



Year 85

Photo by Russ McCreven

West Haven's Twilight League observed opening day ceremonies at Quigley Stadium, a celebrated event each year since 1933. President Vin DeLauro presented a bouquet of roses to the late Mario Peruzzi's mom, Alberta, and Special Olympian's took some photos and warmed up with League players prior to the start of the official action.

By Michael P. Walsh

Special to the Voice

Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 9422 Cmdr. Freddy Jackson will lead the Memorial Day parade as grand marshal when it steps off at 10:30 a.m. Monday.

Jackson was originally selected to serve at the helm of last year's parade, but it was canceled by rain.

To prevent a similar unforeseen occurrence, organizers said this year's parade — and future Memorial Day parades — is being held rain or shine.

Jackson, now a year older at 72, will guide the 50-unit procession of veterans, dignitaries and bands along the 1.5-mile parade course, which begins at Captain Thomas Boulevard and flows up Campbell Avenue to Center Street.

An Army veteran who served in Colorado and Korea in 1963-66 during the Vietnam War era, he embraced the honor — again — with typical grace and humility.

"To me, it is such an honor to even have been

considered to be the grand marshal," Jackson said. "It will be the highlight of my life, and it is something I will never forget. I am proud to be the grand marshal for the city of West Haven."

Jackson was tapped by the West Haven Veterans Council, which helps the city organize the annual parade, for his years of service to the Army, his fellow vets and his community, the latter of which is perhaps the cornerstone of the qualifications for grand marshal, council President Dave Ricci said.

Jackson's contributions to the Veterans Council, the governing body of the city's veterans organizations, are duly noted.

He is a longtime member of Hughson-Miller Post 71 of the American Legion and served as commander in the early '90s.

He has also volunteered for years at the West Haven Veterans Affairs Hospital and is a former girls softball coach.

This year's edition of southern Connecticut's oldest and largest parade of its kind will fea

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'Walk of Honor' dedication Saturday

By Michael P. Walsh

Special to the Voice

Members of the West Haven Veterans Council and city officials will dedicate the 10th phase of the brick Veterans Walk of Honor at 5 p.m. Saturday in Bradley Point Park.

All veterans are invited to participate in the seaside ceremony, which will feature opening and closing prayers, a presentation of the colors and taps, as well as remarks from Mayor Edward M. O'Brien and Veterans Council President Dave Ricci.

City Council Chairman James P. O'Brien, D-6, who is also chief of the West Haven Fire Department, will serve as the master of ceremonies.

In November 2006, the Veterans Council began the first of 10 campaigns selling bricks to memorialize vets on the 100-yard Walk of Honor between the William A. Soderman and Vietnam Veterans memorials.

The bricks, which cost \$75, have charcoal lettering for personalized messages.

About 2,600 bricks have been installed so far, including 100

for the 10th phase and 135 for the ninth phase, which was dedicated last May.

In May 2015, the dedication of the eighth phase included the dedication of a granite stone in memory of Lorelee "Lori" Grenfell, longtime president of the Veterans Council, who died Feb. 19, 2015, at age 60. The memorial was crafted by Giordano Bros. Monuments of Derby Avenue.

The Walk of Honor's first phase and the city's Korean War Memorial were dedicated in May 2007.

In May 2008, the walkway's second phase and a memorial in honor of World War II Army Pfc. William A. Soderman were dedicated.

Soderman received the Medal of Honor after he distinguished himself in December 1944 while defending an important road junction near Rocherath, Belgium.

Four years after his death, on July 1, 1984, the flagpole in Bradley Point Park was dedicated in Soderman's memory.

City Human Resources

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File photo by Michael P. Walsh

The brick Veterans Walk of Honor in Bradley Point Park will be dedicated on Saturday.

Attention Art Instructors!

The West Haven Voice is in need of late summer and fall weather pictures. Instructors can drop off or email color and black-and-white pictures to: info@whvoice.com.

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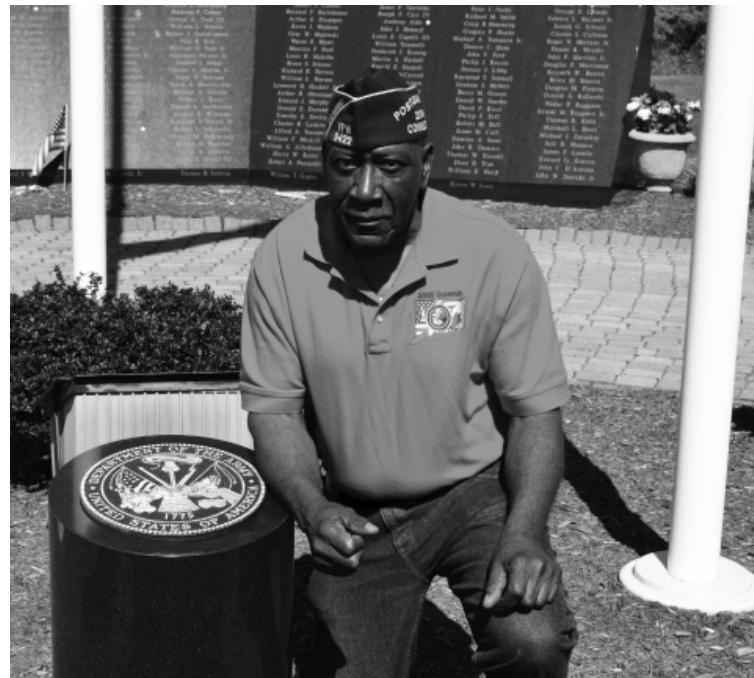


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Attorney Mark A. Healey has been practicing law in West Haven, CT for more than 25 years.



Mark received his education at Hopkins School in New Haven graduating with the Class of 1979. He went on to study Economics at Hamilton College where he earned his Bachelor of Arts degree. He then attended Case Western Reserve University in Cleveland, Ohio and received his Law Degree in 1986.

Mark began his career in law working with a small, general practice firm that specialized in plaintiff's personal injury cases. In 1992, he opened his own law practice on Savin Avenue, on the West Haven Green, and has been there ever since.

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.

Currently, Attorney Healey is the President of the West Haven Bar Association, a member of the New Haven Bar Association, the Connecticut Bar Association, Connecticut Trial Lawyers Association, and the American Association for Justice. He has been accredited by the Better Business Bureau and is rated as "Highly Ethical and Highly Professional" by Martindale Hubbell.

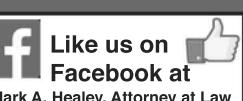
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Parade: Jackson leads

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ture three marching divisions and a military division, as well as special accommodations for disabled veterans.

The procession will include an eight-seat golf cart carrying former grand marshals that is bedecked with a star gracing the names of those deceased. Other veterans will ride on a float.

"On Memorial Day and every day, we honor the selfless men and women in uniform who defended the promise of America," Mayor Edward M. O'Brien said. "Upholding the liberties we so profoundly cherish, our nation is grateful for the service and sacrifice of our brave patriots and their invaluable contributions to preserving and protecting the United States. Freddy Jackson's wholehearted devotion

to his country and community embodies the noble qualities of the grand marshal."

Jackson, the youngest of five siblings, was born and raised in Opp, Alabama, a small town 19 miles from the Florida Panhandle.

He excelled in academics and athletics at Ralph Bunche High School, a county high school in Andalusia, Alabama. A standout linebacker, he played on the school's undefeated state championship football team in 1960.

In June 1963, less than two weeks after graduation, Jackson joined the Army at age 18 and completed basic training eight weeks later at Fort Gordon, Georgia.

He was assigned to the 5th Infantry Division at Fort Carson, Colorado, and served as a supply clerk.

After amphibious and extreme weather training in preparation for Korea, Jackson was stationed at Camp Hovey, South Korea, where he guarded the Demilitarized Zone, which divides North and South Korea.

"We had some scary nights guarding the DMZ, even a scary day when there was gunfire," said Jackson, who was a radarman in the 7th Infantry Division on the Korean Peninsula.

The North, officially the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, and the South, officially the Republic of Korea, have been in a technical state of war for decades.

Jackson praised his three years in the Army.

"I do not have one regret of not going to college," said Jackson, who acknowledged that he could have gone, but "we did not have a lot growing up."

