pretrial Family Violence Education program for people who are charged with family violence crimes. A defendant can ask the court to place him or her in the program. If placed in the program, the defendant is released to the custody of a family violence intervention unit for up to two years under such condition as the court orders. If the defendant successfully completes the program, the charges will be dismissed. If the defendant violates the program's conditions, he or she will be brought to trial. In order to qualify for the program the following conditions must be present.

1. The crime charged must not be more serious than a misdemeanor, or if there is good cause, a class D felony. For example, anyone charged with first-degree assault or risk of injury to a minor is ineligible.
2. The defendant must not have previously participated in the program.
3. The defendant must not have been convicted of, or accepted accelerated rehabilitation for, a family violence crime committed after October 1, 1986.

The court must notify the victim of the defendant's request for the program and, if possible, give the victim an opportunity to be heard. The defendant must, if he or she is able, pay a \$200 fee to the court to participate in the program

For further reading, the information contained in this article was presented in the OLR Research Report dated October 2, 2009. Certainly as time passes the law and requirements of the family violence diversionary program will be altered. So, stay tuned for future articles regarding this topic or be sure to contact a licensed attorney if this topic pertains to you.

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

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



Is My Child at Risk for Early Childhood Tooth Decay?

The average healthy adult visits the dentist twice a year. The average healthy 2-year-old has never been to the dentist. By kindergarten, 25 percent of children have never seen a dentist, yet dental decay is the single most common chronic childhood disease in America.

The culprit? A combination of misinformation about when a child should first visit the dentist, when a parent should start caring for a child's teeth and the frequent and long-term exposure of sugary liquids to a child's teeth.

A child should first visit the dentist six months after the eruption of the first tooth. During this first exam, the dentist can teach parents the best way to guard against early childhood tooth decay by wiping down the teeth with a damp cloth after every feeding and remind parents to limit sugary beverages.

Frequent and long-term exposure of a child's teeth to sugary liquids is commonly called baby bottle tooth decay. Most parents are aware of baby bottle tooth decay but may not know that the long-term and regular consumption of sugary liquids in a bottle or cup puts children's growing teeth at increased risk for decay.

Unsweetened fruit juices, teas and water are always best for children to help promote oral and overall health.

Fruit juice causes tooth decay if children are allowed to hold a bottle, cup or box of juice in their mouth through the day.

If left untreated, baby bottle tooth decay can result in pain and infection. Baby teeth are important because they hold the place for permanent teeth and help guide them into correct position. Severely decayed teeth may need to be extracted, which could affect the development of permanent teeth, speech and chewing.

Caring for children's teeth beginning in infancy promotes good oral health care habits for a lifetime and increases the chances of a child maintaining healthy permanent teeth.

Tips for parents to decrease the risk of early childhood tooth decay:

Wean a child from the bottle or breast by age 1.

Use spill-proof cups as a transitional step in the development of children, not a long-term solution.

Don't allow children to use spill-proof cups throughout the day. Save spill-proof cups for snack and mealtimes when increased salivary activity helps clean teeth.

Drink sugary beverages through a straw. The best spill-proof cups to protect against decay are those with collapsible rubber straws.

Introduce oral health care habits early. Wipe baby's gums with a damp cloth after every feeding. Introduce brushing with a soft-bristle brush and water when the first tooth appears. Parents can add a pea-sized dab of fluoridated toothpaste to the toothbrush by age 2.

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HOW IS YOUR MOOD?

With the seasons changing and days getting shorter, it's an important time to take stock of your mood. October 5th is National Depression Screening Day and nurses from the Hartford Healthcare

at Home will be at the Plainville Senior Center to talk with you individually about your mood and any symptoms of anxiety or depression that you may have. They will also offer suggestions on how to improve your day-to-day mood. Drop by the Senior Center on October 5th between 10 a.m. and 12 noon. This free service is open to the public.

PREVENTING SLIPS, TRIPS & BROKEN HIPS

Come to an educational session at the Plainville Senior Center and learn tips and tricks for preventing falls and improving safety at home! University of Hartford Nursing Students will present this program, which includes BINGO, raffles, and prizes. The program is slated for Thursday, October 12th at 9:30 a.m. and is free and open to the public. Please call the Senior Center at 860-747-5728 to register.

PREVENTING AND COPING WITH IDENTITY THEFT

On Thursday, October 12th starting at 9:30 a.m., the Plainville Senior Center will offer a unique program on preventing Identity Theft

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Halloween Birthday

By Sally Miller



I was recently asked if I decorate for Halloween. I don't decorate. I explained that my birthday is on Halloween and when I was a child, the family tried to arrange dinner around the ringing of doorbells by trick or treaters. I used to become so frustrated because every time the family began to sing "Happy Birthday", the doorbell would ring.

My mom was so patient and loving and she would get up speak with the children at the door and pass out candies. She would then take her seat at the table and begin the singing again. We would finally get through the singing and then she would light the candles. She didn't dare do it ahead of time because the cake would have melted while she answered the door 30 times.

Regardless of the interruptions, and the fact that Mom drove 40 miles to school and back, she would cook my favorite meal of pork chops and spaghetti. My cake would always be yellow cake with chocolate frosting (mmmmmm). Once the singing ended and the candles were blown out, she would say, "I remember the day you were born". She then would express her love for me.

As a little girl, I would smile, feel warm all over and giggle. She would always give me a pumpkin and a box of Candy Cupboard chocolates (my fav). How I miss those days. How I miss this wonderfully warm and caring woman. I am so fortunate to have been her child. One of the stories she told on my birthday was the story of how I was supposed to be born in December but came in October. (Mom said that I couldn't wait to get here to see what was going on.). She, my grandmother and my Aunt took turns warming blankets, wrapping me in them and placing me in a bureau drawer to keep warm. Incubators were not available then and this was the way in which they were insuring my survival. Mom and Aunt Carrie would rub my little body to keep it warm. I was told that I had no eyebrows or eye lases and only I weighed 4 pounds. Their care worked. Look at me now.

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Ilae Lunea, an expert in performing basketball tricks, recently visited students at Frank T. Wheeler Elementary School. Lunea performed a variety of tricks and shared her talents while sending a message to students that setting goals, working hard to achieve those goals, self monitoring where they are toward achievement, and constant practice will result in success

PRESCHOOL SCREENINGS TO BE HELD

Plainville Community Schools will be conducting preschool screenings for children 3 to 5 years old on October 6, 2017, January 19, 2018 and April 20, 2018. This is an opportunity for parents to have their child observed in an informal atmosphere by the district's professional early childhood team to ensure development is progressing smoothly. Students with delays may be eligible for extra support at no cost to families to prepare them for kindergarten.

To inquire if your child would qualify for a screening or for additional information, please contact your neighborhood elementary school:

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- Louis Toffolon Elementary School (860) 793-3280
- Frank T. Wheeler Elementary School (860) 793-3290

You may also contact the district's Special Services Office at 860-793-3214

September Everyday Heroes Recognized

Plainville Community Schools' Everyday Heroes for the month of September were honored at the Plainville Board of Education meeting on September 11th. Honorees included Tim Dalena, Security Monitor at Plainville High School, District Facilities Department Maintainers and summer helpers, and custodians from the Middle School of Plainville.



Plainville Board of Education Chair Andrea Saunders, Plainville High School faculty member Steven Michaud, Plainville High School Security Monitor Tim Dalena and Superintendent of Schools, Dr. Maureen Brummett.



Plainville Community Schools Facilities Department Maintainers, summer helpers, Middle School of Plainville Custodians, Facilities Manager Scott Martin, Plainville Board of Education Chair Andrea Saunders, and Superintendent of Schools, Dr. Maureen Brummett.

Plainville High School Soccer Supports Recreation Youth Soccer



Plainville High School Girls & Boys Soccer team came down to Norton Park on Saturday 9/16/17 to support the young soccer players on opening day of Plainville Rec. soccer

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OCTOBER 2017 BULLETIN BOARD

Events from the September 2017 Board Meeting:

The Board congratulated Toffolon nurse and new retiree Cindy Ross on 25 years of service - we wish her all the best!

Our "Everyday Heros" this month included PHS Security Guard, Tim Dalena and members of the PCS Facilities Staff for their hard work on the MSP Steam Lab.

Dr. Brummett reported on the opening of schools.

Mr. Lepage talked about the new Teacher Evaluation Plan and Vicki Trzcinski reviewed the 2016-2017 Special Ed Annual Performance Report.

There is a ribbon cutting on the new MSP STEAM Lab on October 2nd at 3pm.

Our next Board meeting is Monday, October 9th, at 7pm in the PHS Cafeteria.

That's the news for now. See you next month!

Andrea Saunders

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Plainville High School All Classes Reunion

Hosted By Class of 1967

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Members of the class at the welcoming desk (they also collected the \$10.00 cover charge) Barb Ratti (Mystery woman) Pat Beverley, Bob O'Dea and Jeff Driscoll.



Class of 1968 members were one of the classes that had the most graduates attending the Reunion. They will be hosting the event next year. Mark your calendars now, you don't want to miss the greatest reunion you will ever attend.



Thank You Class of 1967

Many thanks to the PHS Class of 1967 for an outstanding job hosting the annual PHS Reunion

Next year, the Class of 1968 will be the host class for this annual event

This event for all PHS graduates began several years ago to provide a fun time to reminisce and reconnect with classmates from near and far. See you next year!!!

Halloween...What Does It Mean???



Halloween History & Origin

Halloween is the one of the oldest holidays still celebrated today. It's one of the most popular holidays, second only to Christmas. While millions of people celebrate Halloween without knowing its origins and myths, the history and facts of Halloween make the holiday more fascinating.

Some people view Halloween as a time for fun, putting on costumes, trick-or-treating, and having theme parties. Others view it as a time of superstitions, ghosts, goblins and evil spirits that should be avoided at all costs.

As the Christian debate goes on,

celebrating Halloween is a preference that is not always viewed as participating in an evil holiday. Halloween is often celebrated with no reference to pagan rituals or the occult.

Halloween History

Halloween is on October 31st, the last day of the Celtic calendar. It was originally a pagan holiday, honoring the dead. Halloween was referred to as All Hallows Eve and dates back to over 2000 years ago.

All Hallows Eve is the evening before All Saints Day, which was created by Christians to convert pagans, and is celebrated on November 1st. The

Catholic church honored saints on this designated day.

Origin of Halloween

While there are many versions of the origins and old customs of Halloween, some remain consistent by all accounts. Different cultures view Halloween somewhat differently but traditional Halloween practices remain the same.

Halloween culture can be traced back to the Druids, a Celtic culture in Ireland, Britain and Northern Europe. Roots lay in the feast of Samhain, which was annually on October 31st to honor the dead.

Samhain signifies "summers end" or November. Samhain was a harvest festival with huge sacred bonfires, marking the end of the Celtic year and beginning of a new one. Many of the practices involved in this celebration were fed on superstition.

The Celts believed the souls of the dead roamed the streets and villages at night. Since not all spirits were thought to be friendly, gifts and treats were left out to pacify the evil and ensure next years crops would be plentiful. This custom evolved into trick-or-treating.



