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Columbus Day Parade Sunday

By Michael P. Walsh
Special to the Voice

For the first time since 2011, the Greater New Haven Columbus Day Parade sails into the shore of West Haven's deep-rooted Italian-American community at 1 p.m. Sunday with the largest procession of its kind in New England, featuring 80 marching units and 25 bands.

The city takes over the Columbus Day Committee of Greater New Haven's rotating parade from last year's host, Hamden, assuming site duties for the annual procession that celebrates the intrepid spirit of Christopher Columbus, the Italian navigator who discovered the New World 525 years ago and charted a course for millions of Italian sons and daughters who followed his crossing to America.

"The journey of Christopher Columbus is one of the great stories of daring and discovery, just as the journey of Italian immigrants is a story of discovery and bravery," said Mayor Edward M. O'Brien, whose Italian roots run on his mother's side of the family. "As we embark on our city's third parade in Columbus' name, let us commemorate his indomitable legacy and recognize the inspiring contributions of the Italian people to the heartbeat of our nation."

More than 15 million Americans claim Italian heritage, including about 40 percent of West Haven's residents, O'Brien estimated.

O'Brien has tapped Italian-American residents Natalie Guilianno DeRosa, Grace Iannucci Hendricks and Marie D. Lacobelle to helm the parade as grand marshals.

The 1.5-mile parade route steps off, weather permitting, at Captain Thomas Boulevard and flows up Campbell Avenue to Center Street as Italian flags line the way.

The two-hour procession was also held in the city in 2006.

To make the parade more of a regional event and attract more spectators, the committee in 2003 expanded the procession, originally held in New Haven, to North Haven, East Haven, Hamden and West Haven and added Branford in 2013, said Chairwoman Laura F. Luzzi, of Hamden.

The municipalities take turns hosting the parade once every six years, Luzzi said.

Heavy rain canceled last year's parade in Hamden.

The parade began in New Haven in 1892. The Knights of Columbus held a parade to mark the 400th anniversary of Columbus arriving in the New World.

"On behalf of the Columbus Day Committee of Greater New Haven, we are thrilled to be returning to the city of West Haven," said Luzzi, a supervisor at the Hamden Recreation Department. "My committee along with Mayor O'Brien and his hard-working staff have worked diligently to organize and fundraise for this year's parade, in which we anticipate a great celebration in West Haven."

The parade begins with an escort division led by the grand marshals with the West Haven High School Band, committee members and the Second Company Governor's Foot Guard.

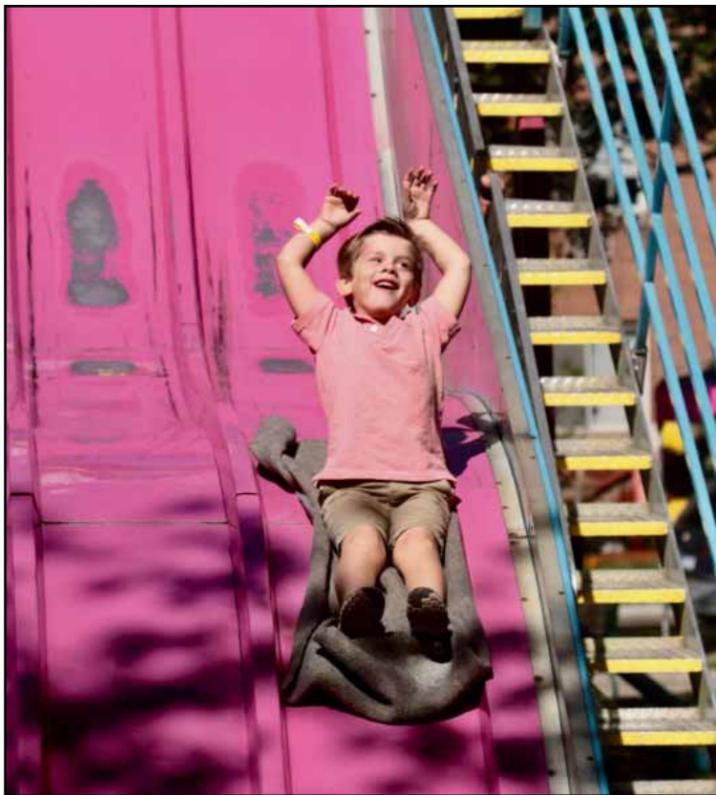
The procession, composed of five divisions, includes just about every kind of group, marching unit, float and vehicle imaginable, including the armed forces, police and fire departments, Italian-American societies, drill teams, drum and bugle and fife and drum corps, fraternal organizations and service clubs, school bands, and veterans and nonmilitary color guards.

Police traffic plans call for closing the south side of Captain Thomas Boulevard between Savin and Campbell avenues at 10:30 a.m. Captain Thomas between Campbell and Washington avenues will steer two-way traffic on the south side.

Traffic plans also call for closing all of Campbell Avenue at 12:30 p.m.

Festival fun!

The West Haven Apple Festival, sponsored by the parish of First Church of Christ, Congregational, was a smashing success on the Green last weekend. The first full weekend of fall provided excellent summer-like weather that brought out thousands over the two-day event. There was plenty to do and fun to have. The rides on the midway were a popular attraction for all those under 21 and a few that were over as well.



Robin Travers, age 4, a preschool student at the West Haven Child Development Center, Inc sees rain in the forecast.



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Rossi assails city 'bailout' option

Endorsed democratic Mayoral Candidate Nancy Rossi has blasted Mayor Edward M. O'Brien this week, following a news report detailing an \$8 million guarantee to the city as long as a "review" committee could be empaneled. Rossi said she warned the mayor about the \$8 million hole in his current budget throughout the process, and that the state guarantee is necessary because of his decisions.

Last week, published reports revealed State Reps. Dorinda Borer (D-115) and Michael De-Massa (D-116) were working with party leaders in the General Assembly to guarantee the \$8 million in state aid the city had included in its budget for Fiscal Year 2018.

The continuing budget bat-

tle in Hartford over the state's budget has put state aid to most cities in jeopardy.

The deal would guarantee the \$8 million as long as the administration agrees to a state review panel that would advise the city on fiscal matters.

The deal is said to be similar to a bailout package offered the City of Hartford.

Rossi said her campaign was alerting the administration and others that the continuing budget stalemate meant hard decisions had to be made.

"The mayor was warned by me and others back in March that he was making a huge mistake by adding an extra \$8 million of state aid into his budget," she said. "Not only did the mayor put the \$8 mil-

lion of uncertain state aid in the budget, he spent every last dime! New positions were created and multi thousand dollar raises were in the budget. No cutting was done by the mayor or the City Council, and in the end, the mayor's allies didn't vote for this fiscal disaster, the budget didn't receive the seven required votes for passage and went in by default."

She said her warnings were unheeded and the result is a gap in the city's finances that means state oversight.

