

Budget stalemate source of latest campaign scuffle

The executive order under which the state is operating until the General Assembly passes a final budget has become a point of contention for the two Democratic contenders for the party's mayoral nomination. Challenge candidate Nancy Rossi charged the administration of Mayor Edward M. O'Brien with ignoring warnings the budget battle could put the city's fragile finances under more strain

In a statement this week, Rossi said the recent executive order by has the city receiving \$46, 190,094, some \$6,586,174 less than originally expected.

"The state funding for West Haven is being reduced by \$6,586,174 for the current fiscal year under the Governor's executive order," Rossi said. "To

make matters worse, Mayor O'Brien added an additional \$8 million of projected state revenue to the city budget."

Rossi said she and other warned the mayor and City Council about the dangers of overestimating expected revenue, and it means more fiscal woes for the city's taxpayers.

"The mayor and City Council don't have a contingency plan to deal with this financial disaster. The Mayor and Council just authorized \$150 million in borrowing which included money for operating budget deficits. Mayor O'Brien has not balanced a single budget and his deficits get bigger each year. Most municipalities were conservative in building

their budgets and had contingencies in place in case of reductions. Mayor O'Brien and his administration are fiscally irresponsible and they have put us in danger of insolvency," Rossi said.

She said there is hope the legislature will come up with a budget, but that might take several more weeks.

"There is still a chance that the legislature will pass a budget for the current fiscal year where we can have a chance to get some funding back. The problem is that the earliest a budget will be voted on is mid-September," Rossi said. "The governor, in an article in the Connecticut Mirror posted on Aug. 18,

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Groundbreaking news!

City and school leaders and state officials throw shovels of dirt Tuesday afternoon to mark the symbolic groundbreaking of the city's new \$129.9 million, state-of-the-art West Haven High School at 1 McDonough Plaza. From left, state Sen. Gayle Slossberg, D-Milford, state Rep. Dorinda Borer, D-West Haven, Mayor Edward M. O'Brien, Superintendent of Schools Neil C. Cavallaro, Board of Education Chairman James W. Morrissey, West Haven High School Building Committee Chairman William Sapienza, committee Vice Chairman Richard Shea, committee Secretary and West Haven High Principal Pamela B. Gardner, Antinozzi Associates President Paul Antinozzi, and David O'Brien, Sumedha Chowdhury and Julia Walker, student representatives to the B of E.



City schools open year on Monday

The summer vacation ends this weekend. The city's public schools begin the 2017-2018 year on Monday. And it's back to the old grind straight away as it is a full-day session in all schools.

Bus service begins as does breakfast and lunch schedule.

The school system reminds all new parents and students that children new to the West Haven School District should be formally registered at the incoming school. The district's residency policy requires that all students, without exception, produce

bona fide proof that they live in West Haven. Parents or legal guardians of each student must show the school building administrator two or more of the most recent documents such as: mortgage statement or lease provision, and a utility bill. No one document will suffice. Parents must accompany all new registrants who are under 18 years of age. They are also required to present educational and health records obtained from the school that was previously attended. All information will be treated with utmost confidence.

New registration does not apply to

students who were already enrolled prior to the close of school in June or who progressed within the West Haven System from one school level to another. Please call your child's school to make an appointment to register if you have not already registered. Please call (203) 937-4300 ext. 7130 if you need to know the school your child will be attending.

On opening day, Haley, Mackrille, Pagels, Savin Rock, and Washington Elementary Schools will receive students at 8:55 a.m. (classes start at 9:10 a.m.) and dismiss at 3:25 p.m.

Forest Elementary School will admit students at 8:25 a.m. (classes start at 8:40 a.m.) and dismiss at 2:55 p.m.

Incoming fifth and sixth grade students are to report to Carrigan Intermediate School at 8:15 a.m. and dismiss at 2:40 p.m. Seventh and eighth grade students are to report to Harry M. Bailey Middle Schools at 7:40 a.m. Dismissal for middle school students will be 2:15 p.m. West Haven High School students are to report at 7:25 a.m. and will be dismissed at 1:45 p.m.

Those seeking more information should log onto www.whschools.org.

Jayla Davis, 5, of the West Haven Child Development Center sees showers in the forecast. It'll rain "dogs."



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Beecher & Bennett sell city parlor

One of the city's oldest businesses is closing following an agreement to sell the property to a developer. Arthur Erickson, director of Beecher & Bennett Funeral Homes announced the West Haven home is now closed and is in the process of being sold. Those who have made arrangements with the business have been advised of the decision.