"In the Army," he said, "I had the opportunity to go to Alaska, Tokyo and Korea and meet many good people who inspired me."

Jackson was honorably discharged as a specialist E-5 in April 1966.

On Aug. 1, 1966, Jackson and his childhood sweetheart, the former Miriam Silas, were married by a justice of the peace in Samson, Alabama.

The couple came to West Haven in 1968 after Jackson visited his brother, Nathaniel Jackson, who lived in the city at the time.

"I had no intention of staying, but I liked West Haven," Freddy Jackson said.

Jackson immediately found work as a custodian at the then-headquarters of the New Haven Register on Orange Street in the Elm City.

About a month later, he pursued an employment opportunity at Detroit Steel Co. on State Street in Hamden. For the next 21 years, until the company shuttered in 1989, he worked in shipping and also cleaned steel before it was rolled and cut into sizes.

For the past 28 years, Jackson has held various custodial jobs at the Robert N. Giaimo Federal Building on Court Street in New Haven.

He and his wife live on York Street in West Haven and have two grown daughters, Tiffany and Joya, and eight grandchildren.

Jackson stays active directing the affairs of the city's VFW post, which was established in 1929 and is headquartered at 233 Spring St.

The parade will commence with a flyover by a World War II AT-6 Texan. Jackson will steer the procession from a convertible flanked by the West Haven Police Color Guard.

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Dear Felicia

Hard to believe, sweets, but here we are in the last full week o' May and the annual Memorial Day parade is (rain or shine) gonna happen on Monday. Of course, yew and I are old enuff to remember when Memorial Day was May 30 – and some o' our relatives of a certain age still called it "Decoration Day." Then came the 70s and the idea that all holidays had to make long weekends. Tennyrate, here we are and as usual, the Mystic Maidens of the Marsh are being kep' outta the festivities.

Once again, we had the idea for a float in the parade, and once again, the looks we got from the powers that be told a tale. Here we are one o' the oldest groups in the city, and the MMMs are not allowed to march – though, truth to tell, effen we had to march, most of us would faint from the strain.

So, we'll just plan our annual get-together in the Morse Park salt flats and see how the rest of the day shapes up.

Here in the Asylum by the Sea, things seem to be ramping up in unexpected places. Whilst the fun and games continue over the new budget in Hartford, the rumor mill in our little corner of the world seems to be in overdrive. As yew know, Gov. Dannel Malloy's minions have determined that revenues aren't anywhere near where they were projected (some say that's no surprise), and the state is on the verge of being awash in \$5 billion in red ink.

All the stops are being pulled out to – as the local press likes to say – "close the gap," but that would mean a lotta cutting is gonna be made, and a lotta handwringing follows. Nobody wants to admit that for the last two or three decades the state's budget has had a nasty habit of increases by double digits, and that the gravy train that allowed the state to tax, tax and tax again, has finally hit a dead stop. Even Malloy had to admit the old bromide of "taxing the rich" is no longer an option cuz the rich are fleeing

the state.

Tennyrate, the pernt of this story is that now it's being said that state aid to cities might be cut "dramatically" and that cities and towns are gonna feel some pain. Yew might remember that hizzoner, when proposing his budget, thought he was being politick by cutting his expected aid by a third in the budget. Word is the city was told it was gonna git \$12 million, but hizzoner only put in \$8 million, thinking he'd give himself some wiggle room effen the state put the kibosh on spending.

Well, the rumors flying about the berg are that the city is gonna get more money on one day, and then can be cut dramatically on t'other. In other words, nobody really knows what's gonna happen. In fact, some politicos are saying quite freely that we won't know what the final total is until the state finalizes its budget. And that could be some weeks away.

I gotta feeling some city officials here and elsewhere are spending a few sleepless nights.

nothing about this case is what can be described as "usual."

I can say this, neither Vic nor his nemesis Supt. of Schools Neil Cavallaro are gonna be on each other's Christmas Card list any time soon. Tennyrate, Vic has put forth this case, and it's making people wonder effen there ain't some jockeying going on wherein a settlement might be announced.

I dunno, but I do know that himself wants a hearing before the Board of Ed, which Iyam told he has a right to have. Sooooo, we shall see where this goes. I will say this, also. One way or t'other there's gonna be a lotta collateral damage, and what once were friendships might be long gone.

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*Iva Lootey was in the other afternoon and after reading last week's papyrus thought hizzoner was a bit harsh on Mike Mercuriano and his distrust of politicos and pencil-pushers in Hartford. The mayor seems to think that assurances he gives Mercuriano are supposed to make him sleep better at night.*

*Just contemplating the whole budget battle in Hartford should indicate to hizzoner that the word of politicos is about as reliable as the weather. The bureaucrats up there have tried to pull fast ones in the past. Two years ago they tried to take away the jurisdiction of municipal P&Z's over a 1000-foot swath of land on any side of a choo-choo station. It wasn't un-*

*til the reps from Fairfield County got hold of it and nixed it that the matter died – for a time.*

*Nobody trusts the state when it comes to things like this, and Mikey is always looking out for the best interests of the train station. He can be a bit single-minded on the issue, but methinks the people in the Actors Colony should be less trusting of the Hartford contingent than of people of good will here. Jest my thoughts, hon.*

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Hmmm. The wag came in t'other afternoon and had a very good query about Beach Street, whilst we were sipping Earl Grey. He want to know how the re-grading of Beach Street is gonna affeck the sale of the three business properties along that byway? I think it's a good question.

The state and city have determined that the roadway of Beach Street has taken a beating over the last several storms, be they hurricanes or something else, and that raising the road to curb flooding might be a good move. It is, when you think about it.

What the wag brought up, though, was the fact that the former Debonair Motel, the former Chick's Drive-In and the former Captain's Galley are all up for sale, and all affected by what happens there. He's wondering effen it could affeck the sales and/or development of those properties.

Effen yew wanna be snarky about it, one could say that it can't make it any worse. The Debonair was bought four years ago, and nothing has been done since, same with Captain's Galley, it closed quite a while ago, and nobody is breaking down the doors to buy it.

Meanwhile, Chick's closed about a year and a half ago, and that building is standing vacant.

We shall see, but one wonders how in blazes the rebuilding of the road could make the lack of action on that street any worse than it already is.

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*Finally, here it is the end of another month and nothing is happening at the Haven site. Nothing is happening as far as permits, so that means nothing is gonna happen until they are taken out. We've got lotsa boarded up buildings, and some businesses that are still operating over there. As we git closer to November, I expeck something is gonna happen so that hizzoner's campaign doesn't have an inconvenient ishew on its hands, but as far as real progress, not so much.*

*With that bit o' chatter, I'll close this week till next, mitt luff und kizzez,*

*Cobina*

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**Way to Go!**

Bailey Middle School guidance counselor Elizabeth Dorsi, right, receives the Way to Go award May 11 from seventh-grader Lance Andriulli, his grandmother, Theresa Andriulli, and city Youth and Family Services Director Robert S. Morton on behalf of the West Haven Inter-agency Network for Children. Dorsi was nominated by Theresa Andriulli, a member of the West Haven Parent Support Group for children with special needs, who said: "Ms. Dorsi is always available to the students and parents. She goes out of her way to help with any problem, no matter how big or small, and really cares about the students." The Way to Go program honors teachers, therapists and coaches who go "above and beyond" to help children and establish better relationships with families and providers.



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## Memorial Day, 2017

Memorial Day was begun as a way to honor the Civil War dead in the 1880s. Known as Decoration Day until fairly recently, it is a way for the nation to remember all those who fight for the nation, and especially those who pay the ultimate price. Families and organizations would go to the graves of the Civil War dead and put flowers around the headstones. The practice continued following the Great War, and after the wars that followed.

With our fighting men and women in harm's way, this Memorial Day takes on a special meaning. It will be a bittersweet reminder that many thousands are away from home, serving the nation in far-off lands. We think of no greater editorial opinion than expressing the hope they return to us safely.

We make that opinion known by means of a hymn known to us all, though slightly changed to include all the services. *The Navy Hymn*, known also as *Eternal Father, Strong to Save*, was written by Englishman William Whiting. It became the U.S. Navy's hymn soon after, and no service in the Academy Chapel at Annapolis concludes without its singing. It was revised in the Missionary Prayer Book in the 1930s to the version we show here. Sung to John B. Dykes stirring tune, *Melita*, it is a favorite of all denominations, and gained a bittersweet resurgence during the days following the assassination of President John Kennedy.