"I continually warned the mayor and the City Council at meetings that including additional state revenue in the budget was unrealistic and irresponsible. As a result of the ignored warnings, we are

now faced with yet another multi-million dollar budget deficit requiring a state bailout and a state review board coming into West Haven," she said. "My understanding is at this time this is only a proposal and may or may not be passed, is there a contingency plan? The last time a review board came to West Haven our taxes nearly doubled."

Whether the state gives the city the funding or not, she insists the problems with city finances are structural and cannot be remedied until those problems are met head-on.

"I understand that the mayor needs the state bailout to balance his budget but it is not that simple. The bottom line is the money from the state is temporary and does not solve

the long-term problem. The \$8 million bailout from the state will not be permanent, my understanding is it's a one time fix and only gives the city time to balance its budget, live within its means and become fiscally responsible. The truth is that West Haven has to start doing business differently and our elected leaders need to take responsibility and become accountable for their actions. The city cannot continue to spend money it doesn't have," she said.

"The biggest problem is that the mayor does not understand financial statements or budgets and this has led to unbalanced budgets every year since he has taken office. The mayor spends the taxpayer's money recklessly and because of this has doubled the general fund budget deficit. Our city has the only negative budget reserve (\$16 Million), in the state and is ranked with the 2nd-lowest bond rating in Connecticut just above Hartford. West Haven cannot continue on this path," added Rossi.

Mayor O'Brien countered Rossi's claims by saying her naysaying was completely off track.

"The idea that the state is 'coming into West Haven' and taking over our finances in any way is completely false. The Municipal Advisory Review Board is exactly that, an advisory board. They do not make decisions for the city or have any actual control over our finances. This board is very similar to the Municipal Finance Advisory Commission which West Haven has been part of since 2005," he said.

No decisions have been made, O'Brien said, and he is listening and will do what is best for the city.

"While this plan is still only a proposal, I will gladly listen to advice from financial experts if it means West Haven being made whole," he said.

He said his opponent has to be more specific in how she would correct the city's financial woes.

"I would ask that instead of sitting on the sidelines throwing stones, Nancy actually talked about what her specific solutions would be for the issues our city faces." Repeating that you're a CPA over and over is not a solution. What would she do to actually address this situation if she doesn't want this additional state aid? Raise taxes? Cut services for public safety or the elderly? Reduce education funding? She talks about 'making tough decisions' but what does that actually mean?" he asked.

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Attorney Healey has represented hundreds of clients with regard to plaintiff's personal injury matters and has secured millions of dollars in recoveries for accident victims. He also devotes a substantial part of his practice to Worker's Compensation claims, Real Estate Closings, and Probate, Wills, and Estates.

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Iannuzzi-Hendricks fete set Friday

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The West Haven Columbus Day Committee will honor its “prima italiana” at the city’s 19th annual Columbus Day Celebration.

Grace Iannucci Hendricks, the granddaughter of immigrant grandparents from the Campania capital of Naples, Italy, will receive the committee’s Italian-American of the Year award Friday at City Hall.

Accompanied by Italian music, members of the West Haven Italian-American Civic Association will escort Iannucci Hendricks to the steps of City Hall at 11:30 a.m. for her special recognition.

The award is given annually to an Italian resident, or couple, who epitomizes service in the city’s robust Italian-American community.

“I am honored and proud to be named West Haven’s Italian-American of the Year,” said Iannucci Hendricks, a long-standing member of the West Haven Italian-American Ladies Auxiliary. “It gives me great pleasure to accept this award, as I am proud of my heritage.”

Iannucci Hendricks will fete the Italian navigator and observe her ancestry with scores

of her closest friends and relatives, along with a passel of dignitaries and descendants of folks from the old country clad in red, white and green.

Mayor Edward M. O’Brien will present Iannucci Hendricks, a parishioner of St. Lawrence Church and former president of its Mother’s Club and St. Theresa Ladies Guild, with a citation recognizing her “selfless devotion to West Haven and its deep-rooted Italian-American community — noble qualities that epitomize the city’s top ‘paisana’ of the year.”

She will receive an Italian flag from Paul M. Frosolone, president of the Italian-American Civic Association, and Josephine Matera, former president of the Italian-American Ladies Auxiliary, as well as a jacket embroidered with her new title, Italian-American of the Year, from O’Brien.

The event will include remarks from city Corporation Counsel Vincent N. Amendola Jr., the master of ceremonies, and Italian musical selections.

The Rev. Eric Zuniga, parochial vicar of St. John XXIII Parish, which serves St. Lawrence, St. Louis and St. Paul churches, will offer an Italian blessing. Members of West Haven High School’s Bel Can-

to Choir will sing “The Star-Spangled Banner,” followed by a rendition of the Italian national anthem by Liz Levy and a greeting from O’Brien.

A lunch will follow in the basement conference room of City Hall, 355 Main St.

Iannucci Hendricks’ propensity for community service includes sitting on the board of directors of the West Haven Community House and the board’s Fundraising and Head Start committees. She is also a member of the agency’s

Head Start Policy Council and Personnel and Fund Development committees.

Her dedication to the Community House was rewarded in 2011 with the Pauline Lang Exceptional Board Member award.



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Dear Felicia

Well there certainly is a lot to talk about as we head into the foist week of October, hon-eybunch. Things have been percolating around here for days, and it is jest a matter of time before the fan gits going and something hits it.

The biggest story of the week was a bit in the local papyrus that the city is hoping to git an \$8 million earmark from the state when and if it ever figgers out what the budget is gonna be for the current fiscal year. As of this writing, the boys and girls in Hartford are back to the drawing board after His Excellency the Governor stamped the budget passed last week with a big "VETO."

Tennyrate, in these parts hizzoner, the current and hopes-to-be-future mayor of our fair municipality is ready to sign onto an offer drawn up by the city's legislative delegation, and would give the city the same terms as the City of Hartford, which has its own

fiscal quagmire to contend with.

The long and short of it is that we would git the \$8 million and then be under "review" by a committee that would advise the city on financial matters. There is a quick rejoinder to say that this "review" committee ain't the same as the "oversight" committee that ran the city for three years in the 1990s after we almost went belly up. This "review" committee would be the same as what the city goes through now with the Municipal Finance Assistance Committee (MFAC) with its regular reviews.

Of course, in the parlance of the barrister community, critics are saying this is a distinction without a difference cuz with the state having 8 million reasons to be interested in how we spend our money, the "review" of the committee would have a bit more weight. Natchurly, one of those saying setch a thing is the Democratic

endorsed candidate Nancy Rossi.

She's doing an "I told you so," saying (and she has) that the city has been running deficit budgets for the past three years – witch it has – and there is no guarantee that the current budget is balanced, thus putting us behind the eight-ball for next year.

What really is going on here, is that no matter who gits elected, effen hizzoner – the current hizzoner – signs on the dotted line with the state (if and when a new budget is passed), whomever sits in the mayor's chair come the foist Sunday in December is gonna hafta live with it. That is the backstory of this caper.

