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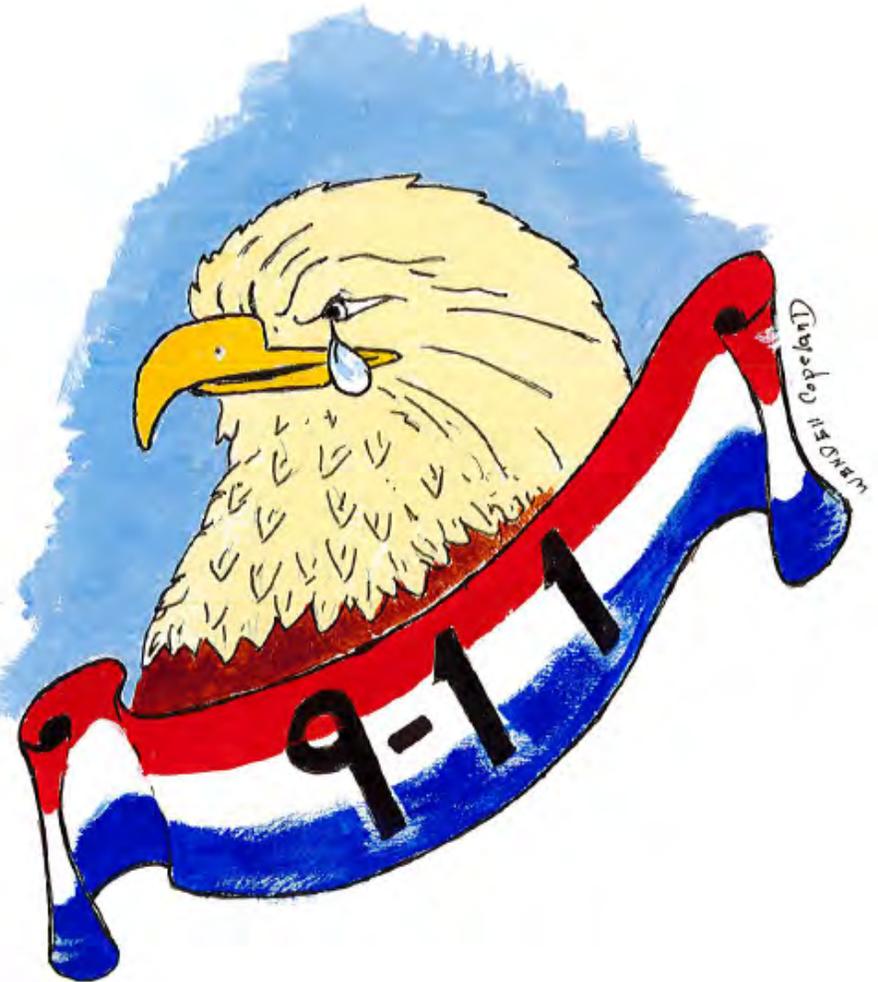
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350 Camp St: Robert and Jessica Martino of Plainville to Kenneth A. Meyerr, \$180,000 on 5/28/2021
Crown St: Cary A. Susco and John T. Bastin of Plainville to Calvanese Realty LLC, \$61,500 on 6/3/2021
18 Crown St UNIT 18: Michelle J. Romero of Plainville to Mehvish W. Femia, \$370,000 on 6/7/2021
Dallas Ave: Joseph Lopa of Plainville to Paul A. and Sharon Bechtold \$196,000 on 6/9/2021
Elbow Ln: Classic Designs LLC of Plainville to Ryan and Tamara Pesce, \$297,500 on 6/3/2021
43 Franklin Ave: Nicola T. Champagne of Plainville to Daren Miceli, \$235,400 on 6/4/2021
28 Johnson Ave: Markure Leonard J. Est and Michael Markure of Plainville to Dixie Santopietro and Sean Santopietro, \$205,000 on 6/1/2021
121 Linden St: Sandra J. Mcinnis of Plainville to Jessica Lindsay, \$280,000 on 6/16/2021
Metacomet Rd: Elsie O. Senaldi FT and John S. Senaldi of Plainville to Stefano Piccioni and Laura Ettorre-Piccioni, \$330,000 on 6/17/2021
18 N. Washington St: Roderick E. Mcilwain T. and Sandra L. Wilson of Plainville to Melissa Grondin, \$190,000 on 6/7/2021
11 Pinecrest Dr: Barry Labarre of Plainville to Joshua A. Wells and Rosalie A. Mcallen, \$230,000 on 6/14/2021
23 Pinnacle Rd: Timothy P. Sevetz of Plainville to Patrick Higelmire, \$315,000 on 6/7/2021
29 Provencher Rd: Payton Prop Mgmt LLC of Plainville to Victoria Mcallister, \$349,900 on 6/1/2021
65 River St: Shawn M. and Kevin T. Waddell of Plainville to Alexis J. Santiago, \$275,000 on 6/14/2021
45 Tyler Farms Rd: Christopher Freyberg of Plainville to Michal and Magdalena Poplawski, \$461,000 on 6/14/2021
12 View St: Karen Sciota and Scott H' Sunbury of Plainville to Jeffrey P. Godin, \$185,000 on 6/1/2021
3 Wainwright Ave: Stephani R. Teixeira of Plainville to LNB Holdings LLC, \$200,000 on 6/1/2021
16 Wayne Dr: Michelle L. Was of Plainville to JSF Properties LLC, \$191,200 on 5/28/2021
6 White Oak Ave: Rachael L. Dupont of Plainville to Khari Hamblin, \$165,500 on 6/18/2021
142 Whiting St: Sharon W. Corlette and

Margaret W. Musgrove of Plainville to Paulette L. Teta, \$220,000 on 6/1/2021
39 Woodside Ln: Anna Kurtoglu of Plainville to Terence Johnson, \$275,000 on 6/9/2021
59 Bartlett St: James J. Dahlen of Plainville to Irma Bermudez, \$159,500 on 6/21/2021
44 Condale Ln: Oak Land Development LLC of Plainville to Thakur Seeram, \$459,900 on 5/21/2021
24a Grant Ave: Rebecca A. Cooke of Plainville to Francisco and Darcy A. Cruz, \$219,250 on 6/23/2021
40 Macarthur Rd: LE Management LLC of Plainville to Jose Arguelles, \$245,000 on 6/24/2021
2 Miles Ave: Janelle Starosciak of Plainville to Natasha R. Barrett, \$150,000 on 6/21/2021
37 Provencher Dr: Christopher Cook of Plainville to Thinh Nguyen, \$265,000 on 6/24/2021
161 Red Stone HI: Sandra J. Stoutenberg of Plainville to Kevin A. Joyce, \$290,119 on 6/23/2021
5 Williams St: Donald W. Mcdonough of Plainville to Brendan Wachtelhausen \$209,000 on 6/24/2021
42 Willis Ave: Douglas H. Simard of Plainville to Brian F. Lister and Sarah F. Caron, \$240,000 on 6/24/2021
17 Geneva Ave: Action Homebuyers T of Plainville to Katherine L. Girard, \$139,900 on 6/30/2021
27 Homestead Ave: Linda J. Spendolini and Peggy A. Romine of Plainville to Kristen Z. Miner, \$192,000 on 6/28/2021
50 Maxine Rd: Carlos and Ivelyz Diaz of Plainville to Cathy L. Ortiz and Marvin J. Morales, \$250,000 on 6/29/2021
56 Maxine Rd: Krzysztof and Katarzyna Tarczynski of Plainville toKegan Scelia, \$255,000 on 6/30/2021
6 N. Washington St: Edith Feazee of Plainville to Eriberto Huertas, \$175,000 on 6/30/2021
24 Burnside Ave: Elizabeth S. Permedi of Plainville to Kailyn Biello and Jake Carolan, \$260,000 on 7/7/2021
17 Farmington Ave Unit 16: David and Margaret L Aparo of Plainville to Whiting St Associates LLC, \$65,000 on 7/1/2021
72 Ivy Rd: James R. Perry of Plainville to Nicole and Jeremy Perlini, \$315,000 on 7/1/2021
20 Johnson Ave: Steven J. Santacrocce of Plainville to Mario C. Basile and Marilyn Rivera \$290,000 on 7/6/2021
32 Julie Rd: Raymond and Marie C. Baron of Plainville to Kevin and Alicia L. Cyr, \$300,000.7/2/2021
Northwest Dr: Jacqueline A. Grant of Plainville to Danielle D. Gray and Bryan Fulcar-Almanzar, \$187,923 on 7/1/2021 Continued on Page 6

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# Robert E. Lee, Town Manager's Report to Town Council

## July 19th & August



### Town Manager's Report July 19, 2021

#### Review Conceptual Plans for Whiting Street Project

- John Bossi, Director of Technical Services is here this evening to give a presentation of the proposed preliminary sketch for the improvements to be made to Whiting Street next summer.
- The reconstruction and paving of the road will be from Broad Street to East Street (Route 10). The project includes the replacement of drainage pipes, catch basin improvements, removal of old trolley tracks and the repaving of the road.
- The Town is anticipating that a LOTCIP Grant will be awarded in the amount of a \$2,324,400 to pay for the improvements from Broad Street to Fairview Ave. Town Road bonds will be used to mill and pave from Fairview to East Street. This is estimated to cost \$350,000.
- The State and CROG requires Towns to consider "complete street" concepts when performing a major road project. Complete streets mean ensuring all modes of transportation are considered in the planning and design of our transportation network.

#### Sidewalk Construction Bid

- On July 1st five bids were received for the replacement of sidewalks along Laurel Court and sections of Tomlinson Ave. The low bid was submitted by C.M.C. Contractors LLC of Greenwich. The next lowest bid was submitted by William Laydon Construction LLC of North Haven in the amount of \$177,825. The engineer's estimate for the project was \$200,000.
- Town staff contacted the company and requested that they review their figures given the discrepancy with the second low bidder. C.M.C. confirmed that they were satisfied with their bid. Town staff then contact their references and did not uncover any reasons why C.M.C. Contractors could not fulfill the contract requirements.
- Town staff has determined C.M.C. Contractors to be the lowest responsible bidder and is recommending that they be awarded the sidewalk contract in the amount of \$129,100. There is an item under New Business regarding this recommendation.

#### Brownfields Grant Award – Former White Oak Property

- Late last month the Department of Economic & Community Development announced that the Town the Plainville was awarded a grant in the amount of \$1,170,000 for funding under the Brownfield Municipal Grant Program.

- The grant would be used cleaning up the contamination at 1 & 63 West Main Street for repurposing the former White Oak Corporation site into a mixed-use development consisting of medical office space, industrial condominiums, a community building, retail, housing, and parking.
- Plainville was only one of 23 Towns to receive this funding which is intended to put vacant properties back into productive use. Town staff has met with DECD representatives to work on the details for a Financial Assistance Proposal that will outline the key terms of the grant funding as well as the conditions that the Town will need to meet to access the funding.
- I want to thank the Town Council for their leadership in moving forward with the redevelopment process and recognize Economic Development Director Cal Hauburger and Loureiro Engineering Associates of Plainville for putting together the grant application.

#### Valley Water Updates (Rate Case & Land Sale)

- At the May 3rd meeting the Town Council learned that the parent company of Valley Water (namely, the New England Service Company) had entered an "Agreement and Plan of Merger" with the Aquarion Water Company of Bridgeport. Valley Water also sent a letter to the Public Utilities Regulatory Authority (PURA) requesting that their current application for a rate increase be "temporarily suspended" until such time as the merger is approved by the required regulatory agencies in CT, MASS., and NH.
- Valley Water also proposed that they "initiate discussions among the parties and report back to PURA...if a settlement is achievable" with regards to their proposed increase.
- Since that time Valley Water, Aquarion, the Office of Consumer Counsel and I have held several meetings with regards to a potential settlement for the rate increase.
- As a result of those discussions, a "settlement proposal" has been submitted to the Public Utilities Regulatory Authority for their consideration. The settlement would reduce the proposed increase from an average of 36% to 21.6%. For the residential user that currently pays \$30 per month to Valley Water, the increase would be reduced from \$11.18 to \$6.63. Additionally, for the residential user that currently pays \$40 per month, the increase would be reduced from \$14.15 to \$8.44.
- The cost for Fire Protection service - that is paid for through the Town Budget - would also be reduced

from an annual cost of \$854,068 (proposed) to \$764,906. This is a reduction of \$89,162. Finally, Valley Water/Aquarion agreed to delay the increase in these rates until January 1, 2022. The proposed settlement agreement now goes to PURA for their approval.

- It should be noted that the proposed settlement is contingent on PURA approving the acquisition of Valley Water/New England Service Company by Aquarion of Bridgeport.
- Last November, the Town entered a "Non-Binding Letter of Intent" with Valley Water Systems, Inc. to purchase 47.91 acres of property located on Ledge Road near Crescent Lake.
- The purchase amount was \$325K contingent on a successful Open Space Grant award from the State of CT. If the grant is not successful, the purchase price would be \$300K.
- The deadline for the Open Space Grant is September 30th and the grant award is not expected to be announced until some time close to the end of the year.
- According the D.E.P., Towns can purchase the property after the September 30th application closing date and still be eligible for consideration for the Open Space Grant.
- Valley Water is planning to utilize the proceeds from this sale to contribute to the construction of the water softening system, thus lowering the potential monetary impact to Valley Water customers.
- Valley Water is requesting that the property be transferred in early October. To move forward on this purchase, the proposed purchase must be submitted for an 8-24 referral to the Planning & Zoning Commission.
- There is an item under New Business that would make the referral to P&Z. It should be noted that the Town has secured a commitment from a third-party to contribute one-half of the purchase price for this 47.91-acre parcel which would limit Plainville's amount to no more than \$150K. If an Open Space Grant is secured, the amount could be substantially less than this amount.

#### Vehicle Disposal Request & Replacement Purchase

- Superintendent of Buildings & Grounds Dave Emery is requesting permission to dispose of three Town vehicles at auction. These vehicles are: 1) 1996 ½ ton 4x4 Chevy pick-up (143,334 miles); 2) 2000 ¾ ton 4x4 Chevy pick-up (109,406) and 2005 Ford Crown Victoria (140,307 miles).
- All these vehicles have extensive body rot which make them unsafe to be on the road in their present condition. There is a motion

under New Business regarding this recommendation. It is not anticipated that the auction would result in any significant revenue to the Town.

- Additionally, the FY22 C.I.P. included monies to replace a 4WD Utility Body plow truck assigned to the Buildings & Grounds Department. One of the trucks recommended for disposal was anticipated to last for one more year. Its replacement was scheduled for FY23.
- Dave Emery is requesting that the truck scheduled for replacement next year (Ford 250 4x4 w/plow & sander) be purchased this year and push back the replacement of the Pick-up 4x4 w/utility body for next year.
- The State contract bid for the Ford truck w/plow is \$40,185.40 from Gengras Ford of Plainville. The amount budgeted in the current fiscal year (FY21) was \$44K.
- There is an item under New Business that would authorize the purchase of a Ford 250 4x4 w/plow & sander from Gengras Ford in the amount of \$40,185.40.

#### Connecticut Marijuana Legislation Discussion

- SB 1201 was enacted during the June 2021 Special Session which legalizes adult use of cannabis. Among other things, the new law (a) creates a process for the erasure of previous marijuana related convictions, (b) establishes legal adult recreational use of cannabis by allowing individuals aged 21 or older to possess, use, or otherwise consume cannabis and cannabis products, (c) and establishes new laws, regulations, and control of cannabis products. In general, the bill limits possession to 1.5 ounces of cannabis plant material and 5 ounces of such material in a locked container in the person's residence or locked vehicle glove box or trunk (or equivalent cannabis product amounts or combined amounts). In addition, beginning on July 1, 2023, the bill allows any individual age 21 or older to cultivate up to three mature and three immature cannabis plants in an individual's primary residence.
- There are three major areas of the bill that I would like to discuss this evening – namely – marijuana sales, marijuana growing facilities and regulation of cannabis use.
- Marijuana Sales – If an Ordinance is enacted to prohibit marijuana sales in

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- days before a regular election. If met, the municipality must hold a referendum to determine whether to allow (1) the recreational sale of marijuana in the municipality or (2) the sale of marijuana in one or more of the cannabis establishment license types. The bill does specify what specific language needs to be used in a referendum question. Currently Town staff is not aware of any residents circulating a petition under this provision.
- The bill allows municipalities to amend their zoning regulations or local ordinances to take the following actions regarding cannabis establishments:
  - a) prohibit them from opening; b) reasonably restrict their hours and signage; or c) restrict their proximity to religious institutions, schools, charitable institutions, hospitals, veterans' homes, or certain military establishments.
- Until June 30, 2024, the bill prohibits municipalities from granting zoning approval for more retailers or micro-cultivators than a number that would allow for one retailer and one micro-cultivator for every 25,000 municipal residents.
- Marijuana Growing Facilities – The State will limit the number of cultivator licenses in Connecticut. Before an applicant can apply for such a license, they must provide evidence of several items, one of which is “any necessary local zoning approval and permits for the cultivation facility” including all Department of Consumer Protection security requirements.
- Regulation of cannabis use - Effective October 1, 2021, existing law allows municipalities to regulate activities deemed harmful to public health, including smoking, on municipally owned property. The bill broadens this to include property that a municipality controls but does not own. It specifies that this regulatory authority applies to (1) smoking tobacco or cannabis, including cannabis e-cigarette use (i.e., electronic delivery systems and vapor products) and (2) other types of cannabis use or consumption. It allows municipalities to ban cannabis smoking (including e-cigarette use) at outdoor sections of restaurants. Through regulations, municipalities may set fines for violations, up to (1) \$50 for individuals or (2) \$1,000 for businesses.
- The Plainville Zoning Regulations currently allow for “Medical Marijuana Dispensing & Growing Facilities”. The purpose of the regulation is to prevent a concentration of regulated medical marijuana dispensing and production facilities or establishments (regulated facilities) which may adversely affect existing and potential neighborhoods, property values, retail, wholesale and industrial trade, schools, public buildings, public parks, public and private recreation areas, and places of worship. Based on the current regulations and set back requirements to residential use property (100 ft), schools, public buildings, public parks, public & private recreation areas, and places of worship (500 ft.) any sales of medical marijuana pretty much limited to the CT Commons area.
- It is anticipated that the Planning & Zoning Commission will consider changes to their regulations based on the new legislation that was passed during the Special Session.
- Questions to be considered by the Town Council at this time are: 1). Should the Town Council consider an Ordinance prohibiting cannabis sale in Plainville? and 2). Consider an Ordinance prohibiting marijuana use in “municipally-owned property” (i.e., Town parks) or ban its use “at outdoor sections of restaurants”?

**COVID-19 Update**

- In a special session held last Wednesday, the State House of Representatives and Senate both approved extending the Governor’s emergency powers until September 30, 2021, for eleven Executive Orders. During the debate on this extension, it was pointed out that the positivity rate has jumped to 1.28%, its highest level since late May.

**FY21 Preliminary Budget Results**

- Preliminary information from Finance Director Rob Buden is that revenues will exceed budget

expectations by at least \$1.5M. A good portion of this is due to the building permit fees for the Americold project on Northwest Drive. He also indicated that he expects that General Government expenses will come in approximately \$400K less than what was budgeted overall. Finally, Supt. Of Schools Steve Lepage has informed Town staff that the Education budget will come in approximately \$750K less than what was budgeted for FY21.

- Based on these amounts, the results of the FY21 budget will increase the Unassigned Fund Balance by \$2.65M. Please note that this increase is somewhat offset by the amount of unassigned fund balance being utilized in FY22 towards the mill rate (\$600K) and \$869,150 to support the Capital Improvement Budget. This is a total of \$1,469,150 bringing the preliminary net total for June 2022 being an overall estimated increase of \$1.18M.
- In conversations with Steve LePage and Sam Adlerstein, they have suggested that \$250K of the amount being returned in the FY21 Education Budget be used to reduce three future CIP requests already in the pipeline. This includes repointing of the brick at the High School (\$100K), upgrades the access and intrusion and all the schools (\$50K) and to add an additional \$100K to the Turf Field Fund.
- If the Town Council wishes to proceed with these suggestions, Town staff can put a plan together for moving forward.

**From the Desk of  
Cal Hauburger,  
Economic Development &  
Special Project Coordinator**

**Willow Brook Development** – Plans have been received from Newport Realty for an age-restricted housing development located at 265 Unionville Avenue. The 61-unit development will be overlap between Plainville and Farmington, with 38 units being in town. Units will be detached, range between 1,400 – 1,600 square feet over a single level and feature an attached garage. Due to its location, the developers will need to also receive approval from the Farmington Planning & Zoning Commission and CTDOT. Applications have already been filed and review is underway. Construction should begin before the end of the year.

**141 New Britain Avenue Development** – Plans have been received from partners William Wells and Bryan Panilo of Nosidam Holdings for the demolition and redevelopment of 141 New Britain Avenue. Also responsible for the demolition and redevelopment of 77 Whiting Street (former Big Steve’s), a similar mixed-use proposal is being offered, featuring a 16,000 square foot building over three floors with room for three retail tenants and a two-bedroom ADA-compliant apartment unit on the first floor, with the upper two floors each featuring six apartment units split between one and two-bedrooms. After receiving Inland Wetland Commission approval, Planning & Zoning will review the application at their September meeting. Plans are attached.