Erickson made the announcement by letter to customers and a press release this week. According to Erickson it was strictly a business decision.

"Recently we were approached by a company expressing an interest to purchase our property on Campbell Avenue," he wrote. "This came as a surprise because we had not considered selling and therefore declined their offer. After continued pursuit and additional offers to purchase, we decided to at least listen. After much heartfelt consider-

ation and some advice, we decided to accept their offer and sell our property."

The announcement ends a 49-year affiliation of the former Seth Taylor Funeral Home with Beecher & Bennett, which joined ranks in 1968. Seth Taylor founded the funeral home bearing his name in 1917, while Beecher & Bennett were founded in 1894.

"Although we regret not being able to continue to provide funeral and cremation services from the Beecher & Bennett-Taylor Funeral Home on Campbell Avenue, we realize that the economy and funeral values are changing and will continue to change in the future," he wrote. We are in contact with all families who have pre-arranged their services with us to ensure that their arrangements will be finalized to their complete satisfaction, and we are looking forward to assisting families with the highest level of service and compassion as we have since

1894.

Beecher & Bennett Funeral and Cremation Service will continue to serve families in New Haven County from our locations in Hamden and Meriden, according to Erickson.

"As president and third generation owner of Beecher & Bennett, after my grandfather Iver A. Erickson and father Carleton V. Erickson, I am pleased to now work aside my two sons Jonathan and AJ, as

well as the rest of our dedicated staff," the director wrote.

Anyone with any questions or concerns is invited to call me at (203) 933-8180, or send an email to arthur@becherandbennett.com.



Beecher & Bennett Executive Director Arthur Erickson announced this week the funeral service is selling its Campbell Avenue location to a developer, ending a 49-year relationship with the city. Beecher & Bennett bought the Seth Taylor Funeral home in 1968. Terms of the sale were not disclosed.

Legal Notice

The Legislative Matters Committee of the West Haven City Council will hold a Public Hearing on an Ordinance Amending the Code of the City of West Haven by the Adoption of Chapter 80 Bicycle Regulations on Monday, August 28th, at 6:50 P.M. in the City Council Chambers (3rd Floor City Hall, West Haven).

SUMMARY OF THE ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF THE CITY OF WEST HAVEN BY THE ADOPTION OF CHAPTER 80 BICYCLE REGULATIONS

The purpose and intent of this ordinance is to codify the rules of the road for operators of a bicycle as defined within Section 80.1 of the ordinance and shall be the traffic code for bicycle operation.

Section 80-1. Definitions: The term "bicycle" as used in this ordinance shall mean the following; bicycle, motorized bicycle, micro cycle or mini bike.

Section 80-2. CODE APPLICATIONS TO BICYCLES. This code section defines and explains that a violation of this ordinance shall result in a ticket being issued to the operator using the same procedure as used for motor vehicle infractions except that this shall be of no force and effect against a bicycle operator's driver's license. Additionally the section explains the rights and duties of the bicycle operator, making the operator subject to all duties applicable to a pedestrian.

Section 80-3. RIDING UPON SEATS; CARRYING PACKAGES. This code section requires the bicycle to be equipped with a permanent and regular seat for the operator and also that any passenger on the bicycle have a firmly attached regular seat. This section allows for the carrying of a child in a seat or trailer designed for carrying children and firmly attached to the bicycle. Also the driver of the bicycle shall not carry any package, article or bundle that prevents the driver from having one hand on the handle bars. In

Section 80-4. ATTACHING BICYCLE OR SLED TO VEHICLE. This code section prohibits any person; either operator or passenger riding upon any, bicycle, coaster, roller skates, sled or toy vehicle shall attach the same or himself to any vehicle upon a roadway.

Section 80-5. RIDING BICYCLES ABREAST. This section prohibits persons from riding bicycles more than two abreast in a single lane excluding paths or

parts of roadways set aside exclusively for the use of bicycles.

Section 80-6. SIGNAL DEVICE ON BICYCLE. This section prohibits any person upon a bicycle from using a siren or whistle.

Section 80-7. BRAKES. This code section requires every bicycle shall be equipped with an adequate brake when used on a street or highway.

Section 80-8. BICYCLE OPERATION ON ROADWAY. This code section states the rules for operation of a bicycle within the roadway, such as driving as near to the right as practicable, obeying all traffic rules applicable to vehicles, use of hand signals of the road and noting the importance of exercising safety when avoiding objects or fixed obstacles in the road.