Sammy Bluejay came in and told Cobina that whilst the story that appeared in the local papyrus only came out days ago, the entire thing has been on the docket for weeks, in fact since before the primary. Sammy sez there are some who are calling it old news.

Here's the problem with that: old news or not, many people didn't know about it, so it's new news to them. With an election coming up in five weeks, this doesn't help the write-in prospects of the incumbent. A lotta people were talking about this over the week, and old news or not, they thought it was new and not a good thing. The problem with these types of deals is lost in the conversation is the tidbit that the state is covering those dollars

earmarked in our budget as coming from the state. The fack the state can't git its act together is lost on most people. All they see is a review board or advisory board and they have flashbacks to the 1990s.

Meanwhile, Nelly Nuthatch called me over the weekend and asked a very pernted query: Who is wrong? By that she wanted to know which of the Demmies is wrong on the matter of the mayor going write-in, whilst he professes his fealty to the party. I guess that depends on which side of the Democratic fence yew sit.

To those who support the incumbent, this is a last-ditch effort to save the city from worse than death: a mayoralty by someone other than the current sitter in the chair. To those on the other side, it's a betrayal of what was promised on Primary Night, vowing to support the endorsed candidate. Objectively, there is only one answer. But since politics has lit'le to do with objectivity, it would be perntless to make the pernt.

No dear, I'm not wading into that quicksand bog. Effen the Demmies wanna go there, that's their prerogative. People like me, who just watch the goings-on aren't gonna git involved.

I will tell yew this, though. Effen yew were looking for unity on the slate, there ain't much. The O'Brien people

Iyam told have perty much gone with the write-in candidate, and the Rossi people are siding with their candidate. A couple candidates are trying to stay above the fray and run their own campaigns, which ain't settling well with some.

I told yew this is starting to shake out like 1989, and I still stand by that. A bunch of disaffected Demmies can decide to put their eggs in the GOP basket, or stay at home. Neither is good for either the incumbent or the endorsed candidate – and they both know it.

On a happier note, the Apple Festival was perty successful this past weekend, and Mother Nature, tho' she huffed and puffed, she din't let any rain come down so that helped keep the crowds coming. This next weekend the city is the spotlight o' the county as the New Haven Columbus Day Parade makes its foist appearance in six years. Over the last few, the committee has moved it around to various communities.

Of course, there are some who've been trying to tear down ole Chris, and they are the usual types who'd be witnesses to Eden and have a complaint. The one thing I can say about the current situation: it ain't suffering from a dearth of complainer, social-justice nags and downright ornery people who are only happy when they're miserable – and they are very happy.

Now will yew look at that: Iva Lootey told me about this a few weeks ago, and sometimes real life is better than fiction. It seems Yale-New Haven Health is buying the property near the Maltby Lakes off Derby Avenue, and gonna make its operations facility there. This is some 33 years after another hospital facility, Sursum Corda, was announced for that self-same property.

Oh, honeybunch. I remember that announcement at the Italian-American Club. Everyone who was anyone was there – and even a few nobodies. The announcement was made for a big rehab center for heart patients and it was gonna put the city at the forefront of what was then the new and upcoming outpatient residence clinic.

For years the thing languished. Dave Beckerman, who owned the land, once wanted to put a new UNH campus on the land, but the college decided to pass on the offer.

When Cobina hoid about the new development, her thoughts were back to that day a third of a century ag.

With that bit o' chatter, I'll close mitt luff und kizzez,

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Lowe's 'Heroes' upgrade facilities at city agency

The main building, playgrounds and a couple residential homes of the West Haven Community House (WHCH) have been upgraded, renovated and newly landscaped thanks to approximately 30 Lowe's employees who recently worked for three very hot days on various projects

as part of Lowe's Heroes volunteer program. Lowe's Human Resources Manager, Erick Martinez, organized the projects along with managers from local Lowe's stores including Milford, Derby, New Haven and Orange.

The process began back in May with communication

between the manager at the Lowe's store in Orange and WHCH staff.

Several visits were made to various sites in order to develop a plan to get all the projects completed.

As the list of projects grew, other stores including, Milford, New Haven and Derby volunteered their assistance as well.

The costs of the materials needed for the various projects were paid for by Lowe's and all installation was completed by their employees through the volunteer program.

Projects included installation of a fence and raised garden beds at one of the Community House's residential homes, landscaping and adding mulch to the playground at the Community House's Head Start campus as well as building tables for a craft area and creating an art work area with chalkboard paint and easels so that the children can show off their artistic talent.

"We are so thankful to the Lowe's Heroes volunteer program, the stores that participated and to all the Lowe's staff who volunteered," said Patty Stevens, Community House executive director.



Lowe's volunteers do some landscaping at the Community House.



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Protest a 'bridge too far'

The NFL has put itself into the middle of a situation from which it is trying desperately to extricate itself. The explosion of "protests" by players following President Donald J. Trump's comments he would fire players who did not stand for the National Anthem has been totally misrepresented by the media and is now the subject of "spin" by the players and owners.

Trump, in a rally two weeks ago, made his comments as part of his "America First" agenda and theme. He said what he would do as an owner. Immediately, the NFL, the NFL Players Association and the establishment media went ballistic. They accused the President of undermining the Constitution and the First Amendment rights of the players to protest. The criticism, because there is always criticism, was wrong on two counts: 1) Trump was talking about his own feelings concerning the protests; and 2) as employees of the teams, their free speech rights are abridged if they come into conflict with the best interests of the company for which they work. As a reflection of the owners of the teams, the owners have the right to demand certain conduct at certain times. The New York Yankees in baseball, for example, prohibit facial hair on its players. Some would call this abridgement of Freedom of Expression. Maybe, but the owners have right to demand conduct that is a reflection of them, their traditions and the company.

The NFL for its part has been (and we're being charitable) "selective" in its application of rules from its own operations manual. It denied players the ability to honor mothers, friends and others under its code of dress and conduct. The manual itself calls for all players to stand for the Anthem and have their helmets under their left arm.

The NFL has put itself in the corner of the players, and has seen its ticket sales plummet more than 17 percent. Its stadiums see games played at less than capacity, and its TV share has gone down dramatically.

Meanwhile, left wing pundits and columnists can't figure out why those objecting to the protests are so against the First Amendment, and why this is such a flashpoint in the continuing culture wars. We think we know.

For the last decade, and particularly since the election of Barack Obama, national institutions were politicized, their functions adulterated, and those who objected were vilified. Those who objected to political decisions made by Obama were tarred as "racists." Indeed, "racist" became the go-to word for any and all political foes. Since the election of Trump, those who support our traditions and institutions are called "white supremacists," "racists," "fascists," and "Nazis." Our college campuses have become play pens, where infantilized students need protection from words they don't like and political speech they can't handle. Statues of Founders, Confederate generals and even a musket on a cornerstone on the Yale campus have been removed or defaced because they are symbols of white supremacy, says the Left.