**77 Whiting Street Development** – As noted above, Nosidam Holdings is making quick work of their mixed-use development at the former Big Steve’s location. The 7,000 square foot two-story building will feature a 2,800 retail/office space and a two-bedroom ADA compliant apartment on the first floor, and two two-bedroom and one one-bedroom apartment unit on the second floor. Framing is completed and contractors have begun laying the roof this week. Pictures are attached for those who have not been by the location as of late.

**Americold Building Update** – Word has been received that the construction of the Americold building should be nearing completion within the coming days. This entails the structural build-out of the building. Integration of automation and mechanical aspects will begin this fall. Slight delays are being experienced because of the ongoing impact COVID is having on construction related supply-chains. It is hoped that over the course of the next year supply-chains will regulate and the original goal of opening in summer 2022 will be met.

**Artemis Baci Day Spa** – Following a move from West Hartford and interior renovations, Artemis Baci Day Spa has recently opened at 284 East Street and offers up-scale esthetician services.

**White Oak Brownfield Grant** – The Town has received official word from CT DECD that the application submitted for Brownfield remediation funds had been approved for the White Oak project. In total, the town and Manafort Newport Realty will have \$1.17 million dollars to complete remediation of the soil and existing buildings on site that will be repurposed in the development.

We participated in a kick-off meeting with the Deputy Commissioner and Deputy Director of the DECD to review options the Town has regarding the type of agreement that will be executed and how grant funds will be managed. This will be an ongoing discussion between the CT DECD, Town, and development team. Additionally, we will work to schedule a purchase of the property from the current estate, sale to the development team, contracting with an environmental engineering firm to oversee cleanup, and to align contractors for construction. The hope is to have these items agreed upon by the end of summer. Remediation and redevelopment of the existing buildings will take first to get a portion of the property back on the tax roll.

**Town Council Meeting Aug.16th  
Robert E. Lee’s Report**

**WPC Phosphorus Removal Project Update**

- The Town of Plainville began discussing a Phosphorus Removal Project for the Water Pollution Control Facility in 2014. This was in response to an anticipated new permit requirement to reduce total phosphorus release into the Pequabuck River. After several years of planning and securing state grants to pay for a portion, the project was approved at referendum in January 2019. Work began the following summer.
- The improvements were designed by Tighe & Bond and the construction was performed by Daniel O’Connell’s Sons of Holyoke, Massachusetts.
- Joe Alosso is here this evening to give a presentation of the project that recently was completed at the Wastewater Facility on Cronk Road.

**Bid #2020-08E, Townline Road Reconstruction**

- The Town was recently authorized by the State Department of Transportation to move forward with the “Reconstruction of Town Line Road”. The proposed improvements include full depth roadway reconstruction, minor roadway widening to achieve a uniform roadway width, minor drainage system improvements, installation of bituminous concrete curbing, guiderail, solar radar speed signs, pavement marking and signage.
- The reconstruction does not include the bridge located near Red Stone Street. This will be done as part of the Farmington Canal Heritage Trail Phase 1 project.
- The estimated cost for the project is \$1,322,400 which includes a 10% contingency. Funding for this project is provided under the Local Transportation Capital Improvement Program (LOTICIP). This project has a one hundred percent (100%) State participation ratio up to the total estimated project cost.
- On August 12th, seven bids for this work were received. The bids ranged in price from \$869,500 to \$1,279,420. The low bid was submitted by Tobacco & Sons Builders, Inc. of Bristol in the amount of \$869,500.
- Tobacco & Sons has performed similar work for Plainville in the past and has demonstrated that they can competently perform such work as outlined in the contract.
- Town staff is recommending that the Town Council award the Town Line Road Reconstruction Bid to Tobacco & Sons Builders, Inc. of Bristol in the amount of \$869,500. There is an item under New Business regarding this recommendation.

**Bid #2021-05E, Hot Crack Sealing**

- Town staff is making plans to perform the annual crack sealing of streets. Crack sealing the streets extends the service life of a road and staff is recommending utilizing CRCOG’s Solicitation Invitation for Bid for Asphalt Pavement Crack Sealing. U-Seal of Bloomfield was deemed by CRCOG as the lowest responsible bidder.
- U-Seal has successfully completed similar work in Plainville. Town staff is recommending that U-Seal of Bloomfield, CT be awarded the bid to perform crack sealing this Fall at a price not to exceed \$50K. Monies will come from the Town Aid Road account. There is an item under New Business regarding this recommendation.
- If approved, the work will begin in September.

- On July 22, the Town received three (3) bid proposals for pavement restoration of utility work for both this year and an estimated amount for next year. The scope of the project involves permanent street pavement restorations for various utility excavations in accordance with the revised Street Opening Ordinance adopted in June 2020. The Ordinance required that contractors that seek a street opening permit pay, in advance, a restoration fee to permanently repair the trench after completion. The Town would use these monies to hire a contractor to then repair the trenches in accordance with our specifications.
- The bid proposals ranged from \$25,500 to \$58,031. The low bid was submitted by Burns Construction of Stratford, CT in the amount of \$25,500. Burns Construction has completed similar work in Plainville in the recent past for Eversource Gas and has demonstrated they can competently perform such work as outlined in the contract.
- There is an item under New Business to award the Utility Pavement Restoration bid to Burns Construction of Stratford, CT in the amount of \$25,500. It is anticipated that the Town will collect sufficient restoration monies to cover the bid amount.

#### Bid #2022-04, Buildings & Grounds Mower

- The FY22 Capital Improvement Budget includes \$68,000 to purchase a new 4WD mower for the Buildings & Grounds Department. B&G is recommending that the Town purchase a Toro Groundmaster 4000-D mower at a cost of \$74,887.45. The price comes from "Sourcewell" a federal procurement program for local & state government entities which provides a 22% discount from the list price.
- While the recommendation exceeds the budgeted amount, there are monies left over from a recent truck purchase and an earlier mower purchase to cover the difference.
- There is an item under New Business to authorize the purchase of a Toro Groundmaster 4000-D mower from Turf Products of Enfield for \$74,887.45.

#### Financial Investments Discussion

- Finance Director Rob Buden is recommending that the Town Council authorize him to utilize Pershing LLC; Baker Group to invest Town Funds. His plan is to enter into a ladder agreement where Plainville buy up to \$250,000 in CDs from various banking institutions for various maturity dates to maximize investment income.
- All CDs are FDIC insured, which is why Town Finance staff would not exceed \$250,000 per institution. Town staff will receive a monthly investment return or loss, depending on market conditions. The maturity dates are typically 3 - 5 years in duration. This complies with the State of CT investment statute and is the same scenario Plainville currently uses with RBC with Library Trust Funds.
- If approved, Rob Buden would invest no more than \$1M in four separate accounts to increase investment returns. There is an item under New Business regarding this recommendation.

#### Valley Water Land Purchase Update

- As reported during the July 19th Town Council meeting, last November the Town entered a "Non-Binding Letter of Intent" with Valley Water Systems, Inc. to purchase 47.91 acres of property located on Ledge Road near Crescent Lake. The purchase price is \$300K and assumes that a State Grant was not successful to pay for a share of the purchase price.
- It should be noted that the Town has secured a commitment from a third-party to contribute one-half of the purchase price for this 47.91-acre parcel which would limit Plainville's amount to no more than \$150K. The land would be used for open space purposes and owned solely by the Town of Plainville.
- There is an item under New Business to schedule a Public Hearing on an additional appropriation of \$150K to purchase the Valley Water property near Crescent Lake for September 13, 2021, at 7:00 pm in the Municipal Center.

#### COVID-19 Update

- Last Thursday the State Health Department reported that Plainville is now classified in the "orange" category for COVID-19 for new cases. This is one step below the "red" category. According to the latest figures, Plainville's positive cases stood at 10.6 per 100K population which just qualified for the "orange" category.
- The region, which includes Southington and Middlefield as well, so far has had 35 cases since August 1st. That was roughly what the region had in July, but far below what occurred last fall and winter when we were in the 300-800 range. Last August the region had about 15 total cases for the month.
- CT's positivity rate has remained in the 3% range all week. Over half the country is over 10%.
- At this time, because Exec Order 13a still remains in place, masks must continue to be worn in school. As this continues to be a state mandate, Boards of Education cannot relax this mask mandate.
- The entire country is experiencing a surge in cases but, when looking at cases in the Northeast (which has some of the highest vaccination rates in the country), the COVID-19 cases are very much lower when compared nationally. This shows the effectiveness of the vaccine. The vaccine remains readily available at our local pharmacies, urgent care centers and many physician offices. Many times, pharmacies and urgent care centers can vaccinate someone on a walk-in basis and have appointments available throughout the day.

#### Copiers/Printers Bid Discussion

- Matt Daskal will now give a presentation of a proposed plan to put together a comprehensive and coordinated Town wide contract for all printers and copiers.
- There is also a recommendation under New Business to authorize a 36-month lease with The Office Works of Plainville to provide new copiers/printers lease and maintenance support for the same period.

#### Robertson Airport Renovations Discussion

- Matt Daskal will give the Town Council an update on the improvements being made at

Robertson Airport. At their last meeting the Aviation Commission passed a motion to recommend sharing in the cost of renovating the Administration Building. Matt will review the proposed changes and shared costs.

- Part of the improvements include replacing the windows in the building. There is an item under New Business to authorize the purchase of replacement windows from the Window Shop, Inc. of Plainville in the amount of \$35,871.15

#### Property Transfers from page 3

- 11 Sachem Rd:** Lynda J. Prigodich of Plainville to Julio P. Marcelo and Jessica Pineda, \$390,000 on 7/6/2021
- 58 Shuttlemeadow Rd:** Arshad Latif of Plainville to Abigail Jacques, \$185,000 on 7/1/2021
- 8 Birch Tree Rd:** Julie Markus of Plainville to Hector Diaz-Berrios and Deborah N. Sarmiento, \$250,000 on 7/12/2021
- 24 Canal St:** Robert J. Dirrigl of Plainville to GTA Properties LLC, \$70,000 on 7/12/21
- 50 Pierce St Unit 19:** Gateway Palms LLC of Plainville to Ryan Partiss, \$137,500 on 7/12/2021
- 114 S. Washington St Unit 2:** Richard R. Thomas of Plainville to Giuseppe N. Ruffini and Michael V. Giannini, \$105,000 on 7/12/2021
- 19 Beechwood Rd:** Jennifer Teper and Karen Croteau of Plainville to Erin and Kyle Eatmon, \$336,000 on 7/22/2021
- 38 Bel Aire Dr:** Charles and Carolyn E. Karno of Plainville to Elizabeth DelBuono and Nicholas Charnysh, \$315,000 on 7/19/2021
- 33 Bohemia St:** William Sadecki and Cynthia Wright of Plainville to Alberto Velez, \$222,000 on 7/20/2021
- 34 Eisenhower Dr:** Weber Mark Est and James Weber of Plainville to Binoy Joseph, \$75,000 on 7/16/2021
- 21 Hart Pl:** Gary A. Piotrowski and Kathleen S. Maloney of Plainville to Yolanda Villanueva, \$326,000 on 7/22/2021
- 15 Metacomet Rd:** James M. and Phyllis L. Davis of Plainville to Robert D. Crandall, \$210,000 on 7/23/2021
- 53 Metacomet Rd:** Gary D. and Gert J. Laprise of Plainville to Melissa Jourdain and Tanner Pedersen, \$365,000 on 7/19/2021
- 7 Northwest Dr:** Swenson Granite Co LLC of Plainville to CT Landscape Materials, \$150,000 on 7/21/2021
- 19 Peach Orchard Hl:** Diane M. Calder of Plainville to Anamarie Stabile and Jesse M. Minella, \$335,000 on 7/19/2021
- 66 Robert St:** Misty Real Estate LLC of Plainville to Scott G. and Alexis A. Deprey, \$105,000 on 7/22/2021
- 190 Tomlinson Ave Unit 6d:** Stacey P. Dellolio of Plainville to Cassandra Frascadore, \$180,000 on 7/1/2021
- 40 Rockwell Ave:** Grace M. Bonola of Plainville to Thomas Wood, \$239,900 on 7/29/2021

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## The Tea Party Patriots Wake Up America

by: Gene

### C. R. T.

Critical Race Theory, the latest rage in education is indoctrinating children to believe that being white meant racial. CRT not only creates more radical turmoil in the name of radical justice, but has also been particularly devoted to white children who are conditioned to hate their own skin color. C.R.T. is the educational trap that stated many years ago that we are seeing now played out right now on campuses & many Universities in America. It sometimes called (the struggle session). Our children are taught that America is a racist country or that they are victims, or they gave white privileges that is wrong. To attack CRT is not to attack history. But CRT is subversive, toxic and dangerous and that it doesn't just teach about history. It points fingers at those who have no guilt, no investment in past abusive, no responsibility for their classmates pain and no obligation to apologize

Our classrooms are meant for education not for indoctrination and that how we should continue to operate in the future. Our students should learn America true history by studying our goodness and our mistakes, both sides, then let them decide. Teachers should not bring their political views and opinions into the classroom. They should leave their politics at home. They will try to even revive rules and the name CRT initiatives and still teach race theories in all but name. Parents must get their children out of Government schools before another generation of children are raised to believe these deadly lies..

How did all the progressives programs like Rise to the Top, NO child left behind, Affirmative Action and Common Core work? Despite growing outrage from parents of all skin tones, across America, the three million National Teachers Education Association recently passed everywhere.

State and local Board of Education should not apply for or take any money from federal grants tied to CRT. CRT is offensive and racist, not American. Even more alarming, perhaps, is the infiltration of CRT into our Government and Churches as well. Trump famously banned CRT training within Federal work forces by Executive Order. On his first day in his office Biden overturned Trump's Executive order so that the dangerous CRT brainwashing of America's millions of employees could continue. Ultimately, the goal is to completely overthrow the free market, freedom of speech, Christian culture, federalization, Western Civilization, separation of powers, and the US Constitution.

You have been constantly fed by this information "Gas Lighting" Like Stockholm Syndrome. You have all heard the story of putting a frog into a pot of boiling water and he immediately jumps out. The same frog put into a pan of cold water and slowly put up the flames, he will not know the difference. **CANCEL CULTURE** will be the theme of next month's column.

*In the meantime, have a safe and enjoyable Labor Day!*

## Lighting Lessons

By: Laura Davis,  
Owner of the Light Hangar Company

Modern lighting trends are moving from an abundance of light to more targeted lighting ideas that create interest and ambiance. Designers are layering light using a variety of fixture types to make rooms feel balanced and inviting. Your lighting should also correspond to your needs and be able to adjust when needed. How do you make that happen? Here are a few light lessons:

### Use Recessed Lights Minimally

Recessed lighting has made a resurgence due to the practicality of it. The abundance of light and unobtrusive look are a favorite for homeowners. In the past few years though, the LED recessed lighting market has kept moving towards minimalism. Looks-wise the trims and bulbs are now one piece instead of separate. The trims are slim or completely flat to allow the lights to blend into your ceiling. LED modules also allow a full range of dimming (100% - <10%) to offer just the right amount of light instead of all of it. Be sure to pair it with a compatible LED dimmer. The recessed lights are now meant to compliment and add to your lighting, not be the sole source of it.

### Layering Lighting

Are you fortunate enough to already have recessed lights installed? Even if you are, you should still consider other lighting sources for your rooms. We suggest still using lamps, sconces, pendants, or chandeliers to give you options that aren't as harsh as overhead lighting. An easy trick is to put a lamp or two in your room and play around the location and how it affects the "mood". Whether you want to wind down, entertain or have a family game night, you'll have just the right amount of light. Give yourself options.

### Think Outside of the ... Ceiling

Lights aren't just for the ceiling anymore. You can now find lighting being built into bookcases, cabinets, stairs and just about anywhere you want to highlight. Light can be used to create visual drama on textured surfaces or accent art and furniture pieces. Designers also use lights to "wash" the walls with light in order for the room to appear bigger. Wet-rated lights give you options for bathroom showers or outdoor areas including landscaping. The extra protection is needed from the elements to keep your lights working properly for years to come.

The possibilities are endless for using lighting decoratively and you should consider all your options before adding lighting. As always, it's best to consult a lighting professional or electrician for advice.

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## Ask the Brayne...

Q. Who published the first newspaper in America?

A. *The "Public Occurrences" was the first American newspaper, was started in Boston in 1690, but the governor of the colony quickly stopped it.*

*Benjamin Franklin conducted the Pennsylvania Gazette from 1729 to 1765. The people were so eager to have newspapers that by the time of the American Revolution there were 37 of them being published in the Colonies!*

Q. Why does our hair turn GREY?

A. *Greying hair is due to a phenomenon known as poliosis, means gray in Greek. Why some people turn gray and others don't is still not entirely clear.*

To submit questions call 860-747-4119, E-mail: [plainvillehometown@gmail.com](mailto:plainvillehometown@gmail.com) or write to: Hometown Connection, 27 Sherman Street, Plainville, CT 06062.

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

Next issue of the Hometown Connection will be October.

Thank you for this issue questions. Please keep them coming! Happy & Safe Labor Day!! Bill Brayne



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# P-l-a-i-n-v-i-l-l-e

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

(Patty Raves) If you would like to see some love for our country, take a ride to Northwest Drive and look at our beautiful Stars & Stripes flying high on the top of a huge crane at the construction site of the Stop & Shop refrigeration building!! RAVES to Americold! (Picture on page 24)  
God Bless them, God Bless America!

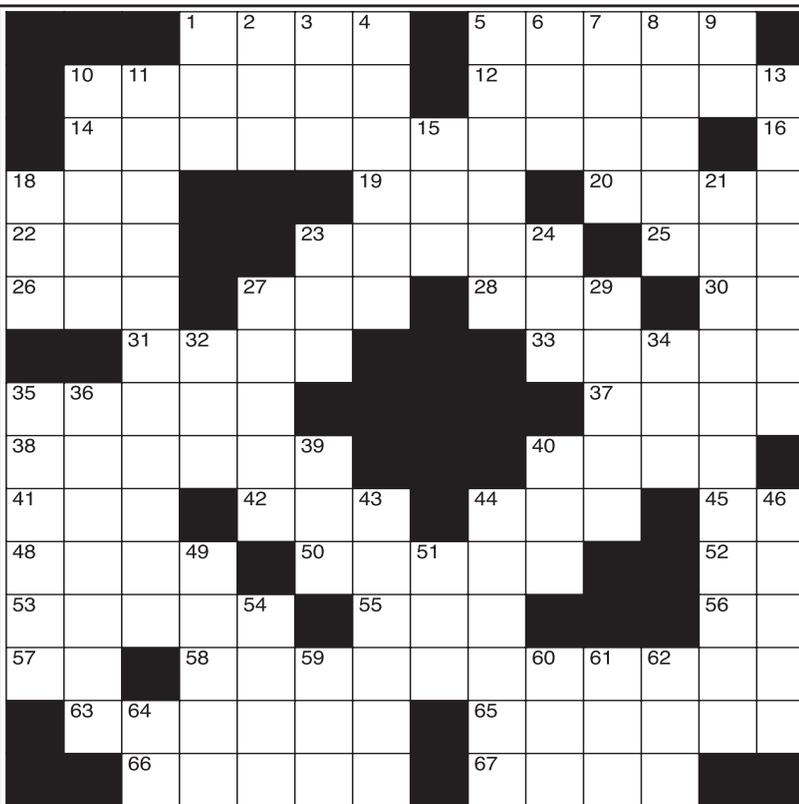
(Sam Faves) The best WINGS in Connecticut, right here in Plainville. You guessed it, J. Timothy's. It is also a great place to meet with friends and business associates.

(Mary Jane Raves) The Plainville Police Department is selling a Police Challenge Coin in memory of Chief Matthew Catania, who died in March. The coins are \$20 and can be purchased at the Police Department. The proceeds will go to a scholarship fund to honor him. I purchased 3 for my children.

Deadline for your faves and raves is the 15th of the month for the next issue.

**Email your faves and raves to share it with everyone!  
Let's hear what you have to say, we need your comments!  
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**CLUES ACROSS**

- 1. RELIGION NATIVE TO SOME IN CHINA
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- 14. CONTAINING A BROADER MESSAGE
- 16. UNIVERSITY OF DAYTON
- 18. PATTI HEARST'S CAPTORS
- 19. INSANE
- 20. BRISTLELIKE STRUCTURES IN INVERTEBRATES
- 22. TAXI
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- 25. COMEDIAN CARVEY
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- 42. WHERE WRESTLERS COMPETE
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  - 66. LATCHES A WINDOW
  - 67. SWARM WITH
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- 27. MUSLIM PHYSICIAN U: TRADITIONAL REMEDIES
- 29. FANTASTICAL PLANET
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- 34. DOMESTICATED ANIMA
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- 64. A COMMAND TO LIST F

Answer on page 16

## "HAPPY & HEALTHY BIRTHDAY TO ALL!!"

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- 23RD COURTNEY BERGENTY  
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### Friends and Neighbors,

I wanted to provide you with some information regarding this years 2021 Veterans Stand Down event.

The Connecticut Department of Veterans Affairs (DVA) will be holding their Veterans STAND DOWN 2021 on Wednesday, September 22nd, Thursday the 23rd, and Friday the 24th.

### PROGRAMS AND BENEFITS ONLINE PRESENTATIONS

Wednesday - Kickoff ceremony at 9:00 a.m. Broadcast live via social media from the CT DVA auditorium at the Rocky Hill Campus.