We present it in an ecumenical version as the hope of all, no matter what creed or religion one follows:

Eternal Father, strong to save,  
Whose arm hath bound the restless wave,  
Who bidd'st the mighty ocean deep  
Its own appointed limits keep:  
O hear us when we cry to Thee  
For those in peril on the sea.

O God, the Lord of hill and plain  
O'er which our traffic runs amain,  
By mountain pass or valley low:  
Where ever, Lord, Thy brethren go,  
Protect them by thy guarding hand  
From every peril on the land.

O Spirit, whom the father sent,  
To spread abroad the firmament:  
O Wind of Heaven, by Thy might  
Save all who dare the eagle's flight,  
And keep them by the watchful care  
From every peril in the air.

Almighty God of Love and Power,  
Our brethren shield in danger's hour;  
From rock and tempest, fire and foe,  
Protect them whereso'er they go;  
Thus evermore shall rise to Thee  
Glad praise from air and land and sea. Amen.



## The worst word in politics

**By Rich Lowry**  
*Syndicated Columnist*

For the past couple of years, the most important word in American politics has been the worst -- "rigged."

Emanating from slang back in the 17th century, developing into a description of financial fraud, and then branching out to apply to cheating in sports and elections, "rigged" had a breakthrough year in 2016, and it shows no sign of loosening its grip.

It is a word of grievance and conspiracy. It is a word of institutional distrust. It is a word of larger forces beyond our control taking advantage of us. It is a word that says, "We wuz robbed -- and we will make the bastards pay."

In short, it is the perfect term for a fevered era in our national life.

Donald Trump has charged that everything is rigged. "It's not just the political system that's rigged, it's the whole economy," he said during the campaign. The rigging specifically encompassed, among other things, "unfair trade, immigration and economic policies," as well as the Republican primary (at least when he was losing ground).

Since Hillary Clinton picked up on the verbiage from Bernie Sanders, both major-party candidates last year argued that the system had been manipulated by nefarious forces working for their self-interested ends, i.e., "rigged." The election was basically a contest over which party had a better claim on the word. Yes, "the game is rigged," Elizabeth Warren thundered. "It's

rigged for guys like Donald Trump."

In the stretch run of the campaign, Trump warned his supporters that "we are competing in a rigged election" and demurred from saying in advance that he would accept the results. Democrats lamented Trump's rhetoric, but when he pulled off a stunning upset, they immediately resorted to rigged charges of their own. Trump hadn't really won; the election had been stolen in a smoke-filled room somewhere in the Kremlin.

The charges and counter-charges contrast with the by-gone era when national politicians avoided public allegations of foul play even when they might legitimately suspect it. Richard Nixon didn't contest his razor-thin defeat

in the 1960 presidential election, despite doubts about the vote count in Illinois and Texas. He thought it wouldn't be good for the country, whereas now charges of rigging are the default. With trust in most American institutions badly eroded over the past 40 years, such accusations find a ready audience -- and do their part to undermine trust a little bit more.

The idea that whatever we don't like about our country is the handiwork of shadowy forces is a form of paranoia, certainly when it involves systems as large, diverse and uncontrolled as our politics or our economy. But there is a certain comfort in this mindset. It provides a ready, simple explanation for unwelcome

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## Letters

### Hogfeldt continues to explain his case against Board of Education

As I told you last time in these pages, I am a veteran teacher at West Haven High and a lifelong Westie. Nearly two years ago, I sought professional legal counsel after I was threatened with expulsion from my union by WHFT President Kristen Malloy-Scanlon and VP Defense Lynn Bonaldo.

Last fall I filed a lawsuit, "VIC HOGFELDT V. WEST HAVEN BOARD OF EDUCATION." I believe that my constitutional rights have been violated and that my rights under the law continue to be violated.

I believe that every teacher, every school system employee, and every concerned parent and citizen should obtain a copy of this lawsuit and read it carefully.

Let it be known from hereon that I filed this suit in order to protect myself and other teachers from unlawful harassment and retaliation at the hands of Superintendent Cavallaro in collaboration with elements of the WHFT leadership.

Copies of this Superior Court lawsuit can be obtained from the Education Department office on the first floor of City Hall or by calling Superintendent Cavallaro's office at 203-937-4310.

Copies can also be had from any Board member, any WHFT union steward, or any

WHFT officer. All of these folks have a responsibility to provide you with a copy.

It is my judgement and the judgement of most West Haven citizens who follow events in our community that Mr. Cavallaro must be replaced as our schools' superintendent.

He spent a good portion of his young adulthood as a protege and disciple of the late political boss Harold Allen. Indeed, he was often seen about the city riding around with Harold as a passenger in his car. Mr. Cavallaro sent his own children to private schools and no longer lives in our city, having built an expensive home in Guilford.

His tenure as superintendent has been marked by flagrant acts of antagonism and disrespect towards our community and numerous failures.

Among these: 1) Nearly singlehandedly, Cavallaro deep-sixed any chance we had of building a new high school by starting a war with the entire city when he attempted to convert our high school, which had been a comprehensive

high school since the days of Billy Soderman, into some sort downsized remedial academy with a computer-tech component.

Mayor John Picard's refusal to distance himself from

Cavallaro's policies ended his political career. 2) Using school system administrators to harass and retaliate against department heads and teachers who had the guts to question his policies (see my lawsuit).

3) Vandalizing the G-wing of the high school, ripping out wiring, and spitefully constructing a blue wall to block access to that area of the building, a malicious act of considerable cost to taxpayers. 4) At a time when a great deal of money appears to have gone missing from my union, Mr. Cavallaro secretly initiated and signed a severance deal with a former union officer which cost taxpayers over \$100,000.

This agreement was signed by several union officers and concealed by Cavallaro from the Board. Likewise, union officers concealed this agreement from the membership, later characterizing it as a "personnel issue." The Board has a responsibility to investigate this matter.

In most school systems, any one of the above behaviors would be enough to fire the superintendent.

In West Haven, Pat Libero's lame duck school board prematurely renewed Cavallaro's contract and gave him a raise! The current Board needs to break with the past and muster the courage to act boldly to save our school system.

I think I know part of the se-

cret to Mr. Cavallaro's longevity. Many old-time Democrats are haunted by the memory of Mayor Sal Guerra from the late 1980's.

During Guerra's 2nd term, a wage and contract dispute with city teachers led to layoffs and to the end of Guerra's mayoralty. Once again our city is in grave financial straits and there is tremendous pressure on West Haven's leaders to control spending. They know that most of our teachers no longer live (or vote) in West Haven.

Mr. Cavallaro is a cagey political hack with command of a budget substantially larger than that of the mayor, and he never has to stand for re-election or deal with an obstreperous city council.

With his near total control of the WHFT, Cavallaro offers any mayor the prospect of controlling spending by thwarting teacher wage increases and limiting health care costs. Problem is, Westie teachers have already taken a beating at the bargaining table as far as pay is concerned, with several step and wage freezes under Fusco and Co. over the past ten years.

Getting rid of this superintendent would allow our union to negotiate from a level playing field, not to mention drastically improving staff morale.

Westie teachers must go around their corrupt union leadership to lobby the Board

to remove him. (Stupidity and cowardice do not equal solidarity and unity.) Then we must take back our union from Malloy-Scanlon, Bonaldo, and the rest.

The toxic partnership of Neil Cavallaro and the Court Street Crew is the cancer in our school system. Take it from one who knows.

Vic Hogfeldt

### Letters policy

The West Haven Voice takes all letters from responsible parties. Deadline for letters is 4 p.m. on the Monday prior to publication. Letters are subject to the same editing as all other copy for clarity, grammar and space. Letters are printed on a space-available basis. Letters can be emailed to [info@whvoice.com](mailto:info@whvoice.com), or sent to West Haven Voice, 666 Savin Ave., West Haven 06516. Those with questions should contact us at (203) 934-6397.

### Lowry: Worst word

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come trends or outcomes, and fixes responsibility for our troubles on an enemy. It implicitly promises not so much the creation of a set of truly neutral rules or more legitimate institutions than simple vengeance against those who are allegedly responsible for the rigging.