The protest by the NFL players was a bridge too far. Here are people who have benefited from the nation, its fans and its way of life, and they are claiming oppression. Seen in a world where there is real oppression, where people are thrown off buildings or stoned to death, or executed with mortar fire, these protests seem a bit self-centered.

Beyond that, sports are a diversion from the daily news cycle and the above-mentioned manufactured turmoil. This was one area of life that didn't seem politicized and a place we could all come together rooting for our favorite teams. That has been taken away and people don't like it. That is their right.

And while we're on the subject of rights, no one is complaining about the players' First Amendment right to protest or express themselves, but as the Left is so quick to point out when the shoe is on the other foot, exercising those rights have consequences. People who don't like what you're saying may exercise their rights as well. In this case, fans are voting with their feet, burning their tickets, and doing other things on Sunday afternoons.

The National Anthem controversy is the final straw for a good segment of the population that has had it "up to here" with those who attack our Constitution, our institutions and our way of life, while using the rights they have protected by those same things to call for their destruction.

People will only take so much. The limit is reached.



It was about 'sovereignty'

By Rich Lowry
Syndicated Columnist

To listen to the commentary, Donald Trump used an inappropriate term at the U.N. -- not just "Rocket Man," but "sovereignty."

It wasn't surprising that liberal analysts freaked out over his nickname for Kim Jong Un and his warning that we'd "totally destroy" Kim's country should it become necessary. These lines were calculated to get a reaction, and they did. More interesting was the allergy to Trump's defense of sovereign nations.

Brian Williams of MSNBC wondered whether the repeated use of the word "sovereignty" was a "dog whistle." CNN's Jim Sciutto called it "a loaded term" and "a favorite expression of authoritarian leaders."

In an otherwise illuminating piece in *The Atlantic*, Peter Beinart concluded that Trump's address amounted to "imperialism." If so, couched in the rhetoric of the mutual respect of nations, it's the best-disguised imperialist manifesto in history.

Trump's critics misrepresent the speech and misunderstand the nationalist vision that Trump was setting out.

He didn't defend a valueless international relativism. Trump warned that "authoritarian powers seek to collapse the values, the systems, and alliances that prevented conflict and tilted the world toward freedom since World War II."

He praised the U.S. Constitution as "the foundation of peace, prosperity and freedom for the Americans and for

countless millions around the globe."

"The Marshall Plan," he said, "was built on the noble idea that the whole world is safer when nations are strong, independent and free."

There's no doubt that there's a tension in Trump's emerging marriage between traditional Republican thinking and his instinctive nationalism. Yet he outlined a few key expectations.

He said, repeatedly, that we want nations committed to promoting "security, prosperity and peace." And we look for them "to respect the interests of their own people and the rights of every other sovereign nation."

Every country that Trump criticized fails one or both of these tests. So, by the way, do Russia and China.

Trump's core claim that "the nation-state remains the best vehicle for elevating the human condition" is indubitably correct; it is what makes self-government possible. If the alternative is being governed by an imperial center or transnational authorities, the people of almost every nation will want -- and fight, if necessary -- to govern themselves. (See the American Revolution.)

The U.N. is hardly an inappropriate forum for advancing these ideas. "The Organization," the U.N. charter itself says, "is based on the principle of the sovereign equality of all its Members." To the extent that the U.N. is now a gathering place for people hoping the nation-state will be eclipsed, it's useful to remind them that it's not going away.

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Y-NH Health plans operation center here

A swath of land that was earmarked for a medical facility more than 30 years ago is finally fulfilling that with an announcement by Yale-New Haven Health. The land, perched near the Maltby Lakes, will become the nerve center of the ever-expanding health organization.

In August, Yale-New Haven Health finalized the purchase of land at 600 Derby Ave. The 117-acre property will soon be home to the Yale New Haven Health Regional Operations Center (ROC).

"We intend to build a strategic operations center and distribution facility for medical supplies that can serve the entire health care system," said Stephen J. Carbery, vice-president, Facilities, Design, Construction and Real Estate, YNHHS. "As the health system looks to reduce costs and improve efficiencies, this land will provide us the ability to build a combined services and distribution center for medical supplies that can serve our

entire health system and other clinical partners."

The ROC will be a mostly one-story 140,000 sq. ft. building with a mezzanine. The building will be staffed by approximately 90-95 managers and staff with half of those positions to be newly created jobs. Yale New Haven will continue to use its Howard Avenue warehouse in the former SEAMCO building.

"The great City of West Haven is eager to work with Yale New Haven Health on this exciting new frontier of development on Route 34," Mayor Edward M. O'Brien said. "Yale-New Haven Health is the gold standard for health care systems worldwide, so it is fitting that one of West Haven's crown jewel development sites – a picturesque parcel fronted by the Maltby Lakes reservoir and surrounded by woods – will serve as the future home of an advanced warehouse for distributing medical supplies throughout the Yale New Haven Health System."

YNHHS intends to submit it plans for review to the city in October and the team is targeting a March 2019 opening.

It was in 1984 that then-Mayor Lawrence C. Minichino announced the purchase of the same tract of land by a New York City-based developer to construct Sursum Corda, Latin for "Lift up Your Hearts." The facility was to be a rehabilita-

tion center for heart patients.

It was to utilize the land along the lakes to offer patients and their families, places for hiking, fishing and other recreational activities. Following approval by various agencies, including the New Haven Regional Water Authority, the multi-million dollar project languished for years before finally being dropped. Even to-

day, some people refer to the tract as the "Sursum Corda Property."

The land was then purchased by developer David Beckerman and at one time offered the land to the University of New Haven for a new campus. That never materialized. Yale-New Haven's purchase closes a long chapter in land that has been vacant for decades.

Lowry: *Trump used dirty word in speech*

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All that said, there were indeed weaknesses in the speech. First, as usual, Trump's bellicose lines stepped on the finer points of his message. Second, sovereignty can't alone bear the weight of being the organizing principle of American foreign policy. Finally, Trump's foreign-policy vision is clearly a work in progress, as he accommodates himself to the American international role he so long considered a rip-off and waste of time.

Trump is adjusting to being the head of a sovereign nation -- that happens to be the leader of the world.

Rich Lowry is editor of the National Review.

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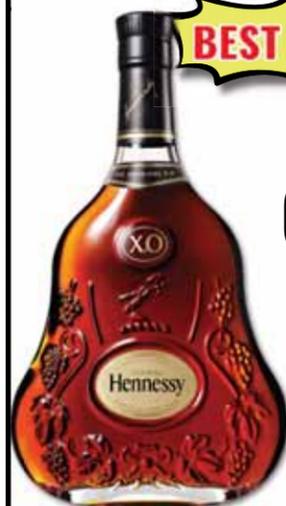


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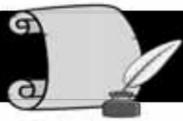
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Historian's corner

By Dan Shine

The Thunderbolt
With thanks to Mark Friedland, whose words appear below. Mark grew up in West Haven, and currently resides in Colorado-

Savin Rock's Outstanding Roller Coaster "The Thunderbolt" was built in 1925 by the Traver Engineering Co and designed by Prior & Church. Constructed on a pier supported by spiles out over the water, it was 505 feet long, from the water's edge out into Long Island Sound. It's zenith was 93 feet from the pier, and its drop of 85 feet, brought it within 8 feet of the main deck, a thrilling ride of terror! Riders would scream from delight and fright, as they raced around curves at breakneck speed.