Wednesday/Thursday – Online webinars and a variety of programs, services and benefits conducted by the DVA, federal VA, state and federal agencies, and community providers.

### REGIONAL SITES ACROSS CT – IN-PERSON SERVICES

Friday – 8:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. Veterans attending will have access to a variety of in-person services, personal need items, vaccinations, legal services, medical screenings and meals to go provided by the DVA, Federal VA, Veteran Organizations, many other State & Federal agencies, and community providers.

### Veterans will have access to in-person services at any of the five regional locations listed below:

- Bridgeport: Port 5 National Association of Navy Veterans, 69 Brewster Street
- Danbury: Danbury War Memorial, 1 Memorial Drive
- Danielson: 742 Upper Maple Street
- Norwich: Easter Seals Veterans Rally Point, 24 Stott Avenue
- Rocky Hill: CT Department of Veterans Affairs, Rocky Hill Campus, 287 West Street

*Please share this information with anyone who might find it useful.*

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Q-1) I will be turning 65 in October. Do I have to wait for the Medicare Annual Enrollment Period Oct 15- Dec 7 to sign up for Medicare?

A-1) *No ! You have your own Initial Enrollment Period that is 3 months before your Birthday, the month of your Birthday and 3 months after your Birthday. If you sign up before your Birthday, your Plan will begin the 1st day of your Birthday month. If you sign up one of the 3 months after, it will begin on the 1st of the month after you completed your enrollment. For example: You complete your enrollment on Nov 5th. Your Medicare will begin Dec 1st.*

Q-2) I am planning to work until I am 67 years old. Do I have to enroll in Medicare when I turn 65; I heard that I will get a Penalty if I don't enroll when I am 65.

A-2) *If you have Medical Coverage with your Employer, that is 'Credible'; it meets or exceeds what Medicare covers, you can delay signing up for Medicare without a penalty. Your insurer is required to provide you with a disclosure Notice of Credible Coverage.*

Q-3) I hear a lot of Ads on TV that say I can get free Medicare Coverage...Is this true?

A-3) *The Advertising tends to leave out a lot of important information when it refers to 'free' Medicare Coverage. Many of the Programs they are referring to are Income Based; you have to qualify by your Income level, and you have to apply for the "Extra Help". These are wonderful, helpful programs for people who have qualifying Income levels.*

If you have any specific questions, or would just like to talk about Medicare options, please feel free to give me a call. Sheila 860-965-0091

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### MARTIN TO VOTE NO:

**"I encourage all legislators to stay focused on the science, not the politics."**



HARTFORD - Sen. Henri Martin (R-Bristol) will vote no on the resolution to further extend the Governor's Emergency Powers.

"This is a straightforward vote which the Democrats are trying to cloud with threats of losing federal funding and slow-moving government. Plain and simple this is a power grab by the majority. Based on the science, and even based on the actions of surrounding states, the 'emergency' has waned and it's time to start returning all three branches of government to their normal checks

and balances and give the people back their normal lives.

"I am proud to be joined by my senate republican colleagues in taking a unified stand for representative government. I was elected to serve the 100,000 people of the 31st district and it is unacceptable that the majority continues to shirk their responsibilities and allow the Governor to make blanket decisions.

"I encourage all legislators to stay focused on the science, not the politics."

Sarah Clark, Press Secretary CT Senate Republican Office

860-240-0474 Sarah.Clark@cga.ct.gov

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### Plainville Community Pharmacy

#### COVID-19

The COVID-19 vaccines are available at the pharmacy.

They will be administering vaccines

Monday through Friday 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Saturdays 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

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(select Plainville Community Pharmacy)

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**Plainville Republicans Endorse Their Municipal Candidate**  
Slate for November 2, 2021 Election.

Below are Results of the Plainville Republican Town Committee Endorsement Meeting held on July 21, 2021.

- |                      |                        |                    |
|----------------------|------------------------|--------------------|
| For Town Council     | For Board of Education | For Constable      |
| * Katherine Pugliese | *Rachel Buchanan       | *Ezio Capozzi      |
| * Deborah Tompkins   | *Cassandra Clark       | *Danny Carrier     |
| * Jacob Rocco        | *Lori Consalvo         | *Daniel Ciesielski |
| * David Underwood    |                        | *Rick Drezek       |
| * Joseph Catanzaro   | For Library Trustee    |                    |
|                      | * Julia Underwood      |                    |

“The Republican team is dedicated to smart governance and improving services for all community members” said Kathy Pugliese, Chairperson of the Plainville Town Council

“We look forward to our Republican Slate being voted in on November 2, 2021. They have the knowledge, expertise, education and background to get their jobs done for our Plainville Citizens” said Gayle Dennehy, Chairperson of the Republican Town Committee.

Contact: Gayle Dennehy  
Plainville Republican Committee Chair  
Plainville Republican Town Committee  
Phone: 860-416-4780  
68 B South Canal Street  
Plainville, CT 06062

**From the Desk of..... Thomas A. Wurz**

**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.*

**Attorney Thomas A. Wurz**

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



**Life With Wanda**



Well I think our world, as we knew it has gone nuts. I watch the news or even the commercials and I can't understand what they are talking about nor do I think the leaders of our country know what they are saying. Why does everyone talk in letters, like the Department of Energy is the DEP? Why not say what it is? What are the CSI, SS, CPA and even the ER? Just say Motor Vehicle Department. Kids text in letters and I don't know what they are trying to say so I go on my computer and look up those letters. Got a text the other day that started with OMG so I searched OMG to see what that meant. Well

there was an OMG roofing and another OMG fasteners and even an OMG brand of clothing so which one was I supposed to understand. Some of these letters are curse words and perhaps I'm over the hill but I have to ask the little girl next door what my text mean. The president spouts letters and I really don't think he knows what department or agency he's referring to but it sure makes the politicians look like they know what they're doing because we're too busy trying to figure out what they said, like we care. Anyone that can tell me what they are talking about might want to run for office. I'm too old to learn a new language I can barely understand my neighbor, not that they speak in a foreign language, they're just some good old folk from Arkansas. BFN, IOOH. (Translation next month)



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"FREE ADMISSION" (Donations Always Welcome!)

Proceeds to Benefit: The Plainville Community Fund at the Main Street Community Foundation

### FOOD TRUCK FORM

If you would like to sell food at the Annual Plainville PumpkinFest, **before filling out this form**, please email Tammy below with your information for review / approval. She will contact you **after reviewing your information**.

**Food Trucks: \$300 (Town to review for the appropriate food permit / license / insurance)**  
To reserve your space contact Tammy: [tamcorr0303@yahoo.com](mailto:tamcorr0303@yahoo.com)

Business Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell: \_\_\_\_\_ Business/Home: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Insurance Co: (required to participate) \_\_\_\_\_

Health Dept. Certificate info: \_\_\_\_\_

**(Insurance and Health Dept. paperwork due no later than October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021)**

Items to be Sold:

**Please make checks payable to: Plainville PumpkinFest**

**Mail check/forms to: Kris Dargenio, 16 Dewey Avenue, Plainville, CT 06062**

**(ALL paperwork & payment due no later than October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021)**

1. Product may be sold Saturday, October 23, 2021 from 4:00 pm – 9:00 pm only. Vendors must remain open during these hours, no exceptions. This is a Rain or Shine event, please prepare accordingly. No refunds will be made.
2. Vendor generators MUST BE IN GOOD WORKING ORDER, QUIET AS POSSIBLE & SMOKE FREE.
3. No running water or electricity available. All booths must be self-contained.
4. Vendor check-in will begin at 2:00 pm in the parking lot behind the Municipal Center. All trucks must be on the grounds no later than 3:00 pm, no exceptions.
5. Security will not be available for this event. We are not responsible for lost or stolen items or for damages.

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To reserve your space contact Kris: [krissyd6363@gmail.com](mailto:krissyd6363@gmail.com)

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**(Insurance for the day of the event needed, we suggest: [www.actinsurance.com](http://www.actinsurance.com))**

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**For General Info: Kris Dargenio @ 860-302-6627 or [krissyd6363@gmail.com](mailto:krissyd6363@gmail.com)**

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**PHS Displays New Signage**



**NEW ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL NAMED AT THE MIDDLE SCHOOL OF PLAINVILLE**



Ryan Cornelius, former educator in the New Britain, Connecticut public school district, has been named Assistant Principal at the Middle School of Plainville, according to Superintendent of Schools, Steven LePage. Cornelius will replace former Assistant Principal

Aimee Roberts, who was recently named Principal of the Middle School of Plainville.

Cornelius has been an educator since 2010, serving as a sixth-grade math teacher and department head in the Consolidated School District of New Britain, as well as a faculty member in both the Safford and Mesa public school districts in Arizona.

He holds a Bachelor of Arts degree from Adrian College, a Master of Education degree in Educational Technology from Northern Arizona University, and a Master of Education degree in Educational Leadership from Central Connecticut State University.

“We welcome Ryan to our leadership team at the Middle School of Plainville. He brings a balance of educational knowledge, professional skills and personal attributes that the interview panel, Board of Education and I unanimously believe will be a perfect fit for our middle school community. We look forward to everyone getting to know Ryan and making him a part of the Plainville family, as we all pull together to support our kids and one another,” noted Superintendent of Schools, Steven LePage.

Cornelius was named the candidate of choice for the Assistant Principal position at a special Board of Education meeting held on July 27th.

**BOARD / SCHOOL DISTRICT RECOGNIZED FOR EXCELLENCE IN LEADERSHIP AND COMMUNICATION**

The Plainville school district has been recognized with several awards from the Connecticut Association of Boards of Education (CABE), according to Superintendent of Schools, Steven LePage.

The Plainville Board of Education received CABE's highest leadership recognition; the CABE Board of Distinction Award - Level 2. This award is presented to school districts in Connecticut that meet a comprehensive set of criteria in the following categories: board leadership / student achievement, board member professional development, policy, community relations, and related organizational leadership. According to CABE, this award has been established to appropriately recognize boards of education which are truly exemplary. Only boards which have achieved Level 1 distinction at least twice in the prior four years are eligible to receive the Board of Distinction Award. This is the 12th consecutive year the Plainville Board of Education has received this award. The CABE Board of Distinction Award – Level 2 will be presented at the 2021 CABE / CAPSS Convention in November. Plainville Community Schools also received several 2021 CABE Bonnie B. Carney Awards of Excellence for Educational Communications. In recognition of the good work that is being done on a daily basis, CABE established the Awards of Excellence for Educational Communications in 1975. This year, Plainville Community Schools’ was honored as an award winner for: the Superintendent’s Showcase Emoji Classroom in the Special Project AV category, the Linden Street School Principal’s Twitter Account in the Social Media category, the Plainville Community Schools Business Brief in the Annual Report category, the Plainville Adult and Continuing Education Program Guide in the Course Selection Guide category, and the Plainville Board of Education Community Letter newsletter in the Newsletter category.

“Our Plainville Board of Education members are extremely committed to our community schools, and to the outcomes we strive to collectively achieve for students. I am very pleased that these efforts of our Board of Education together with the exceptional efforts of our district staff members are being recognized by CABE’s leadership and communications awards programs,” noted Superintendent LePage

Plainville High School is getting ready for the new school year, including some new signage along the front of the school on Robert Holcomb Way. The signage portrays the district's Portrait of the Graduate characteristics which include being: Mindful, Resilient, Communicative, Innovative and Collaborative.

**“Ready Set Grow” Pre School Program Hosts Event**



The Plainville Community Schools "Ready, Set, Grow" summer preschool program and the district's summer RAMP program recently held their end of program celebrations. The "Ready, Set, Grow" preschool program's event included a petting suit, art, music and physical education activities, while the RAMP summer program included math and literacy demos by student participants and an art show featuring student works!

**RAMP Students Celebrate Summer Program**



Students in the Middle School of Plainville’s summer RAMP program recently enjoyed a celebration on the last day of the program. Participants enjoyed a pizza party, a visit from an ice cream truck, and a “tea cup auction” for raffle prizes. Students earned raffle tickets throughout the program based on their participation, engagement and attendance. Carl Neal (pictured) was the lucky winner of a gift certificate for a membership donated by the Wheeler Regional YMCA.



*I Pledge Allegiance to the Flag....*



# Schools in Review

## MSP Summer Learning Program Builds Catapult



## Camp Invention Program Offered to Plainville Schools



In partnership with the National Inventors Hall of Fame® (NIHF), Plainville Community Schools was pleased to offer the nationally acclaimed Camp Invention® program in June to children entering grade 5 for the 2021/2022 school year. This exciting summer adventure provided opportunities for open-ended exploration of science, technology, engineering and more. Children participated in a variety of hands-on activities each day while collaborating with friends to think creatively and invent their own solutions to real-world challenges.

## Hartford HealthCare Senior Services Seeks Applicants for Grant-Funded Certified Nursing Assistant Program

Hartford HealthCare Senior Services is accepting applications for a grant-funded six-week program for those seeking a career as a certified nursing assistant. The grant funds tuition, books, scrubs, testing and the Connecticut Certified Nurses Aide Exam. Sessions begin on Sept. 27, Oct. 25 and Nov. 29.

This free program is the perfect opportunity for those seeking to start a career in healthcare or change careers. Applicants must have their high school diploma, be 18 or older and have their own transportation. Classroom education and labs are held in Southington and clinical training is held in Newington and Southington.

Acceptance into the program will be contingent upon a background check, fingerprinting, interview, physical, reference check and the application.

Grant funding was provided by Jefferson House, located at 1 John H. Stewart Drive in Newington, which offers short-term/outpatient rehabilitation, skilled nursing and palliative care.

Space for the Certified Nursing Assistant Program is limited. For more information and to receive an application packet, call 860.406.9050 or email [CNATraining@hhchealth.org](mailto:CNATraining@hhchealth.org). Hartford HealthCare Senior Services is a not for profit Hartford HealthCare Partner. For more information about Hartford HealthCare Senior Services, visit [www.hhcseniorservices.org](http://www.hhcseniorservices.org).

## Plainville Adult and Continuing Education

*It's never too late to return to school!*

Plainville Adult and Continuing Education will offer evening programming, free of cost, this fall in the following areas: Adult Basic Education (Math and Reading/Writing), Adult High School Credit Diploma Program, Citizenship Preparation, English as a Second Language, and GED Preparation. Most programs are offered mornings as well, with cost-free child care provided by professionals from the Plainville Family Resource Network, at Linden Street School. Adult enrichment (fee-based) classes will be available, too.

Registration is required for all programs. For further information, please call Plainville Adult and Continuing Education: (860)793-3209 or visit [www.plainvilleschools.org/departments/adult\\_ed](http://www.plainvilleschools.org/departments/adult_ed)

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- \*Exploring the History of Old Burial Grounds
- \*Foundations of Excel
- \*Group Tutoring Sessions: Grammar and English Usage / Math
- \*The Heartsaver Program with Certification
- \*PARC Adult Life Skills
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## Friends of the Plainville Public Library ANNUAL BOOK & JEWELRY SALE

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Saturday, September 18th 10 AM - 2 PM

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Donations of jewelry, books movies and music in good condition welcome, items can be dropped off during normal library business hours \*\* We cannot accept textbooks, reference books, encyclopedias, computer books, video tapes, audio tapes, or cassettes.\*\*

As part of the Middle School of Plainville's summer learning program, students were recently tasked with building a catapult after experimenting with water balloon launches. The students spent two weeks creating working catapults from lumber using saws, vices, and other traditional tools. The students were then tasked with experimenting with variables within the catapults such as the amount of rubber bands used, the position of the cup launcher, and the angle of launch. The students were able to launch rubber ducks over 50 feet, while having fun, learning, and reinforcing STEM skills!

## PARC Prepares for Walkathon

PARC, Inc., is planning its first major fundraiser since 2019 with the Helen & Danny Coughlin Memorial Walk on Saturday, Oct. 9 at Norton Park. Now in its 20th year, organizers are setting a goal of 200 sponsors and 200. Registration will begin at 9 a.m. with opening ceremonies at 10 a.m. followed by the walk. Rain date is Sunday, Oct. 10. The theme is "Moving Forward Together." Sponsorships – being referred to as "PARCnerships" - are being accepted now for levels from \$50 (bronze) to \$2,000 (MVP). Signups for teams and individuals are underway. A chili cookoff will also be held with entrants welcome.

For more information call PARC at (860) 747-0316, visit the website at [www.parcdisabilitiesct.org](http://www.parcdisabilitiesct.org) or PARC, Inc. on Facebook. PARC, Inc. is a 501 (c) (3) organization.

Also: More information in our October issue!

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# From My Balcony

By: Jeannette Hinkson

Back in the late 1940's many of us old folks got one of those new fangled things called a television. We had a big antenna on the roof of the house and a box on top of the TV set that had a dial on it so when you turned the dial the antenna on the roof would turn so it would pick up the signal from wherever the program was being broadcast from. Things went along rather well and there were nights no one left the house because their favorite show was on. In-between shows they broadcast what they called a test pattern and this might last for up to an hour. During this, which they called a musical interlude, no one moved, might something would be broadcast.

After years of this salesmen started telling people the latest thing was cable TV. No more antennas on the roof or having to turn the dial that would rotate that antenna on the roof, which might freeze in the winter. For the small sum of around \$7.50 per month you could watch I Love Lucy, All in the Family or even Death Valley Days by just changing stations. Down came the antennas, out went the antenna rotors and life was good. Now we still have cable TV, Dish and Direct TV but the price has gone from \$7.50 a month to, in some cases, over \$200 a month

and you still get to watch that same old I Love Lucy, All in the Family and Death Valley Days in reruns. Perhaps for \$200 a month we could get some new shows. Yesterday I watched an entire day of John Wayne movies made in 1934 and 1935. As the Chinese man said, when his wife delivered and round eyed, blue eyed baby, "Some ting wong!" Now the big thing they are trying to sell us on are electric cars. The sales pitch is no more gas, just plug your car in at night and in the morning you're good to go for three hundred miles. What if you want to go on a trip? Yes, there will be charging stations but won't there be other people getting their cars charged? How long will it take and who wants to sit on the side of the interstate for hours while your car charges so you can go another 300 miles or so, and at what price? That trip to Florida could take you 4 or 5 days and that electricity, like cable TV won't be cheap, by then it will be too late, now you're stuck with an electric car. Right now gas tax pays for road repairs, are you going to have a road tax on your electricity and how are they going to separate your home electricity from your auto electricity or are they going to tax you across the board? Sounds like such a good thing might not be such a good thing to me. When some politician tells you it's a good idea perhaps you might say,

**COULD SOME TING BE WONG!**

# To Your Health

## An Upbeat Story

Sitting here reflecting on the summer season – from fall-like cold and rain to just right temperatures and light wind, to hot and humid. Swimming, boating, friends, cookouts and travels. So much potential wrapped into a few short months.

A few weeks back, while I was having a very enjoyable swim, I was alerted by the sound of music coming across the lake. Personally, I prefer the sounds of the lake - the loons, birds and the wind to any music station, but there was something different about this.

As it turns out, the family across the lake had an upright piano they no longer wanted and found an eager new owner.

Now, moving a piano is no easy feat and the challenge is increased when the only way in or out of the camp is by boat. So, it's very cool to see an upright piano on a raft being pushed by a boat. A sight that makes you pause and take notice. It did catch the attention of many others on the lake and soon many canoes accompanied the piano cruise.

so memorable was that the piano was being played as the raft moved slowly through the water. A beautiful, sweet and moving piece of music. If that wasn't enough to make one feel the pleasure of such a wonderful experience, the piano playing was accompanied by a violinist and of course, the family dog, stood on one end of the raft. No wonder, the canoes were called to follow and reminded us of the pied piper.

The sight and sounds of this make me smile whenever I think of that day in the lake. It helps push back any worries or negative thinking. Pretty amazing emotional response just because a few people decided to turn the arduous task of transporting a heavy object into a beautiful and moving concert and a somewhat royal send off for the piano that, no doubt, offered much happiness for many years.

*In a world and news cycle that seems to always focus on negativity and fear, I'm inspired to consider the power of adding positive energy to the smallest of tasks and the ripple effect it might have on creating happiness in my own life and the life of others.*



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# I KNOW A GUY

By: Myke Roy

Well...I guess summer is in our rear view mirror. Although autumn is the favorite season for many people, I can assure you it is only my second favorite season. After all, there aren't very many hazy, hot and humid days in September. The part I don't like about September is that I know winter is right around the corner. At least I get to be here in Connecticut, rather than way up in northern Maine where I grew up. It is potato harvest time up there. I remember when I was a kid having to get up early in the morning and get ready to go pick potatoes. The farmer would send someone to pick you up and you would sit in the back of a pickup to be taken to the fields. Then you would grab your potato basket, fill it up, dump it in the barrel and when the barrel was full you would put a ticket on it. And for all your effort you would get paid fifty cents. I knew a woman that said she picked one hundred barrels a day. As for me? Well the best day I can remember was somewhere in the vicinity of twenty barrels. Oops...there I go again on one of my many soap boxes. So I guess it is time for me to start helping you keep some that hard earned money in your pocket.

1. Clean your dryer vents. Not only will it help prevent a fire hazard, it will save you some money on utility bills.
2. Change the direction on your ceiling fans to clockwise, also known as **the winter mode.**
3. Get your furnace maintained by a licensed professional.

4. Get your chimney cleaned by a professional. (I may know someone.)
5. Get your oil tank filled and ask about locking in the price per gallon for the season, it could save you a lot of money. (Again, I may know someone you can call.)
6. Get your snow blower ready for winter.
7. Clean your gutters. (Even if you have gutter guards.)