Section 80-9. RECKLESS OPERATION; CONTROL, WEAVING COURSE. This code sections requires bicycle operators to have regard for the safety and rights of other pedestrians, drivers and occupants of other vehicles, whether in the streets, sidewalks or other public or private property. This section also prohibits weaving and zigzag operation of the bicycle unless such operation is necessary for safe operation.

Section 80-10. COMPLIANCE WITH TRAFFIC SIGNAL CONTROL DEVICES REQUIRED. This code section requires the bicycle operator to obey all traffic signals, signs and control devices unless otherwise directed by a police officer. No U-turns are to be made unless the person dismounts the bicycle to make any such turn.

Section 80-11. RIDING ON SIDEWALK This code

sections addresses when operation of a bicycle is allowed upon a sidewalk and requires walking the bicycle when sidewalks are congested. This section also address the obeying of signs prohibiting bicycle operation as posted by the Police Department and that pedestrians shall be granted the right of way and the proper way to pass a pedestrian, including the passing or a blind person. Lastly this section mandates that a bicycle operator shall exercise caution when leaving a curb or place of safety to go into traffic.

Additionally when approaching a driveway, alley or entering a street that a vehicle is approaching, speed must be reduced to that of walking.

Section 80-12. EMERGING FROM ALLEY OR DRIVEWAY. This section requires a bicycle operation emerging from an alley to yield to all vehicles.

Section 80-13. PARKING. A bicycle shall not be parking upon a sidewalk or roadway to interfere with pedestrian or vehicular traffic.

Section 80-14. IMPOUNDING.

Whenever any minor under the age of eighteen years operates a bicycle in violation of any Section of this Code, the bicycle may be seized by any member of the police department and impounded. There shall be a storage charge of twenty five (\$25.00) per day for each impounded bicycle or motorized bicycle which shall not be released until said storage charge is paid. If the bicycle is not claimed within 30 days of impound it shall be

considered abandoned and shall be deemed property of the City of West Haven.

Section 80-15. PENALTY. This code section imposes an administrative penalty of one hundred dollars (\$100.00) for violation of the ordinance.

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Dear Felicia

Well dearie, it's hard to believe – and I expect that's what the kiddies are saying to themselves – but school stahts here on Monday, and yew can bet the mommies are very happy about that turn of events, even if their little chil-luns aren't. Yup, the summer is continuing its fly-by. 'Twas funny t'other afternoon, the wag happened to be in for tea and mentioned that we never seem to say that winter "flies by," but we always say it about summer. Why d'ya suppose that is?

Here in the Asylum by the Sea, things are gearing up for the Sept. 12 primary betwixt hizzoner and Nancy Rossi. Of course, there were some around here who were wondering why there can't be a Kumbya moment and every-one jest get along, but those people obviously haven't been around these parts very long.

As we tried to explain to them, the Demmies in this berg have been fighting

amongst themselves for more years than any of us can count. I've told yew before, this era has the Borer, what used to be called the Picard, and the Morrissey factions. In years gone by, it was the Roper, Johnson and Allen factions. Depending on how things were going or who got up on the wrong side of the bed back then, two of the factions coalesced into the leaders for a while. Then they had a partin' of the ways, and new alliances worked their way into play. Right now, the Morrissey faction is running the show after being on the outs for a few years. It'll turn around somehow, someway, and in a few years, it won't be the Morrissey faction, it'll be something else. The more things change, etc.

Of course, right now Nancy Rossi and hizzoner aren't exactly going to be sending each other Christmas cards anytime soon. Regardless of what happens on Sept. 12, it looks as if Nancy-gal

will be on the ballot with her not-so-well-named "A Better Way Party" having a line on the ballot.

Listen, what goes around comes around in politics sooner or later. It seems to me that the people now supporting a third-party run by said Rossi and her team are the same ones that were crying to the highest heaven against setch a thing a dozen years ago. "Two bites of the apple" was the phrase used back then.

Effen we ain't learned anything over the last few months with the nonsense in Washington and the Republicans who were for repealing Obamacare until they were against it, is that politicos will use anything to make the other side look bad, and seem to have amnesia when it comes to their own behavior some time later. It's all part o' the game that they play. They also expect that the public aint' gonna remember that far back – and they're usually right.