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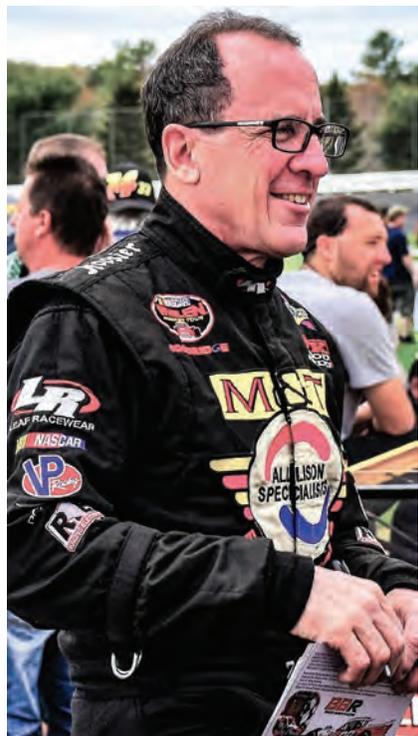
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A Fan's Tribute to Ted Christopher

By: James Bednarz



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I never met Ted Christopher, but I am a huge fan. After hearing so much about who he was since his tragic passing on September 16, 2017, I really wish I had met him.

My brother Chris and I were not twins like Ted and his brother Mike, but just as they were, we were pretty inseparable. We spent many a Saturday night at Riverside Park Speedway and many a Sunday on the couch watching the NASCAR Cup races on TV.

Ted's reputation for hardnosed racing preceded him. Whenever he came to Riverside Park Speedway, he was a factor, if not a winner. We enjoyed watching him when he'd come with the Modified tour, or the Busch North Series (Now K&N East Series). We were also pretty excited to see Ted among the field of drivers in the Busch Series, and Cup series a few times. We enjoyed seeing the local guy taking his shots at the national level.

After Riverside closed in 1999, we lost interest in the local racing scene for a while. When we started tiring of the national series', we committed to returning to the local tracks again. We had planned to start going to the local tracks in the spring of 2011 but my brother died unexpectedly in April of that year. It was a shock and difficult to accept losing a brother that I was so close to so completely out of the blue.

It took awhile to get back to a place of confidence. One of the major

healing moments for me was in 2014. I realized that one thing I could do was follow through on some of the things my brother and I committed to before he died. I decided to start going to the races again. After 13 years or so, I went to Stafford Speedway not expecting to see many of the drivers I remembered from back then. But, there he was. Ted Christopher driving among the children, nieces, and nephews of drivers I remembered from the 90's. Then I visited The New London-Waterford Speedbowl. There he was again! Ted Christopher was not just competing, he was challenging for wins and winning races.

My occasional visits turned into weekly visits. Over the last few years, I have come to love local short track racing once again. I owe that largely to Ted Christopher. It was his presence that connected the past to what I now love so dearly. As a resident of Plainville myself, he was a hometown hero. I had to root for the home team!

On September 16, 2017, I made my almost weekly visit to The Speedbowl. I wasn't really sure I wanted to go. But something drew me out. Shortly after I arrived, a friend came by asking if I had heard the rumors about TC. I did not, but it became apparent though as afternoon passed into early evening that something was wrong. Track crew were gathering and hugging. People were sitting in their seats unsure and uncomfortable about the information that was trickling in.

Then, the rumors and speculation ended. As all the drivers and teams gathered on the front stretch, out rolled the Prestige Motorsports #13 race car that TC had driven. The thunder of its engine breaking the eerie silence as it rolled to the start/finish line. Track announcer Matt Buckler had the unenviable task of officially announcing that we had lost the legendary Ted Christopher to a plane crash earlier in the day.

The rest of the evening, all that were in attendance were in a fog, both figuratively and literally. Races were run and winners were interviewed, but I could not tell you what happened on the track that night. The fog thickened and I had enough. I left before the modified feature and the last feature was canceled due to fog.

In the days that followed, as tributes and stories were shared, I learned about who Ted really was. Ted Christopher

was a loving husband of his wife Quinn who served on the town council in Plainville. He loved his nieces and nephews dearly. He was a kind and loyal friend. He loved his German shepherds. He loved Pralines ice cream and burnt hot dogs. He was charitable in the Plainville community. He and his wife worked hard to build their dream home just over the town line in Southington and just finished it recently.

I also learned and saw with my own eyes how driven he was as a competitor on the track. He had no friends on the track. Not even his brother. He squeezed everything out of every racecar he drove and had a knack for getting under the skin of his competition. From the stories I've read since he passed, as much as he frustrated the competition, the competition respected his talent.

He earned his place as a legend in auto racing by winning the 2001 NASCAR Whelen All-American Series championship, the 2008 NASCAR Whelen Modified Tour championship, 13 combined championships at Stafford Speedway and Thompson Speedway Motorsports Park. He is the winningest driver at Stafford and Thompson. He won hundreds of races in many different forms of motorsports from stock cars, to modifieds, to go-carts, to sprint cars. He was competitive to his last days. He earned the 2017 NASCAR Whelen All-American Series Connecticut State Championship this season.

Every time I went to the races, my eyes were on the pit entrance. When I saw the 13 car, I knew that I was guaranteed to see an eventful race. Auto racing in the northeast will never be the

same.

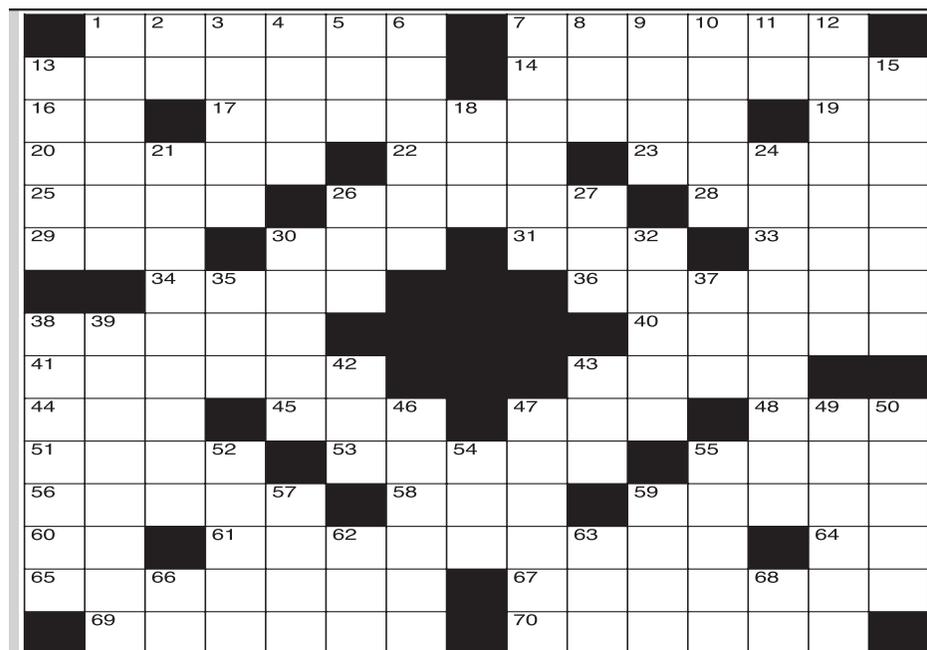
On Sunday September 17th, the NASCAR Cup Series held a moment of silence in Ted's honor prior to the race in Chicago.

On the following weekend, Stafford Speedway paid tribute to the greatest driver in track history with a moment of silence, prayer, and by awarding him the checkered flag in that night's SK modified feature race. The New London-Waterford Speedbowl held a candlelight vigil and all the national NASCAR tours paid tribute.

Thousands of friends, family, and fans paid their respects at Bailey Funeral Home on September 25th. In a gesture to reflect Ted's kindness and love of ice cream, vendors were on hand to serve ice cream to the visitors. A mass of Christian burial was held at St. Matthew Church in Forestville on September 26th.

On October 1, 2017, Stafford Speedway will retire his number 13 and honor him during the NAPA Fall Final weekend of racing at the facility. The racing world will never forget the contributions of Ted Christopher to the sport. Plainville will never forget the contributions he made to his community. His family and friends will hold him in their hearts forever. I will never forget the joy he gave me through his competition over the years. Thank You TC!

A memorial fund has been set up in Ted's name. Donations can be made to the Ted Christopher Memorial Fund, care of Farmington Bank, 117 East Street Plainville Ct 06062 Attn. Bree Pirog.



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Have you ever had someone do something that made your day? Be it a employee of a business, a police officer, town worker, neighbor or even a co-worker that you would like to thank.

Perhaps you would like to thank a neighbor for a kindness and we would like to help you give this person recognition for a job well done. If this person works for a local business we are sure his or her employer would love to hear his or her employee is going that extra few steps to help their customers.

A Policeman "Made myDay"

I would like to Thank a Plainville Police Officer. "I stopped on the side of the road about 10 pm on a Saturday night after leaving a local restaurant because my windshield was all fogged up. Being a fairly new car I didn't know which button to turn on to clear it, so I had to pull over. He inquired to see if I was all right. Thank goodness that was my only problem, if I had become ill or had a flat tire, he was there to Help! H.B.

Random acts of kindness come in many shapes and forms.

Mine came on September 14th at Walmart, in Southington. I walked down the home furnishing aisle looking for a replacement for the 8 foot folding table that I was returning. As I moved other folding tables and benches one by one, a happy woman with light brown hair and glasses smiled at me. "I'm sorry, let me move my cart," I said.

"Don't apologize, I'm in no hurry, I am just looking," she said kindly.

I finally reached the large 8 foot table that I need. I started to scooch it out of the shelf and she offered up, "Let me help you with that." Together we easily managed to get the oversized, white plastic table into my cart.

"It was a lot easier getting it in my cart with two people than getting the old one out of my car by myself," I chuckled. "I'm here returning one that was broken. I need it for vending at fairs."

"I'm a nurse and that's just what we do. We help one another," she said.

That afternoon she took the time to go on to listen and chat. She encouraged me to continue in my nursing career and gave me simple instructions on how to learn new and old information again. She encouraged me in my relationship by sharing that as nurses we innately learn the art of compromise in order to patient choices - but our partners may not

see it the same way. She recognized my struggle with finding an employer that would be patient and supportive to a clinician re-entering the field. She encouraged me by sharing her story of the time a student nurse complimented her on compassion and her ability to stop and see the patient. Saying that in the midst of all the orders, lights, test, wires, tubes, sounds and nervous energy of the OR - she remembered first and foremost, there was a person in that bed. She recalled how she held her patient's hand and said, "I want you to think about the happiest place you have ever been. I am going to be here with you until you fall asleep and I will be here when you wake up."

Deb - you helped me in so many ways that afternoon. You are an angel. You remind me that when things get tough, I think of the happiest place I know, take a deep breath, and I know God is with me when I go to sleep and when I wake up. With a gracious heart, I thank you. - Cassandra Clark

Why can't all doctors be like this?