The Thunderbolt is not to be confused with Savin Rock's other colossal roller coaster, the Devil which was also built over Long Island Sound. The Thunderbolt was located on Beach St, near Summer St, and next to Wilcox's Pier. The Devil was in Liberty Pier, home of many other rides & attractions, and was located near Grove St, between the years 1922 & 1932. Both of these roller coasters existed at the same time for a while, but The Devil, along with all of Liberty Pier, burned down in 1932, never to be rebuilt.

The 1938 Hurricane was disastrous to much of Savin Rock, and naturally the Thunderbolt was no exception, being completely destroyed by the storm. In 1939 it was rebuilt by Ackley, Bradley and Day, and renamed the "Giant Flyer". But devoted fans of Savin Rock's Thunderbolt would not accept the new name, and public outcry forced the owners to rename the coaster "Thunderbolt-Giant Flyer" But even though that may have been it's "official" name, most everyone referred to it simply as the Thunderbolt. Savin Rock entrepreneurs and ride & stand operators, were not known for being bashful, evidenced by a proudly painted sign at the entrance of the Thunderbolt that read "The Greatest Ride on Earth"! The Thunderbolt ceased operating in 1956, and the coaster was razed in 1957, because of rotting spiles on its understructure. In 1958 the Wild Mouse and Roto Jet rides were built where the Thunderbolt used to stand, between the Skooter and the New Death Valley Funny House, remaining there until the park closed down in 1966.

Great stories have been passed down in our folklore, but there has never been any confirmation or proof, or

evidence of any kind, riders on the Thunderbolt flew out of their cars to meet an untimely demise in the dark and scary Long Island Sound. There were two accidents resulting

in death on coasters built by Traver Engineering, (the builder of our Thunderbolt) one at the Cyclone in Crystal Beach, Ontario, Canada, and the other at the Lightning in

Revere Beach, Massachusetts. I'm not diminishing the tragedy of these two events, simply pointing out they didn't happen at Savin Rock's Thunderbolt. I'm guessing

parents either actually believed they occurred at Savin Rock, or didn't care, and were happy to use these stories as ammunition to scare their kids. to be careful.



This was the entrance to the Thunderbolt as it appeared circa 1938. The ride was a popular one at the amusement park and was a landmark in the region.

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Students aid hurricane victims

Students at Pagels School as part of the West Haven Community House after-school program made bracelets to raise money for victims of the Texas hurricane. The students sold the bracelets to friends, family, teachers and the public. The bracelets were sold for \$1 each and they have raised \$200. The children were led in the project by teacher Candace Simmons.

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Around Town

BP Garden Club

Bradley Point Garden Club will host a potluck luncheon followed by Garden Exchange, noon, Sept. 19, in West Haven City Hall, 355 Main St., to start the 2017-18 season. New members are welcome. Call Marie at (203) 878-8428.

WH Garden Club

The West Haven Garden Club will hold its monthly meeting on Thursday, Oct. 19, at St. Louis Church on Bull Hill Road at 11:30 a.m. After the meeting a luncheon will follow and our program will be on "Owls of Connecticut," presented by Julie Craver from the Denison Nature Center. Newcomers are welcome with a donation of \$5. For further information, please call (203) 937-1674.

'Back to the Oldies'

"Back to the Oldies" makes a return to Cielo, 85 Chase Lane, on Saturday, Nov. 11, from 8 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. Charles F. Rosenay the "Original Boppers DJ" is set to spin the discs, while Carla Gemma Caccavale performs. Tickets are \$20 per person and include door prizes, coffee and dessert. The raffle benefits the

MDA. For tickets, call (203) 795-5473 or (203) 468-2528.

Vendors needed

Our Lady of Victory School is looking for crafters for our annual OLOV Christmas Fair. It will be held Nov. 18 and 19.

If you are interested in obtaining an application please call the school at (203) 932-6457 between the hours of 8 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., or you can e-mail Cecelia Castillon at ccastillon@olovk8.org.

SRCS Fair

ROCKin' the Holidays Festival at Savin Rock Community School is looking for vendors, crafters and artist for their fair! Savin Rock Community School is located on 50 Park St.

The festival will held on Saturday, Nov. 18, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Rent six feet of space for \$25.

It is a juried selection, if you are interested in obtaining an application, or have questions please contact - Taryn Driend at (203) 931-6850 or email Taryn at Taryn.Driend@wh-schools.org. All applications must be in by Oct. 6, to be considered.

Senior trips offered

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To book trips, call Fred Mongillo, (203) 389-5808 or (203) 927-4249.

Monthly coin show

The Liberty Coin Show is back at the Elks Club, 265 Main St., on the third Sunday

of the month. Buy and sell your coins.

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At a Glance

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The city will begin accepting applications Oct. 17 for the federally financed Connecticut

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Appointments for all heating sources can be made

by calling (203) 937-3572.

The city will process applications by appointment Mondays through Thursdays. No walk-ins will be accepted.

Applicants who have difficulty speaking English are asked to bring a translator.

Eligibility for assistance is based on the income and assets of an applicant's household. To qualify, applicants must

provide pay stubs, including monthly Social Security benefits and pension checks, for the last four weeks for all household members 18 and older.

Applicants must also provide documentation of assets — recent bank account statements for all accounts for all household members — along with a current electric

bill for all heating sources and a current gas bill for those who heat with gas, as well as Social Security numbers and birthdates for all household members.

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Historical Society plans 3rd 'Tour'

The third annual Historical Society Walking Tour will take place on Saturday, Oct. 14. This year the focus will be on the mid-central area of Campbell Avenue beginning at the Green down to Brown Street. The tour will step off at 10 A.M. and will include the center area and will go as far as Brown Street then up to Washington Avenue from there to New Street and end with Johnny's Grille for lunch.

Cost of the Tour is \$15 for adults and \$10 for children 12 and under.

Walkers on the tour will be given a packet of old pictures of the area which will include a picture of employees of the old piano factory, and the first Washington School among other vintage photos.

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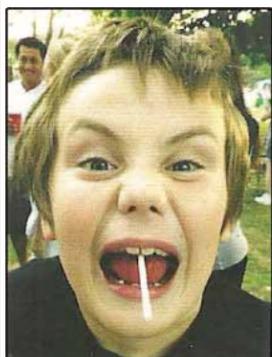
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4-0 Westies on the road in Cheshire

The West Haven football team was looking to continue its undefeated start, stay healthy and prepare for Cheshire next week when it hosted the Bassick Lions on Friday night at Ken Strong Stadium. It took the Blue Devils all of 16 seconds to take the lead when Latrell Best scooped up a fumble on the Lions' first play and raced for the touchdown. After the extra point it was 7-0.