Sammy Bluejay seemed to notice that this election has two people who can be described as somewhat similar. Over the years we've noticed – and Sammy pernted it out – that both Mr. O'Brien and the Mistress Rossi like to get the last shot in. They wanna be the last woid you heard or would remember.

So, they keep playing this game of "Can You Top This" – yeah, just like the old radio show – and they wanna be able to respond to each and everything that was said by

t'other. Of course, for the papyrus it is a good thing cuz it creates headlines and stories. It's also grist for the two of us to gossip about each week.

But effen there is one thing both personae like to do, it's get the last word in, and they can't take it when they ain't the one doing it. Come to think of it, that's like most politicos, so Cobina shouldn't be too surprised by it, should she?

Of course, Nelly Nuthatch sez that the primary couldn't go off without having some type of extra-curricular activities. It seems that one candidate that petitions, ostensibly on his own, sent in his petitions and was gonna be able to displace one of Rossi's candidates on the B line. It's an old trick used in these parts. Get more than one petition candidate, and the foist one in gets the choice spot, whilst t'other gets put down another notch.

Well, it seems it didn't work cuz the petitions for said candidate allegedly were put out by some who were not living in the districk in question, and one was not even registered with the party. Why that makes any difference I don't know. Yew hafta remember, these rules are there to inhibit candidates, not make them come outta the woodwork. I guess said candidate has been disqualified for not having enuff signatures. Nelly knows more about than I do.

Iva Lootey tells me that

many eyes, particularly those on the thoid floor of the Actors Colony are gazing toward Hartford. Some six weeks into the new fiscal year, and our li'l ole blue state still don't have a budget. Education funds have been somewhat held up, and we know that aid to cities and towns has been corked as well.

Like I told yew, when the MFAC met a few weeks ago, the parting shot was something to the effect that the city would do itself well to figger out where cuts can be made should things not woik out in the capitol. Even then, there was some speculation that any budget deal is gonna see slashing of funds to cities.

Whilst some are saying the city is "safe" from any cuts that might come down the pike, there are others who think we're running a fool's errand effen we don't do something and do it toot sweet. The sweat is starting to show on the brows of various and sundry at the corner of Main Street and Campbell Avenue.

Still, the word from Hartford now is that there's gonna be some tax increase after His Excellency the Governor said to all who would listen any budget deal would be "revenue neutral." Like I said above, politicos hope people don't remember things.

With school opening, yew might be interested to know that in the case of Vic Hogfeldt v. West Haven Bored of Ed the "deposition phase" is said to be nearing the mark. Madama Olga was peering in her crystal t'other day and told Cobina that there is one thing that is scaring teacher and administrator alike, and that is the "deposition phase."

One of the reasons could be that even amongst the magisterial classes they see that up to now you'd hafta be barmy to think Vic has got a fair shot. The Kangaroo court they had a few weeks back – an arbitration hearing he said he didn't want nor would attend – was held anyway. His request for an open hearing – one where all the dirty laundry could be aired – was nixed by a silent response.

Well, in the law methinks the phrase is "Qui tacet consentire." He who is silent consents. All the consenters are now subject to scrutiny and the inquest by the barristers representing Vic. It could get very interesting. Who knows some secrets may come out in the process. When you get people behind closed doors and under oath, anything can happen.

I'll put in my plug for the WestFest that is happening the weekend after this, sponsored by UNH.

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was quoted saying that he would release funds on Oct. 1 "to help Hartford, West Haven and other communities struggling to avoid fiscal insolvency".

"West Haven has definitely hit rock bottom when out of 169 municipalities the Governor names us and warns of insolvency. It is embarrassing and West Haven can do so much better," she said.

In response, Mayor O'Brien said the city was well aware of the executive order and what it does and took action when notice of adjustments in the state were known.

"We received notice that these changes were coming and worked to adjust this fiscal year's education budget to work with the revised state aid. This has already been completed and we will be able to work with the revised amount until a state budget is passed," O'Brien said.

A key detail of this adjustment is that it is not permanent, according to O'Brien. The executive order only stands until the General Assembly passes a budget, which he believes is expected within a month.

In the absence of a state budget, the governor is only authorized to make cuts to funding to ensure the budget stays balanced.

"In this regard, West Haven made out fairly well with this executive order as many cities and towns are facing completely zeroed-out Education Cost Sharing funds. As a school district with a significant amount of low-income families and a high percentage of students with special needs, the state understands that West Haven has a larger cost burden than most other municipalities," O'Brien said.

Regarding the Connecticut Mirror article, O'Brien indicated his opponent missed a very important detail.