After relocating to another state I had to find a new doctor so as to continue the medication I had been taking for years. After finding one I had to go through the battery of tests given to all new patients, which I understood. On my second visit the doctor read the results of the blood work I had done and asked for my husband to come in. She then told us she suspected I had leukemia and was getting me an appointment, ASAP, with Oncologist Dr. Gopal Kunta of Clermont Florida. It was a very long four days before he could see me and I was prepared to start construction on a pine box and months of treatment. After arriving at the Oncologists office the first hurdle I faced was the filling out all the forms in the doctor's waiting room. I had already compiled a folder with all my medical records from my previous doctor's along with the results of the blood work done at my new doctor's office. By the time I completed the forms I was called into the examining room and then entered Dr. Kunta, a tall good looking man with a smile as big as Texas that lit up the room. He looked at all the paperwork I had in my folder and sat down in front of me, took my hands in his and said; "According to all the tests performed on you so far, you do not have leukemia or any other myeloma." The first doctor had misread the blood tests! That was great news but what he said next was the most important part of the visit. He went on to say his greatest commitment was to his God

and his patients and he didn't need people, that didn't need his care coming back just to make him money as he had enough patients that really needed his help. He didn't rush me and spent more than a half hour talking about my life. He did more blood work, just to make sure everything was perfect and I was given the results before I left his office. I was so impressed I must commend this man for his attitude and honesty. The worst part of this visit was the fact it will end my visits with one of the most honest Doctor's I have ever met. Sincerely, a grateful former patient. J.M.

Lunch At Shop Rite

Many Thank You's going out to the Maria BradleyShop Rite, Southington StoreEmployee. Employed in the Deli/Hot prepared Foods Dept. for her special caring for three Seniors who as new friends were about to begin their first lunch eon together.

Maria had noticed our table had a special setting with a beautiful bouquet of flowers that had been purchased at Shop-Rite's Floral Dept. "Thank You" Britteny for creating such a beautiful arrangement as always.

Maria took a moment to approach us and mentioned that she had never seen this happen and asked if she could take a picture and remarked that she would submit it to be used in the employees News Letter.

The three of us thought it was such a nice gesture for Maria to do and agreed. A week later Maria presented us with a very nice photo of our specisl time together.

Raymond Cormier (See picture she took of us, next column.)

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Pictured at the Shop Rite for "Lunch"



Myself (Center) with my new friends Beverly and Bll. **Ray Cormier**

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Life With Wanda



Today is Thursday September 21, 2017 and nothing really funny has happened to me this month, until this noon.

I received one of those calls; we all get usually right at lunch or dinner time, from someone trying to sell you something. I have decided that working for these companies have got to be some of the dumbest people on the face of the earth.

My call was just at the noon hour and I recognized the number as coming from a Bristol exchange so I answered. The woman on the other end knew my name and said: "Congratulations, Wanda, your name has just been selected to win an all expense trip to Puerto Rico.

Now, I have a few flaky friends so I said, "Ok, what's the joke and who is this?" She gave her name, which I didn't recognize, and said; "This is not a joke, you have won a five day, six night stay in a luxury hotel in beautiful Puerto Rico. Isn't that wonderful, and all you have to pay are the taxes on your trip?"

It took me only a second to say, "Look idiot, do you have a TV because Puerto Rico was just destroyed by a hurricane and if your company is having you call, giving away a trip to Puerto Rico, let me tell you where I would like them to go and you can go with them. That was the first time one of those people ever hung up on me. But remember what Judge Judy says, "YOU CAN'T FIX STUPID!"

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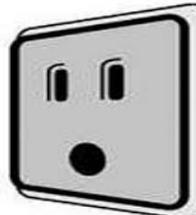
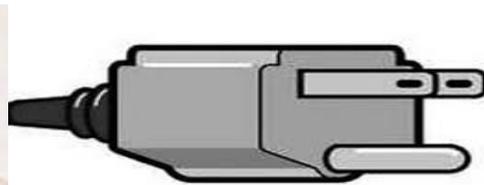
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Ballparks, Politicians, and an Obvious Question Not Asked

By Francis Rexford Cooley

Sunday September 17th was the final regular season home game ever for the Bridgeport Bluefish. Fans came to the Ballpark at Harbor Yard for one last chance to cheer on the Bluefish after twenty seasons in Bridgeport. While the results of the game gave little for the fans to cheer, a 9-2 loss to the Somerset Patriots, fans were treated to past Bluefish players speaking to the crowd and throwing out ceremonial first pitches. The biggest response from the crowd came not from the return of favorite players from past seasons, or a homerun giving the Bluefish a brief 1-0 lead, the biggest response from the crowd was the lustily delivered boos and cutting comments leveled at Bridgeport Mayor and former convict, Joe Ganim, as he made his way onto the field and addressed the crowd during the pre-game ceremonies. Ganim is the architect of the Bluefish being expelled from their home as part of an overall \$185 million project to create a new entertainment district for Bridgeport while converting the Ballpark into a boutique concert

amphitheatre for LiveNation at a cost of \$15 million. There was little public debate and few questions asked regarding the decision by the Ganim administration to oust the Bluefish and enter a deal with LiveNation. The partisan crowd of Bluefish fans made their opinion clear regarding Mayor Ganim's policy.

Among the questions that should have been asked prior to the decision to convert the ballpark to an amphitheater is which use will draw people to the proposed entertainment district that is to be built around the Harbor Yard complex which includes the Arena housing the AHL Sound Tigers. The Bluefish played seventy-one home games a year. The Ballpark also hosted home games for Sacred Heart and the University of Bridgeport baseball teams as well a number of other events. In its twenty years of operation from 1998 to present, the Ballpark has hosted over 2,000 events. The amphitheatre will host 25 concerts a year according to news reports. Bridgeport is essentially trading approximately 100 events a year drawing people to the area for 25. How is that going to spur the envisioned entertainment district of shops, restaurants, and bars?

While the Ballpark operates from mid-April through September it sits next to The Arena at Harbor Yard which is the home of the Sound Tigers

and is used by Fairfield University and Sacred Heart University for basketball and hockey home games respectively. After Mayor Ganim announced his plans in August the Sound Tigers notified the City of Bridgeport the proposed amphitheatre violates their agreement with the City. The Sound Tigers have a no compete clause preventing the City from creating a concert venue to compete with the Arena which holds concerts throughout the year. Should not have a full discussion as to whether the agreement Mayor Ganim has entered the City into may well allow the Sound Tigers to sue the City for breach of contract and possibly move? Losing the prime tenant for the Arena and its thirty-five plus home games a year would not be good. How would such a turn of events help the proposed \$185 million entertainment district project that Mayor Ganim seems to be basing his campaign to be Connecticut's next Governor on?

But for the final afternoon of baseball at the Ballpark one's attention turned to the field. Watching balls hit to right field with the rail lines in the background as MetroNorth, Amtrak, and even freight trains made their way along the main North East rail lines clicking and clacking by every fifteen minutes or so adding to the ambiance, watching balls hit to left field with the stream of cars and trucks making their

way down the perpetually clogged I-95 corridor on the elevated section that runs a sprint's distance away from the Ballpark, or for those centerfield flies the sight of the Long Island ferry pulling out or into dock on their constant voyages across the Sound. But even idling away the day watching baseball under a late summer sun one last, and most obvious, question popped up to my mind. How is LiveNation going to deal with the constant, non-stop drone of transportation noise that will surround an open air amphitheatre at Harbor Yard? You can't move the rails, I-95, nor the Ferry piers, the trains, ferries, trucks, and autos run well into the late night, and one won't be able to baffle out an elevated highway nor the blast of train or ferry horns. Maybe this should have been the first question asked. Is Harbor Yard, with all the noise generated, the best place (or even a good place) to build a concert amphitheatre? But then again maybe

Mayor, and convicted felon, Ganim really doesn't care? He's running for Governor after all, so it will be someone else's problem. And maybe that was the point all along? Just asking an obvious question.

The Bluefish will be moving to High Point, North Carolina for the 2019 season. Where the Bluefish will play next season has yet to be determined.



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From My Balcony

By Jeannette Hinkson

Do the people of this country and those we sent to Washington want a better government, lower taxes, medical care that doesn't cost you more than you spend on groceries a month?

Or do we want to bicker about what someone wears, how much money they have made in the past, what their children are doing and stop others from moving forward to make this better place to live.

Statues of Robert E. Lee and Confederate soldiers are being removed in the south. Talk of removing the statue of Christopher Columbus from Columbus Square in New York because it might offend someone is beyond belief. The fact that the Mayor of New York, Bill de Blasio, wants to demolish Grant's tomb makes him the top nut case in my book. I'm sorry if someone's feelings might get hurt but what is next? Perhaps we should destroy the monument at Pearl Harbor which is dedicated to those we lost during the bombing of Pearl Harbor because it might offend the Japanese. How about ESPN in Bristol stopping a sports reporter from calling a game because his name is Robert Lee! *(By the way he is of Chinese decent and I do not think he is akin to the leader of the confederate army)*

Perhaps ESPN will relocate because their company borders on Plainville and our Town Manager is named Robert E. Lee or should we fire him and run him out of town because of his name?

Let's remove that memorial of Paul Revere because some animal rights activist might be offended because

he rode his horse so hard that night spreading the word the "British are coming" and his statue might offend some Brit.

Or perhaps we should shut down Sturbridge Village because it offends witches.

You might say this article is stupid or silly but just think about what has happened in the past few weeks.

The Presidents eleven year old son was ridiculed for wearing a T-shirt yet no one ever said a word about Mrs. Obama and her daughter getting off air force one wearing tank tops and short shorts.

During a trip to Houston Texas, where millions were suffering the effects of hurricane Irma, had no food, water or even a roof over their heads, the biggest thing that fake news could report on was Mrs. Trump's shoes. *(No one reported she had on sneakers' the major portion of the tour, nor did anyone mention Mrs. Obama never went to any of the devastated areas with her husband, including the killing of the children at Newtown.)*

If anyone is offended by the statues, the names of hero's of the past, our history or what we do in the United States, then I say go find a country where you might not be offended or if you or your ancestors came from somewhere else and you don't like it here no one is making you stay, and by the way it is a **FREE COUNTRY** you can leave anytime.

If you are offended by this article please don't call our office, just throw the paper out or ask the mail person not to drop it off in the future.



Plainville Resident Sally Miller to be Honored by NAACP - Bristol Chapter



The NAACP Annual Freedom Fund Banquet will be honoring 25 of the most Influential African American men and women in the area. The theme is Steadfast and Immoveable- Keynote Speaker Rev. Dr. Shelley Best, Pastor Redeemers A.M.E. Zion

The event will be Friday, October 27, 2017 at Nuchies Restaurant 164 Central Street, Forestville, CT. The social hour will be at 6:00 pm followed by dinner at 7:00.

Ticket prices are \$75 per person and \$40 for children under 12. Tickets may be purchased from the honorees.

Sally Miller is a retired Assistant Vice President of Marketing and Communications at LL Global Inc. -LIMRA International in Windsor Ct.,. This is a department she also successfully created from several other units. Prior to working at LIMRA, she was a Software Specialist for Digital Equipment Corporation and used those skills after hours to voluntarily teach young men and women computer skills. Sally owned her own Personnel Agency, Fish Market and then her own Delicatessen in Hartford, CT. She fought for and operated the very first restaurant with an outside eating area in the city of Hartford. During the evenings, she volunteered to teach inner-city women business skills, keyboarding and resume writing.

From 2013 to 2017, Sally was President of the local Chapter of AARP Chapter 4146 and her goal was to help the chapter grow. During her term she accomplished her goal and over 100 new individuals joined the chapter and it was ultimately named "The Chapter of the Year" for the State of CT in 2016. She is Travel Coordinator for the Chapter as well as Coordinator of Ways and Means. Monies brought in from these sources benefit local charities such as the homeless veterans, Grandparents Rising Grandchildren, the Food Pantry, the Plainville Senior Center and Fuel Bank to name a few.