Please allow me to tell you a short story about getting your gutters cleaned. Last month I received a call from a woman asking me to give her a price to clean her gutters. When I pulled into her driveway I noticed she had gutter guards. She still wanted me to give her a price. Well, I did, and she wanted me to clean them.

Well...I was astonished by the amount of roofing granules in her gutters. After washing her gutters out I realized she had made a wise choice. Not long after that I was called by one of my clients and she told me that the water was pouring right over her gutter. Come to find out, the holes in her gutter guard were plugged by debris, just something to keep in mind.

If you have any questions please don't hesitate to reach out to me at [mykeroy@yahoo.com](mailto:mykeroy@yahoo.com). I can also be reached by calling MRC Handyman Services at 207-498-9904. Have a great September. Meanwhile remember, when you are asked where you are getting this awesome information just tell them, **"I know a guy."** *Again, always remember..."Doing it right costs less than doing it over."*

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# OBITUARIES

## ~ Marilyn (Gibson) Stitham ~



was born in New Britain, CT to Roger and Lillian (Griffin) Gibson on August 31, 1938. She graduated from New Britain High School in 1956 and married Norman Stitham at St. Maurice Church in New

Britain May 23, 1959. He survives her. She is also survived her brother John Gibson and his wife Lorraine (McCormack) Gibson.

A former resident of Plainville, CT. for 43 years, she was blessed with 4 children who survive her: Deborah (Stitham) Johnson (Jay), Linda (Stitham) Bouchard (Dan), Stephen Stitham and Kathleen (Stitham) Langton (Peter); 5 grandchildren, 2 Great Grandchildren and many nephews and nieces.

She was employed by DATCO Transportation in Plainville for 27 years, driving school children, children with mental challenges and senior citizens. Very active in the Plainville community, she was Past President of The Women's Club, very active in Girl Scouts, Cub Scouts, Friends of Plainville Library, Heritage Wall Committee at the Library and The Historical Society. She was instrumental in organizing the original Toffolon School PTO in 1966.

She moved to her ancestral home at Point O'Woods Beach, South Lyme in 2006. Her ancestors were among the original founders of Point O'Woods community in 1919 that now includes 7 generations.

She is a member of the POW Women's Club, and volunteers on many POW activities. An avid reader of over 100 books a year, that she shared with friends and neighbors, she was the motivation to establish the Point O'Woods Library by her family 18 years ago.

She was a member of Lyme Grange 146 where she was serving as a trustee and is the former secretary of the Lyme Grange. She is also very active with The Hamburg Fair, that is sponsored by the Grange.

In Old Lyme, she was a member of the former Old Lyme Grange 162 where she served as Secretary and volunteered for many charitable programs. She is also a member of The Old Lyme Historical Society. She was a lifelong Yankee Fan.

A special "Thank You" to all her doctors, nurses and aides, Middlesex Hospital and especially Bride Brook Rehab Center for all their loving care.

The Fulton Theroux Funeral Home of Old Lyme is assisted the family. Due to COVID-19, there will be no memorial service at this time.

In lieu of flowers, those who wish to donate in her memory can send it to the Point O'Woods Association Recreation, Attn. John Sulick, PO Box 152, South Lyme, Connecticut 06376 or The Friends of Plainville Public Library, 56 East Main Street, Plainville, Connecticut 06062.

## ~ Florence Ann (Shilosky) Pyzynski ~



88, of Plainville passed away peacefully in the comfort of her home on Wednesday, August 18, 2021. She was the beloved wife of Edward Pyzynski. Florence was born on October 12, 1932 in New Britain, daughter to

the late John and Cathryn (Steinath) Shilosky. She grew up in New Britain and attended New Britain schools. Florence met the love of her life, Edward, and together they settled in Plainville where they raised their family. Florence was an avid crafter and a talented seamstress, having made clothing for her daughter over the years. She had a niche for being in the kitchen as she enjoyed cooking and baking, sharing her creations with her loved ones. In her spare time, she liked to watch Cowboy movies or learn about world history by watching the History Channel. For every season, holiday, and even just for fun, Florence took pleasure in decorating her home, perfectly matching and tying things together spanning across the walls of her home. In addition, Florence appreciated the many shopping trips that she took with her sister to enjoy one another's company and indulge in retail therapy. A hot ticket, Florence will be missed dearly by her family as they forever cherish the love Florence provided to them.

In addition to her husband, Florence is survived by her daughter, Kim Romano and her husband, Ronald, of Plainville; her daughter-in-law, Susan Pyzynski, of Bristol; her grandchildren, Sarah Mangiafico and her husband, Emanuele, of Farmington, Kristine Dennis and her husband, Jesse Colin Dennis, of Coventry, Taylor and Ashley Romano, of Plainville; her great-grandchildren, Roland and Lyra Dennis, of Coventry; her sister, Patricia Algieri and her husband, Fred, of Farmington; and several nieces, nephews, and extended family. She was predeceased by her son, Jeffry Pyzynski; her sisters, Katherine Barry and Shirley Landau; and her brother, John "Jackie" Shilosky, Jr.

Services in celebration of Florence's life will be held privately. The staff at Plainville Funeral Home, 81 Broad St., Plainville extends their gratitude to the Pyzynski family for their trust.

## ~ Frances (Fran) Corey ~

Frances (Fran) Corey, loving mother, grandmother, great grandmother and "Nana" to many, passed peacefully at home after a short illness with her loved ones by her side. She was born in Burlington, VT on June 20, 1932. Fran made her permanent home in Winsted with her loving husband Paul, who predeceased her in 1986.

She was the proud mother of her sons, Paul (Janice), David (Pam) and Richard (Janet). She also leaves the lights of her life, her grandchildren, Paul (Linda), Tom (Jennifer), Paige (Brian Weaving), David, Jesse Miller (Lauren Gardner) and precious great grandchildren, Aaron, Gavin, Tyler, Addison, Lila, Jaxon, Ava, Riley and Ian. Also left to mourn her is her sister, Joyce Cartelli and many nieces and nephews. She will be missed by all immensely. Thank you for the memories and 89 years of unconditional love.

In keeping with Fran's wishes, there were no calling hours. A celebration of her life was held privately by the family. Contributions to Fran's favorite charities, Winsted Helping Hands food bank and St. Jude's Children's Hospital. Online condolences may be made at [www.SherhanHillbornBreen.com](http://www.SherhanHillbornBreen.com).

## ~ John M. Borry ~



76, of Plainville, beloved Husband, Father and Grandfather, passed away on Monday, August 16, 2021. Born on July 14,



1945, he was one of two children to the late John and Jennie (Covino) Borry. Raised and educated in Bridgeport, John enlisted in the US Navy in 1965, proudly serving his country for four years during Vietnam; a time in his life that he enjoyed reflecting upon through endless stories with his grandsons. He met the love of his life, Marilyn (Schwarz) while on leave for Labor Day weekend in 1966 and married her less than one year later. They settled in Plainville upon his honorable discharge where they raised a loving family. Devoted to his family and to his town, he retired from the Plainville Fire Company after 33 years of dedicated service. John worked as an engine mechanic for Pratt & Whitney which supported his second love, lottery tickets, until his retirement. Not a Christmas would go by without him gifting lottery tickets in the stockings of his wife, children and grandchildren. An outdoors enthusiast, he loved to go boating, hunting and fishing with his buddies, the "Happy Hookers" and shared many camping experiences with his family, friends and fellow members of the "Socialable Sams Camping Club". He promoted outdoor safety and preservation as a Forest Fire Warden for the State of Connecticut and through his instruction of pistol permit and hunter safety classes. Remembered for his sense of humor, love for his family, our environment, and his feline companions, Samantha, Tom, Jerry and Perkins, John will be greatly missed, leaving many cherished memories.

In addition to his wife Marilyn and his cats that he sometimes loved more than his kids, he leaves his sons, Michael and his wife Maryann, Brian, and John and his wife Kamie; his grandchildren, Brock, Adam, Tyler, Kamryn, and Cailyn; along with many nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by his sister, Virginia Sagliano.

The Borry family extends their sincerest gratitude to the doctors and nurses at UCONN Health Center ICU for all of their efforts and compassion while he was in their care.

In lieu of flowers, John may be remembered with contributions to the Plainville Fire Company Scholarship Fund, 77 W. Main St, Plainville, CT 06062.

A celebration of John's life was held on Monday at Plainville Funeral Home, 81 Broad St, Plainville, followed by committal service with Military Honors at the State Veterans Cemetery in Middletown. For online expressions of sympathy, please visit : [www.PLAINVILLEFUNERALHOME.com](http://www.PLAINVILLEFUNERALHOME.com)

*A Special Thank You!*

*To: Pam Corey*

*"For all you have done for me at this time of Great Sorrow"*

*Ray*



## OBITUARIES

### ~ Victor Joseph "Vic" Pires ~



loving husband, father, and son, 54 years young, longtime resident of Plainville, passed away peacefully on Sunday, August 8, 2021 at the Hospital of Central CT in New Britain, surrounded by his family. He was the beloved husband of Pamela (Howard) Pires for 21 years and devoted father to the apple of his eye, Jesse

Victor Pires.

Vic was born on November 17, 1966 at Saint Francis Hospital in Hartford, son to Esperanca (Terra) Smith and the late Victor Pires. He grew up in Plainville and attended Goodwin Technical School, later graduating from Conard High School in West Hartford, Class of 1984. Vic met the love of his life, Pamela, and together they settled in Plainville where they started their family and raised their son, Jesse. Vic was a family-oriented man, with a huge heart of gold, who would give his last shirt to someone in need. At the drop of a hat, Vic was there to lend a helping hand, not only to his family, but to his friends, neighbors, and beyond. He was a generous man who loved to see people happy. Vic assisted in Relay for Life each year, setting up tents, providing extension cords, and lending his talents and tools to make sure the event ran smoothly. Vic also was very honored and ecstatic to help with granting a wish through the Make A Wish Foundation, assisting a Plainville family complete a remodel at their home for a young boy. He found enjoyment in making people smile, laugh, and was always full of surprises. Vic was a self-taught, jack-of-all trades and a master at all, a rarity in itself. He was a self-employed contractor with an impeccable eye for detail, who strived for 5-star reviews, which he humbly achieved and was beyond proud of himself. Vic took on any task with the vision of a perfectionist, resulting in completions that were unbelievably constructed. Vic was also his son's "equipment manager," always making sure Jesse had the cleats and matching equipment for each sport he played in. Vic was Jesse's number one fan in all that he did. He formerly coached his son's football team but regardless of coaching, Vic was always the best "Team Dad." Vic always made sure not only his son, but all the boys on the team had water, tents, and equipment ready, and anything else needed for them to succeed at their sports. Vic was an avid LA Rams football fan and also enjoyed rooting for the Portugal and Brazil soccer teams, and more locally Plainville Soccer. He appreciated traveling down to Florida for vacations to be able to spend quality time with family members, including his last memorable trip down to Florida to surprise his mother for her birthday. Vic was a remarkable man and will be profoundly missed by his family, friends, and all that were honored to meet or cross paths with him as they cherish the memories they have shared over the years.

Vic is survived by his wife, Pamela, their son, Jesse, and their fur-son, Milo, all of Plainville; his mother and step-father, Esperanca and Leon Charlie Smith, of Port St. Lucie, FL; his mother-in-law, Rosemarie Babin, of Plainville; his sister-in-law, Melissa Howard, of Plainville; his nephew, Ian Howard, of Plainville; his step-sister, Penelope Serio and her husband, Robert, of Simsbury; his step-brother, Richard Smith, of South Windsor; his aunt, Ana (Terra) Batista, of Port St. Lucie, his aunt and godmother, Albina (Terra) Staphos, of Hartford, his aunt, Magnolia (Terra) Oliveira and her husband, Manuel, of West Hartford; his uncle and godfather, Joseph Pinto, of Old Lyme; his uncle, Tony Pinto, of Port St. Lucie; his cousins, Marie Cirigliano and her husband, Mike, of Port St. Lucie, Joseph Batista and his wife, Deanna, of Bristol, Helder Batista and his wife, Terry, of Newington, Leo Batista and his wife, Shelley, of Port St. Lucie, Maria Miller, of Charleston, WV, Prescinda "Cindy" Duggan and her husband, John, of Charleston, David Batista and his wife, Maria, of Wilton, Elaine DoCarmo and her

husband, Ricardo, of Newington, Fred Pinto and his wife, Pamela, of Old Lyme, Daniel "Danny" Pinto, of Durham, Victor Manuel Pires and his wife, Keisha, of Idaho, Lucy Baker, of Plainville, and Frank Pires and his wife, Carol, of SC; and his longtime best friend, Cheryl Geuser, of West Hartford. Vic also leaves behind a wide circle of friends and acquaintances. He was predeceased by his father, Victor Pires; his uncles, Ary Pires, Norman Staphos, and Diamantino Batista; his aunt, Maria deLourdes Goncalves; and his father-in-law, Dana Babin.

Family and friends gathered at the Plainville Funeral Home, 81 Broad Street, Plainville. A prayer service in celebration of Vic's life was held at the funeral home. Burial will be held privately. In lieu of flowers, donations in Vic's name can be made to the Plainville Relay For Life. The staff at Plainville Funeral Home, extends their gratitude to the Pires family for their trust.

### ~ Allan Vincent Raynis, Sr. ~



passed away July 24, 2021 at the age of 74. He was the son of Vincent and Helen Raynis of Queens, New York, and the beloved husband of 25 years to Linda (Webb-McCarthy) Raynis.

Allan graduated from Grover Cleveland High School in Queens, NY. He first came to Connecticut to work as a machinist for Pratt and Whitney Aircraft, prior to becoming a police officer for the City of New Britain. He served the community of New Britain in many capacities over his 43 year tenure, for which he earned many certificates, awards and citations; and was proud to say that he never had to use his gun to resolve matters, just his kindhearted personality and years of experience. He retired as a Sergeant in 2014 leaving a positive impact on the many lives he touched.

In addition to his loving wife of 25 years, Linda (Webb-McCarthy) Raynis, of Plainville and her two children, Ryan K. McCarthy, of RI and Kellie M. McCarthy, of Plainville, Allan is survived by his daughter, Wendy (Raynis) Nesta and her husband, Kevin, of Berlin; his son, Allan Vincent Raynis, Jr. (Ret. NBPd) and his wife, Caroline, of Wallingford; and Kevin Slisz and his wife, Meredith, of New Britain. Allan also leaves behind his many grandchildren that adored him: Thomas, Tia and Jayna McCarthy, Ryder McCarthy, Abigail and Nathan Raynis, Lila Mae Yerman, Lara Mae Raynis, Allan Vincent Raynis III; Kevin Slisz, Jr. and Maya Slisz. Allan was predeceased by his brother, William Raynis, of Queens and is survived by his sister, whom he adored, Dorothy Gotard, of Queens. Allan also had many nieces, nephews and great nieces and nephews whom he loved dearly. In lieu of flowers, Allan may be remembered with a contribution to the charity of the donor's choice.

Family and friends gathered at the Plainville Funeral Home, 81 Broad Street, Plainville. A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at Our Lady of Mercy Church, 94 Broad Street, Plainville. Burial followed in Saint Joseph Cemetery, Plainville.

The staff at Plainville Funeral Home extends their gratitude to the Raynis family for their trust. For more information or to leave online expressions of sympathy, please visit [www.PLAINVILLEFUNERALHOME.com](http://www.PLAINVILLEFUNERALHOME.com).

### ~ Marilyn Sevigny ~



89, passed away peacefully, surrounded by her family on Monday, July 12, 2021 at the Southington Care Center. She was born on December 16, 1931 in New Britain, CT to the late Joseph and Katherine (Lucas) Baylock.

After graduating from New Britain High School, Marilyn

was a member of the American Hardware Company Secretaries Club in New Britain. She served as President of the combined New Britain "Hardware City" Secretaries Club.

She married Richard Sevigny (deceased), in New Britain in 1954 where they started their family of four children. Marilyn became very involved within the community, especially in support of the activities of her children. She served as President of the Thomas Jefferson Mothers Club. She also served as a Cub Scout Den Mother and as a Girl Scout Brownie Leader and was Chairwoman of the local Girl Scout Association.

The family moved to Plainville in 1965, where Marilyn worked in various volunteer roles at the Toffolon Elementary School. She served as President of the Little League Auxiliary Club. In addition to all of her community involvement, Marilyn began working part time for the Petit's Dairy Farms Store on North Washington Street and within a few years began working there in many different roles in a career that spanned decades. After retiring she worked for many years in a part time job with Ferguson Electric.

Marilyn was very active in the Plainville community. She served on the Plainville Library Board of Directors. She was a member of the Plainville Cable Television Board of Directors. Marilyn served terms as Vice Chairwoman of the Plainville Town Committee and was also an active member of the Plainville Exchange Club. For many years, she loved to spend hours socializing via CB radio with all her friends and acquaintances from the Bell City Radio Club.

Marilyn also had an artistic side that she expressed in her love for poetry and crafting. She was prolific in the endless types of items that she would hand make, as well as in the volume of those items. While selling her crafts at various local craft shows, she also gave many of her craft items to friends and family who will always cherish those gifts from her. She wrote and shared many poems, most of which focused on family and events. Her forte though was her ability to crochet and she made many hundreds (and hundreds!) of multi-colored and beautifully patterned afghans. Marilyn gave many afghans to everyone in the family, but she also donated so many to the Veterans and Children's hospital.

Marilyn loved the towns of New Britain and Plainville, and she especially loved all the people she grew up with and came to know during her life. She would make a friendship with everyone she met and loved to learn from them what was truly important in their lives. Marilyn's memory for people, places, and events was amazing and she never forgot a face or a name.

Marilyn was known and loved by countless people in the New Britain and Plainville area. As her children aged and moved out on their own, they were constantly amazed and amused at how they could go almost anywhere, even as far as Hawaii, and they could meet someone who lived in New Britain or Plainville and knew Marilyn.

Most of all, Marilyn loved her family. She always knew what was going on with everyone, from her own children and all their families, and with her sister and brother and all their family.

Marilyn is survived by her son Richard Sevigny and his wife Dory of Andover, CT, her daughter Laura Blankenburg and her husband Michael of Plainville, CT, her daughter Debra Maselek of East Hartford, CT, and her son Michael Sevigny and his wife Marion of Port Ludlow, WA, along with her much loved five grandchildren, her five great grandchildren, and her former son-in-law Joe Maselek. In addition, Marilyn is survived by her sister Kathy Beaudoin, her brother Andy Baylock, and was predeceased by her brother Joey.

In lieu of flowers, Memorial donations can be made in Marilyn's honor to The Plainville Community Food Pantry, Inc., P.O. Box 233, 54 South Canal Street Plainville, CT 06062.

The family received visitors at Bailey Funeral Home, 48 Broad St., Plainville. A celebration of life was held. A private burial service was held on Saturday at West Cemetery in Plainville.

The Bailey Funeral Home of Plainville has been entrusted with the arrangements. To leave a message of remembrance, please visit: [www.bailey-funeralhome.com](http://www.bailey-funeralhome.com).

# OBITUARIES

## ~ Lucas Mickael Brewer ~



15, of Plainville, was tragically taken from us far too soon on Monday, July 19, 2021, while fulfilling his love for swimming at the Farmington River.

Born in Bristol on January 23, 2006,

Lucas was eager to start his sophomore year at Plainville High School, and ready to hit the football field in his #14 jersey. Full of life and always on the go, Lucas played Pop Warner Football since elementary school, and was the consummate teammate on his travel basketball leagues. When he wasn't playing team sports, he could be found riding dirt bikes, swimming, or meeting his friends at the park. Lucas was full of kindness...despite the "tough guy" exterior that he tried to portray....whose infectious sense of humor and appropriately used sarcasm left those around him in constant laughter. A much loved son, brother, and friend, he will be missed beyond words by the many heartbroken lives that he touched.

In addition to his parents of Plainville, he leaves his brothers and sisters, Dylan, with whom he shared an unbreakable bond, Sarah, Mark, Dennis and Al; his grandmothers, Theresa Price and Sophia Creighton; his great-grandmother, Gwendolyn Wilson; and many aunts, uncles, cousins and friends.

A service of remembrance was held at Plainville Funeral Home, 81 Broad St, Plainville, followed by committal at Forestville Cemetery.

## ~ Aida Perez Cortes ~



84 of Meriden passed away peacefully at her home on Saturday July 31, 2021. Born in Aguada, Puerto Rico, she was the daughter of the late Manuel (Piro) Perez and Amparo (Pajo) Feliciano.

Aida lived in Meriden for 35 years and last resided in Plainville. She worked for Eyelet Specialty and retired from Napiers Company. She loved spending time with family and friends, especially her grandchildren. Aida enjoyed sewing, crocheting and loved cooking for anyone who came to her home.

She is survived by her sisters, Amparo and Luisa Perez of PR, Alma Roman of CT and her brother Angel Perez of FL, her daughters, Edith Boisvert and her husband David of Southington, Lucy Villanueva of Bristol, Evelyn Chaparro and her husband Jerry of Meriden, Marilyn Villanueva and her fiancé Gary Carabetta of Plainville, 7 grandchildren, Sara Bickell, Melani Crespo, Daniel Reyes, Tony Gonzalez, Jr., Garrett Boisvert, Brian Ginter, Joel Chaparro, her great-grandchildren, Jaiden, Xavier, Eva, Madeline, Lucas, Julian, Zeus and several nephews and nieces and many friends. She will be sorely missed.