"Another important part of the article that Nancy seemed to miss is that grants to Alliance Districts, of which West Haven is one, will remain unchanged," he said.

He said the administration, the Finance Department, and the Board of Education have taken important steps to ensure our schools can operate under the current conditions.

"First, as mentioned before, we have already made adjustments to this year's education budget to continue normal operations under the temporarily revised state aid without running a deficit. Second, we remain in contact with the governor's office, OPM, and our state representatives and senators to ensure West Haven's needs are met in the final state budget," O'Brien said.

He took the opportunity to again criticize Rossi for not knowing all the details.

"Once again, it is clear that Nancy does not know the details of the situation we are in and would rather send out panicked press releases than reach out and learn how we are handling the situation," he said.

Savin Rock topic of panel

A three-person panel hosted by Mayor Edward M. O'Brien will discuss "Memories of Savin Rock Amusement Park" from 6-8 p.m. Sept. 28 at the Main Library, 300 Elm St. Included with Mayor O'Brien will be Natalie Guiliano-DeRosa, William S. "Wiggy" Johnson, Jr., former chief of the West Haven Fire Dept., and Harold M. Peschell.



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School begins on Monday, but what are they learning?

We know it's hard to believe. The summer that began with so much promise is quickly ebbing away. The official end of the season is a mere four weeks away, but already things are starting to transition from summer mode into more normal patterns. The biggest manifestation of that transition is the return of the city's more than 6,000 school children to classes, beginning Monday.

For those children, it has to be a jolting bit of reality that what seems like only a few weeks ago was the beginning of summer vacation. In short order, the summer is fading and the return to class means ten months of study, tests and extra-curricular activities. Indeed, it was a short summer – or at least seemed to be. Before we know it, the leaves will be turning various shades of color and then falling to the ground as we get into colder weather.

To those students, we offer our hope that the new school year will be one of self-growth, intellectual curiosity and personal satisfaction. There is no substitute for the study and hard work needed to master a given educational discipline. Whether it is mathematics, or grammar, language learning or art class, one can only excel when one has the awareness there are no free passes. One does not get on in life very successfully by choosing to take an easy or uncommitted path.

While we discuss this, we cannot but help to worry about what our children, not only in West Haven, but elsewhere. The last 50 years in education have been ones of upheaval, social experimentation and downright horrible pedagogy.

In many subjects, particularly history and English writing and grammar, politics has taken the place of good, solid subject matter. We see it all around us with the iconoclasm that has hit the nation in the last two weeks. A brutal and unrealistic view of history has superimposed the political fads of today onto the events of the past.

The nation suffered through a civil war more than 150 years ago, and the underlying problem was one of slavery. Getting rid of slavery was a long and arduous road. The Founding Fathers, some of them, were desirous of forming a new nation and their instincts were to rid the nation of slavery. However, reality – the reality that besets most historical moments and events – meant they had to worry about forming the nation first, and attempt to change the attitudes on slavery later.

We must remember slavery was an institution pervasive in all cultures, and the trade of slaves had many constituencies, not only Europeans, but African tribes and Muslim war lords. We seem to have forgotten that.

We must also remember it was a white, Christian society that began to alter the attitude concerning slavery, not only in Protestant lands, but in Catholic ones, also. Our own Constitution forbade the slave trade after a certain date, and counted three-fifths of slaves not only to preclude slave states from having more political power, but also to allow non-slave states to pressure future events leading to the demise of the institution.

It took the blood of more than 600,000 to rid the nation of slavery, but to try to pigeonhole everyone as a modern-day racist and then rid their influence in history by some Cultural Revolution is wrong-headed. Wrong as they might have been, many were honorable men and women, who were products of their time. Context is everything in life and in history.

This current attempt to expunge historic figures, including the Founding Fathers because they owned slaves is just another way to undermine this nation and its principles.

Meanwhile, in the realm of letters, we see the educational elites trying to highlight ideas over clarity. Yet, without clarity, ideas are useless.

As we have said in this space on numerous occasions, grammar begets clarity. Knowing how to write and write well is important, using proper syntax and usage. It is not "racist" to demand that students learn how to speak and write properly. The real world is not going to allow bad speech and bad grammar. To allow this in the classroom is bigotry itself, saying youngsters of a certain racial or ethnic mix cannot master proper English.

We worry for our students as they enter the classroom next week. The adults in many corners have gone mad, and many of the lunatics are leading the educational establishment.