After the Westies and Lions traded several possessions, the Blue Devils increased their lead 47 seconds into the second quarter to 15-0. Tyquan King took a handoff, hit the hole and was gone for a 34-yard touchdown run. Jordan Berrios ran in the two-point conversion. The Westies made it 22-0 when Jake Conlan hit Jordan Wetmore in stride with a 45-yard touchdown pass with 6:21 left in the half. Conlan was at it again two minutes later when his pass found brother Zach Conlan for a 26-yard TD pass and a 29-0 lead heading into the locker room at halftime.

The Blue Devils continued to stifle the Bassick offense while Chris Chance capped a West Haven drive with a 1-yard run for a touchdown to increase their lead to 36-0 with 9:14 left in the third quarter. Demerick Blackford scampered 49 yards to make it 42-0 with 8:40 left in the game and as time was winding down James Parker



Photo by Russ McCreven

West Haven's Zach Conlan stiff-arms a Bassick opponent and gets to some wide-open spaces in Friday night's game at Ken

ran around the right end and snuck into the end zone for the 48-0 final.

This week, the Westies travel to Cheshire to take on the 3-1 Rams at 7.

The girls soccer team traveled to North Haven on Monday afternoon and battled to a 1-1 tie. The Westies took a 1-0 lead in the first half when Mackenzie Holy fed Keegan Riccio and she found the back of the net. The Indians were able to get the equalizer with 6:47 left in the game for the 1-1 final. Betsy Magana made six

saves in goal for West Haven.

On Friday afternoon, the Blue Devils were on the road again to face the Lyman Hall Trojans. Despite the majority of the play being in the Trojan end during the first half, Lyman Hall was able to score off a set piece from 60 yards out when Betsy Magana lost the ball in the sun on a bounce with a Trojan player converging. The ball tipped off her fingertips and into the open net.

The Westies continued to battle and evened the contest when Taylor Nowak sent

a beautiful, crossing pass to Kelsey Gilmore in the center of the field. Gilmore collected the ball, picked her spot and drilled a shot past the Trojan keeper to knot the game at 1-1. Magana finished with three saves between the pipes and the Westies would settle for the tie.

The volleyball team hosted the North Haven Indians on Monday evening and things did not look good after the Westies were dominated 25-10 in the first set. Coach Kate Coldren's speech in between

games must have lit a fire under the Blue Devils because they came out like another team and swept the next, three sets 25-18, 25-23 and 26-24 to win their second game of the season. Megan Paterson led the Westies with 32 assists, Nancy Tapia had nine kills, seven digs and four aces and Irene Ronan had nine kills and three blocks.

On Wednesday, the Westies headed to Wallingford to face the Lyman Hall Trojans. The girls struggled for most of the **See Westies, page 14**



Photo courtesy of Todd Dandelske

Player of the Week

West Haven senior soccer player MacKenzie Holy is the Vio's Sports Plus/Westie Blue Player of the Week. Holy has been a leader for the Westies as the team is off to a 3-2-4 start. Read about MacKenzie on the Player of the Week page at www.westieblue.com.



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WestieBlue in touch

By Mike Madera

The West Haven girls soccer team has been consistent. That consistency has been on the scoreboard. Two wins and two losses started the season, and the

Westies followed with four even contests.

After four consecutive draws, the West Haven girls soccer team finally got back in the win column.

MacKenzie Holy and Kelsey Gilmore each scored twice, Megan Froehlich added three assists, and Alycia Morales made two saves to post a shutout as West Haven traveled to Hamden and defeated Sacred Heart Academy 5-0 Monday afternoon.

"This was a big win for us, one we needed," West Haven coach Pete Trenchard said. "After four ties in a row, all low scoring, it was nice to find the back of the net. The girls rose to the challenge against Sacred Heart, and we came away with a much-needed win."

With the victory, West Haven picked up its first victory in seven games and improved to 3-2-4 in the process.

Holy gave West Haven a 1-0 lead 12 minutes, 15 seconds into the contest with an unassisted goal, before Froehlich set up Gilmore 2:54 later.

Holy scored her second goal of the contest and gave the Westies a 3-0 advantage at the 18:10 mark, and Froehlich set up Taylor Nowak 1:26 later for a 4-0 advantage.

Off an assist from Froehlich, Gilmore capped the scoring on the day and gave West Haven a 5-0 lead 14:45 into the second half.

Gilmore is having a solid season as she leads the Westies with six goals and an assist, while Holy has three goals and an assist, and Riccio has two goals and an assist. Nowak has added a goal and two assists, and Froehlich has three assists thus far.

Following a 1-1 tie against North Haven last Monday afternoon in which Keegan Riccio scored off an assist from Holy, West Haven traveled to play Lyman Hall Friday afternoon in Wallingford.

Trailing by a goal, West Haven used a tally by Gilmore, off an assist from Nowak, to even the Trojans at one. The draw was the fourth in a row for the Westies and moved their record to 2-2-4.

West Haven had 10 shots in the game, while limiting Lyman Hall to just three.

Betsy Magana made two saves in the draw.

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Westies

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night, dropping a 3-1 decision to the Trojans. Megan Paterson had her usual solid game with 23 assists while Nancy Tapia had nine kills, six digs and two assists. Also contributing for the Blue Devils were Lexi Burzynski with nine kills, Irene Ronan with six kills and C.C. Condon with six digs.

On Saturday, the Westies hosted the Sacred Heart Academy Sharks. The girls dropped a 3-1 contest (22-25, 13-25, 25-20, 25-21) to the Sharks. Megan Paterson had 27 assists and six digs to lead the Westies. Nancy Tapia had six digs, and five kills while Veronica Lynn added six kills, two aces and two blocks.

The boys soccer team continued to struggle when it hosted the Career Panthers on Monday night. West Haven's best chance in the first half was a header by Matt Ffrench with 10 minutes left but it was snared by the Panthers' keeper. Career was able to get on the board in the early minutes of the second half and then added an insurance goal for the 2-0 defeat of the Blue Devils. Saul Novoa made eight stops in goal for the Blue Devils.

On Saturday, the Westies hosted the Hamden Green Dragons at Ken Strong Stadium. The Blue Devils were locked in a scoreless first half when Hamden sent a shot toward the West Haven goal that was saved by Saul Novoa but a Green Dragons' player kicked the ball out of his hands and Hamden took a 1-0 lead with 52 seconds left in the half.