Sally is an award winning published writer and has a monthly column in the "The Hometown Connection" paper. She is a Volunteer at the Plainville Senior Center and provides services in many areas there such as delivering balloons and cards to shut-ins on their birthday. She also coordinates the Senior Center annual tag sale which brings in over \$1,500 each year for dial-a ride. She has a daughter Cheryl Gentles, 3 grandchildren, Tony, Nicole, and Sara, as well as 2 great-grandchildren Anthony and Kade and a sister Carolyn Moore. Sally is the daughter of the late Oliver and Adeline Gomes. Adeline Gomes was distinguished by being the first Black principal in the State of CT

Sally is Chairperson of the Committee on Aging for the Town of Plainville, a Trustee for the Plainville Cemetery Association and she on the Board for Jensen properties. In her spare time she enjoys writing, playing cards, cribbage, fishing, being with friends and family and travelling.

Other Plainville honorees include Frank Robinson, Gail Williams, Dayna Snell and Francine Coleman.

AARP Trips:

For information about trips to come Sally Miller 860-1732
Mohegan Casino Trip November 14, 2017. Cost \$25.00 includes a promotional pkg for lunch and gambling. Bus leaves at 8:00 a.m. from OLM Church and returns to Plainville around 5:30.

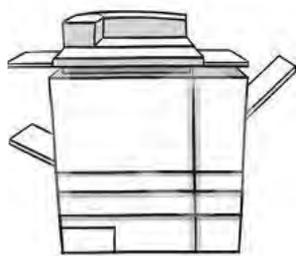
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Healthy-Behaviors

By: Linda Coveney, Integrative Nutrition Health Coach

What is Your Emergency Plan?

Despite being more than 1000 miles from recent Hurricanes Harvey and Irma and in no immediate danger, I had a to fight multiple urges to rush to the grocery store and stock up on water. Guess that is what happens from watching non-stop news and dire predictions.

A few friends of ours travelled for 4 days from Florida to Connecticut. I was curious as to how they prepared for the emergency and made their decisions on what to take and what to leave. Apparently they knew right where their important paper folders were located and managed to easily pull together other valuables while also securing their home against possible water damage. It's easy to know to take your computer, but that may not be of immediate use in a power failure.

This was my call to action to create an easy to access system of all important documents, passwords, titles, certifications, insurance policies, wills, etc. Not only is this a good idea for a natural disaster situation, but also can make life easier for anyone who has to take over in the event we can no longer do this for ourselves. I went to a workshop about a year ago and the speaker gave great advice on how to pull this all important information together in one large binder. He suggested taking pictures of items in

your home and making sure to update yearly. Another idea is to keep your files in your cabinets, if that is more convenient, but use a unique color for the folder as a visual clue that this is important info. Perhaps red will do.

It does seem like a lot of work but once it is done could potentially save a lot of time and headaches and avoid added costs in the long run.

How about you? Could you easily put your hands on the most important documents, photos, valuables and other must take essentials if you were suddenly faced with an emergency? If not, perhaps now is the time to move this to the top of your to do list. If you already have this under control, think about sharing tips on how you accomplished this with your trusted friends.

While we are on the topic of preparing for emergencies, how well equipped are you to ensure you always have easy access to healthy food? You know, during the times when you are in your car and hunger pains are taking over and all you see for miles are fast food restaurants. Or, when you come home at 6 pm, haven't eaten since breakfast and are prepared to eat almost anything before you can even think about dinner.

Here are some ideas for healthier snacks to have available either in your home, work or car for those times when your hunger hormone, grehlin, takes over and you find yourself automatically drawn to a drive through or to pull out the chips at home.

- *Fresh Water*
- *Raw Almonds, Apple or other fruit,*
- *Food Bar – Larabar is a better choice*
- *Cut up carrots, cucumbers, celery or other vegetable of choice*
- *Hummus, Whole grain crackers-Hard boiled egg, Brown rice cakes -Small container of almond butter to put on your apple, cracker or rice cake*
- *Herbal teas. Make in the morning and sip throughout the day.*

These are just a few ideas that might help you from consuming a 2000 calorie snack that doesn't even taste that good and leaves you with indigestion and guilt. Create your own list from foods you enjoy. Be sure to read the ingredient list and watch out for added sugars and chemicals.

When you are in a situation where you just need something to hold you over, remember to take the time to eat these snacks in the most mindful way you can. You will better enjoy the flavors and will actually notice that you are beginning to feel full or satisfied to get on with your day.

I know of a health practitioner who anticipates his kids coming home from school famished and plans a small meal

of homemade soup to tie them over until dinner. His advice is not to snack, but if you find yourself hungry throughout the day, to plan 4 small healthy meals.

Try to be proactive. While the ideal situation is to eat 3 meals a day, with lunch being the largest meal if possible, recognize those days when you are likely to skip a meal, work late or be on a long road trip and plan accordingly. Eating cookies or candy might be a quick fix, but will also create havoc with your blood sugar levels. This means you will keep coming back for more and will never really feel satisfied that you have relieved your hunger.

Some emergency situations are beyond our control. Being prepared to minimize the negative effects of these emergencies is something we can all work towards to protect our most valuable asset – our health. If you want a specific topic covered in future columns, e-mail me at lindacoveney@comcast.net

The advice in this column is in no way intended as medical advice or as a substitute for medical counseling. The information should be used in conjunction with the guidance and care of your physician.



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Linda helps open-minded teams and determined individuals take control of their choices, and create the robust health, success and happiness they deserve. She is also a Licensed practitioner for Insights Discovery®—The direct route to healthy, effective teams.

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Questions call 860-747-4119

Ask the Brayne...

Q. I noticed TV ads about the State of Connecticut FAST TRACK Bus service. Are our tax dollars paying for another failed idea of our politicians in Hartford?

A. In checking with State Representative Doctor Bill Petit here is what is happening to date:

Below is a summary of CT Fast Track costs for Advertising, Public Relations and Marketing paid during FY 2017 (7/1/16 through 6/30/17) totaling \$483,197.99. In regards to an estimate for FY 18, DOT expects to expend at approximately the same level as FY 17. This funding is 80% federal funding from the Federal Transit Administration.

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- Marketing - \$4,466.32
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- Partnership for Strong Communities Room Rental
- Promotional Items
- Supplies

Office of Fiscal Analysis

Q. Does anyone remember the man who had a Push Cart and sold Pop Corn, Flags & misc. items in the center of Plainville on week-ends and at every parade?

A. Nancy Eberhardt, President of the Plainville Historic Center called and said they have the name of the man. Here it is!

This is a photo from 1960

'Popcorn Man' Has Sold Almost Million Boxes During 23 Years Spent On Local Streets

John Domaneles could be seen in Town from March to November



Q. How do I submit questions to you?

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

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

Thank you for this months question. Please keep them coming.

**“Have a Safe & Happy Halloween”
Thanks, Bill Brayne**

The Tea Party would appreciate any donation that you wish to send, to assist them with their cause to watch our politicians in Washington.

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“THE TEA PARTY”

STAY ENGAGED

By Gene

Socialism:

America is the Titanic and we are the passengers.

Poverty, misery, violence and corruption are becoming the fashionable around the world under the guise of helping others in need.

1. Most of the time there is no respect for the law in these Socialist countries.
2. Dishonesty and corruption are just for the government.
3. Immigration is strictly prohibited under most circumstances.
4. Police could be everywhere because of general disregard for the law and order.
5. National ID cards are usually mandatory and used to keep track of most.
6. Public infrastructure including electrical grids, highways, and bridges is totally adequate.
7. And some of these countries, you are unable to drink the water.
8. Violent political demonstrations and other forms of civil unrest are common place.

For most of these reasons, entrenched socialism is very difficult to dislodge. People in socialism seldom have the ability to see any other alternative to this system. But the only way we in the developing world appear and recognize that the remedy is to abandon socialism and restore economic freedom. All this is part of the socialism and moral order (or lack of there) If we continue on the present course the will soon come when Americans no longer have reliable electrical grids, drinkable water, drivable roads or productive economy and these conditions will be a mild prelude to full blown socialism.

Tea Party Patriots is an activist organizational committee providing tools and resources to help our supporters achieve personal freedom, economic freedom and debt-free future. Ben Franklin was asked what kind of government the delegates had created. He famously replied “A republic, if you can keep it.” These Tea Party conservative voters gave control to Washington, DC./for now.

Do you remember when, hardworking Americans came together to oppose Obamacare at Tea Party rallies in 2009 and 2010?

What is political correctness? Are we using political correctness to further agenda and goals of “questionable”, groups and organizations in our country? The leftist dream is a socialist global community with no borders, no sovereignty, and no United States. We have major problems, one is our voting system across the nation. People are voting who should never be allowed to vote. You must provide ID for many different transactions in today’s world, however, voting is not one of them? Is it time for the true Patriots that we stand united and insure the United States of America continue to be the greatest nation in the world?

Islamic Terrorism was once something that happened (over there) now all over.

George Soros’ (rent a mob) seven steps to bring down a Government:

Step One: Form a shadow government using humanitarian aid as cover.

Step Two: Control the airwaves.

Step Three: Destabilize the state, weaken the government and build an anti-government.

Step Four: Sow unrest.

Step Five: Provoke an election crisis. You wait for an election and during the election, you cry voter fraud.

Step Six: Take power. You stage massive demonstrations, civil disobedience, it-ins, general strikes and you encourage activism.

Step Seven: Out last your opponent.

Traitors within: In 42 B.C. Cicero exposed the dangers of the liberal establishment of our day. He said “A nation can survive its fools, and even the ambitious. But it cannot survive treason from within. An enemy at the gates is less formidable, for his is known and he carries his banners openly.”

Also, bad judges should be removed from the bench and erase their unconstitutional judgements. Progressives continue to abuse their power to either delay or obstruct final votes on the President’s judicial nominees. They are run (amok) judges. Let’s get these new judges confirmed. Is the Trump presidency turning into a Bush clone?

As far as the state of Connecticut, Governor Malloy is one of the most unpopular Governor’s in the Country. By the time you read this article the budget will be about three months over due. More tax hikes and job killing policies.

The Republican alternate and better budget includes the following: No Increase expansion of the sales tax, No income tax increase, No new restaurant sales tax, No new or increased hospital Tax, No increases to the pistol permit fee, No increase to the hotel tax. Restores funding for state’s property tax credit, Reduces taxes by phasing out the Social Security and pension income for middle class families, Restores Funding and implementing a new funding formula, Includes Structural changes to achieve long term savings and reduce the size of government.