Letters

City money wasted on Sept. 12 vote

Tens of thousands of dollars will be spent on the Democrats' infighting in September and we, the taxpayers are paying for it.

WOW. So much energy, time and resources by both the Rossi and O'Brien teams. I guess it should be no surprise to the voters that there will be a Democratic primary again this year in September.

Both Democrat Nancy Rossi (now of "A Better Choice" third party) and Mayor Edward O'Brien (the endorsed candidate of his party) are surely part of the problems we have in West Haven and not the solution. Their teams are the same old politicians that time and time again, can't seem to get their act together to support each other as one party, but continually fight to gain control of the city.

To what end? Witness the City's financial ruin and ask yourself, what has a Democrat done for you lately?

I am proud to be the West Haven Republican town chairman and even prouder to let everyone know that the Republicans have a full slate, a team of twenty-one people led by David Riccio. Most of the slate is just concerned individuals who are tired of the Democrats annual antics and who just want to serve the 54,000 citizens of this town, not the chosen few.

Voters do have a real choice in November, and it's not the Democrats. Your real choice is the revitalized and united

West Haven Republican Party, the party of the people, not the party of retread politicians.

Michele Gregorio

WH public schools better under mayor

With the groundbreaking on the new and improved West Haven High School this week, I thought this would be a fitting time to discuss the state of our public education system in West Haven. When I took office our schools were in need of repair, test scores needed to be improved, our youngest students did not have access to full-day kindergarten, and our older students heard talk of building a new high school, but no talk was becoming reality. I am proud to say all of these issues have been ad-

dressed in just my two short terms.

First of all, our schools are being repaired faster and more consistently than ever before. At Carrigan School alone we have fixed the roof, updated the auditorium and locker rooms, had new paving done, and repaired the HVAC system. The Bailey HVAC system has also been updated. We are upgrading the boilers and intercom system at Savin Rock School, repaving at Forest School, and updating the Washington School intercom system. There have also been continuous updates to our lighting and energy systems. All of these projects help make our schools more efficient and lower costs in the long run.

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The University of New Haven announced today that it will welcome the largest class in its history this fall. The class is 33 percent larger than the class admitted last fall and indicates that the university is increasingly becoming first choice for a growing numbers of students. The class will begin arriving on campus on Wednesday, Aug. 23. It includes 1,730 new students – 1,503 first-year students and 227 transfer students.

The students hail from 33 states and 21 countries. The class includes three sets of twins and is 55 percent female.

“The university is increasingly the first choice for successful students who are looking not only for a fulfilling student-first college experi-

ence but also post-graduation opportunities,” Walter Caffey, vice-president for enrollment, said. “The incoming students will be a terrific addition to the bright, eager, and capable students returning to campus to complete their degrees.”

The University was recently named one of the nation’s best colleges for 2018 by The Princeton Review, a directory of top colleges. This is the second year in a row that the University has been included.

When President Steven H. Kaplan joined the University 13 years ago, the student body numbered about 4,000, many of whom were commuters. This fall, the University will include nearly 6,800 students.



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With regards to test scores, between grades 3 and 8, the number of students obtaining above average English scores on standardized testing has risen 5.1 percent just from 2015 to 2016. For math, the number of students scoring above average has increased an incredible 10.3 percent! In the past two years Forest, Seth Haley, and Mackrille School have all been recognized as Schools of Distinction for high-needs students.

In addition to increased maintenance and rising test scores, my administration fought to secure all-day kindergarten for West Haven’s children. While this was originally done with state funding, we have now incorporated it into our budget in a way that is sustainable.

Last but certainly not least,

we finally have an improved high school coming to West Haven. We have known for years that we need a new high school and talk of this has produced no results until now. Shortly after I took office, a project to update the high school was presented to me and it was not good enough. This project would have had the walls of the high school made out of a Styrofoam and stucco material, did not include the full shops program, and did not include full asbestos abatement.

I understand that some believe we should have gone with that version of the project, but it was not good enough for West Haven students. If anyone wants a Mayor who will green-light the first draft of a project no matter the quality, I am not the guy for them. Not only did I know this project

could be better, but the State of CT who is covering 75% of the cost for the new high school also encouraged us to put the project on hold and work on a better design. The new high school will have no asbestos, include the full shops program, and will be constructed with brick walls which are safer and more energy efficient. This is the project that our students and taxpayers deserve.

Our education system has made great strides in the past few years and is a great example of the way my administration is moving West Haven forward!