In other words, it heralds a particularly nasty politics, and, increasingly, it's the one thing that unites the right and left.

*Rich Lowry is editor of the National Review.*

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## Walk: Latest phase dedication readied

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Commissioner Beth A. Sabo has overseen the construction of all phases of the walkway, which was built by City Point Construction Co. of Fresh Meadow Road.

Sabo has also supervised the design and placement of the granite Korean War and Soderman memorials, which were made by Shelley Bros. Monuments of Guilford.

Also in 2008, 14 grave markers that signify every war in U.S. history and peacetime were dedicated. The markers are mounted on granite posts.

Subsequent dedications have been held amid much fanfare, attracting hundreds of veterans and their families from every corner of the state and beyond.

## Summer Youth Jobs still available until May 31

Applications for the Summer Youth Employment Program will be available through May 31 in the athletic director's office at West Haven High School and the main office at Bailey Middle School.

The summer program, which runs July 17-Aug. 11, is aimed at funding positions for low-income residents ages 14-21.

Students must pick up and drop off applications at their school office.

Drop off forms Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 9-11 a.m. at the high school and Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9-11 a.m. at Bailey.

No forms will be processed after May 31.

Students who attend other schools must pick up applications in the Department of Human Resources on the second floor of City Hall, 355 Main St., where the completed forms must be returned between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. weekdays.

Students must also include copies of information, such as a birth certificate and Social Security card, as well as documentation of household income.

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## Cleaning and planting

The West Haven Beautification Committee recently spent a day in Abbott Park at the junction of Ocean Avenue and Dawson Avenues. The group did some cleanup and planting. From Left to right: Dave Carr, Jim Greenberg, PJ Peabody, Jerry Leaphart, Michele Correia, Cintia Smith, Patty Horvath, Carmela Livolsi, Alice Gorham and Joy Franz. The event was organized by Livolsi.



## Jewelry Party at the Poli House

The annual Historical Society Jewelry Party will be held Sunday June 4 from 1-3 P.M. The event will take place in the Garden of the Historical Society's Poli House. Admission to the activity is free and light refreshments will be served.

Attendees may bring their own comfortable outdoor folding chairs. The Historical Society will also have regular folding chairs available for the afternoon presentation. In the event of inclement weather, the event will be held inside the Poli House at 686 Savin Ave., across from the Green. Call Sandy (203) 934-3161 for further information.

## Registration open for day camps

Registration has opened for residents and nonresidents for the Department of Parks and Recreation's Tiny Tots Camp (ages 3-4), Junior Day Camp (ages 5-6) and Painter Park Day Camp (ages 6-12).

The department is offering four two-week sessions this summer. Tiny Tots Camp meets 9 a.m.-12:30 p.m. weekdays, starting June 26, in Pagels Elementary School, 26 Benham Hill Road; Junior Day Camp meets 8:30 a.m.-1 p.m. weekdays, starting June 26, in Mackrille Elementary School, 806 Jones Hill Road; and Painter Park Day Camp meets 9 a.m.-4 p.m. weekdays, starting June 19, in the park, 190 Kelsey Ave.

Go to [www.whparkrec.com](http://www.whparkrec.com) or call (203) 937-3651.

## Vendors sought for farmers market

The city is seeking craft, farm and food truck vendors to participate in the Tony Inzero Farmers Market, which opens its 18th season July 6 on the Green.

Through Oct. 28, the expanded marketplace at Main

Street and Campbell Avenue will feature state farmers selling homegrown fruits and vegetables Thursdays from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. and Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

It will include crafters selling their wares and an internet radio station DJ playing hit music.

Forms are available in the

mayor's office at City Hall, 355 Main St., where they are due June 9. Forms can also be emailed to farmers market organizer Erin Sweeney at [esweeney@westhaven-ct.gov](mailto:esweeney@westhaven-ct.gov) or faxed to (203) 937-3705.

## Park - Rec schedules Boston trip to see Red Sox

## play Cubs

The Department of Parks and Recreation is running a trip to Boston's Fenway Park to see the Red Sox play the defending world champion Chicago Cubs at 4 p.m. May 20.

The trip costs \$150 for residents and \$160 for nonresidents and includes seating in grandstand

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Wishing our West Haven residents a happy and safe Memorial Day weekend!

-Nancy

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## *Students of the Semester*

The students of the semester for the 3rd marking period for St. Lawrence School are shown. These students were honored at a special ceremony at which they were treated to breakfast. In attendance were their parents and other family members. Pictured left to right, front row: Lamonica McNeil, grade 1; Janelle Williams, kindergarten; and Grace Turcio, grade 2. Second row: Olivia Antoine, grade 3; Cesar Rios-Vargas, grade 5; and Jason Dong, grade 4. Third row: Rev. Mark Jette, pastor; Hannah Malaran, grade 8; Jacinda McMenamin, grade 6; Maryn Lovallo, grade 7; and Paul R. DeFonzo, principal.

Photo by Russ McCreven

### *Honing skills*

West Haven's Twilight League highlighted its opening day ceremonies at Quigley Stadium by having Special Olympians warm up prior to the first contest. The league has honored special olympians for several years, and invited them to take part in pre-game rituals.



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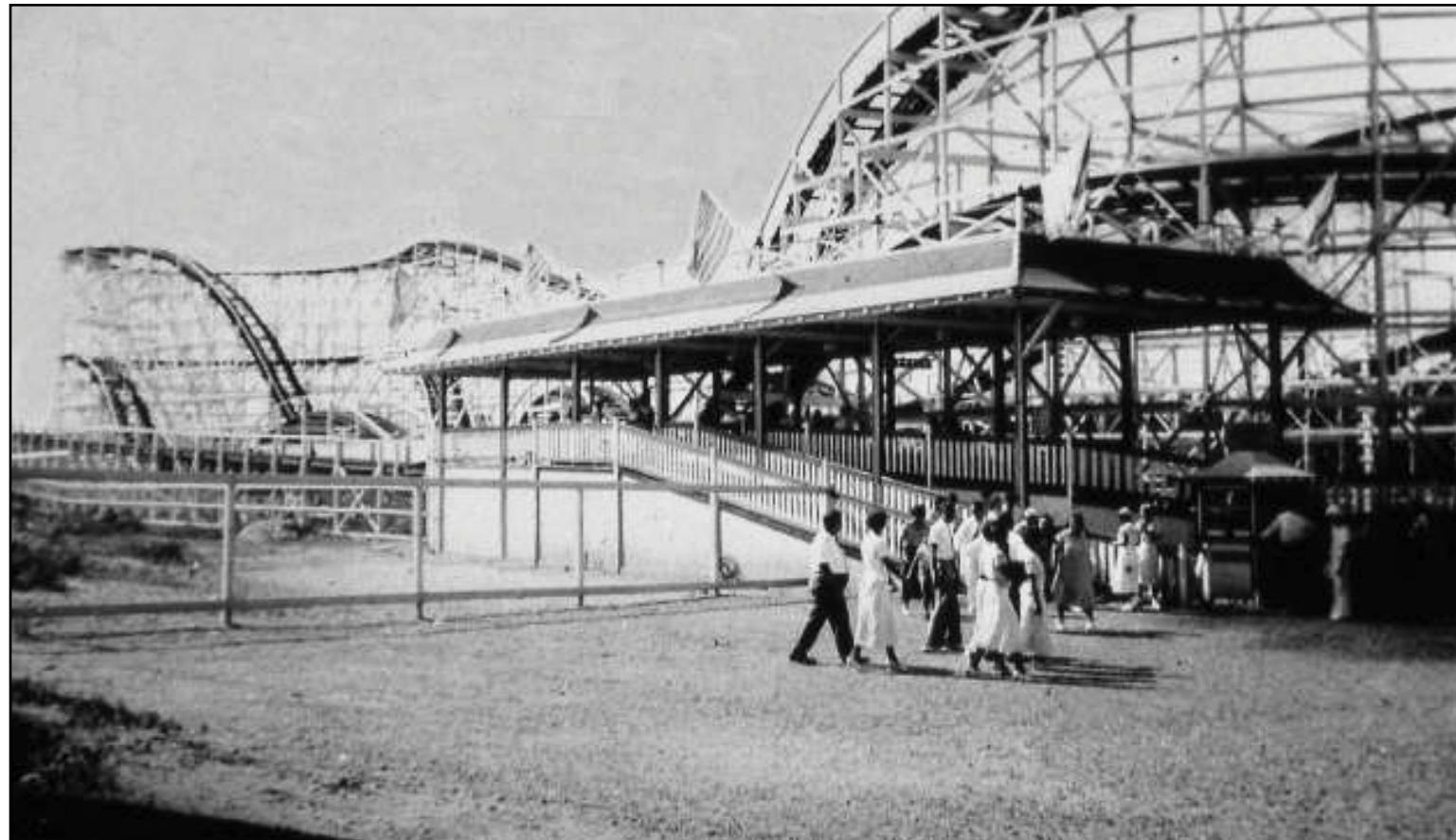
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## **Summers past**

The famous roller coaster over Long Island Sound was a big attraction at Savin Rock Amusement Park each summer. This photo, taken in the late 1930s shows the ride in all its scary glory. It was destroyed in the 1938 hurricane and eventually replaced in the 1950s with the Wild Mouse.