Watch out for those (State Operatives) who are determined to protect their own (pork belly) interests in Washington, D.C. establishment. Also, ANTIFA and the Southern Poverty Law groups. (BAD)

As far as the Florida hurricane goes, some merchants and businessmen should have given away their sneakers BEFORE the hurricanes. (So the looters say)

Remember their first three names in alphabetical order who died September 11th, 2001, New York City 1. Gordon M. AAmoth 2. Edelmiro/Rose Abad 3. Andrew Anthony Abate

“I don’t make jokes, I just watch the Government and report the facts.” By Will Rogers

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51 Pierce St Unit 3: Kelley A. Sgroi of Plainville to Erica L. Burns, \$154,500 on 8/-07/2017

22 Timber Hill Rd: Thomas P. and Barbara A. Martello of Plainville to Jonathan P. Richardson, \$215,000 on 8/09/2017

183 Tomlinson Ave: Linda Zommer of Plainville to Lalena L. Mccillan, \$187,900 on 8/08/2017

75 Twining St: Steven M. Kowal of Plainville to Maria Ludwig, \$144,900 on 8/08/2017

17 View St: Robin Duhamel of Plainville to Danielle Sarra, \$164,000 on 8/07/2017

55 Lewis St: USA HUD of Plainville to David A. Chervrette, \$68,466 on 8/15/2017

50 Pierce St: Barbara A. Butcher of Plainville to Janny K. Yoon, \$120,000 on 8/15/2017

151 Stillwell Dr: John W. Jones and Mary Glynn of Plainville to Bozena Swider, \$170,000 on 8/16/2017

190 Tomlinson Ave. Unit 16f: Theodore Christopher of Plainville to Agnieszka Kostrycka aaand Josiah D.Scott \$155,000 on 8/18/2017

5 Tyler Ave: New Eng Preserv&Restor of Plainville to James and Yoland R. Thompson, \$220,000 on 8/14/2017

25 View St: :Ryan Ferguson of Plainville to David Musshorn and Brina Malet, \$350,000 on 8/17/2017

40 Washburn Dr: Shirley H. Goldsmith and Stephen O. Allaire of Plainville to Jackson C. Ramyond \$172,000 on 8/18/2017

27 Westwood Ave: JSL Investments LLC of Plainville to Siamphone Bouaphone, \$186,000 on 8/18/2017

212 Westwood Ave: Blue Star Properties LLC of Plainville to Kaityn Rogalski and Spencer Duffany, \$167,628 on 8/14/2017

14 Bel Aire Dr: Robert and Kristen Rouillard of Plainville to Jessica Zorn, \$238,000 on 8/21/2017

39 Farmington Ave Unit 84: Francis P. Camp of Plainville to Willaim T. Costello, \$110,000 on 8/23/2017

13 Kent St: Bruce and Deborah Lauzier of Plainville to William M. Learned , \$168,000 on 8/22/2017

38 Kristin Ln: Rita and Joseph Fiurmara of Plainville to Krzysztof and Joanna Szarwacki \$271,000 on 8/21/2017

47 Maple St Unit 2: Angelina Furniss of Plainville to Joshua Ransom and Crystal Butler, \$63,900 on 8/24/2017

15 Pinecrest Dr: Diane M. Schwanke of Plainville to Susan Zazzaro, \$117,000 on 8/22/2017

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241 Camp St: Curtis M. Woodworth of Plainville to Evan M. and Jodi A. Drousse, \$237,000 on 8/28/2017

350 Camp St: Wells Fargo Bank NA of Plainville to Wellington Collins Props, \$138,500 on 8/28/2017

50 Corporate Ave: B&C Realty LLC of Plainville to Simon Realty LLC \$485,000 on 8/25/2017

202 Milford Street Ext: Tony and Luca Leonetti of Plainville to Gina and Dwayne Mckenzie, \$219,000 on 8/28/2017

5 Mill Rd Unit 5: National Res Nom Svcs of Plainville to Felix A. Adeniyen 4298,000 on 8/25/2017

8 Peach Orchard Hi: Jason H. and Helen M. Santini of Plainville to Elisabeth Oakes, \$225,000 on 8/31/2017

16 Pinecrest Dr: William H. Sayball of Plainville to William F. and Maureen F. Labier, \$234,000 on 8/25/2017

1 Sandstone Rd Unit 1: JNS Development LLC of Plainville to Christopher Reilly and Malgorzata Barcik-Reilly \$429,900 on 8/28/2017

14 Strong Ct: Marika Dunn of Plainville to JW Interiors LLC \$90,000 on 8/31/2017

42 Twining St: Thomas P. Ashton and Santander Bank NA of Plainville to Next Day Realty LLC, \$115,500 on 8/25/2017

122 Whiting St: James H. and Maryann Davis of Plainville to Mark Tran and Cam X. Duong, \$165,000 on 8/30/2017

41 Hemingway St: Patricia A. Curtis of Plainville to Patrick R. Fredericks, \$173,500. on 9/01/2017

65 Maxine Rd: Darek P. Palewicz and Leszek Cwieka of Plainville to Zbigniew Zdankiewicz, \$238,000 on 9/06/2017

100 Northampton Ln Unit 22: James M. Batt of Plainville to Kara Keyworth, \$140,000 on 9/07/2017

27 Norton Pl: Pamela Cody of Plainville to Generation 4 Realty LLC, \$150,000 on 9/05/2017

114 S. Washington St Unit 12: Margaret M. Scanlon of Plainville to Gustavo Salas, \$120,000 on 9/01/2017

10 Pearl St: David M. Waseleski of Plainville to Jose A. Estevez, \$155,000. on 9/08/2017

126 Rockwell Ave: Thomas C. and Joseph L. Vasile of Plainville to TWM Development LLC \$124,500 on 9/08/2017

60 Webster St: Lacey Songhurst of Plainville to Brett M. and Paula M. Cole, \$169,500 on 9/11/2017

23 Hart Pl Unit 4: Filip Michalski of Plainville to Nicole L. Petit \$146,200 on 9/11/2017.

62 Franklin Ave: John R. and Sabina Drost of Plainville to Christina Philibert

Update From Hartford on Republican Budget Proposal



Great summary of some of the the major issues being raised publicly following passage of the in CT (TY State Senator Joe Markley), principally the reductions to the University of Connecticut - UConn, the increase in contributions for teachers from 6% to 8% of salary, and the increased revenue from hospitals negotiated with the Connecticut Hospital Association. In addition information on the state commitment to education in the budget that has passed through the increased funding to our towns to support elementary and secondary education.

The following is designed to provide some perspective on what the budget contains for funding for the University of Connecticut as well as to explain more clearly statements made concerning teacher pension contributions not being deposited to the pension fund and going to the General Fund instead. It will be lengthy and detailed but necessary to accurately characterize what is happening and get past much of the rhetoric that has been used over the past 10 days.

For the University of Connecticut and UConn Health Center, the following are the appropriated budget allocations for Operating Expenses and Agency Total according to Public Act No. 15-244 (FY 15-16 & FY 16-17) and House Bill 7501 (FY 17-18 & FY 18-19).

University of Connecticut

FY 15-16: OE - \$220,582,283;

AT - \$243,219,082

FY 16-17: OE - \$225,082,283;

AT - \$248,969,082

FY 17-18: OE - \$311,037,716;

AT - \$312,665,498

FY 18-19: OE - \$277,451,145;

AT - \$279,078,927

UConn Health Center

FY 15-16: OE - \$124,347,180;

AT - \$144,290,800

FY 16-17: OE - \$125,519,573;

AT - \$144,969,198

FY 17-18: OE - \$179,577,258;

AT - \$187,079,236

FY 18-19: OE - \$153,371,461;

AT - \$161,116,272

There are year over year decreases between FY 17-18 and FY 18-19 but the overall budget of both the University of Connecticut and UConn Health Center has increased. There is general agreement that there is a reduction in the budget of \$240 million in the bipartisan budget, but it appears that is based on a projected need. While that is significant, it is nowhere near the \$339 million that President Susan Herbst has stated. Also, given the fact that appropriated funds to UConn are sent as a block grant, the Legislature has no authority to dictate how those funds are expended by the University.

For completeness, here are the comparable numbers for the Connecticut State Colleges and Universities:

Community Tech College System

FY 15-16: \$163,191,028

FY 16-17: \$164,480,874

FY 17-18: \$275,128,527

FY 18-19: \$264,107,692

Connecticut State University

FY 15-16: \$163,728,122

FY 16-17: \$164,206,317

FY 17-18: \$259,349,906

FY 18-19: \$258,829,071

CSCU Agency Total

FY 15-16: \$ 353,502,116

FY 16-17: \$ 358,002,116

FY 17-18: \$ 542,266,833

FY 18-19: \$ 530,725,163

For the teacher pension contribution increase, we need to understand the context under which this pension operates. While 6% might appear to be a significant portion of their income, the first thing to understand is that teachers in the Teacher Employee Retirement System (TERS) do not contribute to Social Security, which is withheld at a rate of 6.2% on all participating employees. Currently, the average retirement benefit to a Connecticut teacher (\$50,502 in 2016) is significantly higher than what any of us would expect from Social Security (maximum benefit of \$31,620 in 2016). Also, the Connecticut teacher begins to receive the pension benefit at the time of retirement, which could be as early as 47 years of age after 25 years of service, while the earliest that anyone may receive Social Security benefits is 62 years of age.

The increase from 6% contribution to 8% contribution in two increments still provides the Connecticut teacher with a substantial benefit greater than Social Security for only an additional 1.8% of salary and is still below the national average of approximately 8.4%, though I have heard others state the national average may be as high as 10%.

The other issue that I have heard is that the increased contribution is a "teacher's tax" because it is being deposited directly into the General Fund and not to the Teacher Retirement Fund (TRF). First, the teacher pension contribution is withheld by the individual school district that they work for, not by the state. Second, under federal law codified in the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), as amended, the employer has a fiduciary responsibility to transfer any funds withheld from an employee salary for pension directly into the retirement account. In this case, the individual school board must transfer the entire amount, whether that is 6%, 7% or ultimately 8% of salary, directly to the TRF.

The confusion comes from an incorrect reading of Section 153 of House Bill 7501, which states that the additional teacher pension contributions (1% or 2%) "shall be credited to the resources of the General Fund." The reason for this is simply an accounting requirement because in line T425 of House Bill 7501, the amount of the employer Retirement Contribution under the Teacher Retirement Board (TRB) section is based on a contribution rate of 6% from the teachers. The term "credited" means that on paper, the additional contribution from the teachers must be credited to line T425 so that the taxpayers of Connecticut are not double paying into the TRF. The money never actually is transferred to the General Fund, nor is there any way for that to happen. It is merely to maintain the budget balanced based on a change in employee contribution rates. Once the TRB performs the actuarial analysis based on the new contribution rates after the budget becomes law, then the employer Retirement Contribution amount may be reduced.

Our Lady of Mercy Annual Church Picnic



Our Lady of Mercy hosted its annual church picnic for their parishioners on Sunday September 3rd. Due to unexpected rain, the event was at the Parish Center rather than Norton Park. The Knights of Columbus grilled hot dogs and hamburgers for the group while the parishioners provided side dishes and desserts. Approximately 70 people attended and enjoyed raffles, food, crafts, games and fellowship.



St. Philip House Merges with Chrysalis Center, Inc.

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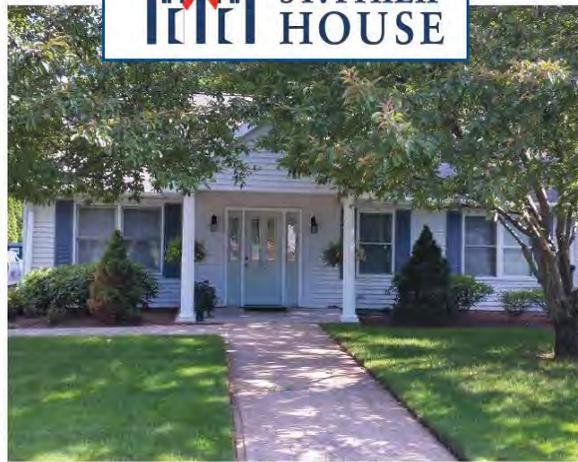


Chrysalis Center and St. Philip House are pleased to announce that effective June 15, 2017, St. Philip House became a program of Chrysalis Center, Inc.