Edward M. O'Brien
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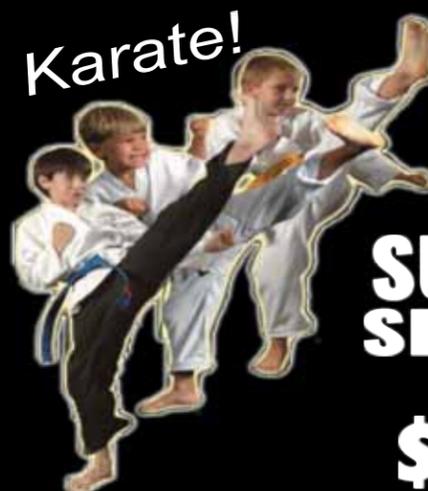
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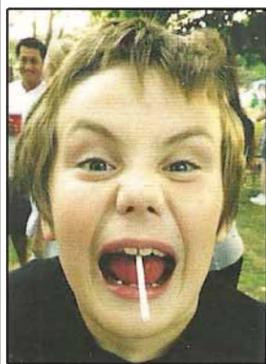
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Home makeover

From left, Mayor Edward M. O'Brien, contractor Anthony Cordone and Planning and Development Commissioner Joseph A. Riccio Jr. on Monday stand in front of a Cape Cod-style house at 43 Linden St. that Cordone recently refurbished, an example of the unique partnership between the city and local contractors to improve West Haven's aging housing stock. Four years ago, the city foreclosed on the single-family home as well as a single-family home at 41 Harold St. that contractor Brian Banning has since remodeled. After assuming ownership of the severely blighted homes, the city put the properties out to bid, with Cordone obtaining the Linden Street bid for \$52,000 and Banning securing the Harold Street bid for \$55,000. Cordone and Banning, known for building single-family homes in West Haven, then gutted the houses, giving them an extensive interior and exterior makeover — complete with such modern amenities as granite countertops, stainless steel appliances, hardwood flooring, and vinyl siding and windows.

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Open house slated for special needs support groups

The West Haven Interagency Network for Children will hold an open house from 6:30-8:30 p.m. Sept. 11 at the West Haven Community House, 227 Elm St., for its Parent Support Group, Autism Parent Support Group, Spanish-speaking Autism Support Group and Adolescent Support Group.

Meet other parents of children with special needs and learn about the agency's monthly meetings, workshops and activities for families. Free child care is provided if requested.

To register for the open house, contact Robert S. Morton, director of West Haven Youth and Family Services, at (203) 937-3633 or morton@westhaven-ct.gov by Sept. 8.

6th Wellness Fair set for Sept. 24

The West Haven Community House will hold its 6th annual "Family Fun Walk & Wellness Fair" on Sunday morning, Sept. 24, at the Savin Rock Conference Center and Boardwalk. Registration is at 9:30am followed by a Zumba warm-up and a 10:30am kick-off.

The walk will feature a variety of fun activities along the route where participants receive free chances to be entered in a raffle to be held during the Wellness Fair at the end of the walk. Fun activity stations along the walk route include: hopscotch, simon says, bean bag toss, jump rope, spelling bee, limbo, wheelchair obstacle course, and more.

The "Fun Walk" will step off from the Conference Center with registration at 9:30 followed by a Zumba warm-up and a 10:30 kick-off on Sept. 24. All proceeds from the event will benefit West Haven Community House and its programs including Head Start pre-school, Community Connections' day and residential programs for adults with intellectual disabilities, and Children & Youth before and after school child care programs located in the West Haven public schools.

The walk concludes with a free health and wellness fair inside the conference center as well as raffles and prizes awarded to the largest team and the team that raised the most funds. The health and wellness fair, which is open to the public, features a variety of local organizations representing health and wellness. Those interested in participating can register online www.whcommunityhouse.org or contact Kathy Hart-Jones at (203) 934-5221.

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Profile of Attorney Mark A. Healey

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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Around Town

WHHS Class of '55

The WHHS class of 1955 is celebrating classmates' 80th birthday this year on Aug. 27. Call Gene (203) 469-4497 or email gene-spt@att.n for complete information.

Harugari pig roast

The annual Harugari Pig Roast is set on the club grounds for Sunday, Aug. 27, from 1-6 p.m. on the club grounds, Highland Street. The Adlers will be performing for your listening and dancing pleasure. The Harugari Schuhplattlers will also perform traditional German folk dances. German food and bier will be available for purchase. Admission is \$5 for adults, under 18 free. CT Beer Trail "Trailblazer" Card Holders receive Free Admission and \$1 off each Connecticut Beer purchase. For information, call (203) 933-9930.