## **WHCH registration open for programs**

The West Haven Community House is now accepting registrations for the 2017-18 school year for its high-quality, affordable childcare programs for children starting at age 3. More than 300 school-age children participate in the agencies before and after school program housed in seven West Haven public schools, and 150 preschoolers attend their Head Start school readiness program for income eligible families, which is still housed on Elm Street. Despite the loss of Connecticut's Care 4 Kids child subsidy program last fall, the Community House still provides high-quality childcare at a reasonable cost.

For more information about the Community House's Head Start preschool or before and after school child care, please visit their website at [www.whcommunityhouse.org](http://www.whcommunityhouse.org) or call (203) 934-5221.

## **Committee sets Saturday cleanups**

The West Haven Beautification Committee is holding several Saturday cleanups across the city in April, May and June, Chairwoman Marilyn Wilkes announced.

The committee is seeking volunteers for the following cleanups:

—May 20, 9-10 a.m., Jones Hill Road.

—June 10, all day, "Keep Your Street Neat" Campbell Avenue event.

—June 17, 9-10 a.m., Minor Park area, Allingtonton.

To sign up for a cleanup or for information, contact Stacey Giaquinto at [stacey.giaquinto@whschools.org](mailto:stacey.giaquinto@whschools.org) or (203) 494-5190.

Student participants will receive community service credit, Wilkes said.

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### **Attorney Amy Vatner - Educational Advocate**

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## Historian's corner

### Silver's Drug Shop Part II

**By Dan Shine**  
*Voice Columnist*

According to the late West Haven Historian Harriet North, when twenty-one year old Bill Silver established himself as the new owner of the newly-named Silver's Drug Shop, this quite naturally aroused the interest of West Haven's young ladies. Many dropped by to shop and visit the soda fountain, and to get a look at this handsome, well-dressed, charming newcomer. Perhaps some had dreams and aspirations that centered on

him.

They could have saved themselves the trouble; for Bill had found "that certain someone" at a dance in New Haven one evening. He happened to notice his friend dancing with an interesting girl, and asked that friend, "Are you serious about that girl you're dancing with?" "No," replied the friend. "Well then, would you mind if I asked her out?" Little did he know that she lived in Waterbury, and the courtship would take place by way of a trolley ride that must have taken a couple of hours, one-way.

The girl's family must have had some doubts about this young man who presented himself as a business owner and pharmacist, so one day in 1922, a Packard pulled up in front of the drug shop, and the girl's father and mother got out and went in to size up Bill Silver and check out his story.

Apparently, they considered the young man to be worthy of the girl and her family, for they were married in 1923. Rose Albert became Rose Silver; the couple bought their first home on Center Street, just around the corner from Silver's Drug Shop, and their first son, Edward was born in 1925. Meanwhile, Rose took her place at Silver's Drug Shop, where she would run the card department until her retirement; she died in 1985.

It is well known that she loved her work, and she was well-loved within the community.

To be continued-



William and Rose Silver

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Violations carry a \$100 fine per daily offense.

Bulk items include couches,

chairs, mattresses, tables, carpeting, padding, fencing and small amounts of bundled lumber, which may not exceed 6 feet in length.

The amount of bulk trash per collection is limited to 6 cubic yards, which is equal to a pile of trash 6 feet long, 6 feet wide and 4 1/2 feet high.

Along with tires, the city also picks up such white goods as refrigerators, washing machines and stoves on residents' weekly collection days.

To prevent a potential fine, property owners should familiarize themselves with the city's trash guidelines, which

are posted on the Department of Public Works page at [www.cityofwesthaven.com](http://www.cityofwesthaven.com).

To report a complaint, call the department at (203) 937-3585. Complaints are kept confidential. Also, the 2017 e-waste drop-off days are Jan. 7, March 4, June 3 and Sept. 30.

Residents can drop off electronic recyclables — typically anything that plugs in or needs a battery — from 8 a.m.-noon at the highway maintenance garage, 1 Collis St. For the latest information, visit the city on its website at [www.cityofwesthaven.com](http://www.cityofwesthaven.com) or on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/CityofWestHaven](http://www.facebook.com/CityofWestHaven).

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# *Softball, baseball qualify*

The West Haven softball team was coming off a loss to East Haven and was looking to improve its playoff seeding heading into last week. Mission accomplished with four, straight victories. On Monday, the Westies pounded 15 hits in a 16-3 victory over the Branford Hornets. Ivy Santos had three hits, including a home run and five RBIs, Makenna White had three hits and four RBIs and Veronica Lynn had three hits and three RBIs to lead the offense. San-

tos pitched the first, two innings and did not allow a hit while Kasey Marron pitched three innings in relief, allowing three runs on five hits. The Blue Devils put this one out of reach early when they jumped out to a 9-0 lead in the first inning.

There was a little less offense on Tuesday evening but that didn't impact the Westies with Ivy Santos pitching a complete game shutout, allowing only four hits in a 1-0 defeat of the Sacred Heart Academy

Sharks. The Blue Devils would get the only run they would need in the first inning when Kasey Marron singled, was sacrificed to second by Veronica Lynn, moved to third on a single by Kailey Carrano and then scored when she came home on a double steal.

On Thursday evening, the Westies saluted their seniors and then put up double digits in the first inning when they scored ten runs on their way to a 19-6 triumph over the Hillhouse Academics at Biondi Field. Kailey Carrano had three hits and five RBIs while Veronica Lynn had three hits and two RBIs and Donifia Thompson had a triple and two RBIs to pace West Haven. Kasey Marron pitched a hitless first three innings, striking out seven to get the victory. Marron is 6-0 on the season.

On Friday afternoon, the Westies traveled to face the Morgan Huskies and captured their fourth straight win to finish the regular season with a 14-6 record. The girls let the offense do the talking in a 16-1, mercy shortened game. Makenna White led the Blue Devils with three hits, three RBIs and three runs scored while Ivy Santos and Kailey Carrano each had two hits and two RBIs. Santos also pitched a complete game allowing four hits and striking out nine Huskies.

The Westies faced the Indians in North Haven on Wednesday evening in the SCC Tournament and if victorious will play at Biondi Field tonight. The CIAC pairings will also be announced on

Thursday.

The baseball team needed

to secure one, more victory to qualify for postseason play, when it traveled to Rochford Field in Hamden to face the Green Dragons. After a scoreless first, four innings, the Dragons took a 2-0 lead in the bottom of the fifth. The Westies rose to the occasion getting three runs in the top of the sixth to take a 3-2 lead. The boys got things going when Ty Reeves singled, John Cam-

bino doubled and then Brett Gradoia brought in both runners with a single down the third base line. Nick Zaino walked to put two on for Pete Richetelli. Richetelli took a 0-2 pitch down the right field line for a double, scoring Gradoia to give the Blue Devils the lead. Mike Vitolo pitched a complete game, allowing two runs on seven hits to earn the victory on the mound.

On Tuesday evening, the See Westies, page 15



Photo courtesy of Todd Dandelske

## Player of the Week

West Haven sophomore Kailey Carrano (20) is the Vio's Sports Plus/Westie Blue Player of the Week. In two games this past week, Carrano had five hits, drove in seven runs and scored six runs. Read more about Kailey at [www.westieblue.com](http://www.westieblue.com).