Both Chrysalis Center and St. Philip House work to address the housing and social service needs of people whose lives have been touched by HIV/AIDS. "It is the perfect marriage of two like-minded organizations coming together to not only strengthen services for those we serve, but also provide greater operating efficiencies," said Sharon L. Castelli, Chief Executive Officer of Chrysalis Center.

St. Philip House will maintain its current location in Plainville, CT and continue its mission to provide access to safe and affordable housing, increase community awareness through education, render support services to people living with HIV/AIDS and their loved ones and encourage empowerment.

For more information, contact Lynda Waldron at Chrysalis Center at (860) 263-4412 or LWaldron@ChrysalisCenterCT.org.



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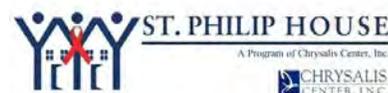


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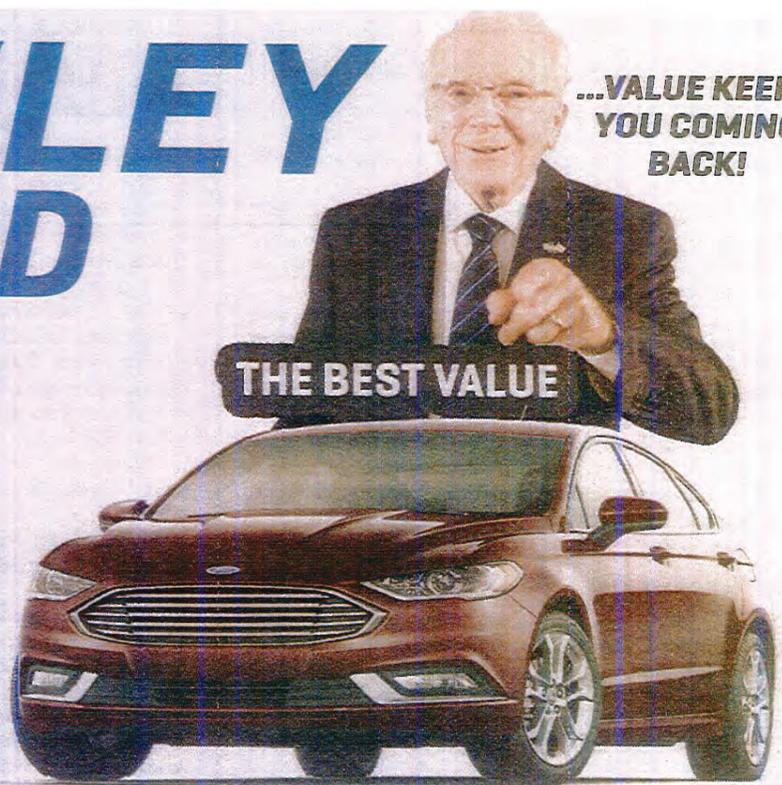
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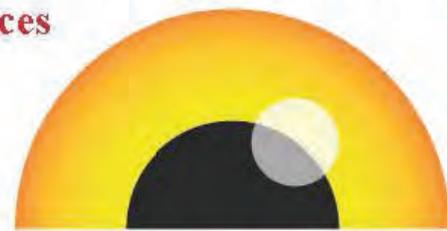
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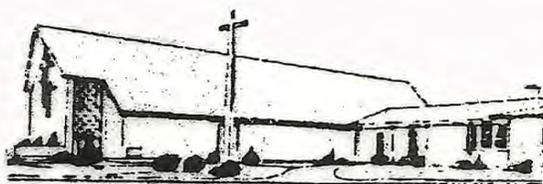
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Walnut Bread

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- 1/2 cup sugar
- 1 cup chopped walnuts
- 2 eggs
- 1 cup milk
- 1/4 cup melted butter

Sift the flour, baking powder, and sugar together into a mixing bowl, then stir in the nuts. Beat the eggs, milk and butter. Add to the flour mixture and stir until very well mixed, but don't attempt to beat out all the lumps. Spoon into greased loaf pan and bake in a preheated 350 degree oven for one hour. Turn out of the pan and cool before serving.

Potato Pancakes

- 3 large potatoes
- 1 small onion
- 3 eggs
- 1 teaspoon salt
- Dash of pepper
- 1/2 cup flour
- 1/2 teaspoon baking powder

Grate onion & potatoes. Add ingredients, beat well. Fry in Crisco oil about 3/4 inch deep in frypan. Drop by large tablespoons full into hot skillet. Fry a golden brown, turning several times. Serve with sour cream or applesauce.

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If you have any secret Thanksgiving hints for the Holiday.

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Time for Connecticut to create another fiscal paradigm

Sooo ... here we are, a week after our state legislature was able to vote on a budget that would keep the state running, and the school systems in the state operational. What people don't realize is many of the school systems have trimmed teacher positions and have increased class size, in anticipation of the budget crunch.

The big wow with this budget is the Democrats lost control of their delegation and the Republican plan was voted in. Now we wait for the governor to sign the bill into law. He has said repeatedly he will veto the bill and retain executive control of

the budget. Suburbs lose and cities win, that's what a lot of people think.

The governor's veto would make the lawgivers go back to the table and come up with a new bill. *If the governor and his advisory counsel didn't like it, he could kill it all over again.*

The legislature could muster a veto override, vote in favor of the bill in such numbers that the veto would be nullified. The bill would become law.

As Sen. Paul Doyle said in his statement as to why he, a lifelong Democrat, voted for the Republican bill, us residents of Connecticut have

no money. We are broke. We must work our way out of this situation by not spending more and by cutting as much spending as is possible.

We have no money, and we have got to adjust our spending and create another fiscal paradigm. This is no quick fix and is not painless.

The big question is whose bull is going to get gored. Not mine, of course, but which of you will have to make a sacrifice?

A point to ponder.

Phil Mikan is the host of the Phil Mikan Show on WMRD 1150/ WLIS AM 1420 daily at 10 a.m. and the Weekend Corner Saturday from 9 to 11 a.m. You can reach him at phil@philmikan.com



A POINT TO PONDER

Phil Mikan

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Republican Legislators Urge Override of Governor's Veto



Left to right: Senator Craig Minor, Town Council Chair Plainville Kathy Pugliese, Rep. Cara Pavalock-D'Amato, Rep. William Petit, Rep. Witt Betts, Hawwinton First Selectman Michael R. Criss, Mayor Bristol Ken Cockayne, Senator Henri Martin, Senator Joe Markley, Rep. John Piscopo

State Republican legislators Thursday, September 28, expressed disappointment that the Governor vetoed the only state budget to pass the General Assembly with bipartisan support. At a press conference in Plymouth earlier in the day, the legislators and local municipal leaders had called on the Governor to sign the budget. Now, they are calling on support to override the veto.

Senator Henri Martin (R-31) said, "I guess the one good thing I can say is that the Governor is a man of his word. He said he was going to veto this budget and that is what he did. He did that knowing what his executive order has been doing and will continue to do to our communities, to our schools, to the elderly, and to those with disabilities. I'm not sure he truly understands the implication of his veto on municipalities."

The only recourse that can save core services, Sen. Martin said, is for the legislature to meet and override the veto.

Representative Whit Betts (R-78) said, "We continue to hear the pleas from our municipalities and school systems about the importance of moving forward on a budget and providing them with certainty and predictability. The General Assembly did its job

and adopted a bipartisan budget which does just that. Although not surprised, I am disheartened by the governor's budget veto today. I urge the Speaker of the House to call the legislature into session, and I'm hopeful that my fellow lawmakers will vote to override the budget veto."

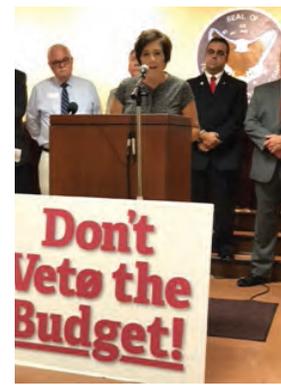
Representative Cara Pavalock-D'Amato (R-77) said, "The bipartisan budget that Governor Malloy vetoed today reduced state expenses and cut administrative costs throughout government while prioritizing core functions and maintaining funding for critical programs for those most in need, like Care for Kids. I am extremely concerned for my constituents about the governor's executive orders that will go into effect on October 1, and the devastating impact it will have on these programs."



Representative William A. Petit, Jr. (R-22) said, "The bipartisan budget which helped towns and cities across our state with increases in municipal aid has been vetoed today, and we will now see drastic cuts to municipal aid with the Governor's executive orders. In the Appropriations committee on which I serve, our mantra in crafting a budget has been to try and protect children, the elderly, and those with disabilities. Now, drastic cuts to vital social services, including Care for Kids, Meals on Wheels, and substance abuse treatment services, will go into effect on October 1, and our small towns and communities will not be able to sustain this extra burden that the state will be inflicting on them."

The legislators said they hope that when

the veto session comes, other members of the General Assembly will reflect on the words municipal leaders spoke during the press conference at Plymouth Town Hall today.



Plainville Town Council Chair Katherine M. Pugliese "Plainville is looking at a reduction of almost \$2 million in the current fiscal year in the Governor's proposed budget. How do we take care of that? We have gotten no direction. Do we deplete our fund balance, which we have carefully guarded over many, many years of wise financial

planning? Do we start to lay off the people that are so very important to our community, our teachers, our police, our people that take care of our parks and our roadways? . . . (Republicans) are here to protect the very people who are going to be asked to shoulder this burden: the taxpayers. That's the only way the cities and the states can raise revenue is to increase taxes on the taxpayers, whether they are businesses or individuals, and they will decrease services while they are taking more money out of our pockets. I don't imagine any worse scenario right now."

Harwinton First Selectman Michael R. Criss "I will use the Governor's words as he eloquently said it: Municipal leaders do it better. We do it better every day . . . As small communities, we took time over the last three to four years and renegotiated our union agreements, our healthcare plans, our pension plans. Our union members sacrificed, for what? For our community. For our children's future. For the future of this state. . . Our municipalities cannot shoulder this. We do not have extra money to bail Hartford out. We do not have extra money to bail Governor Malloy's pet projects out. The money is earmarked for bridges. It's earmarked for roads. It's earmarked for the future of rebuilding Connecticut town-by-town."

Bristol Mayor Ken Cockayne "The Governor is cutting almost \$4 million out of our budget - that's almost 1 mill. We cannot sustain a cut like that"



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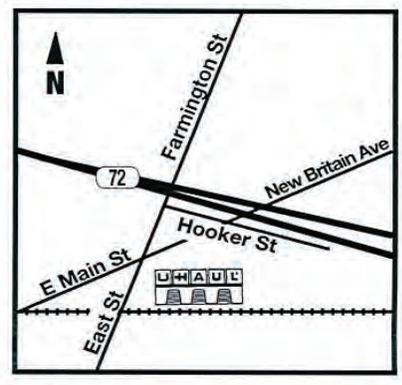
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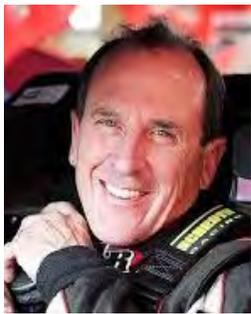
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~ Theodore "Ted" "TC" Christopher ~



"First tap is telling you I'm here. Second tap is telling you to pick a lane. Third tap, I'm picking the lane for you."