In lieu of flowers, Aida may be remembered with a random act of kindness; or with contributions to her favorite charity, St. Jude Children's Research Hospital at: [www.stjude.org](http://www.stjude.org)

Family and friends gathered at Plainville Funeral Home, 81 Broad St. Plainville. Aida's family and friends shared words of remembrance.

## ~ Claire Antoinette (Falardeau) Camp ~



93, of Plainville, beloved wife of 55 years to the late Anthony "Tony" Camp (2006) passed away on Monday, August 16, 2021. Born on September 16, 1927, in Berlin, NH, to the late Ernest Falardeau, Sr. and Rosanna (Gagne)

Falardeau, she was raised in the 'North Country' of New Hampshire amongst a tight knit extended family. Claire had many cherished memories of growing up in the White Mountain area during the Great Depression and World War II. She and her cousins loved to skate, sled, put on plays, visit with family, and attend the movie theater. The 1930s and 1940s were also years of hardship and Claire faced adversity with resilience, optimism and an independent spirit.

After moving to Portland, ME in 1943, she graduated from Portland High School in 1945. Claire worked for the Western Union office in Portland, ME and moved to Connecticut in the late 1940s when she was transferred to Hartford, CT. Upon moving to CT, she met her future husband, and they were married on February 3, 1951. Their first home was in New Britain where they started their family, eventually moving to Plainville where they raised their two children and became proud grandparents. Claire retired from Aetna Life & Casualty Company in 1990 where she had worked for 28 years. She belonged to the Aetna Women's Club and the Aetna 39ers Retiree Club. Upon retirement she and Tony took time to travel to Europe, Canada and the western U.S.

Claire's life was centered around family. Her grandchildren were the lights of her life, and she attended their many activities such as baseball games, band concerts and dance recitals with great enthusiasm. The "boys," as she often called her two grandsons, were at her house often - visiting, talking, going out for pizza, helping with chores.

She enjoyed holiday gatherings, always ready to bring a dessert. Her delicious madeleine cookies were oft requested at gatherings. She was much in demand and attended events at her children's homes and at their extended family gatherings. Claire had a special place in her heart for her son-in-law, Chris, who was there for her whenever needed. She enjoyed their drives while listening to her favorite music from the 1940s, and their lighthearted conversations.

An active person with abundant energy, many interests, and a deep faith, she was a member of Our Lady of Mercy Church in Plainville. Claire was a member of the church's Ladies Guild and had many friends within the guild. She served as president, vice-president, and secretary of the Guild at various times. She was also a member of the St. Anthony Society. As a member of the Plainville Senior Center, she was a regular at exercise classes and other programs.

Claire was the type of person who kept her friends for life. She kept in touch with a wide circle of family and friends in the U.S and Canada, including her childhood friends. An avid baker, she traded recipes with family and friends. She was always ready to attend a theater or musical show, lunch, dinner, or a museum. Claire was fortunate to have remained in her home, supported by her family. She is an example of someone who had a life well-lived. She will be missed dearly and remembered for her loyalty, optimism, and fortitude.

## Camp continued ...

Claire is survived by her two children: Bernadette Camp Dostaler and husband, Christopher, of Plainville, CT and Anthony Camp Jr. and wife, Kim of West Hartford, CT in addition to her three grandchildren: Samuel Dostaler and wife, Kristen, Brian Dostaler and Allison Camp. She also leaves her nephews, nieces, grandnieces, grandnephews, friends and her former daughter-in-law, Carolyn Palmer-Camp who remained a dear friend. Claire was predeceased by her husband, Anthony Camp, brother, Ernest Falardeau and sister-in-law, Jane Falardeau.

Family and friends gathered at the Bailey Funeral Home, 48 Broad Street in Plainville, CT, followed by a Mass of Christian Burial at Our Lady of Mercy Church, 19 S. Canal St. in Plainville, CT. Burial immediately followed at St. Joseph's Cemetery, 151 Farmington Avenue in Plainville, CT. Memorial donations may be made to Our Lady of Mercy Church 19 S. Canal Street, Plainville, CT 06062.

## ~Eileen Barbara (Jachimowski) DiFrancesco ~



75, of Plainville, wife of Louis DiFrancesco, Jr., passed away after a brief illness on Wednesday, June 30, 2021.

Born on September 1, 1945, she was one of two daughters of the late Ladislav "Jack" and Helen

(Nogiec) Jachimowski. Raised in New Britain, Eileen and Louis settled in Plainville where they shared 52 years of marriage, raised two loving and successful children and became proud grandparents. She lived simply, loved deeply and will be missed dearly.

In addition to her husband Louis, she leaves her children, Susan Walker and her husband, Jonathan of Coventry, RI and Marc DiFrancesco of Bristol; her grandchildren, Meredith and Bradley Walker; her sister, Janet Schwartz and her husband Jerry of New Britain; and many nieces, nephews and cousins.

Honoring Eileen's wishes, her family will celebrate her life privately.

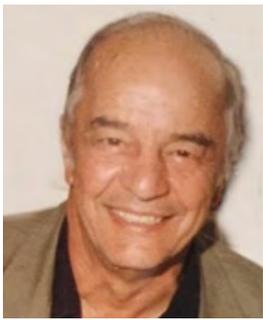
## BURIAL RIGHTS FOR ST. JOSEPH CEMETERY

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# OBITUARIES

## ~ Peter "Papa" Cellino ~



93, passed away peacefully with his family by his side on Saturday, July 10, 2021. He was born in Plainville, CT on June 29, 1928, and was the younger of two children born to the late John and Susan (Mastrianni)

Cellino. A lifelong resident of Plainville, he graduated from Plainville High School and received his Business Administration Degree from Bryant College. During the height of the Korean Conflict, Peter, enlisted in the United States Air Force, attaining the rank of Staff Sergeant and spending a tour of duty in Korea.

Peter was the beloved husband of Clara (Battista) Cellino, to whom he was married for 67 years. Clara, also a Plainville native and the love of his life passed away in 2018. They remained in Plainville for the entirety of their lives and together raised a loving family. Peter joined his father, John, in operating the Federal Oil Company until 1963. Continuing as an entrepreneur, he established local businesses along with developing and investing in real estate. The success he achieved was a true testament to his strong work ethic and business acumen. Peter had an unwavering devotion to his family, working endlessly to support and build a comfortable life for them. His children learned the value of love, family, hard work, and integrity from him. Peter will always be remembered as a strong, kind, loving, supportive husband, father, grandfather, great-grandfather and friend.

An accomplished baseball player in high school, Peter continued playing in Plainville softball leagues throughout his 20's and 30's. In his 40's, he found golf, his "second career", quickly becoming a passionate player and in his 50's he joined his son, John, as a member of the Farmington Country Club (FCC). Peter established lifelong friendships, and for nearly thirty years teed-it-up four to six days a week during the golfing season. He looked forward to partnering with his son in the annual FCC member/member golf tournament; they were a dynamic duo and force to be reckoned with. Peter was a founding member of the Mickey Mouser's, a group of FCC members who annually ventured to Disneyworld for a week of golf, exceptional food and laughs with great friends. One of his happiest golf accomplishments was finally getting that illusive hole-in-one.

With his wife and friends, Peter loved traveling, especially to the Caribbean Islands. He enjoyed summers at the beach in Clinton, CT, relaxing and spending time with family and friends. He enjoyed watching sports on TV, but especially his favorite team, the Yankees, along with golf, tennis, and UConn women's basketball. On bright sunny days, he could be seen tooling around in his most treasured antique sports car, a 1968 Mercedes Benz 280SL convertible, which he referred to as "Baby Car".

Peter treasured the holidays and being surrounded by family while enjoying traditional Italian foods and desserts — made with love by his wife and daughters. Peter had a tremendous mechanical aptitude and loved working with his hands. He could assemble, fix, and build anything he put his mind to; never using directions, just his critical thinking and common sense.

## Cellino continued...

In his younger years, in addition to baseball, Peter enjoyed hunting with fellow members of the Bristol Fish and Game Club, dirt bike riding with his son and bowling in numerous leagues. As a veteran, Peter was also a member of both the VFW and the American Legion posts.

We will miss his incredible quick wit and sense of humor, his love of life & family, his smile, and his endless playfulness. Above all, he loved his family and we loved him.

Peter leaves his children: John Cellino and wife Kathy of Niantic, Susan Cellino and her husband Gregory Jacques of Plainville, and Donna Cavallaro and her husband Christopher of Plainville. Additionally, he leaves the pride and joys of his life, his grandchildren: Peter Cellino; Kacie Shiel and her husband Christopher; Jesse Cavallaro and his wife Mary; Nicholas Cavallaro and his wife Rachel; Christina Cavallaro; and Mei-Li Cellino-Jacques; his great-grandchildren, Penelope "Poppy" Shiel and Harrison Shiel; along with his brother-in-law Joseph Battista and his wife Debbie, his nephew Anthony Piergrossi, and extended family. In addition to his parents, he was predeceased by his sister Beatrice Piergrossi and her husband Jack.

For the last three years, Peter, looked forward to homemade meals brought to him daily by his devoted daughters and social visits by his entire family. Sincere appreciation to the staff at Jerome Home in New Britain who cared for him over the last nine months. We will forever be grateful for the excellent care, compassion, and sensitivity provided.

To honor Peter's wishes, his family celebrated his life privately. Peter may be remembered with a contribution to his favorite charity, The Plainville Family Resource Network. PFRN is a local non-profit organization supporting the educational development of young children ages birth to five and is located at 69 Linden Street in Plainville, CT 06062.

## ~ Theresa Dumond ~



90, passed away Saturday, March 27, 2021 at Carolina Gardens in Conway, SC.

She was born August 9, 1930 in St. David, ME, a daughter of the late Ernest Lagasse and Celina (Cote) Lagasse.

She was predeceased by her husband of 68 years, Norman Dumond; her son, Robert Dumond; brother, Wilfred Lagasse and half-brother, Reed Lagasse, half-sister Irene Riendeau.

Theresa was a loving mother, grandmother, great grandmother, sister. She enjoyed her time living in Florida and in her spare time she enjoyed gardening, knitting, camping and fishing.

Mrs. Dumond is survived by her daughters, Carol Sirois (Llewellyn "Stu") and Terry Lemanski (Richard); grandchildren, Jason Sirois, Jesse Sirois, Alexander Lemanski and April Lemanski; great grandchildren, Justin Sirois, Lillian Sirois and Aaliyah Sirois; her siblings, Bernice Lagasse Deschaine, Verna Lagasse Leblanc and Omerine Lagasse Clavette; Half-Siblings, Percy Lagasse, Ernestine St. Jarre and Jacqueline Frugal along with many other family and friends who will miss her.

Family and friends gathered in celebration of Theresa's life at Plainville Funeral Home, 81 Broad St, Plainville. A prayer service was held followed by committal at St. Joseph Cemetery Plainville.

## ~ Edward R. Drezek ~



86, of Plainville, passed away peacefully at his home surrounded by his family on Tuesday July 27, 2021. He was the devoted husband of Jeanette (Seroczynski) Drezek, with whom he shared 64 years of marriage.

Born in Drezek Poland on October 7, 1934, Ed was one of twelve children to the late Stanley and Leocadia (Tanski) Drezek. He served his country in the U.S. Army during the Korean Conflict; and returned home to New Britain upon being honorably discharged. A longtime resident of New Britain and Plainville, Ed was a self-employed contractor and owned and operated several businesses throughout his working years with a focus on plumbing, later expanding his trades alongside his sons. He retired from Drezek and Sons Contractors after more than 30 years of hard work and dedication. He enjoyed fishing and hosting lobster bakes for his family and friends. Remembered for his love for his family and his country, he leaves a legacy of hard work and dedication and many cherished memories.

In addition to his wife Jeanette, he leaves his beloved children, Donna Morrison of Plainville and Daniel Drezek of Bristol; his daughter-in-law Mari Tess Drezek; and was the proud Dziadzie to Ian Morrison (Kayla), Nick Drezek (Nicole), Shaun Drezek, Noelle Morrison, and Sabrina and Kristina Drezek; and leaves his great-grandchildren Aeden and Liam Morrison, and Bentley Drezek. He also leaves his siblings, Jean Gnoza, Stella Okinczyk, Stanley Drezek (Mae), Henry Drezek (Grace), Mary Olsen (Richard), and Eugene Drezek; along with many nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by his son, Richard.

Ed's family extends their sincerest gratitude to nurses and staff at Hartford Health Care, especially Nicole, and his aid Janet Forbes, for their compassionate care, support and comfort.

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at St. Stanislaus Church, 510 West St, Bristol. Burial with Military Honors followed at St. Joseph Cemetery Bristol.



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## OBITUARIES

### ~ Nancy M. Eberhardt ~



78 of Plainville, passed away following a brief illness on Thursday August 12, 2021.

Born in Hartford she was one of two children to the late Frederick and Greta (Johnson) Eberhardt. Nancy was raised and educated in Palmer,

Massachusetts, and received her Bachelor's Degree from The College of Our Lady of the Elms in Chicopee, where she made many lifelong friends. She moved to Plainville in the mid 1960's, earned her Master's Degree from CCSU and became an educator for the New Britain School System from where she retired after 35 years. A dedicated volunteer of the Plainville Historical Society for more than 30 years, she proudly served as the current President, helping to preserve, inspire, and educate others of local history. A woman of strong Christian faith, Nancy was a longtime member of the First Lutheran Church of Southington where she brought love and care to others as a Stephen Minister. A lover of the outdoors, Nancy was happiest when she was camping and made annual trips to Hammonasset Beach and campground for over 75 years. She was truly a special woman, who will be missed and remembered for her kindheartedness and concern for others.

Nancy is survived by her brother and sister-in-law, Bruce and Carolyn Eberhardt of New Britain; her nephew Eric Eberhardt and his children Marissa and Tyler Scimone; her nephew Timothy Eberhardt, his wife Lisa and their children River and Sawyer, her niece Kristen, her husband Timothy Wilk and their children Noah and Jameson, and her nephew Matthew Eberhardt. She also leaves her best friends and Sisters in Christ, Dolores "Dee" Martin, Rose Stanley, and Lillian Sewell.

In lieu of flowers, Nancy may be remembered with contributions to the National Kidney Foundation, 3000 Whitney Ave., #121, Hamden, CT 06518 or <http://www.kidney.org>

Funeral services in celebration of Nancy's life were held at the First Lutheran Church, 232 Bristol St, Southington. Committal followed at West Cemetery, Plainville. Family and friends gathered at Plainville Funeral Home, 81 Broad St Plainville.

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### ~ Henry John Franckowski ~



passed away peacefully on July 29, 2021 at Southington Care Center.

He was born to the late Raymond and Anna (Zdunczyk) Franckowski and grew up in Plainville. He attended local schools and the Goodwin Tech Carpentry Program and

worked for over 30 years at Hartford Hospital.

He was married to Mary Elizabeth (Whitman) Franckowski on May 21, 1960 and resided in New Britain for 42 years before moving to Bristol in 2001. Henry enjoyed gardening, watching the UConn Huskies Women's basketball team, watching ice skating, and watching old time cop dramas on television, talking to people, wood working, and spending time with his family.

Henry was predeceased by his wife, Mary, and he is survived by three children, Carl Franckowski, and his daughter-in-law, Carol Franckowski, of West Islip, NY, Susan and son-in-law, Jack Lloyd, of Oak Park, Ill., and Moses Cryer, of New Britain, CT. He had three granddaughters, Rebecca Harrison and her husband, Steven Harrison, Sarah Franckowski and Jodie Lloyd.

The family of Henry Franckowski would like to thank Southington Care Center and Franciscan Home Care and Hospice for taking such good care of Henry during his last few months.

Memorial donations can be made online at [hartfordhealthcare.org/donate](http://hartfordhealthcare.org/donate) (select Hartford Healthcare in the list of hospitals) or be mailed to Hartford Hospital, Department of Philanthropy, 80 Seymour Street, P.O. Box 5037, Hartford, CT 06102. Family and friends gathered at Plainville Funeral Home, 81 Broad St, Plainville. A prayer service was held followed by committal at St. Joseph Cemetery Plainville.

### ~ Roger Herrick ~



beloved brother, uncle and friend, beat all odds against him and passed away after 62 joyful years on Sunday, July 18, 2021.

Born in Maine on December 18, 1958, he was one of five children to the late Thomas and Maggie Rose (Kafkas) Herrick. He was a lifelong

member of CCARC where he leaves many dear friends and former co-workers. He enjoyed many years of participating in the Special Olympics, and was known for his love for music and epic dance moves. Roger had a fondness for Christmas and looked forward to being surrounded by his family and friends, especially around the holidays so he could get sharply dressed in his suit jacket and tie. Remembered for his legendary smile, bright spirit, and flirtatious personality, Roger touched the lives of everyone he met and will be missed beyond words, leaving many cherished memories.

He leaves his siblings, Christopher Herrick (Helen), Tommy Herrick (Juanita), Roseanne Shepherd (Robert), Elaine Churchill (Bill) and Marguerite Harris; and many adored nieces, nephews and great-nieces and nephews, including his niece Kim Herrick Stavola and her husband Nick who lovingly cared for Roger in his final years; along with many cousins, friends and extended family.

Family and friends gathered in celebration of Roger's life at Plainville Funeral Home, 81 Broad St, Plainville In lieu of flowers, Roger may be remembered with contributions to CCARC, 950 Slater Rd, New Britain, CT 06053 or at [www.CCARC.com](http://www.CCARC.com) or to the Special Olympics at [www.support.specialolympics.org](http://www.support.specialolympics.org)

### ~ Jeffrey Allan "Jeff" Hatch ~



62, longtime resident of Plainville, passed away unexpectedly on Monday, August 9, 2021 at the Hospital of Central CT in New Britain. He was the devoted fiancé to Hope Gawel, of Plainville. Together they spent almost 20 loving years together.

Jeff was born on December

11, 1958, at Griffin Hospital in Derby, CT, son to the late Bernard Leslie and Barbara Jean (Swan) Hatch. At a young age, Jeff enlisted in the U.S. Army where he continued his education and earned his high school diploma. He worked for Companion Industries for many years as a set-up, press operator. Jeff was a very hands-on man who was able to fix anything. He was a jack of all trades and found enjoyment in tinkering with anything he set his mind on. Jeff was a humorous, humble guy who lived life with an easy-going personality. Jeff lived each day to the fullest recognizing and accepting the reality of each situation. An "All-American" guy, he enjoyed hunting, fishing, and bowling. Above all, Jeff loved to spend quality time with his fiancé, Hope, and making many lasting memories together. He will be missed by all that knew him and will always be remembered for his witty character.

In addition to Hope, Jeff is survived by his two children, Jessica L. and Trevor N. Hatch; his two step-children, Jasmine and Nicholas Gawel; his step-father, Richard Eighmie; his brothers, Danny Frost, Alan, Dickie, Bobby Eighmie, and Joe Hatch; and his sisters, Ann Moyer and Barbara Pillard. Jeff also leaves behind his very good friends, who were more like family to him, Mike Kelly and his wife, Simone, his press room prodigy, Austin Zalot, whom he was extremely proud to teach, and a large circle of friends. He was predeceased by his father, Bernard Hatch, his brother, Gary Frost, and his niece, Sandi Eighmie.

Family and friends gathered in celebration of Jeff's life at the Plainville Funeral Home, 81 Broad Street, Plainville. Burial was held on at West Cemetery, 180 N. Washington Street, Plainville. The staff at Plainville Funeral Home extends their gratitude to the Hatch family for their trust.

### ~ William "Bill" Kalwat ~



82, of Plainville, husband of Bonnie (Sandquist) Kalwat, passed away Wednesday (July 28) at Apple Rehab of the Farmington Valley in Plainville. Born in New Britain, son of the late Edward and Martha (Teffs) Kalwat, he lived in Plainville for the past 48 years. A graduate of

New Britain High School, class of 1957, Bill served with the US Army during the Vietnam Conflict. He was a case administrator at Aetna in Hartford for 25 years, retiring in 1990. Bill was a member of St. Matthew's Lutheran Church in New Britain and was an avid Boston Red Sox fan. Bill and Bonnie spent 37 years vacationing in Aruba, an island that truly held a special place in his heart.

Besides his wife Bonnie, he leaves a daughter, Elizabeth Struble and her husband Stephen of Bristol; his newly arrived grandson, Finn William Struble; a sister, Carol Wolf of Granville, MA; and a niece, Gretchen Wolf in Massachusetts. Besides his parents, Bill was predeceased by a brother, Edward Kalwat and a brother-in-law, Robert Wolf.

A memorial service will be held at a future date. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to St. Matthew's Lutheran Church, 99 Franklin Square, New Britain, CT 06051. Carlson Funeral Home, New Britain, is assisting the family with arrangements. Please share a memory or note of sympathy at [www.carlsonfuneralhome.com](http://www.carlsonfuneralhome.com)

# OBITUARIES

## ~ Shawn Barrett Kenniston ~



62, of Plainville, lost his twelve year battle with kidney disease on Saturday, July 24, 2021.

Born on February 10, 1959, he was one of five children to Patricia (O'Neil) Kenniston of Plainville, and the late Frederick Kenniston.