After Novoa had to leave the game in the second half due to injury, the Green Dragons scored off a rebound with 28:18 left in the game to make it 2-0. Just 3:22 later, a Hamden player split the Westie defenders, went in alone and beat a charging Dan Majkut to increase the lead to 3-0. Fernando Jimenez scored for the Westies with an assist going to Matt Ffrench with 13 minutes left in the game but the Dragons iced it with another goal with 2:23 left for the 4-1 final. Saul Novoa and Dan Majkut combined to make eight saves. between the pipes.

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Mite A takes two wins in Youth Hockey play

The West Haven Mite A travel hockey team had two strong wins this weekend. On Saturday, the Westies faced Northern Lights at the Edward L. Bennet Rink. The Westies followed on Sunday by traveling to West Point, New York to play against Army.

The team offense was highlighted by passes from Finn Moriarty. Luke Jaques made some great defensive plays, and Alex Werle was solid in goal.

The West Haven Squirt A travel hockey team went 0-2-1 this past weekend. The Westies hosted Greater New Haven A at Bennett Rink on Friday night and suffered a 6-1 defeat. Thomas Porto scored the lone goal for West Haven, while Jacob Silva was solid between the pipes.

On Saturday morning, the Westies hosted South Windsor A and played to a 2-2 tie. Porto and Zach Goetze each had a goal and assist for the Blue Devils.

The Westies traveled to Stamford Twin Rinks for an

early morning game on Sunday against Darien A1 and lost, 9-5.

Porto gave West Haven a 1-0 lead at the first intermission when he buried a loose puck two minutes into the game. After a pair of Darien goals, Porto just beat the second period buzzer with assists to Goetze and Brady Price for a 5-3 score.

Goetze put in a tough-angle shot with an assist to Porto 1:28 into the third period, and Silva saved a penalty shot two minutes later to give the Westies momentum. But Darien scored four more in the period to put the game away. Porto fed Goetze for a breakaway goal to account for the last West Haven tally.

The West Haven Squirt B travel hockey team faced off against the Wonderland Wizards in Bridgeport this Saturday and suffered a defeat, 13-0.

West Haven goalie Maddex Lafountain left it all on the ice by stopping 43 of the Wizards 56 shots on goal.

On Sunday, the Westies came back home to Bennett Rink and found the back of the net eleven times in an 11-1 victory over the Yale Junior Bulldogs.

Showing the Westies the way with a combined 11 goals were centers, Cameren Lipford and Gavin Coady. Adding assists each were J.J. Hall and Lucas Iversen.

The West Haven PeeWee A travel hockey team split a pair of games this weekend to move to 6-1 on the season.

The Westies improved to 6-0 with a 6-2 victory over West Hartford at Trinity College Saturday morning.

Jayden Spreyer led the offense with two goals and two assists, while Nolan Cole and Colin Deane each had a goal and an assist in the win. Kyle Droney and Dave Brown also scored for the Westies.

West Haven suffered its first defeat of the year with a 6-1 loss to Watertown at the Edward L. Bennett Rink Sunday morning. Watertown took control of the game in the first

period, scoring five times, four on the power play.

The Westies inched closer in the second period when Deane scored a short-handed goal off an assist from Michael Madera 4:44 in, but the Westies never got closer and fell to 6-1 on the year.

The West Haven Bantam A travel hockey team defeated the Wonderland Wizards, 6-1, on Saturday morning at Bennett Rink in West Haven.

The Westies started fast as Nick Boanno opened the scoring with a power play goal after receiving a nice pass from Steve Lewis.

The Wizards answered by scoring the tying goal as the

first period ended tied at one.

That is as close as the Wizards got the rest of the day as the Westies exploded for five second period goals. First, it was Ryan Smith scoring the first of his two goals on an unassisted play, then, it was the Carfora brothers combining for a goal as Ben Carfora cleaned up his brother D.J.'s work to put the Blue Devils up 3-0.

Michael Kelly and Rocco Plano scored the next two goals as the Westies went up 5-1 after two periods.

Nico Bruneau closed out the scoring with the only goal of the third period as the Westies rolled to an easy victory.

Dragons double up on Oyster River

In the CDG Division action this past weekend, CT Pest Elimination Orange Dragons defeated Oyster River Oil, 4-2. Caydance Hill, Madyson Ortiz, Nina Reed and Nada El Moyki all scored for the Dragons, while Fatima Mayana played great on the field, displaying impressive soccer skills. On the Oyster River side of the ball, a goal was scored by Juliana Mancini and Isabella Violante-Fletcher and Isabel Kariais had a great game on defense. Alexandria Lindsay, Mackensie Jacsics and Melissa Valtierra supplied strong defense to keep the score close.

In the CDB division, the Green Knights continued their

impressive play as they outscored Top Hat Dancing Red Team, 10-1. Joseph Lakaj had four goals, Miles Ligon had 3, while Edward Perez, Daniel Fedieta and Chauncey Best each chipped in with a goal. Rui DaSilva played a strong game all around. On defense Quinn Eyrlich and Jordan Paulin held the defense together and goalkeeper Isiah Hampton, Andrew Bello, Jason Giannotti and John Kalapala continued a great tandem of goalkeepers.

In EG Division play, the Italian Imports Red Fireballs put forth another solid soccer effort falling in a close match, to the Baybrook Remodelers Maroon team, 1-0. Katerina

Oliviera, Mariella Cappetta and Madison Jacksics led an outstanding offense with numerous shots, just missing several shots with great skills. Alexandria Lindsay, Mackensie Jacsics and Melissa Valtierra supplied strong defense to keep the score close. Madden Evangeliste Played well in net.

In the GB Division, GB3 played GB5, losing 5-3. For GB3, Josiah Soto had a great

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Green Knights get a 'W' over Branford

Football gets into win column -- The Notre Dame football team clicked on all cylinders in the first half, scoring on all six possessions, enroute to its 40-13 win over Branford last Thursday. The win was the first for first-year head coach Joe DeCaprio, who took over when the legendary Tom Marcucci retired in December.

"It's a great feeling," said DeCaprio. "It's definitely not about me though. I am glad we got win number one on the season for the kids. We played really well in the first half and I am proud of them and we are going to sing that fight song really loud on the bus ride home."

Notre Dame scored on a pair of touchdown runs and an unconventional fumble recovery in the first quarter. First, Justin Shanley jumped on a Chris Elias fumble in the end zone to open the scoring. Kaileb Cadet '18 and

Nick Petruzzelli added 55 and six-yard touchdown runs.

The second quarter saw Elias and Zach Hochman team up for three touchdown passes from 17, then 13, then 55 yards out as the Green Knights raced to a comfortable 40-0 halftime lead.

Soccer moves to 3-2-3 -- Thomas Ellis salvaged a 1-1 tie with Sheehan with a late goal in its SCC contest on last Thursday. Notre Dame had fallen behind with less than six minutes to play before Ellis saved the day with his late goal.

"When we got down a goal, we did not panic, said head coach Rudy Rafone. "We continued pressing. The ball squirted out to Ellis and he shot a low hard shot far pole that the keeper could not stop."