Ted "TC" "The King" Christopher #13

NASCAR driver, business owner and beloved husband, son, brother, uncle and friend, Theodore "Ted" "TC"

Christopher, died following a tragic airplane crash in Guilford Saturday.

The celebrated 59-year-old driver, a Plainville native who recently moved to Southington, left behind both a legend and a legacy. His life was full of energy, swagger, intelligence, generosity and kindness that together contributed to the essence of a man whose greatness went far beyond the race track.

In 2001 Christopher won the NASCAR Whelen All-American Series national title and in 2008 the NASCAR Whelen Modified Tour Crown. With 13 combined championships, he was the winningest driver at both Stafford Motor Speedway and Thompson Speedway Motorsports Park.

Christopher, whose "Three Tap" rule reflected his aggressive, signature racing style, was named one of the top 25 drivers in NASCAR's weekly series in 2006, when the series celebrated its 25th anniversary. In 2008, Stafford named a section of its grandstand in his honor. Despite his age, Christopher had not lost any of his edge. So far this season he had racked up six wins at Stafford with his most recent just two weeks ago.

A fan favorite whose ability was respected by his racing peers, Christopher won hundreds of awards and accolades throughout his racing career. And while most knew him because of his racing celebrity, his biggest successes in life went far beyond the tracks he raced on.

A well-regarded and hard-working businessman who owned M & T Enterprises in Plainville, Christopher's roots in his community ran deep. A 1976 graduate of Plainville High School, he was a sports enthusiast who was captain of his high school wrestling team. In 2013 he was inducted into the Plainville Sports Hall of Fame. He rooted for any football team that was winning, especially if the team was beating his wife's Dallas Cowboys, but could care less about the Red Sox or the Yankees. He was an avid reader, loved rock and roll music, was a classic car collector and a guy who couldn't imagine life without his German shepherds, including puppy Maverick. His friendships with his gang of longtime

friends were precious, respected and far reaching. An accomplished cook, he never missed the Wednesday night Outback dinners "with the boys" followed by Pralines ice cream on his way home. Morning oatmeal from scratch with a side of "Let's Make A Deal" was a must.

He was generous to his community, sponsoring many children's recreational activities and quietly contributing to non-profit efforts because he wanted to help. As a son and sibling, he was devoted. As an uncle, he loved knowing that the party never really began for delighted nieces and nephews until a boisterous, grinning and mischief-making "Uncle Teddy" arrived.

Nothing in his life however, was more important than his wife, Quinn Wazorko Christopher, and the treasured life and home they had built together. It reflected an unshakeable bond of love and trust and teamwork that he valued much more than his rooms full of trophies.

Christopher was a true man of merit, one who lived every day of his life to the fullest and whose life ended too soon. He will be missed more than words can explain.

Besides his wife he leaves his mother Lucy (Graziano) Christopher; his twin brother and sister-in-law, Michael and Jen Christopher of Wolcott; his sister and brother-in-law Joe and Judy Christopher Mannix of Longmeadow; his mother-in-law MaryEllen Fillo Wazorko of Southington and Delray Beach, FL; his brothers-and sisters-in-law, Christopher and Raegan Wazorko and Justin and Tabitha Manafort, all of Plainville; his nephews and nieces, Michael and Nicole Christopher, George and Jacob Mannix, Olivia, Lillian and Amelia Wazorko, and Samantha, Justin, and Tommi Manafort. He also leaves many aunts, uncles, cousins and treasured friends who shared his love of life both on and off the racetrack and dearly treasured him. He was pre-deceased by his beloved father, William Christopher.

A Mass of Christian Burial was held at St. Matthew Church. Calling hours were held at Bailey's Funeral Home, 48 Broad St Plainville. There was also be a race program memorial at Stafford Speedway in Stafford Springs on Oct. 1 where his #13 car number will be retired.

It is said "The choices we make about the lives we live determine the kinds of legacies we leave." His life was one of love, sass, compassion, honesty and adventure. His legacy is all that and much more.

In lieu of flowers donations can be made to the Ted Christopher Memorial Fund, care of Farmington Bank, 117 East Street Plainville Ct 06062 Attn. Bree Pirog. To leave a condolence go to:

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~ Philip S. Mills ~



69, of Newington, formerly of Plainville, passed away Wednesday September 20, 2017 at the Hospital of Central Connecticut in New Britain surrounded by his loving family. He was the husband of Karen (Swenson) (Ciarci) Mills.

Philip was born June 1, 1948 in New Britain a son of the late

Stanley and Mary (Corrigan) Mills and was a longtime Plainville resident. He attended Plainville schools and was a graduate of Plainville High School. Philip was a talented Toolmaker and had worked for Adchem in Manchester as well as Fletcher - Terry Manufacturing and New England Airfoil both in Farmington, retiring after many years of service. His additional schooling consisted of several advanced training courses pertaining to his profession. He enjoyed flying and was a licensed pilot. Philip loved classic cars and was the proud owner of a Camaro and Corvette. He also loved all kinds of music and was a talented guitarist. Philip's artistic talents also stretched into wood working, where he was known for his intricate scrollwork. He loved traveling with his wife, but especially enjoyed spending time with all of his family.

Besides his devoted wife Karen, he leaves his daughter, Jessica Cook and her husband Nick of Bristol and his grandsons, Michael Allen and Anthony Barresi, his brothers and sister, George Mills and Kathy Knox of Plainville, Eileen Morgan and her husband Robert of Longmeadow, Ma. and Alan Mills and his wife Lois of Southington, his stepchildren, Paula Pisano of South Windsor, Joe Ciarci and his wife Valli of East Haddam, Marcella Ferrara and her husband Stephen of Okemos, Mi. and Paul Ciarci, Jr. and his wife Wendy of North Granby as well as many step grandchildren and nieces and nephews.

A Mass of Christian Burial in celebration of Philip's life was held at Our Lady of Mercy Church 94 Broad Street in Plainville. Burial followed in Saint Joseph Cemetery in Plainville. In lieu of flowers memorial contributions may be made to the Connecticut Humane Society 701 Russell Road Newington, CT 06111.

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

~ Ross Coughlin ~



31, of Plainville, Connecticut, passed away unexpectedly on September 1, 2017.

Ross was born to Deanna and David Coughlin, both of Plainville, on September 18, 1985 in Hartford Connecticut. He graduated from E.C. Goodwin Technical High

School in 2003, and had since gone on to work in the fields of machinery and construction.

Ross was a skilled and talented carpenter, and truly had a special ability to excel in all areas of the construction field. He was hard working; had the people skills to develop and maintain professional relationships, as well as the know-how, skills, and talent to get the job done right. It was his dream to rebuild and restart his own construction business, R.T. Construction.

Those who truly knew Ross, know that he had a big heart; was compassionate, and could always be counted on to lend a shoulder or anything he had, and could, to anyone. He had a bright and shining personality, great sense of humor and was frequently able to make people laugh when they needed it the most. He had an innate ability to recognize, understand, and accept other people's struggles; and always kept an open mind. He was a very loving son, brother, uncle and friend and will be greatly missed.

He leaves behind two of his favorite people in the world, his niece Lauryn Guardarrama, and his nephew Trevin Guardarrama; his sister Kaylyn Guardarrama and her husband TJ; his mother Deanna Coughlin and Marty Brennan; his father and step mother David and Carolyn Coughlin, and their son LCpl Quinn Coughlin and his wife Marion; his step siblings Jay and Gina Brennan and their daughter Sofia, Jessica Brennan and Adam Mike, Garnet and Mike Czuchta; as well as several aunts, uncles, cousins and friends.

Ross's family would like to especially thank those who always reciprocated his nonjudgmental spirit and who demonstrated understanding and compassion for the struggles he too endured during his life.

Bailey Funeral Home, 48 Broad St, Plainville, CT assisted the family with arrangements. Words of remembrance were shared. All who knew and loved Ross are welcome to attend. Burial will be held privately at the convenience of the family.

~ Fernand Daigle ~



86, of Plainville passed away on Saturday, September 16, 2017 at the Hospital of Central CT in New Britain. He was the loving husband of 61 years to Mida M. (Jandreau) Daigle.

Fernand was born on June 14, 1931 in Clair, New Brunswick, Canada, son to the late Leonard and Lucy (Cyr) Daigle. He

loved to keep busy and was a hard worker, having established a career as a mason working for U.S Gypsum for 27 years. He was a longtime member of the Knights of Columbus, Third Degree, St. Ann Council 6119. He had a love for the sport of ice hockey. Fernand lived his life to the fullest and was simply a happy man.

In addition to his wife, Mida, Fernand is survived by his children, Michael Daigle, of West Hartford, Nancy Daigle Perrone, of West Hartford, Gary Daigle, of Unionville; and his grandchildren, Alexander Daigle, Kurt Daigle, Christopher and Katherine Perrone. He was predeceased by his siblings, Bert, Eve, Mederic, and Bernice.

A Mass of Christian Burial was held at Our Lady of Mercy Church Plainville followed by a burial in Saint Joseph Cemetery in Plainville. Donations in memory of Fernand can be made to the American Heart Association, PO Box 417005, Boston, MA 02241-7005 or to the American Red Cross, PO Box 37839, Boone, IA 50037-0839.

OBITUARIES

~ Ida M. (Bazzoni) Dlugolenski ~



101, of Plainville, passed away Thursday August 31, 2017 at Apple Rehab of Farmington Valley in Plainville. She was the wife of the late Joseph P. Dlugolenski.

Ida was born June 22, 1916 in New Britain a daughter

of the late John and Nestsza Bazzoni and was a longtime Plainville resident. She loved singing and tap dancing and enjoyed performing. Ida also enjoyed bowling and did so until she was 90. She also enjoyed spending time at the Plainville Senior Center.

Ida leaves her nephew John Bazzoni of Canton. She was predeceased by her 3 brothers and 3 sisters.

Funeral services and burial in Saint Joseph Cemetery in Plainville for Ida were celebrated privately. There are no calling hours. The Bailey Funeral Home 48 Broad Street in Plainville had care of arrangements.

~ David K. 'Kenny' Ferguson ~



58, of Plainville, passed away surrounded by his loving family on Saturday, September 2, 2017 at the Hospital of Central CT in New Britain, after a lengthy, courageous battle with cancer. He was the beloved husband of 35 years to Joanne (Battista) Ferguson.

Kenny, as most people knew him, was born on January 20, 1959 in New Britain, son to Patricia (Locke) Ferguson and the late David Ferguson. He was an electrician by trade and was employed by Ferguson Electric in Plainville for 40 years. A sports enthusiast, Kenny involved himself with his children's sports teams and was formerly the assistant coach for Plainville Little League and for the Plainville Girls Travel Basketball Team. He enjoyed snowmobiling and had a love for antique cars. Kenny will be missed dearly by his family and friends as they cherish the memories they shared together.