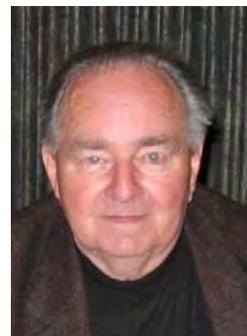
A lifelong Plainville resident, Shawn was one of the "cool kids" in the graduating class of 1978, where he played football and excelled at running track. His passion for sports, especially football, remained throughout his life, as he cheered on the home teams of wherever he resided including the Philadelphia Eagles and New Orleans Saints. Shawn was a lover of the outdoors, making landscaping his chosen profession during his working years, and was a movie enthusiast with an extensive collection of films that spans decades. A free spirited and personable man, he is now free of pain and at peace.

In addition to his mother, Patricia, he leaves his siblings, Michael Kenniston, Felicia Kenniston, Stacie (David) Tessman, and Colin Kenniston; his nieces and nephews, Dillon Kenniston, Chancy Huey, Bry Huey, Annalicia Sessa, Shane Huey, and Alexandria, James, and Steven Tessman.

In lieu of flowers, Shawn may be remembered with contributions to the American Kidney Fund at [www.kidneyfund.org](http://www.kidneyfund.org)

A prayer service in remembrance of Shawn was held at Plainville Funeral Home, 81 Broad St, Plainville. Burial followed at St. Joseph Cemetery.

## ~ William Thomas Tighe, Jr. ~



passed away on Monday July 26, 2021 at his home in Plainville, where he was a longtime resident. Bill, as he was known to many, was born in Hartford on June 5, 1936, one of three children to the late William and Jessie (Stanley) Tighe.

He is survived by his loving wife of 62 years, Leota "Lee" (Soucy) Tighe; his sons Michael (Nancy) of Burlington, Timothy (Robin) of Bristol and Brian (Kimberly) of Meriden; his grandchildren Christopher, Shannon, Zachary and Griffin and great-grandchildren Michael, Jaxon, Maddox and Brayden. Bill was predeceased by his sisters Ruth Santangelo and Marilyn Lantieri.

Bill was proud of his 39 years of service at the Plainville Fire Department and his service to his country in the United States Marine Corps. Although he traveled the world during his military service, his heart was always in Wells, Maine where he spent his summers as a boy and countless family vacations later in life, walking Moody and Wells beaches as often as he could. An avid crossword puzzle solver, Bill also enjoyed watching Barnwood Builders and golf, especially Phil Mickelson and had an affinity for Jeopardy, which he watched religiously and impressed his family with his correct answers and vast knowledge. He always had a story to tell and spent many a Saturday discovering treasures for family members at local yard sales.

In lieu of flowers, Bill's service to his town may be remembered with contributions to the Plainville Fire Company, 77 W. Main St, Plainville, CT 06062

Honoring Bill's wishes, his family will celebrate his life privately. The staff at Plainville Funeral Home extends their gratitude to the Tighe family for their trust.

## ~ Jeanette King ~



age 88, passed away on July 9, 2021 at her home. She was the loving wife of the late Thomas W. King.

Jeanette loved when it was springtime and gardening began and she'd watch her flowers bloom and her vegetables grow. Jeanette loved doing her puzzle books

and talking with friends and family on the phone. Jeanette's favorite hobby although was eating and watching her game shows and soap operas on television! Jeanette loved traveling and has seen many parts of the world thanks to her sister Joan Lewandowski and Chet Lewandowski and her loving daughter Donna King. Jeanette also loved the beach on a hot summer day.

Jeanette was born in Norwich, on March 27, 1933 to the late James and Marie (Germain) McGregor.

Jeanette will be treasured in the memories of her daughter, Donna King of New Hartford, and beloved baby, Scott King of New Haven. She's also survived by an elder son Wayne King. She will always be remembered fondly by her brother in law Chet Lewandowski, goddaughter Ann Cote, her niece Karen Lewandowski, her nephew Steven Lewandowski and his spouse Brenda Trout Great nephew, Jordan Cote and great niece Jillian Lewandowski.

She leaves behind her only grandson Julian King and her daughter-in-law Debra King. And her most beloved treasured cat, Samantha. Jeanette will be missed by many more friends and family. She was pre deceased by her mother Marie McGregor and her father James McGregor. She lost her much adored loving sister Joan Lewandowski; her goddaughter's precious husband Scott Cote, brother-in-laws Raymond King, Don King, Ronald king, Norman King, Robert king, and David France and her sister in law Rita France. Uncle Edward Jermaine who gave her many laughs, and her aunt Maybel and uncle Harvey Lobner.

Jeanette worked for well over 30 years for Bristol Spring Corporation in Plainville.

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at Our Lady of Mercy Church in Plainville. Interment will be in St. Joseph Cemetery, Plainville.

It is suggested that contributions in her memory be directed to the Susan G. Komen Foundation at [Komen.org](http://Komen.org).



### NOTICE: SAINT JOSEPH CEMETERY

No mulch is allowed in front of any cemetery markers. It is difficult to maintain the placement of the mulch when mowing the grass or during the process of cutting weeds around the stones. Please help us keep the cemetery tidy and clean. Thank you.

## ~ John Mangan ~



76, of Plainville, loving husband and best friend of Leslie (Kallberg) Mangan, passed away on Monday, July 26, 2021 at Autumn Lake Health Care Center.

Born in New Britain on February 7, 1945, John was the son of the late Charles

Mangan, Sr. and Dorothy (Lindelof) Minicucci. A lifelong resident, John was a 1964 graduate of Plainville High School, where he shined on the football field and was inducted into the PHS Sports Hall of Fame in 2019. He and his high school sweetheart Leslie remained in their hometown upon their marriage, where they shared 54 years of love, hard work, friendships and community service. John was a life member of the Plainville Fire Company, rising through the ranks over his more than 30 years of service including Lieutenant, Captain and 2nd Assistant Chief; was an EMT and accepted driver training responsibilities for new members. A longtime member of the International Brotherhood of Teamsters, John was a skilled heavy equipment and truck operator, having worked for many construction companies and retired from Manafort Brothers after 13 years of dedication. He was considered part of their family, and was proud to say he operated each and every piece of equipment. Upon his retirement, he and Leslie shared many casino trips together, and John looked forward to daily coffee with his McDonald's crew. Remembered for his love for his family, many friends and his community, his presence will be greatly missed.

In addition to his wife, Leslie, he leaves his brother, Charles Mangan, Jr. and his wife Karen of Buffalo, MO; his half-sister Bonnie Theriault and her husband Raymond of Southington, CT and his sister-in-law Sandra Abucewicz and her husband Thomas. He was a proud Godfather to many and loving uncle to several nieces, nephews and great nieces and nephews, including Richard and John Abucewicz and Kristen Rouillard and their families, with whom he shared many special times. He was predeceased by step father John Minicucci, his sister Carol Swetz, his brothers-in-law, James Kallberg and William Kallberg and his wife Dale; and his best buddy Jimmy Ross with whom he is now reunited.

A special thank you to all the staff at Autumn Lake Healthcare Center for all the wonderful care they provided to him. He loved all of you.

John's love for his town may be remembered with contributions to the Plainville Fire Company Scholarship Fund, 77 W. Main St Plainville, CT 06062; or to the Plainville Community Food Pantry, PO Box 233, Plainville, CT 06062.

A celebration of John's life was held at Plainville Funeral Home 81 Broad St, Plainville.



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- 1 cup hot water

Place ribs in shallow pan. Sprinkle with the dry seasonings. Cover with sliced onions. Pour the sauce, which has been mixed with the hot water, over the ribs.

Bake in 325\* oven, 2-2 1/2 hours or until ribs are tender. Baste often with the liquid in pan, turning several times during cooking. Add more water, if necessary, but sauce should be thick enough to cling to meat. **Serves: 5**

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**PARC Welcomes Visit From  
Plainville Fire Department**

Members of PARC, Inc. watched in amazement as Plainville Fire Department volunteers set up the tower truck in the Linden Street School parking lot on Aug. 4. The outriggers were planted and the 102-foot ladder was extended. One by one, the members took turns getting in the bucket. Each person also sat in the driver's seat.

Firefighters 1st Lt. John Myska and Adam Seigle explained the truck's features "from stem to stern," showing all the tools and equipment. "They were there for over an hour and were extremely patient, answering every question. Everyone loved it and was very involved. The fire department really went above and beyond," said Dave Fernald, father of Tim Fernald, PARC member. Chief Thomas Moschini Sr. also stopped by.

"The Plainville Fire Department has always been super supportive of PARC and we are fortunate to have so many volunteer firefighters who are enthusiastic about interacting with people with developmental disabilities," said Erica Donovan, PARC executive director.

The event was just one Healthy Living Activity offered by PARC, a family centered non-profit that has provided programming and services for people with developmental disabilities for more than 60 years. Members meet regularly at the center located at 28 E. Maple St. to participate in a variety of social and enrichment activities.

For more information or to join PARC, Inc., visit [www.parcdisabilitiesct.org](http://www.parcdisabilitiesct.org) or call the office at (860) 747-0316.



Photos courtesy of PARC and Dave Fernald

**Group photo:** Gathering for a group shot are PARC members, from left, front row, Jay Reeser, Tim Fernald, David Romine, Maria Duval and Steven Robinson; back row, Luis Fernandez, 1st Lt. John Myska, and firefighter and PARC staff member Adam Centurelli  
**Bucket photo:** Tim Fernald, left, and Jay Reeser, members of PARC, show their excitement when standing in the bucket of the Plainville Fire Department tower truck with 1st Lt. John Myska.

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# Jake's Sport Talk



## Little League World Series

By: Jake

Plainville's  
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Sports Editor

Welcome to my monthly article. This month we are talking about the Little League World Series with final scores and who advances to the Little League Championship games and Williamsport.

The 1st Matchup was Louisiana vs Colorado. Final Score: Louisiana 11 vs Colorado 0. Louisiana advances to the Championship game and to Williamsport after a strong pitching performance by their starting pitcher. Congratulations to Louisiana on moving onto the championship game and to Williamsport.

The 2nd Matchup Florida vs Georgia. Final Score: Florida 4 Georgia 0. Congratulations to Florida on moving onto the Championship game and to Williamsport.

The 3rd Matchup Elimination Game was Colorado vs Texas West and Colorado had a chance to advance to Williamsport and the Championship game after losing to Louisiana but lost in the Elimination game to Texas West. Final Score: Texas West 3 Colorado 0. Congratulations to Texas West on moving onto the championship game and to Williamsport.

The 4th Matchup was Texas West and Louisiana In the Championship Game. Game Note: Ella Bruning became the 20th Women to play In Little League but the first to pitch and catch a Championship game before going on to Williamsport. Congratulations to Ella but Ella's Team Texas West lost. Final Score: Louisiana 6 Texas West 2. Ella is going to Williamsport so the journey isn't over for her. Way to go Ella! Can't wait for the next game.

The 5th Matchup was an Elimination game between Tennessee vs Georgia. Final Score: Tennessee 4 Georgia 2 Congratulations to Tennessee on advancing to the Championship game and to Williamsport.

The 6th Matchup was Florida vs Tennessee Final Score: Tennessee 10 Florida 3. Congratulations to Tennessee on Winning the Championship and moving on to Williamsport.

The 7th Matchup was South Dakota vs Nebraska. Final Score: South Dakota 3 Nebraska 0. Congratulations to South Dakota on moving onto the

Championship game and Williamsport.

The 8th matchup was Connecticut vs Massachusetts. Final Score: Connecticut 7 Massachusetts 4. Congratulations to Manchester Connecticut on moving onto the championship game and to Williamsport!

The 9th matchup was Hawaii vs California. Final Score: Hawaii 13 Northern California 3 Congratulations to Hawaii for moving on to the Championship game and to Williamsport.

The 10th Matchup was Southern California vs Utah Final Score: Southern California 8 Utah 1 Congratulations to Southern California on moving onto the Championship game and to Williamsport.

The 11th Matchup was Oregon vs Wyoming Final Score: Oregon 11 Wyoming 0. Congratulations to Oregon on moving onto the Championship game and to Williamsport.

The 12th Matchup was Hawaii vs Northern California Final Score: Hawaii 13 Northern California 3 Congratulations to Hawaii on winning the Championship game and moving onto Williamsport.

The 13th Matchup was Illinois vs Michigan. Final Score: Michigan 10 Illinois 0. Congratulations to Michigan on moving onto the Championship game and to Williamsport.

The 14th Matchup was Pennsylvania vs New Jersey. Final Score: Pennsylvania 6 New Jersey 1. Congratulations to Michigan on moving onto the Championship game and to Williamsport.

The 15th Matchup was Washington vs Montana. Final Score: Washington 10 Montana 4. Congratulations to Washington on moving onto the Championship game and to Williamsport.

The 16th Matchup was Nebraska vs Iowa. Final Score: Nebraska 2 Iowa 1 Congratulations to Nebraska on moving onto the Championship game and to Williamsport.

The 17th Matchup was Massachusetts vs New Hampshire. Final Score: New Hampshire 5 Massachusetts 0 Congratulations to New Hampshire on moving onto the Championship game and to Williamsport.

The 18th Matchup was Southern California vs Northern California. Final score: Southern California 6 Northern California 0. Congratulations to Southern California on moving onto Williamsport.

The 19th Matchup was Ohio vs Illinois. Final Score Ohio 12 Illinois 0. Congratulations to Ohio on moving onto the Championship game and to Williamsport.

The 20th Matchup was New Jersey Toms River East LL vs Delaware. Final Score: New Jersey Toms

River East LL 6 Delaware 3. Congratulations to New Jersey Toms River East LL on moving onto the Championship game and to Williamsport.

The 21st Matchup was Oregon Vs Montana. Final Score: Oregon 12 Montana 1. Congratulations to Oregon on winning the Championship game and moving onto Williamsport.

The Twenty Second Matchup was South Dakota vs Nebraska. Final score Nebraska 6 South Dakota 0. Congratulations to Nebraska on winning the Championship game and both teams are going to Williamsport.

The Twenty Third Matchup was New Hampshire vs Connecticut. Final Score New Hampshire 11 Connecticut 1. Congratulations to New Hampshire on winning the Championship game and both teams are going to Williamsport.

The Twenty Fourth matchup was Hawaii vs Southern California. Final Score: Hawaii 7 Southern California 2 Congratulations to Hawaii on winning the Championship game and both teams are going to Williamsport.

The 25th matchup was Michigan vs Ohio. Final Score: Michigan 9 Ohio 1.

Congratulations to Michigan on winning the Championship game and both teams are going to Williamsport.

The 26th Matchup was Pennsylvania vs New Jersey Toms River East LL. Final Score: Pennsylvania 10 New Jersey Toms River East LL Congratulations to Pennsylvania Upper Providence LL on winning the Championship game and both teams are going to Williamsport.

The 27th Match was Oregon-Lake vs Washington-Eastlake LL. Final Score: Washington- Eastlake 2 Oregon-Lake 1.

Congratulations to Washington-Eastlake on winning the Championship game and both teams are going to Williamsport.



## Plainville High School

### Alumni Dance

The PHS Alumni Dance

was to be hosted by

the Class of 1970 & the Class of 1971

### The Plainville High School

Alumni Dance

scheduled for

9/24

has been

## Canceled

due to the increased

Covid risk.

Hopefully next year

it'll be safe enough

to celebrate our friendships

in a large group setting.

## Plainville Sports Hall of Fame Dinner & Induction Ceremony

The Dinner & Induction Ceremony will be held on Saturday, November 20th at Hawk's Landing in Southington. Tickets may be purchased at Angelo's Modern Barbershop, (East Street), Gnazzo's Food Center (East Street) and The Central Connecticut Dental Group, Dr. Rusty Camp.(Farmington Ave.)

Students entering Plainville Sports Hall of Fame are: Todd Goodall(Class of 1993), Shawn Curtis (Class of 1996), Naoemi Vilafane Raimondi (Class of 2001), Thomas "TJ" Ferguson (Class of 2001), Philip Rothkugel (Class of 2002), Jennifer Dabrowski Hover (Class of 2004), and two state championship basketball squads, the 1958-59 boys team and the 2000-01 girls team. Matthew Straub is 2021 Distinguished Service award-winner.

For additional ticket information, visit plainvillesports.com or find the Hall of Fame on Facebook.

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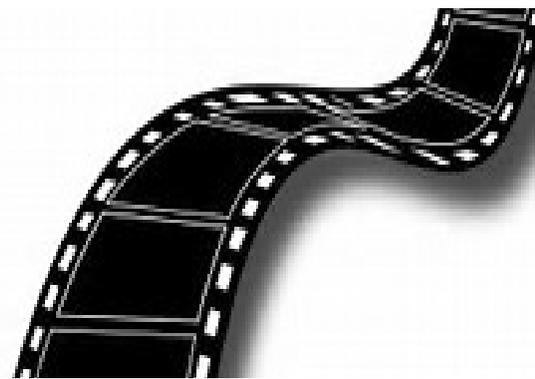




# The Circumspect Critic

by:  
Robert James O'Dell

## “Jungle Cruise”



**Jungle Cruise**  
2021

**PG-13**

**2h 7min**

**Director**

**Jaume Collet-Serra**

**Writers**

**Michael Green(screenplay by)**

**Glenn Ficarra (screenplay by)**

**John Requa(screenplay by)**

**Stars:**

**Dwayne Johnson Emily Blunt**

**Edgar Ramirez**



It's 1916 and scientist Lily Houghton, (Emily Blunt), wants to make a name for herself in the male dominated scientific community by finding a magic flower that legend says can cure any illness. With an ancient map and a stolen artifact as well as her stuffy brother McGregor (Jack Whitehall) , she heads to South America to track down the mystical tree that blossoms with the miraculous flower. There, she mistakenly hooks up with Frank Wolff (Dwayne Johnson), the nefarious captain of a small riverboat on which he ferries tourists and stages bogus dangerous situations. She hires Frank to take her to the destination marked on her map where the Tree of Life on which the Tears of the Moon petals blossom can be found. But this trio isn't alone in the search for the Tears of the Moon. Prince Joachim ( Jesse Plemons) commanding his German submarine is in hot pursuit and knows he needs the stolen artifact in Lily's possession.

With a nostalgic whiff of the 1980s encompassing each and every frame of “Jungle Cruise” we are reminded of a time when box office stars had the screen presence, the charm and the charisma to carry a film despite its flaws. Doing an admirable Burt Reynolds with all the tongue in cheek humor and leading man swagger, Dwayne Johnson, with a plucky assist from Emily Blunt, makes this journey down the treacherous Amazon a boisterous blast of unadulterated fun. It's a Saturday matinee marvel of epic proportions. Harkening back to adventure films like the Indiana Jones classics though more in the vein of “Romancing The Stone”, “Jungle Cruise” supplies ample entertainment for audiences of all ages.

There is great chemistry between the two leads that carries the film over some rough spots. Blunt is a force of nature in a whip smart fire cracklin' performance that lights up the screen whenever she is front and center. Appearing quite comfortable in both the physical demands required as well as with the humorous verbal volleys she exchanges with Johnson, Blunt is the



film's greatest asset. The final half of the film steers unsteadily into “Pirates of the Caribbean” territory with middling success. The Cgi ranges from impressive to adequate while the well staged action set pieces keep the action clear and focused. The brisk pace manages to override the weaker moments as well as some of the lessor successful SFX.

The supporting cast isn't given much to do with the exception of Jack Whitehall and Jesse Plemons. Paul Giamatti is basically wasted as a second tier nemesis of The Rock. Edgar Ramirez is barely recognizable due to the cgi that defines his character. The filmmakers seem to be playing homage to the films they grew up with while trying to create their own version of these high concept action adventure gems. It's like they put elements from different films in a blender and came up with their own mixture. Though this dulls some of the hoped for originality it doesn't diminish the sense of fun the film generates.

- Ratings:**
- Acting: 90%**
- Directing: 85%**
- Script: 75%**
- Cinematography: 95%**
- SFX: 88%**
- Action Set Pieces: 96%**
- Entertainment Value: 97%**

**My Rating: 87%**

# “Young at Heart” Senior Center News

## Veteran's Benefits

### Individual Veteran's Appointments

Do you need assistance applying for veteran's benefits? Do you Know what services, programs you can access at the VA?

Jason Coppola, the Veterans Services Officer for the State of CT Dept of Veterans Affairs, will be available by appointment to help.

His appointment dates for 2021 at the Plainville Senior Center, 200 East St. are: Sept. 1st, Oct. 6th, Nov.3rd and Dec1st.

### APPOINTMENTS ARE REQUIRED

You can reach Jason at(203)805-6340 (please leave a message) He will review your needs over the phone, let you know what documents you may need to bring and schedule your appointment.

## COVID VACCINES FOR HOMEBOUND INDIVIDUALS

If you or someone you know is physically or medically unable to go to a COVID vaccination clinic, please contact Stephanie at the Senior Center for assistance. Call 860-747-5728

## VETERAN'S SOCIAL HOUR

These monthly information & support meetings are conducted by Sherri Vogt, Veteran's Liaison for Hartford HealthCare at Home. All Veteran's over 60 and their spouses can attend.

### Here are the scheduled dates for 2021:

September 28th., October 26th

November 23rd December 28th

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Wednesdays for Plainville individuals needing assistance with food. For more information about eligibility and hours contact: Laurie (860) 747-5867. Drive up and a volunteer will put the groceries in your car!