Earlier in the week, offense was not a problem as the Green Knights erupted

for five first-half goals, four in the last eight minutes of the half to erase an early 1-0 deficit, en route to a 7-1 win over East Haven on Tuesday, Sept. 26, at Veterans Field.

Chris Seeland scored on a pair of penalty kicks while Joe Antonucci '18 added a pair of regulation-time goals to lead Notre Dame. Andrew Marinelli '18 netted the game winner as his score gave ND a 2-1 lead. Franco Acuna and Christian Fillion added second half goals for Notre Dame. Jay Brennan recorded his second straight win in goal.

Cross-country Runs Third in Invitational -- The cross-country team placed third in the Large School division in the 6th annual Harry Gerahty Invitational on Friday at Nevers Park in South Windsor.

The seven varsity runners all finished within 29 seconds of one another over the 5K length race. In addition, the

top five runners finished within 16 seconds of each other. The Green Knights were led by Thomas Minar who finished 31st overall and ran in a time of 19:15. Four of the next seven runners to cross the finish line were Green Knight harriers, all within 10 seconds of one another. Jacob Carson crossed the finish line next in 35th place in a time of 19:21.

Harlem Wizards -- The Notre Dame basketball team will be hosting a benefit basketball game with the Harlem Wizards on Saturday, Oct. 28, at 7:30 pm at the University of New Haven gymnasium. This event is a fundraiser for the Green Knights basketball team, who will play three games in Orlando during winter recess as part of a tournament at the Wide World of Sports Complex at Disney World. Tickets are \$12 for adults/\$10 for students if purchased in advance.

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Youth Soccer: U-11 win, 4-2

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overall performance with a goal and Alexander Jones and Nylah O'Gilvie contributed strong play.

In another game for the GB3 team, it played GB6, winning 5-4.

For GB3, Zaid Abdulkarem had a great overall performance with a goal and excellent defense. Sofia Vallejo and Angelina Frosolone in the win.

The Elite Soccer Camps U-12 girls travel team played at home Saturday against Wallingford, falling 4-2 against their tough opponents.

Wallingford scored two early, despite the strong defensive play of Isabelle Nagle and Cynthia Burns.

The Westies pulled even after halftime, with Abigail Phelan and Summer Krajcir stringing together passes to open spaces up for their teammates to attack.

Brooke Throm and Josephine Lakaj also gave a solid effort.

The West Haven girls U-11 Lightning Travel Team hosted Clinton on Sunday afternoon, and the Westies came out on top, 4-2, in large part thanks to the very strong goalkeeping of Kayla Burt.

She made some spectacular saves to give West Haven the win.

Chloe Whelan anchored the defense, and stifled a few Clinton counter attacks. Adelia Parise, Niamh Chesson, and Sophie Mazuroski also played well on defense, while Etta Funke and Annabelle Pasacreta worked hard on the flanks

in the win for West Haven.

The West Haven girls U-11 Thunder played two tough games this weekend, losing both, but playing really well in the process.

On Saturday the Thunder traveled to Guilford, and fell, 1-0, though it was the visitors that outplayed their opponents.

Sunday the girls faced a tough Milford team that is on a role lately. Llyanna Griffith-Waite and Andreyra Bridges played well on defense, and Lea Boguniecki never stopped hustling and going after the ball.

Amyah Kelly, Ciara Harp, and Michelle Ceja were aggressive on offense and Jayden Braaker gave an all around strong effort over the weekend.

The West Haven U-10 boys won two games this weekend.

The Blue Devils defeated Meriden, 5-1, on Friday night in Meriden. Mehmet Aciker led the team with two goals and an assist.

Sean Studley scored a goal and an assist.

Nate Charron and Santiago Morales added goals while Jovan Lukaj and Pablo Feregrino had assists.

Efrain Brown and Maicon Miguel split time in net. Matt Pantan was stout on defense.

On Sunday afternoon the Westies defeated Branford, 4-1.

Studley had two goals, including a direct free kick. Pantan had a goal and assist. Ramy Mendhouj scored a goal while Eddie Fagnani added an assist.

Seahawks topple Milford

The West Haven Seahawks traveled to Milford this past weekend and came out poised to make a run for the Southern Connecticut Pop Warner playoffs.

The day started with the Seahawks Junior Peeewe team (4-1) beating the Milford Eagles, 27-6. Quarterback Nick Conlan passed for one touchdown to Nysir Harris, and ran for another. Conlan also connected on three extra point conversions to Aiden Coe and Harris. Avian Evans also rushed for two touchdowns in the victory. A good tackling defense was led by Caleb Oakes, Qamari Newton and Ethan Blackwell.

The Peeewe Seahawks (5-0) beat the previously undefeated Milford Elks (4-1), 25-0. Carson Hill and Jahzire Massey each accounted for two touchdowns. Devan Robinson had two quarterback sacks and Javar Smith and Cayden Drost each pulled down an interception to keep the high powered Milford offense at bay.

The Junior Midget team (5-0) also matched up against an unbeaten and very talented Milford Eagle squad (4-1) and squeaked by with a 13-11 win. After a scoreless first

quarter, the Seahawks' Pearson Hill opened the scoring and Konye Taylor added the extra point for a 7-0 lead. Milford came right back scoring and kicking the extra point for an 8-7 Milford Eagle lead at the half.

Midway through the third quarter, the Eagles kicked a 31-yard field goal to increase the lead to 11-7. Early in the fourth quarter, running back Tymaine Smith raced 41 yards for a touchdown, making the score 13-11.

The defense battled the remainder of the game and the Hawk defense was led by

Preston Denno, Donovan Davis, Bryson Robinson, Jo-Jo Winder and Amir Nakome.

The fundamental level Junior Mighty Mites hosted the New Britain Raiders in a great defensive matchup. Jey Scanlon led the offensive attack, and Caden Stanley and Darryl Small each played great defense and recorded sacks.

The Seahawk teams will be on the road again this week at Trumbull, Manchester and Hartford.

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Quarterback Jayden Roby (3) hands off to Trysten Dos (22) during this past weekend at Milford. The Seahawks remained unbeaten with a 25-0 victory.

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17 Language of Pakistan

18 Light brown

19 Chapeau

20 Diamond corners

21 Gender

22 Humor

23 Range

26 Plant

30 October stone

31 Half a dozen

32 Sea eagle

33 Seeming contradiction

35 Magnificent

36 Ultra-formal wear

37 "Absolutely"

38 Malice

41 Sawbuck

42 Scalding

45 Speck

46 Breaks into smithereens

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49 Listener

50 Neighborhood

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53 Indigent

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Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions forward, backward, up, down and diagonally

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Can you "drive through" this puzzle in less than five minutes? Hidden in the diagram above are names and words associated with fast food. They can be found by reading up or down, or side to side. You'll even find them diagonally going up or down. Letters can be used more than once. Listed below are the words that you are looking for.

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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

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— Weekly SUDOKU —
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