Photo courtesy of WHHS

## Award winners

Pictures above are West Haven High Schools Gabby Prisco and Kyle Froehlich, receiving the prestigious CIAC Scholar-Athlete Award at the annual banquet on May 7. Presenting the awards to each athlete are coaches, Joe Morrell and Erin Blake.

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# Light Blues take 4-1 win in soccer

The EG 10 Red boys team rolled this week to notch a hard-fought win over the maroon team.

In the CD Girls Division, the light blue CDG1 girls were in form on Saturday, with the win 4-1 over CDG4. Goals were scored by Assiata Ayinla, Nadia Piroli and two goals by Mia Gorske. In another CD Division battle, the CD Orange Tiger Team defeated the CD

2 girls, 3-0, led by Maryorie Hernandez, Nada El Mouki and Hayley Colon, with one goal apiece. The defense was stellar with Caydance Hill, Alexandra Medina-Rosero and Carnassia Shabazz leading the way. The net duties were taken care of by Sarah Montiel to preserve the shutout. On the CDG4 team, Sofia Lora, Vamillette Romero playing well, passing to the outside

helped create several good shots by Giselle Sanchez.

In action in the EB Division, the EB 2 team took the loss to the EB4 team, despite strong defensive play from David and Paul Christensen. Team support from Zack Shippy and Yousef Hasan kept team balance in play.

In the EG Division, the EG U-10 girls red team defeated the Maroon team, 2-1, to con-

tinue their winning ways. Madison Ortiz and Natalie Reed each scored a goal assisted by Aarya Mulmi and Angelina Messina. On the defensive side of the ball Bailey Duprey, Sarahi Cruz-Cruz and Angelina Florio were strong to help seal the win. Goaltending was taken care of by Keara Chiong. In another close battle the EG 2 Warriors lost a close game, 2-1, to EG1. Niamh Chesson had the lone goal for the Warriors, while fine soccer skills were turned in by Breanna Corriea and Sydni Gayle.

In the FB Division, the Snakes played to a 6-6 tie with The FB3 orange team. For the FB 5 team goals were scored by Chase Watson, Kyle Guarino, Charles (CJ) Sutton, Jr., and Brenden Speyer. Soccer skills were on display by Dante Reynoso. In another great game, the FB2 Tigers had a strong game against the FB6 navy team.

Jaevon Masoperth, Rida Saanon and Aidan Panton each scored multiple goals, with Christopher Ramirez scoring his first of the season in the win. Ty Wilson played a strong-spirited game on defense for the Tigers.

The Elite Soccer Camps Orange Pumpkins won late Saturday morning, 3-1, against a tough Sharks team. Chloe Whelan scored the hat trick, supported by Jaelyn Beauvais leading the backline. Michelle Ceja and Annabelle Pasacreta also played well on defense,

and Adelicia Parise played a great second half in goal in the win for the Elite Soccer Pumpkins.

The U-10 girls developmental travel team Blue Devils played host to Orange Saturday afternoon, falling, 2-0. Llyanna Griffith Waite played well on defense, supported by Michelle Ceja and Amanda Fagnani. Leah Boguniecki and Ana Carrillo were aggressive in the midfield, and Amyah Kelly kept Orange under pressure with her speed and high work rate.

The U-10 Westies girls developmental travel team traveled to Watertown Saturday, and despite working hard fell, 4-1. Aylin Soto scored the lone goal for the Westies, and Kayla Burt made some key saves in the net. Sophie Mazuroski showed her foot skills off, while Ashlynn Trenchard and Molly Gunning worked hard to get their team back into the game.

The Elite Soccer Camps U-11 girls travel team hosted Prospect late Saturday, falling 2-1, in a well-played game. Ava Murphy scored the goal off a volley from an Ariana Izzo corner kick. Isabelle Nagle worked hard defensively, and Olivia Trenchard was aggressive in the midfield, stifling a few Prospect attacks. Alyvia Ginsberg created a few chances, and strikers Brooke Throm and Brooke Flaherty kept the other team under pressure.

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## Lettin' loose

The Arcade Stamping pitcher Tom Moore battled the Thermaxx outfit. The West Haven Twilight League opened its 85th season over the weekend, playing at Quigley Stadium through July.



## Westies: *Boys lax team readies for tourney*

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Westies paid tribute to their seniors and then went out and defeated the Platt Tech Panthers, 8-2, at Piurek Field. After spotting the Panthers a 2-0 lead, the Blue Devils got one back in the second inning when Ty Reeves tripled and came in on a Brett Gradoia sacrifice fly to make it 2-1. In the third, the boys took a 4-2 lead when Mario Kiaunis singled, Dom Cambino walked, Tim McCarthy reached on an error allowing Kiaunis to score, Sean Jefferson reached on an error to load the bases and Reeves delivered a single to score Cambino and McCarthy. The Westies tacked on four, more runs in the sixth inning to solidify the win. Jefferson got the victory on the mound, allowing just one earned run while giving up nine hits.

On Wednesday afternoon, the Blue Devils headed to Madison to face the Hand Tigers. The Westies took a 1-0 lead in the first inning but then watched the Tigers even the game at 1-1 in the bottom of the inning and added 12 runs over the next four innings on their way to a 13-3 loss. Ty Reeves started on the mound and was relieved by Juan Contreras in the fifth inning.

On Friday afternoon, the boys bounced back with a 7-1 victory over the Career Panthers at East Shore Athletic Complex. Mike Kalander allowed a run in the first inning and then shut down the Panthers the rest of the way, allowing four hits and striking out five Panthers. Mike Vitolo had two hits and three RBIs to lead West Haven. Sean Jefferson and John Cambino each had two hits while Brett Gradoia and Dennis Gamester each had RBI doubles in the victory.

The Blue Devils finished their regular season schedule with a trip to Branford to finally make up a three-time postponed game against the Hornets.

Branford jumped on the Westies for three runs in the first inning for a 3-0 lead. The boys did get two back on a Tim McCarthy hit in the fifth but the Hornets tacked on three in the bottom of the inning to defeat the Blue Devils, 6-2. McCarthy had two hits and two RBIs to lead the Westie offense while Sean Jefferson and Mike Vitolo split time on the mound.

The girls lacrosse team took a big step in trying to qualify for postseason play with a rally in the closing minutes of its game at North Haven on Monday afternoon. Down by a score of 10-7 as the final minutes were winding down, Gabi Prisco scored four times, including the game-winner with 17 seconds left for a 11-10 victory. Prisco had five goals on the day while Mary McDaniel added three goals, Madisyn Crotta had two goals and Amani Cayo scored a goal in the win. Nicole Gaston made six saves in net for West Haven.

On Tuesday evening, West Haven visited the Shelton Gaels and came up short in a 13-9 loss.

Tied at 6-6 heading into the second half, the Gaels were able to outscore the Westies, 7-3, down the stretch to secure the win. Mary McDaniel had four goals and Madisyn Crotta had two goals to lead the Blue Devil offense. Gabi Prisco, Shannon Siclari and Mackenzie Holy each added a goal in the loss. Nicole Gaston made nine stops between the pipes.

On Friday night, the Westies celebrated their seniors before the game and then jumped all over the Foran Lions, scoring 15 first half goals on their way to an 18-10 victory, helping them clinch a postseason berth in the CIAC playoffs. Gabi Prisco won the first four face-offs of the game and proceeded to help convert each into a goal for a 4-0 lead just 1:44 into the game. Prisco scored six goals and added five assists to lead the Westies while Mary

McDaniel, who was hobbled by a pre-game, hamstring injury, gutted out her Senior Night and finished with a hat trick. Madisyn Crotta also had three goals while Kailin Kyle, Lauren Bernardo, Kaitlynn Cooke, Annalise Depino, Mackenzie Holy and Keegan Riccio all had goals in the playoff clinching victory. Nicole Gaston had 10 saves between the pipes.

On Saturday morning, the Westies defeated the Amity Spartans, 7-6, behind the offense of Gabi Prisco with four goals and Madisyn Crotta with three goals.

The Blue Devils took a 5-4 halftime lead and were able to hang on to get the win in Woodbridge. Nicole Gaston made eight saves in goal for West Haven.