## VACCINATION & MASK UPDATE

As we get back into the swing of activities at the Senior Center, we'd like to remind people who come in to our building that masks are required for people who are not vaccinated. If you are vaccinated, you do not need to wear a mask, but may chose to do so, if you are more comfortable. The Senior Center is unable to ask people for proof of their vaccination cards and is operating under the honor system. The Town of Plainville continues to suggest a 6-foot social distance; so, please continue to be respectful of everyone's personal space. Since visitors to the Senior Center may not be vaccinated ...we recommend you maintain a social distance, wear a mask if you wish and continue to use sanitizer and wash your hands frequently.

# PLAINVILLE LIONS

The Plainville Lions are always looking for new members that can help with any of our activities, or in establishing new activities.

For any additional information, please do not hesitate to contact the President, *Brian Lavigne at 860-747-2618 or email: lionbrian@gmail.com*

**The Plainville Lions Pancake Breakfast is resuming this coming October 17th.**

*Details on Page 23*

# Plainville Firefighters Service Awards



Service award recipients shown above are presented with Town of Plainville chair. Edgar Wynkood (seated), Bob O'Dea, Joe Silverio, Jr., Doug Doughty, Dave Mazurek, and Richard Nichols.



Chief Tom Mochini presents a watch to retired Fire Chief Kevin Toner (center). Town Council liaison Jesse Gnazzo on right

**At their August 16, 2021 meeting, the Plainville Town Council honored several Plainville firefighters with service recognition awards. Those members honored were:**

<b>Robert O'Dea</b>	<b>51 Years</b>
<b>Jeffrey Johnson</b>	<b>40 Years</b>
<b>William Gammon</b>	<b>35 Years</b>
<b>Mark Cahill</b>	<b>30 years</b>

<b>Michael Dietrich</b>	<b>20 Years</b>
<b>Dennis Wynne</b>	<b>15 Years</b>
<b>Ronald Dievert</b>	<b>5 Years</b>
<b>Peter Montana</b>	<b>5 Years</b>



## Time

*By: Sally Miller*

This has been a tumultuous year for young and old. Occasionally, as we get older, daily trials and tribulations get in the way of how we were trained to deal with life and with others.

As a child, I was taught to be kind and to always help one another. We were taught to stop and take the time to be helpful and kind; and we did this regardless of how much time it took. We would stop no matter what we were doing, if someone needed help. We did this without thinking about it first and just reacted. If someone was sick, we didn't ask if we could help, we just helped and/or asked what kind of help was needed. My mom would call the neighbor and say, "I left a basket of goodies on your porch or step with hot soup, etc., please let me know how else I can help".

During the Henri storm, I ran to stores purchasing batteries and food for a friend. I then hurried home and tried to take in some of my plants and clean off the patio. As I drove into my complex, I waved at a neighbor that I have not really spoken to before but something made me decide to stop the car and speak. They then said that if I needed any help taking things off my deck that they would help me do so. A couple of other neighbors called to say that I was invited to their home to wait the storm out. They had a grill and we would be able to cook if we lost electricity. These neighbors/friends made a difference in how I felt about the day. They took the time.

I was constantly told by my mom that the only thing we really own that is ours is TIME.

You've heard the phrase, "Time is Money". Time can be more precious than Gold when you think about it in relation to people.

I can't remember some of the things that I have bought over the years but I remember when people shared their time with me.

*I think I will begin to be more aware of my time and how I spend and share it!*

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# In Memorium.....Nancy Eberhardt... Plainville Historical Society, President

## Plainville

### Historical Society

We are looking forward to opening the Historic Center in November. Everything has been cleaned and sanitized for your comfort and safety. We are pleased to announce that Rachel St. Onge has accepted the post of Membership chair. Our gratitude is extended to Bill and Barbara Petit who have served in this position for many years, and to all who have volunteered behind the scenes to maintain the building and conduct the business of the Historical Society during the shutdown.

#### PROJECTED PROGRAMS FOR THE 2021-2022 SEASON

Note: Winter programs are scheduled in the afternoon on Saturdays at 2 PM. Fall and April through June presentations will be announced and held on the second Tuesday of each month during the evening.

Further information on planned programs and presenters will appear in upcoming editions.

**Tuesday, November 16 at 7 P.M.** Our guest will be Kevin Johnson, a Civil War re-enactor who will portray Connecticut's William Webb, who was one of the African-American soldiers who served in the 29th Regiment of the Connecticut Volunteer Infantry.

**Saturday, January 15, 2022.** Gertrude LaCombe will present a history of the Woman's Club of Plainville. This group, recently disbanded, has roots dating back to the 1920s when a group of 20 members raised money for a proper public library, designed the building and had it built. They presented it to the Town of Plainville, debt-free on August 8, 1931.

**Saturday, February 19, 2022.** Gail Williams, our African-American History specialist, will present a program in recognition of Black History Month.

**Saturday, March 19, 2022.** Rosemary Morante will present a program in recognition of National Women's History Month.

#### NEW TO THE COLLECTION

The following items have been added to the permanent collection at the

Historic Center:

A book of Sanborn's Map of Plainville, Connecticut donated by Stella and Dave Laurie.

A nurse's cape that belonged to Dr. Menousek's wife and donated by Marion and Michael Mastrianni.

Plainville High School yearbooks from 1957, 1959 and 1960 donated by Margaret Bonomi.

Pictures taken by Bob Bonola and sketches done by Pat Hogan donated by Grace Bonola.

Appropriate items are accepted for archiving, as a permanent addition to the collection, or on permanent or temporary loan. If you care to place something with us please contact staff at the Historic Center by e-mail at plvhistorical@gmail.com.

"The ordinary through the passage of time becomes precious."

#### CARE TO SHARE? YOUR E-MAIL ADDRESS

We are attempting to assemble a complete list of e-mail addresses for our membership so that we can send timely updates and other items of interest.

If you are interested in becoming

a member of the Plainville Historical Society, we welcome new members throughout the calendar year. Please send us an e-mail. We will respond without delay.

#### CELEBRATE HISTORICAL SEPTEMBER

Observe the ancient festival of Michaelmas on September 29—the feast of St. Michael, the archangel.

Historically, it dates back to the sixth century when St. Michael drove the devil out and he landed in a blackberry bramble patch. Banish the Covid beast to the brambles! Serve blackberry or raspberry treats; pie, tarts, jam on scones or fresh berries on your cereal.

Welcome autumn on its equinox, this year on September 22. Embrace a tradition for the future. Visit the Mary Rose Faith DiMinno sundial at Linden. See the sun move forward to a new (we hope brighter) season. Leave a rose or a sunflower. Light your way forward with a candle on your dinner table.

All good wishes ...Janice

# Historic path will be restored, preserved to join heritage trail

## PLAINVILLE

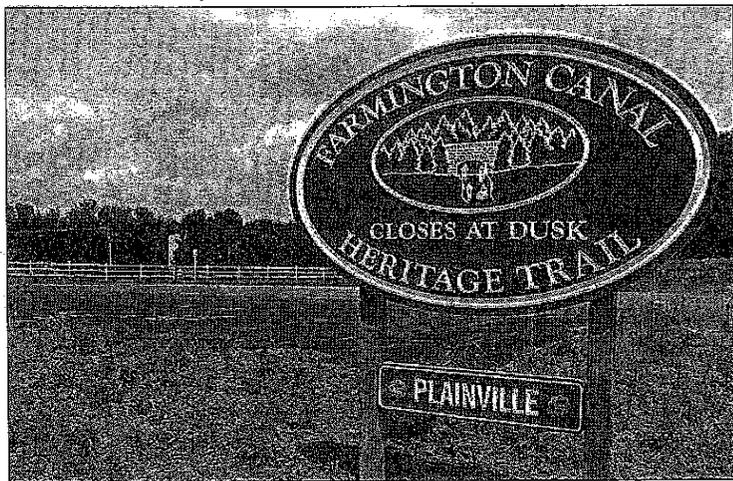
By BRIAN M. JOHNSON  
@BRIAN.JOHNSONBP

The historic "tow path" or "mule haul trail" that runs behind homes on Hollyberry Lane will be restored and preserved as part of Farmington Canal Heritage Trail construction says Town Manager Robert E. Lee.

The tow path trail runs for about 1,000 feet behind a stream behind homes on Hollyberry Lane.

From 1829 to 1848, it was used by mules and oxen, which would tow canal boats down the canal.

"They would often be carrying sensitive clock parts from Bristol that could have been damaged if subjected to a ride on a muddy trail in the spring," said Nancy Eberhardt, of the Plainville Historical Society. "Back then, trying to ship anything around here was almost impossible during the spring, or as they called it the 'mud season'. Men would have been expected to get



File photo

The so-called Plainville gap, off Northwest Drive in Plainville along the Farmington Canal Heritage Trail where it connects to Farmington.

out of their coach and push the carriages out of ditches or holes, which they became stuck in quite frequently. The canal allowed for a much smoother trip and it is because of this canal that Plainville was really able to grow as a community."

Lee said that soil samples are being taken along the path by the Department of Transportation (DOT).

They are also performing "minor clearing" operations, removing small trees which have grown in along the path over the

years.

"This will allow them to get their equipment in," he said. "The plan is to construct at least two bridges and a boardwalk along this section. The DOT is in touch with the Historical Society and wants to preserve the path. They plan to put up markers which give the history of the tow path as well as pictures."

The DOT is currently in "Phase One" of construction on the trail, which Lee said is expected to run through 2023.

Lee said that the DOT is in the process of acquiring the necessary state and federal approval for development along the tow path.

The DOT also plans to construct a parking spot along Redstone Hill Road with space for about 50 people.

He said that the DOT is speaking with property owners in this area on an individual basis to determine what sort of "screening" from the trail they would prefer.

"There are some people whose

homes are hundreds of feet away from the trail that say they want additional screening, but there are already a significant amount of trees between them and the trail," said Lee.

The second phase of the trail would see it brought through the north end of town down to Route 72.

This phase is expected to begin in 2024.

The final phase of trail construction, slated for 2025, would see the trail brought from Route 72 to Norton Park.

Lee said that the process is moving along "slowly but surely." There is still significant interest in closing the "Plainville Gap" in the trail, which would connect the town to the East Coast Greenway. The Greenway is a 3,000 mile walking and biking route stretching from Maine to Florida.

Brian M. Johnson can be reached at 860-973-1806 or bjohnson@bristolpress.com.

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Thanking you in advance! The Editor

### Greatest Salesman Ever !!!

On July 28 we lost an icon of a salesman. Baby Boomers will remember him as Ron Popeil. He was the founder and creator of Ronco and infomercials. He was noted for his catchy phrases such as, "set it and forget it", and wait there's more. He was noted for his kitchen gadgets. Below are some of his inventions. **Some of you may still have them.**

**1.) Veg-O-Matic-** Popeil learned to be a pitchman from his father, Samuel, who was also an inventor and salesman of kitchen gadgets such as the Chop-O-Matic which later became Ron's Veg-O-Matic and together sold more than 11 million units. This gadget was introduced in the mid-1950s at the amazing low price of \$3.98. Ron renamed it the Veg-O-Matic and pitched it as "the greatest kitchen appliance ever made. Wait there's more..."

**2.) Pocket Fisherman-** Ron advertised this device as "the biggest fishing invention since the hook." The handle was a mini tackle box containing a hook, line, and sinker. The Pocket Fisherman was invented in 1963 by Ron's father. Today's version sells for \$29.99 and has a double-flex rod hinge that unfolds to a fully extendable position. More than 2 million units have been sold. Wait there's more...

**3.) Mr. Microphone-** This creation was launched in 1978, Mr. Microphone was a low power FM modulator that turned radios into annoying precursors of the karaoke machine. This item sold more than a million at \$19.95 per unit.

*Wait there's more...*

**4.) Smokeless Ashtray-** The Smokeless Ashtray was a tiny device that promised to suck up the smoke coming from cigars and cigarettes before it filled the room, and in the 1970s, Ron sold more than a million of these contraptions at \$19.95 each.

*Wait there's more...*

**5.) Inside-the- Shell Egg Scrambler-** Not one of his best sellers. A bent pin pierces the eggshell, rotates inside it, and creates perfectly scrambled eggs and yolk-free hard-boiled eggs. Only about 150,000 sold at \$19.95.

*Wait there's more...*

**6.) Dial-O-Matic-** If the Chop and Veg-O-Matic didn't cut veggies small enough, then the Dial-O-Matic will. This food slicer debuted in the mid-1950s for only \$3.00. This device sold two million units and is still available for \$29.95- and can still turn hundreds of potatoes into french fries.

*Wait there's more...*

**7.) Automatic Pasta Maker-**This gadget allows you to make 12 different shapes of preservative-free homemade pasta in just 5 minutes. Since 1993, more than one million have been purchased for \$159.95.

*Wait there's more...*

**8.) GLH Formula Number 9 Hair System.-** Got a bald spot? Ron can fix it with this product. Great looking Hair isn't real hair but a spray that matches your hair color. Thickens thinning hair, and covers bald spots. More than one million cans have sold for only \$9.95. for the spray, or for \$19.95 for the spray, shampoo, and finishing shield.

*Wait there's more...*

**9.) Showtime Rotisserie and BBQ Oven-** Introduced in 1998, the showtime Rotisserie and BBQ Oven is by far Popeil's most successful product to date. He has sold seven million units in three different models: the \$99.95 compact unit, the \$159.80 Standard unit, and the \$209.75 Pro unit. His pitch for the showtime Rotisserie is "set it and forget,"

**10.) Electric Food Dehydrator-** Introduced in 1965 at \$59.95, Popeil called it "the most famous food dehydrator in the world!" It brought Popeil back from semiretirement, currently comes with five trays and sells for \$39.95. Yes I bought one.

*Wait there's more...*

**11.) Solid flavor Injector-** Resembling a syringe with a large plastic "needle" this gadget is used to inject fillings such as dried fruit, small vegetables, nuts, chocolate chips, and candy into foods such as hams, roasts, cupcakes, and pastries. At just \$14.95. He would include it if you bought the high end rotisserie oven for free.

*There you have it.*

*No one will ever be like Ron.*

*If there was a Salesman Hall of Fame, he would be voted in on the first ballot.*

John Gasparini

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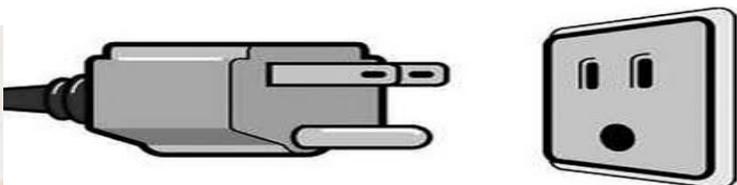
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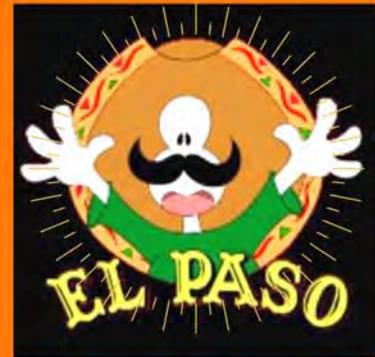
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# Letters & Emails to the Editor.....

## Dear Editor:

The systemic harassment and sexual pawing of people in the workplace by those in leadership positions is nothing more than modern day slavery. It is not new. It is as old as time. Think the Egyptian's enslavement of the Israelites and the plight of women of that era. Each instance of this scenario exposes a supportive greedy circle of sniveling cohorts who provide cover to the abuser, to protect their own safety. This framework is far too rampant in our politics, professional offices and business world. Even more sadly, it has tainted our religious institutions. People we need to trust. The abuse is not limited by gender, and race or ethnic background is not an issue. All that is required is amplified ego and a sense of self-imposed power. **Money helps.**

Don't kid yourself, latest shocking revelations are only the tip of the iceberg.

Rather than whine about past evil which cannot be erased, we need to embrace our own Declaration of Independence as it declares that all people are created equal. Opportunities will then be equal. It will take time, attention and personal effort. We need to learn to trust each other again, as we each learn to display trustworthiness. That's what made America great. Americans know in their heart what is right.

...*Janice Eisenhauer*

## INCREMENTAL ISLAM 17

(Documentation from Discover the Networks)

Prior to wrapping up this section of Jihad/Muslim Brotherhood, we'd like to remind readers that Incremental Islam is intended to help the reader understand Islamic Law (Sharia); it should not be construed as a description of every single Muslim's behavior. Many Muslims are here, not to install sharia in the U.S., but to escape sharia, and live a life of freedom.

Muslim Brotherhood members recently or currently in our federal government and those legislators with cozy relationships to MB entities include:

**Ihan Omar** – Currently in U.S. House of Representatives. MB Background includes: Muslim Student Association and CAIR-MN.

**Huma Abedin** – Hillary Clinton's aide for many years. MB background includes: Being the daughter of two MB members; Abedin was also a board member of the George Washington University Muslim Students Association while interning at the White House.

**Keith Ellison** – Former U.S. Congressman and current MN Attorney General. MB connections: Though Ellison has not, himself, been a member of the MB, he converted to Islam and joined the Nation of Islam; CAIR has donated to Ellison's campaigns; Ellison has spoken at meetings of the Muslim American Society, Islamic Circle of North America, Islamic Society of North America, and CAIR. He has also received numerous donations from individuals belonging to MB groups.

**Rashida Tlaib** – MI House Representative who is currently a U.S. House Representative. MB connections: received an award from CAIR; she has spoken at a CAIR banquet and an ICNA/MAS conference; has received numerous donations from members of several MB groups.

**Andre Carson** – U.S. Congressman from IN; MB connections: He spoke at an ICNA/MAS conference and at a CAIR conference. Additionally, he has received numerous donations from members of many MB entities.

**There are many more, especially from the Obama terms.**

**Please do your research.**

**Submitted by: Jane Bate**

## Crime and Punishment, or Lack Thereof

*By: Francis Rexford Cooley*

To many there is an epidemic of crime. Shootings in the Capitol City, Hartford, are up with twenty murders. Cities across the United States are dealing with spikes in gun violence, assaults, and murders. The New York Post frontpage showed a brutal hatchet attack on a man at an ATM in Manhattan (8/18/2021). Car thefts seem epidemic. A local New Britain man was run down by a teenage car thief this summer. The "suspect" had been arrested thirteen times in the prior three and a half years. As one policeman has put it, "we're dealing the same people over and over."

Politicians debate over how to rehabilitate criminals without stigmatizing them with the stain of being a felon while protestors have demanded for "defunding" the Police yet it is the law-abiding citizens who are left with less protection as some urban areas have essentially become zones of anarchy in Portland, Seattle, Minneapolis and other major cities where the police are rarely seen these days.

The "Defund the Police" movement has existed for decades in a variety of forms. Radical Angela Davis advocated for it in the 1970s prior to running for Vice-President on the American Communist Party ticket in the 1980s. Recently the Black Lives Matter movement, led by self-avowed Marxists, has taken up the banner of the abolition or defunding of the police as a platform due to perceived racial issues with policing policies in urban America. High profile incidents between individuals committing what are considered by the public as low-level crimes and the police that have led to death has fueled the defund the police movement. This movement has seen drastic cuts in funding for police in cities like Portland, Seattle, Minneapolis and others and a subsequent spike in violent crime that follows.

In addition to the "defund the police" movement the political left has promoted "decriminalization" or normalization of what are considered low level offenses and a no-bail movement which allows those arrested for crimes to be released without putting up property or cash to insure they show up for their trials. In San Francisco Proposition 47 passed making theft under \$950 a misdemeanor offense. The impact of this has been a rapid rise in "organized retail crime." Both Target and Walgreens have closed stores in the city in response to the surge in thefts. The fear of lawsuits in trying to detain thieves has led to brazen shoplifting where criminals use the stores own shopping carts to wheel away their ill-gotten gains. For criminals resisting arrest is a money-making enterprise. New York City paid out over \$300,000,000 from 2015-2019 for "police misconduct" that is known as payments for cases settled prior to be taken to trial are not reported in those statistics (gained by the New York Post in January 2020). For many municipalities it is pay regardless of the merits of the case. This gives criminals a financial incentive to resist arrest.

For juveniles, "reforms" from the political left have essentially made criminal acts by those under eighteen non-punishable. Grand Theft Auto is not just a game played on a video system it is now taking place on American streets as gangs of teenage car thieves steal autos with abandon racing away from the police as if they were stunt drivers in the latest Fast and Furious film. If caught the offending juvenile is released after six hours into the custody of their parent or guardian to be back on the streets committing more offenses. Nary a thought of the consequences to law abiding citizens of having a "catch and release" policy on criminals seems to have occurred among the leftist "reformers" who have pushed these policies.

The sympathies of many on the left lies with the criminals not the law-abiding. Today American culture revels in "understanding" the Joker. The recent Warner Brothers movie made Batman's archnemesis a sympathetic character. When characters created to represent "evil" are turned into sympathetic "anti-heroes" in a culture it is easy for that culture to turn a blind eye to seemingly benign actions like

aggressive panhandling and public intoxication that have become more prevalent since the Supreme Court ruling equating solicitation of money as being intertwined with free speech (1980) and marijuana has become decriminalized and legalized in a number of states.

All of these so called reforms fly in the face of the "Broken Windows" view of crime. If you let small criminality fester greater and more dangerous crimes flourish. New York Mayor Rudy Guiliani successfully cleaned up NYC by having the police crackdown on all crime. The reversal of Guiliani's policies by current NYC Mayor Bill de Blasio has led to a massive spike in crime. Other cities that have embraced the de Blasio method have seen similar spikes. The defund the police movement has further lessened the police's ability to solve crimes further emboldening criminals.