In addition to his wife, Joanne, and his mother, Patricia, Kenny is survived by his children: Joseph Ferguson and his fiancé, Sarah, of East Hartford, Matthew Ferguson and his wife, Ashley, of Middletown, Megan (Ferguson) Slomski and her husband, Christopher, of Burlington, and Jenna Ferguson, of VA; his granddaughters, Zaria Marie Ferguson, Olivia James Slomski, and Reese Ryan Slomski; his brother, Robert Ferguson, of Plainville; his sisters, Linda (Ferguson) Burbige and her husband, Edward, of Plainville, Laura (Ferguson) Hughes, of Farmington, and Greta (Ferguson) Welz and her husband, Brian, of Plainville; his devoted brother-in-law, James Battista and his wife, Donna, of Southington; his best friend, Kenny Restelli, of Plainville; his cousin, Brian Crowley, of New Britain; and several nieces, nephews, and extended family and friends.

Kenny's family would like to give a special thanks to the nurses, doctors and staff at the Cancer Center of Central Connecticut in Plainville for the exceptional care and support they provided over the last year during the family's time of need. Also a special thanks to the Plainville Fire Company and New Haven Fire Department for the sympathy and support they have continuously provided to the Ferguson family.

Funeral services in celebration of Kenny's life were from Bailey Funeral Home, 48 Broad St., Plainville followed by Mass of Christian Burial at Our Lady of Mercy Church, 94 Broad St., Plainville. In lieu of flowers, donations in memory of Kenny can be made to Cancer Center of Central Connecticut, 201 North Mountain Road, Suite 202, Plainville, CT 06062.

~ Kenneth A. Hedman ~



86, of Plainville, passed away at home on Sunday, September 3, 2017 after a lengthy illness.



He was the beloved husband of 65 years to Nancy (Middleton) Hedman.

Kenneth was born on January 14, 1931, in Cambridge, MA son to the late John P. and Hazel (Storey) Hedman. He grew up in Watertown, MA and relocated to Plainville in 1945, marrying his high school sweetheart, Nancy Middleton in 1952. Together they raised three children.

Ken was known in high school for his artistic ability. His interest in cemetery work began at a young age through a part time job at a local cemetery. Ken completed a three year term on Board of Directors of the Plainville Cemetery Association. He was a member of the Board of Trustees of The Plainville Cemetery Association, Inc. since 1956 and was elected President and Chairman in 1990. The Association has managed and operated the two municipal cemeteries in Plainville beginning in 1893; one of the cemeteries is inactive and the other is known as West Cemetery. Ken was instrumental in helping to update the cemetery records utilizing computerization. In addition, he was involved with the New England Cemetery Association.

After high school, Ken was drafted into the U.S. Marine Corps and was honorably discharged, earning the rank of Sgt. Upon returning home from deployment, he started to work in the banking industry as a clerk at the Plainville Trust Company. Ken retired at the age of 55 in 1986 following a thirty-seven year banking career, having served as President of the Plainville Trust Co. and a senior officer of the former Colonial Bank, Waterbury, CT and lastly with Bank of America. After retirement, he was a consultant to banks and small businesses.

Public service was of great important to Ken who served on many different committees and boards in addition to his work, including the Plainville Centennial Committee in 1969. He regularly attended the NECA annual Management Seminars at the University of New Hampshire. Ken is a past President of the New Britain Chapter, American Institute of Banking (AIB), earned a Standard Certificate from the AIB, and is a graduate of the New England School of Banking, Williams College, MA and the Stonier Graduate School of Banking, Rutgers the State University, NJ. Long active with the CT Bankers Association, (CBA), he is a past Chairman of the Operations Committee.

A past President of the Plainville Chamber of Commerce and the Plainville Rotary Club, he remains an honorary member of both. He was formerly a Trustee of the Plainville United Methodist Church, formerly Chairman of the Trustees of the Elizabeth Harding Norton Trust, and formerly Chairman of the Town's Economic Development Agency. Also, he is a former chairman and "volunteer of the year" of the Plainville Wheeler Regional YMCA. In addition, he is formerly a Trustee of the Greater Hartford YMCA, having served on the Endowment Investment Committee.

Ken and Nancy became avid golfers and were members at the Farmington Country Club where they developed many lifelong friendships. Card playing was another pastime and they played bridge with friends and in leagues. Family was of high importance to Ken, as he loved his three children and assisted each of them to go on in studies beyond high school.

In addition to his loving wife, Nancy, Kenneth is survived by his children, Keith Hedman, of Plainville, Karen Hedman- Ouellette, of Plainville, and Susan Hedman, of Gloucester, MA; his grandchildren, Elliott Simone and Melissa Ouellette; and several nieces, nephews, and extended family, including two sister-in-laws and three brother-in-laws. He was predeceased by his sister, Louise Lee, of Kingfield, ME and his daughter-in-law, Lori Hedman, of Plainville.

A service in celebration of Kenneth's life was held at Bailey Funeral Home, 48 Broad St., Plainville. Military honors were rendered following the service.

~ Jan E. Klosek ~



73, of Plainville, passed away in the comfort of his home on Friday, September 1, 2017. He was the beloved husband for 41 years to Mary (Merchel) Klosek.

Jan was born in Poland on September 14, 1943, son to the late Alojaj and Klara (Zimny) Klosek.

He had a profound love for the sport of soccer and played professionally for many years, both in Poland and the United States. In Poland, he was involved with several professional soccer organizations including KS Unia Rociborz, KS Row Rybnik, GKS Jastrzebie Zdroj, and KS Gornik Pzow. In addition, in the United States he played professionally for the Wildcats, Yankees, and Falcons. He enjoyed passing on the love for sports and attending his children's sports events. Family was the center of Jan's life and he valued spending time with his family, especially during the holidays. Formerly, he was employed as a machine operator working for Budney Industries in Berlin for several years.

In addition to his wife of 41 years, Mary, Jan is survived by his daughters: Joanna Brown and her husband, Ronald, Tina Nichols and her husband, Richard Jr., and Izabella Stisch; his grandson, Trey Nichols; his mother-in-law, Zofia Merchel; his brother and sister-in-law, George and Helena Merchel, and their son, Gregory Merchel and his wife, Sara; his niece, Ewa Sedrowska and her son, Lukasz Wlodarczyk; his fury companions, Max and Palmer; and many nieces, nephews, and extended family in Poland. He was predeceased by his granddaughter, Susanna Stisch, his brother, Walenty Klosek, his sister, Urszula Wiewiorka, and his father-in-law, Wladyslaw Merchel.

A Service in Celebration of Jan's life was September 5 at Bailey Funeral Home., Plainville Burial will be held privately at the convenience of the family.

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~ Anthony (Antonio) Lucente ~



88, of Plainville, passed away on Monday, September 18, 2017 at the Hospital of Central CT in New Britain. He was the loving husband for 60 years to Angela (Fiorillo) Lucente.

Anthony was born on November 9, 1928, in Musellaro, Italy, son to the late Giovanni and Rosina (Vincenti) Lucente. A longtime Plainville resident, he worked as a custodian at Plainville High School for at least 40 years and was a parishioner of Our Lady of Mercy Church. He had a passion for bicycling and enjoyed spending time with his family. Anthony was a simple, quiet man who will be missed dearly by his family.

In addition to his wife, Angela, Anthony is survived by his children, John Lucente, of Long Beach, MS, Nicholas Lucente and his wife, Barbara, of Plainville, and Rosemary Shea and her husband, Michael, of Southington; his grandchildren, Justin Lucente, Jacqueline Lucente, Nicole Lucente, Mikaela Shea, Anthony Shea, Adrianna Shea, and Gabriella Lucente; his siblings, Sandy Tyminski and Rocco Lucente; and several nieces, nephews, and extended family. He was predeceased by his siblings, Mary Marinelli and Anna Consalvo.

Funeral services in celebration of Anthony's life were Saturday, September 23 from Bailey Funeral Home, 48 Broad Street, Plainville for a Mass of Christian Burial followed at Our Lady of Mercy Church, 94 Broad St., Plainville. Burial followed in Saint Joseph Cemetery in Plainville. To express their gratitude to all of the blood donors that helped Anthony in his time of need, the Lucente family requests donations to be made to the American Red Cross, PO Box 37839, Boone, IA 50037-0839.

~ Nicolas "Nic" Richard Murphy ~



19, of Burlington passed away on Saturday, September 9, 2017. He was the beloved son of Christopher M. and Jennifer (Caron) Murphy.

Nic was born March 20, 1998, in Bristol. He attended Lake Garda Elementary School, Har-Bur Middle School, attended Greater Hartford Academy of the Arts for a short time his Freshman year of High School and was a 2016 graduate of Lewis S. Mills High School in Burlington. He was a passionate and creative young man with great vision who loved art, music, playing the mandolin and great friends. Nic was a talented music and video producer and also enjoyed acting, especially improv. He performed in many plays at the Connecticut Family Theater in West Hartford and the Warner Theater in Torrington. Nic enjoyed the great outdoors, snowboarding, car drifting and off-roading with his friends and was a huge car enthusiast. Check out The Happy Robots Productions (<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCdj4Ro7YUN-EFQZ0Wuso5Ag>) You Tube page that he and the crew worked on before they disassembled in 2016 when they parted and went their separate ways.

Besides his parents, Nic leaves his brother Alex C. Murphy of Burlington and Jesse Serrano 2nd cousin of Bristol that was more like a brother who they grew up with.

He leaves his paternal grandparents, Barbara (Howard) Murphy of Plainville and Thomas Murphy of Winter Haven, Florida and his wife "Peg", his maternal grandparents, Richard and Alice (Plourde) Caron of Plainville. 6 Aunts, 4 Uncles and 13 cousins, Sandy (Caron) Gazdowicz with Julia and Mark of Burlington, Dave and Brook Caron with Kayla, Kenzie, Mariah, Dylan, Kiki and Maggie of Plainville, Tom and Dino

Murphy Pascua with Michele of Hamden, Cassidy Murphy with Elizabeth (Frederick), Kelly and families of Vermont and Patrick and family of North Carolina, Robert and Judy Murphy along with Jake of Burlington, Cate Murphy of Hamden with Greg Emery and family of Middletown and Brian Emery of Forestville, Margaret Murphy with Mike and Annie Nocera of Guilford and Christina Sanchez and family of Bristol/Bantam. So many "Great" Aunts and Uncles, 2nd and 3rd cousins who he loved and they adored him, plus so many friends especially Jake Roberts now of Torrington and Trevor Fox of Harwinton. He leaves his 6lb tiny kitty, Pippin, who he adored and she bonded to him as the runt of the 4 week old litter of four we rescued 7 years ago, Sammy our Bichon also a rescue 8 years ago who is approximately 10 now and Mocha our 2 year old Chocolate Lab.

Everyone was invited to attend "Nic's Celebration of Life" event at the Burlington Men's Club on Covey Rd. There will be food and an Open Mic informal setting. Please come and share words of remembrance and any music that all his talented friends might want to share with Nic. We can't think of a better way to celebrate his life then with an open Jam Session.

In lieu of flowers memorial donations in Nic's name may be made to the Connecticut Family Theatre, Inc. 58 South Street West Hartford, CT 06110 or to the Warner Theatre 68 Main Street Torrington, CT 06790



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