The girls finished their regular season with a game at Foran this week and will wait to see who they draw in the CIAC playoffs when the pairings were announced on Wednesday.

The boys lacrosse team had a Monday afternoon clash with Jonathan Law and scored five first quarter goals on its way to a 12-3 victory over the Eagles. Niko Kyle led West Haven with four goals and three assists while Dylan Salvatore had four goals and an assist in the win. Joe Consorte added two goals and Nick Massaro added a goal and three assists for the Westies. Kevin Moriarty and PJ Patton split time between the pipes and combined for 16 saves.

On Wednesday evening, the boys said goodbye to their seniors but allowed the Lyman Hall Trojans to build a 5-1 first quarter lead on their way to an 11-6 win over the Blue Devils. The Westies got goals from Logan Cole, Justin Burbank, Niko Kyle and a goal from goaltender Kevin Moriarty.

On Friday night, the Westies closed out their regular season with an 8-6 loss to the Green Dragons in Hamden

and will now wait to see who they will play in the CIAC playoffs. The pairings are to be announced Thursday and the Westies should be playing on Saturday in a qualifying round game.

The boys tennis team opened last week with a battle against cross-town rival Notre Dame and lost, 4-3, to the Green Knights. In singles action, Oreo Olowe won, 6-0, 6-2, while in doubles play, the Westies got victories from Jeremy Tammaro/Albert Dimaisip, 6-0, 6-0 and Nash Noble/Julian Thomas won, 6-4, 6-1.

The Blue Devils bounced back with a 6-1 victory over the Hamden Green Dragons on Wednesday afternoon. In singles, James Delgado won, 6-2, 7-6, Joseph Delgado won, 6-0, 6-0, Oreo Olowe took his match 6-3, 6-2 and Corey Smith was victorious, 6-4, 6-2. While in doubles, the Westies got victories from Jeremy Tammaro/Albert Dimaisip, 6-4, 6-3 and Julian Thomas/Nash Noble, 6-2, 6-3.

The girls tennis team defeated the Platt Tech Panthers, 5-2, on Tuesday afternoon behind wins by Skylar Serenson, Shea Clarke and Ariana Nguyen in singles action and Kiara Walker/Rua Osman and Jasmine Brown/Kaitlyn Campos in doubles play.

On Wednesday, the Blue Devils defeated the Lyman Hall Trojans, 5-2. Evelyn Fabian won, 6-1, 6-1, Maggie Yeh took her match, 6-0, 6-1, Hannah Allen was victorious, 6-4, 6-2 and Paige Sheridan won, 6-0, 6-2 to help the Westies sweep singles action while Shea Clarke/Kiara Walker picked up the other win in doubles by a 6-1, 6-0 score.

The girls wrapped up their regular season with a 5-2 loss to the Foran Lions on Thursday at Painter Park. The Westies were swept in singles but got victories in doubles from the pairings of Skylar Serenson/Ariana Nguyen, 6-2, 6-2 and Rua Osman/Jasmine Brown, 8-5.

# U-11 Seadogs split double-header

The Savin Rock Seadogs U-11 travel baseball team split a pair of games Sunday morning against the Clubhouse, winning the opener 4-2, before falling in the nightcap, 9-1, at Morse Park.

In the opener, Anthony Constantinople pitched a complete-game, five-hitter, striking out four. Constantinople also picked off a pair of

Clubhouse runners to get out of two innings, while catcher Ray Gilbert threw out three runners in the contest, and Chris Miccio play a solid third base.

Trailing 2-0 in the third inning of the opener, the Seadogs used a two-out rally to tie the game. Mikey Madera and Miccio walked with one out, and Gabe Santarcangelo followed with a two-out walk to load the bases.

Cam Cruz then delivered a clutch single to drive in Madera and Miccio to even the game at two.

The Seadogs took the lead for good in the fifth with two more runs. Chase Supan

reached on an error to lead off the inning, Madera followed with another walk, and Jesse Buonocore ripped a long double to right, scoring Supan and Madera for a 4-2 lead. Supan made a pair of nice plays at first while Santarcangelo made a sliding catch to end a late Clubhouse rally, and Evan Jones ended an early rally with a nice play at short. Haygen Axelrod also added a hit in the contest.

The Clubhouse took control of the nightcap quickly with three runs in the first and another in the second for a 4-0 lead. West Haven cut the deficit to 4-1 in the fourth as KJ Harp reached on an error

to start the frame, stole second and third, before coming home with Savin Rock's lone run of the contest.

The 13-U Elite Savin Rock Sea Dogs went 1-2-1 over the weekend. On Saturday, the Sea Dogs beat the Crackerjacks 9-2 behind a great pitching performance by Greg Baker. The offense was led by Hunter Axelrod, Tyler Jones, Steve Baker and Joe Santos, who all contributed two hits apiece.

In the second game, the Sea Dogs were trailing 5-0 entering the last inning and battled back to tie the game.

Anthony Velez started the rally with a double, and Axelrod, Jones and Matteo Petruzzello kept the game going. Greg Baker then singled to score two runs to tie the game.

On Sunday, the Sea Dogs faced the CT Dodgers. In the opening game, Steve Baker pitched a great game, but the team fell short and lost 2-0.

Steve Baker, Gianni Gambardella, Michael Boni and Brandon Thayer each tallied a hit apiece.

In the second game, the Sea Dogs fell, 7-3. Joe Santos, Boni and Daniel Izzo had two hits each in another tough loss.

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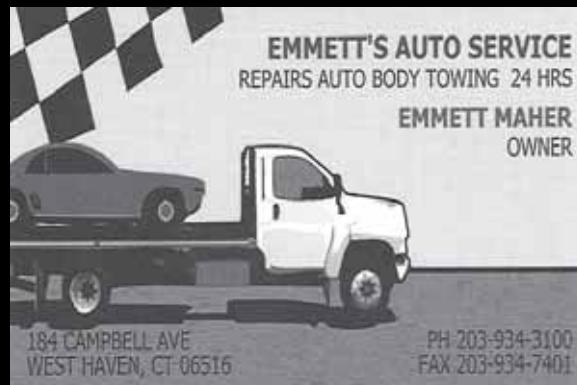
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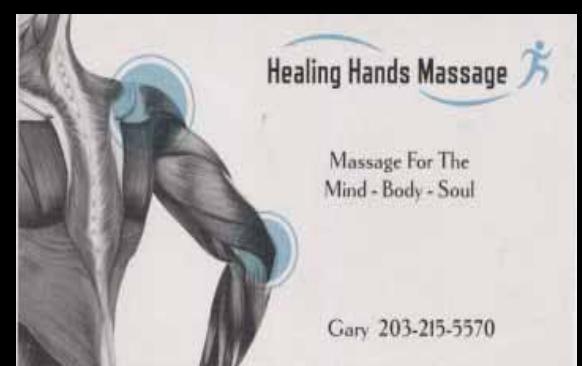
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*Frustrated*

**Dear Frustrated:**

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*Nature Lover*

**Dear Nature Lover:**

Gripe Vine notified Francis Withington, Complaint Officer of your concern and he requested a member of the Health Department to check out your complaint.

My readers now have two responses to your gripe, the Health Department official wrote, "I went out to the pond and did not see any dead fish or other concerns." And you followed up your gripe with, "The fish at Connecticut Pond are all cleaned up."

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will continue weekly, to call loud motorcycle gripes to the attention of city police and encourage West Haven's Complaint Officer, Francis Withington, to prod the State of Connecticut to post prohibitive speed signs on Ocean Avenue and other state roads here.

I am also encouraging residents to write Gripe Vine with their motorcycle issues as well.

Coming up...truck depot complaint..blight issues and ordinances..traffic issues..traffic lights complaints..North Forest Circle pot holes..Beach Street pot holes..and much more.