Finally the insane policy of essentially "catch and release" criminal suspects is allowing real life Jokers, Penguins, Two-Faces, and every other rogue gallery member back on the streets to menace society unabated without punishment. If these policies are not reversed American cities may become real life re-enactments of the film, The Purge.

## GEORGE LOGAN CALLS FOR ACCOUNTABILITY IN WAKE OF FAILED WITHDRAWAL FROM AFGHANISTAN

George Logan, Republican candidate for Congress in Connecticut's 5th Congressional District made the following statement in the wake of the failed troop withdrawal from Afghanistan.

"The Biden Administration must be held accountable for the failure of America's troop withdrawal from Afghanistan.

Over the last twenty years, the war in Afghanistan has taken thousands of lives, and irreparably changed others. The impact of the withdrawal will only add to the cost already felt by so many. The lack of preparedness by this administration leaves us more vulnerable today and will add to the suffering of those left behind.

The question before the President and the Congress is what will America do to rescue the translators, and those who helped our cause for the last twenty years and to protect the women and children who are now left to suffer at the brutal hands of the Taliban.

Tonight, the Mir family of Waterbury is wondering what the Biden Administration and Connecticut's Congressional Delegation will do to protect their family, stuck in Kabul. A high-ranking Afghan Army official currently being hunted by the Taliban and stranded by a failed withdrawal strategy.

**"Americans deserve answers."**

**To Whom It May Concern:**

**Thank you for all your advice.**

**You were right about our proof readers not correcting articles that are submitted. Making any changes could result in changing its meaning of the story.**

**Sincerely, The Editor**

## Powerhouse Motorsports Presents Car Shows

Plainville resident and business owner Tabitha Manafort imagined having a big, grand opening for Powerhouse Motorsports to be celebrated with a car/motorcycle show, but Covid derailed those plans. Instead, the two events were held separately, with Powerhouse Motorsports hosting their first car show Ralph Barbagallo and his wife Sharleen, childhood friends of Powerhouse Motorsports' (co-owner with Tabitha) co-owner Justin Manafort, run car shows. They got in touch with each other several months ago, put their heads together, and the rest is now Plainville history.

News of the evening's happenings was spread by word of mouth, Facebook posts, the newspaper and advertising through Powerhouse. Car enthusiasts have a real passion, pride, and appreciation for these kind of events and word spreads quickly.

Powerhouse Motorsports sponsored the event, enjoyed by many more people of all ages than even they expected. Over 250 cars, trucks and motorcycles were displayed. The event also included raffle prizes, kids gifts for sale, and food sold by local favorite Saints Restaurant. John and Claudia St. Pierre served their famous hot dogs and hamburgers, not only feeding hungry attendees but also adding to the overall community feel and excitement of the event. Ralph and Sharleen Barbagallo DJ'ed the event as well and did an incredible job, making their expertise instrumental in the success of the event.

Just as important as the vehicles that showed, 10 year old Tommi Manafort, talented daughter of Justin and Tabitha, raised over \$2500 for Victory Junction Camp - a camp for kids with serious illnesses. She raised enough money, through sales of her artwork and generous donations, to sponsor a camper for their entire week at camp.

Cindy and Gene Logan, Plainville residents and business owners shared, « Wonderful night out in Plainville at Powerhouse Motorsport's RRT Cruise-In. So well planned that even the weather was perfect! Amazing turnout of exceptional cars. Great food, great music, and great people! »

Mike Miano, a car enthusiast and native Plainville resident, showed his appreciation for the event. « I went to a car show this weekend at Powerhouse Motorsports and had a great time looking at hundreds of people's 'pride and joy' that finally had a chance to get out of the garage and stretch their legs. Met new people, saw old friends and was very impressed with the respect shown to each other, the property on which the event was held and even the neighborhood around the show. For their first event, the new owners put on a wonderful time for people of all ages and even included raffles, trophies, food and a charity donation drive. Well done to the family at Powerhouse Motorsports - will be back for the next one. »

And from Plainville resident Linda Marchione, « Great event last night brings life to our town of Plainville! Thank you Powerhouse Motorsports for hosting this fantastic car show!! »

Manafort says, « Justin and I and the Powerhouse family are beyond thankful for everyone that

participated and joined this event. We cannot wait for the next one - with plenty of space to keep growing! » The Manafort's would also like to thank the dedicated and hard-working Powerhouse employees. Also present to lend a hand and to support their sister's and parents' efforts were Manafort children Samantha and Justin Jr.

Mike Daversa and his wife Wendy, one of the trophy winners, shared, «One of the best car shows we've been to! Powerhouse Motorsports put on such a fantastic event. An amazing turnout of great cars and people.»

Quinn Wazorko Christopher, co-president of the Plainville Chamber of Commerce along with Tabitha Manafort, adds, « The cruise night is just the tip of the iceberg in terms of what our local businesses can do to not only showcase their value to the town, but also at the same time bring a community together for some fun. We look forward to additional events that will put our businesses centerstage and at the same time bring the community together. »

If you missed out on the fun, you have another chance to join in. Powerhouse will be hosting a car show on September 25, from 5-8 pm.

Perhaps as important as the fundraising, however, is the boost that events like this give to the sense of community that already exists in Plainville - bringing people together through a common purpose and similar interests.

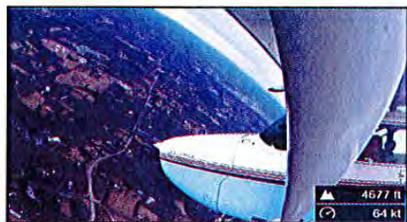
*Manafort notes, « Events like this one make us proud to be a part of the Plainville business community. »*

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## MY COVID 19 PANDEMIC STORY

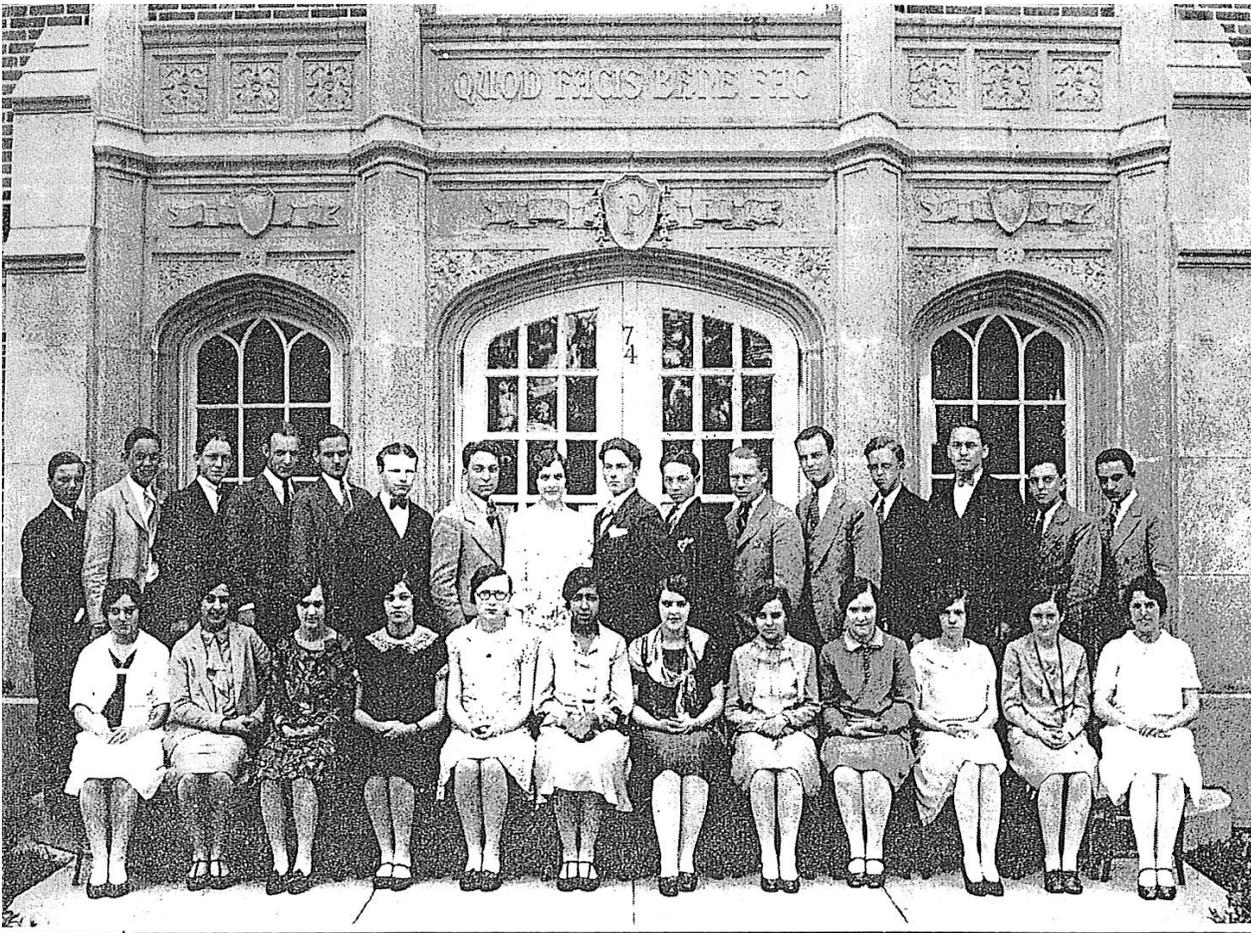
By: Jonathan Norton

We had several requests to reprint the picture of the class because not everyone had the opportunity to contact some friends and/or family of the classmates.

To send in any information about the classmates: Email: plainvillehometown@gmail.com or Mail to: Plainville Hometown Connection 27 Sherman Street, Plainville, CT 06062

Thanking you in advance for sharing your information!

Hi, my name is Jonathan Norton. I'm 26 years old. I have a disability called Autism Spectrum Disorder. I'm writing down a story of how I met new people on Facebook and my challenges during those very tough times. Back in April of 2020, I became friends with those news people on News 8 (like Suzie Hunter and Natasha Lubczehko for instance in which Suzie Hunter worked down in PA back in late March of 2021). Then in May of 2020, I became friends with Taylor Kinzler the host of CT live on NBC Connecticut. In the Summer to Fall of 2020, I became friends with all those news people for all 50 states on their professional Facebook pages (like Connecticut which is the state with the highest taxes and the Orlando, Florida area for instance). In mid-July 2020, I've started to communicate with Taylor Kinzler about taking the tour of the NBC Connecticut Studio in which it's not safe for now. Then in late September of 2020, I began to communicate with Taylor Kinzler monthly (since I'm a very special person during those very tough times). In February 2021, I explored those landmarks in the Orlando, Florida, area (like Disney world, Universal Orlando Resort, SeaWorld, the Kennedy Space Center Visitor Complex and Port Canaveral which is home to Disney Cruise Line for instance) on Google Street view. In late March 2021, I've unfollowed new people in all 50 states (but not the areas of Connecticut, Springfield, Massachusetts, and Orlando, Florida) because of too many followers (like celebrities and singers for instance). Also, I've been working on my communication skills a lot more on Facebook (like with people including Taylor Kinzler for instance since I'm getting the hang of it). Also, I don't have a girlfriend right now since I'm single, but I'm interested in finding a girlfriend. Also, I miss the Holyoke Saint Patrick's Day Parade and the World Trade Center down in New York City because the old World Trade Center was definitely my favorite landmark down in New York City while the Holyoke Saint Patrick's Day Parade is seeing lots of people (like news people for instance). It is hard to go without special events, but I understand. Also, I'm very passionate about pop culture (like movies, TV shows, and music for instance in which I'm very good at it) along with reading books. I read 22 books in 2020 and 14 so far this year. My favorite book this year is Dune by Frank Herbert. It's an awesome science-fiction book. So, I loved it a lot and I can't wait to see the new Dune movie this Fall. Also, I would like to be on TV sometime this year and/or in the future (like CT Live and WWLP for instance). Also, I would like to take another TV station tour of NBC Connecticut sometime this year and/or in the future as long as it is safe so that way. I have a special place for my tv station hat along with my Santa Claus hat so that way they won't get lost (since Christmas is my favorite holiday along with Santa Claus, who I missed most of all). I need to work on my communication skills with the people down in Connecticut a lot better for making friends. I missed working when the Springfield Country Club closed in March, but I went back to work as soon as they opened again. Also, I would like to be a contestant on the Wheel of Fortune someday since I'm very good at solving puzzles and guessing letters that I'm very good at it. I love to cook new recipes every week. My favorite that I made during COVID is the braised eggplant with vinegar and garlic and the pineapple smoothie for food and drink. These were very tasty. Also, my summer vacations in Vermont were fabulous with my family. I've been to camp at Lake Champlain with my dad and camping in a tent with my mom at Lake Willoughby. I went swimming at those two lakes. It was awesome! I went on a boat ride at Lake Champlain. It was fantastic. Also, I tried some good foods and drinks there like a maple milkshake, fried clams, the cherry cordial ice cream, grilled pineapple chicken and grilled campfire corn on the cob. During the start of COVID I missed my visits with Grandma O. because I love to spend time with her and help her out. She would see me every week. I was so happy to see her again. I did learn about exercising by myself. Like doing yoga, walking, running, and using the treadmill indoors for instance. This summer I came in first place in the Fitness Run at the Petit Family Foundation Road Race! It was amazing. Also, I'm looking forward to riding on the new Super Girl Sky Flyer ride at Six Flags this year. **I can't wait to go on it. I am looking forward to the Big E because I missed it a lot last year.**



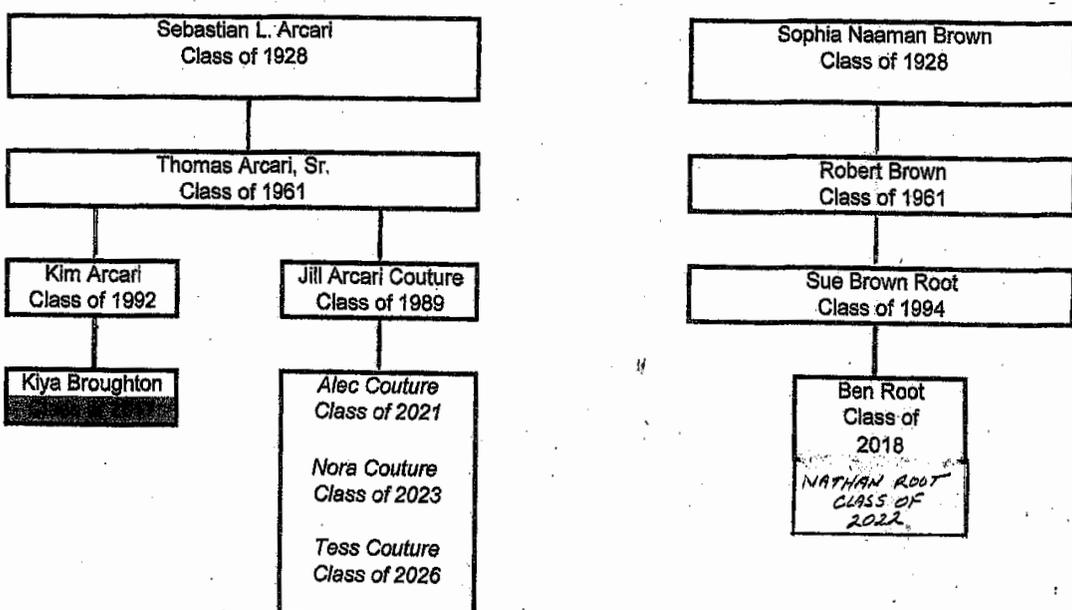
Plainville High School first graduating class, June 19, 1928.  
 Front Row L/R: Marjorie Rutland, Virginia Congorte, Helen Ostman, Secretary, Lucy Rogers, Jennie MacIldowie, Virginia Naaman, Mildred Woodruff, Emily Kilby, Hope Farrar, Ethel Johnson, Helen McKernan, Beatrice Easton, VP.  
 Back Row: John Wiley, Milton Kramer, Samuel Pratt, Howard Cheetham, Bert Harrison, Bill Weber, Pres., Edmund Treas., Miss Alice Hayes, Teacher, Victor Hurtado, Shon Arcari, George Backman, Arthur Vicinus, Howard Dell, Charles Mills, Henry Guerard, Steve Sasek.

Dear Editor,  
 I was pleased to see my mother's photo in the July/August 2021 edition of the Plainville Home Town Connection highlighting the P.H.S. First Graduating Class of 1928.  
 My mother was Marjorie Rutland, the first person on the left in the front row. Marjorie was very close to members of her graduating class, especially Helen McKernan and Virginia Conforti [whose last name is spelled incorrectly below the photo]  
 After graduation, Marjorie went to the State Normal School in New Britain, CT. [My grandchildren got a kick out of this term - "She had to go to school to learn to be normal?"] Two years later she started teaching at Linden Street School, followed by teaching at Broad Street School. She then went to Columbia University in New York City to further her education and earned her Bachelor's degree there. She returned to teaching in Plainville and earned her Master of Science Degree in Elementary Education from Teachers College of Connecticut (now CCSU). She continued to teach in the Plainville school system as a reading specialist, her last position was at Trask School. She retired from teaching in 1972, and driving cross country by herself in her little dark green MG, she moved to British Columbia, Canada to a home her second husband

Harrie Schmidt, Sr. built by himself. Marjorie died in Seattle, Washington on 23 June 1994 at age 84. Marjorie had three children - Barbara and Thomas Johnson, and Harrie Schmidt, Jr. Both sons are now deceased. I am Barbara (Johnson) Alex and I live in Windsor, CT. Coincidentally, I was in the first graduating class of the "new" P.H.S in 1957. Marjorie had nine grandchildren and fifteen great grandchildren. One grandson, Steven Penta, lives in Plainville, with his wife Cari, and their son Nikolas Penta, Marjorie's great grandson...  
 Sincerely,  
 Barbara (Johnson) Alex

Hi Helen,  
 Incidentally I am Kay (Johnson) Kalwat's first cousin. Our fathers were brothers. I met you at one of the 'all class' reunions when I brought Kay. She is the one who saved this paper for me when she saw my mother's class photo.  
 Yes, you do have my permission to print my email in the September edition of the Plainville Home Town Connection. Yes, please do send me a copy of the September paper.  
 Thank you!  
 Barbara (Johnson) Alex

### DIRECT LINEAGES TO PLAINVILLE HIGH'S FIRST GRADUATING CLASS OF 1928



# Hometown Religious Directory

## THE CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH OF PLAINVILLE

A congregation of the United Church of Christ  
130 West Main Street, Plainville  
Phone 860-747-1901  
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**Rev. Don Erickson, Senior Minister**  
Email: revdon@cccplainville.org  
**CHURCH OFFICE EMAIL:**  
churchoffice@uccplainville.org  
WEBSITE: www.uccplainville.org  
**WORSHIP SERVICE**

Sunday: 10:00 a.m. In-Person Worship  
Sunday Services are also Live Streamed  
via Facebook at  
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Sunday 7:00 p.m.  
Centering Prayer Service on Facebook

## THE PLAINVILLE THRIFT SHOP **Closed Indefinitely**

The Church gave out high quality, reusable KN95/KF94 masks to those in our community. For more information, contact the Church Office at 860-747-1901 or via email at churchoffice@uccplainville.org.

## REDEEMER'S AME ZION CHURCH

110 Whiting Stree, Plainville  
Phone: 860-747-1808

### **Worship Services -**

**Rev. Dr. Shelley D. Best**

Sunday School.....9:00-9:40 a.m.

Praise & Worship.....9:45-10:00

...Church Service.....10:00 a.m.

### **Bible Study**

Wednesday..11:00 a.m. & 7:00 p.m.

### **Board Meetings**

Senior Ushers (1st Sat before 1st Sun) 11a.m.  
Gladys Floyds Missionary Society (2nd Sun)  
Deaconess Board (3rd Sun)  
Lay Council (1st & 3rd Sat) 9:30 a.m.  
Christian Education (3rd Tues) 7:00 p.m.  
Men's Meeting (2nd/4th Sat) 9:30 a.m.  
PEP (Every Sat) 1:00-4:00 p.m.  
Trustee/Steward (9:30 a.m. & 2nd Mon. of May)

### **Choir Practice**

Senior (Sat before 1st Sun) 5:00 pm  
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Saturday 4:00 P.M.

### **Sunday**

**8:30 A.M. & 10:30 A.M.**

### **Weekday Liturgy**

Mon., Tues., Thurs., Fri. & Sat 8:00 A.M.

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Cell 1-203-232-2752

Email: plainvillunited@sbcglobal.net

Website: www.plainvilleumc.org

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### **SUNDAY SERVICES**

**WORSHIP TIME 10:00AM**

### **REGULAR EVENTS\**

Tuesday Ladies ....Tuesday 9:30 AM

AA..... Sunday, 7 PM

Single Purpose Women's Group...

Saturday, 9:30 AM

Boys Scouts..... Thursday, 7 PM

### **SPECIAL EVENTS**

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## **Faith Bible Church**

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*Jesus*

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jacksonsg5@sbcglobal.net

**Pastor Franklin Jackson**

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Morning Worship Service 11:00 am

Junior Church Ages 4-8 11:00 am

Evening Worship Service 6:30 pm

Bible Study & Prayer Wednesday 7:00 pm

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**Pastor**

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