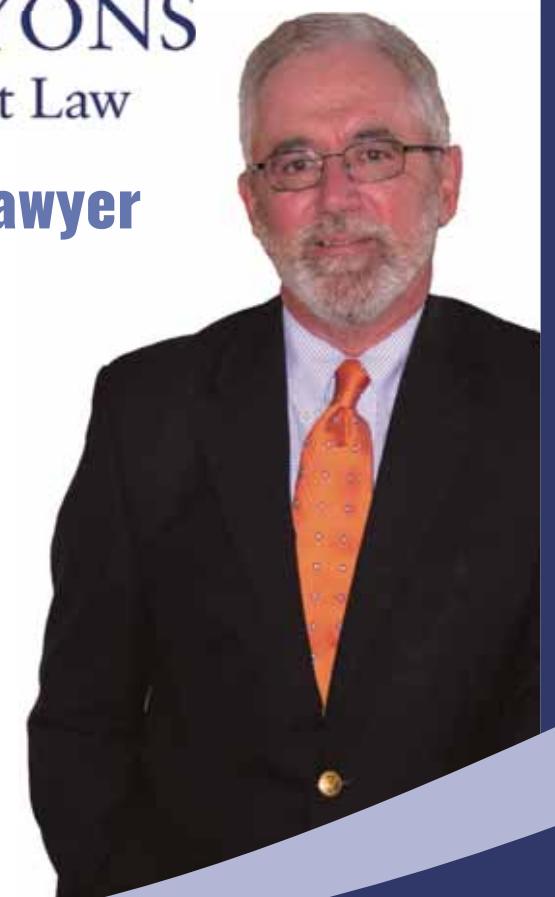
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## Getting into one

Ivy Santos winds into action in a recent game with Hand of Madison. Santos limited the Tigers to five hits, but lost, 5-0, recently. However, Santos is handy with the bat and is needed as the Westies headed into the SCC league playoff this week, with a date against the Indians of North Haven. Should they be successful in that contest, they would play for the league title tonight. Then it's onto the CIAC Tournament. Pairings are to be announced this weekend.



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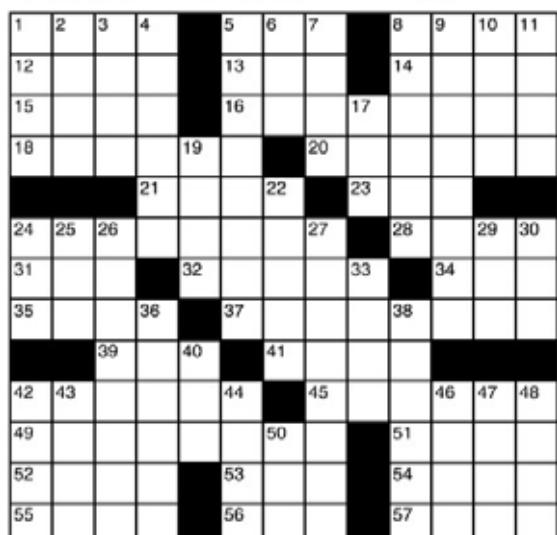
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| 8 Clenched hand                               | 45 Beast                      | 22 Dangle a carrot     |
| 12 Part of the foot                           | 49 Furry Pacific denizen      | 24 Away from NNE       |
| 13 Clean air org.                             | 51 Corpse                     | 25 On the — vive       |
| 14 Division word                              | 52 Sorts                      | 26 Removes the cover   |
| 15 Stead                                      | 53 Nightfall, in verse        | 27 Brushes up on       |
| 16 One walking proudly                        | 54 Lotion additive            | 29 Gorilla             |
| 18 Mathematician famed for his "last theorem" | 55 Carp or cod                | 30 Standard            |
| 20 Lacking vigor                              | 56 "— Doubtfire"              | 33 Indian flat bread   |
| 21 Pesky kid                                  | 57 Not as much                | 36 Put the — on (stop) |
| 23 "— Town"                                   | <b>DOWN</b>                   | 38 Clan-related        |
| 24 Criminal in tent?                          | 1 50 percent                  | 40 Household           |
| 28 Jump                                       | 2 Great Lake                  | 42 Yeah, right!"       |
| 31 Huge star                                  | 3 Computer brand              | 43 Sandwich shop       |
| 32 Mideast nation                             | 4 Ballroom dance (Var.)       | 44 Goblet feature      |
| 34 Hot tub                                    | 5 Paraphrases                 | 46 Double agent        |
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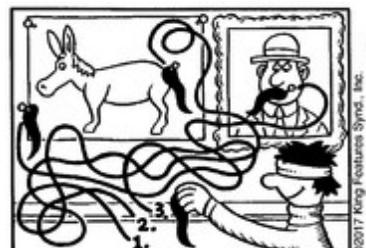


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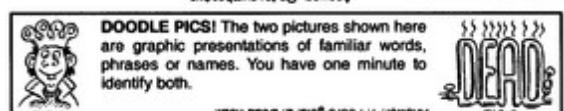
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C B A Y X W V T F S R P O N L

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

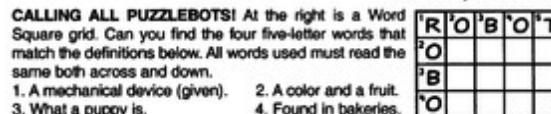
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|-----------|------------|---------------|------------|
| Agent     | Dispatcher | Inspector     | Platelayer |
| Bolerman  | Engineer   | Length runner | Porter     |
| Brakeman  | Fireman    | Lubricator    | Signalman  |
| Conductor | Guard      | Navy          |            |



**A TICKLISH TAIL!** Can you guess on which try Henry managed to stick the tail on the donkey?



**DOODLE PICS!** The two pictures shown here are graphic presentations of familiar words, phrases or names. You have one minute to identify both.



**CALLING ALL PUZZLEBOTS!** At the right is a Word Square grid. Can you find the four five-letter words that match the definitions below. All words used must read the same both across and down.

1. A mechanical device (given).
2. A color and a fruit.
3. What a puppy is.
4. Found in bakeries.
5. Brief and to the point.

### Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

|   |   |   |   |   |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 6 |   | 3 |   | 4 |
| 7 | 5 |   | 2 |   |
|   | 9 | 6 | 8 |   |
| 5 |   | 3 |   | 8 |
| 1 |   | 2 | 7 |   |
|   | 6 | 4 |   | 9 |
| 8 |   | 2 | 4 |   |
|   | 7 | 9 | 1 |   |
| 3 | 6 |   |   | 9 |

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.

#### DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦♦♦

♦ Moderate   ♦♦ Challenging  
♦♦♦ HOO BOY!

Answers to last week's puzzles

#### — King Crossword —

Answers

Solution time: 24 mins.

|                 |
|-----------------|
| BASIC SETTLE    |
| MENTOR AVOWED   |
| INTONE REMOVE   |
| DEER SWAN FIN   |
| MESA SPA        |
| OWE REST ECHO   |
| PETER THE GREAT |
| STEM SILO DDT   |
| RUT NEON        |
| SON HOGG AURA   |
| CAIMAN RAPPER   |
| ATTUNE ACETIC   |
| RHYMES MESON    |

#### MOUNTAINS MORE THAN 25,000 FEET IN ELEVATION

|                |    |
|----------------|----|
| TR             | EA |
| ME             | LU |
| RAKAPOSHIALE   |    |
| KOSU MOSS      |    |
| AA YAH AT      |    |
| ASILOGOHCRNPUS |    |
| NUR OIAU JE    |    |
| NB HR MN TN    |    |
| CIVEDADNAN     |    |
| TRIGOQ2KB      |    |

#### — Weekly SUDOKU —

Answer

|   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2 | 8 | 5 | 1 | 7 | 4 | 3 | 9 | 6 |
| 3 | 1 | 7 | 8 | 6 | 9 | 5 | 4 | 2 |
| 4 | 6 | 9 | 2 | 5 | 3 | 7 | 8 | 1 |
| 9 | 4 | 1 | 6 | 3 | 5 | 8 | 2 | 7 |
| 8 | 5 | 3 | 7 | 9 | 2 | 1 | 6 | 4 |
| 7 | 2 | 6 | 4 | 1 | 8 | 9 | 3 | 5 |
| 1 | 3 | 4 | 9 | 2 | 7 | 6 | 5 | 8 |
| 5 | 7 | 2 | 3 | 8 | 6 | 4 | 1 | 9 |
| 6 | 9 | 8 | 5 | 4 | 1 | 2 | 7 | 3 |

**Countdown To  
Living Life Fully**

**3  
2  
1**

**Day  
Weekend**

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To Earn \$75**

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