14th annual book sale

The 14th annual Friends of Library Book Sale will be held Friday and Saturday Sept. 8 and 9 at the library, 300 Elm Street, West Haven from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. in the Connie Sacco Meeting Room. Donations of good used books are needed (please no encyclopedias, textbooks or magazines). Volunteers are needed beginning Tuesday, Sept. 5th to set up the donated books. Sign up to volunteer at the Main Library during regular library hours.

NARFE confab, Sept. 5

The National Active and Retired Federal Employees Association monthly meeting will be held Tuesday, Sept. 5, 1 p.m., at the North Haven Congregational Church, 28 Church Street. All active and retired federal workers and retirees are invited to attend.

The guest speaker will be Monica James-Brantley, YNHH Geriatric Services & Outreach, Lifeline Program Coordinator.

Alaska trip set for 2018

The Ward-Heitmann House Museum is planning a 12-night cruise/tour to Alaska departing Aug. 31, 2018. Tour includes the Inner Passage and Denali National Park. The seven-night night cruise is on Celebrity Cruise Lines ship Millenium, and a five-night land tour will conclude the trip. Fares quoted are for a limited time and range from \$2751 to \$3781 depending on choice of stateroom. Air fare is additional. Special amenities are available for early booking. For more information, please contact Kathryn Gregory at (203) 933-0599 or katherngregory@sbcglobal.net.




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Around Town

Harding '52

Plans are finalizing plans for the 65th Warren Harding High School Class of 1952 reunion at the Blue Goose Restaurant in Stratford, Saturday, Sept. 23, from 1-5 p.m.

Tickets for the event are \$30. Checks can be made out to Warren Harding High School Class of 52 and can be sent to Mike Moccia, 15A Heritage Crest, Southbury 06488. Call (203) 264-6838 for additional information.

Photo courtesy of Diane Dietman

Bowl-athon raises funds

Connie Cappiello, back center, joins participants of the city's playground camp July 27 at the Woodlawn Duckpin Bowling Alley, 240 Platt Ave. The sixth annual duckpin bowl-athon, held July 26-27, was sponsored by the Department of Parks and Recreation's playground camp program in memory of Cappiello's son, former employee Ed Cappiello, Jr., and former employee Valerie DeFonzo-Withington, who died of long-term illnesses. West Haven's six playground sites participated in the benefit and raised \$1,200 for scholarship funds in Cappiello's and Withington's names.

WHHS Class of '62

The West Haven High School Class of 1962 has scheduled its 55th reunion on Saturday, Sept. 23, from 4-8 p.m. at Cielo, 85 Chase Lane. The price is \$30 per person and includes a buffet dinner, music, cash bar and custom cars. For ticket information, contact Eleanore Reynolds at (203) 483-5163, or Bob Belard, (203) 932-0837. Checks may be sent to Reynolds at 34 Goodsell Road, Branford, 06405, made out to

WHHS Class of '62.

Musicians needed

Nutmeg Symphonic Pops Orchestra and Chorale needs musicians and singers. The orchestra rehearses Saturday mornings at 9:15 at Carrigan Middle School and the chorale rehearses Wednesdays at 5:30 at St. Louis Church, classroom wing. The orchestra is seeking string instruments, trombone, trumpet, French Horn, oboe, and the chorale needs all

voices, especially men. Please call Dino Ciaburri at (203) 812-0606

Cross Class of '52

The Wilbur Cross High School Class of 1952 will host its reunion on Sunday, Sept. 24 from 11:30-4 at Owengo Inn in Branford.

Price of \$50 per person includes a buffet luncheon.

Guests are welcome. For reservations, call John Schatzlein (203) 294-9286 or Joan Vogel-

sang Ginter, (203) 269-9217.

Used Book Sale

First Congregation Church, 464 Campbell Ave., will host its Used Book Sale, SERRV Shop and Clothes Closet on Saturday, Aug. 23 between 9 a.m. and 2 p.m. As usual there will be a large selection of gently read books available, including many children's books, clothing at very affordable prices and articles made by refugees.



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Getting season-ready

Ken Strong Stadium was an active place this week with high school players getting ready for their season openers. But, before that can happen, there's practice, practice and more practice. Above -- Voice photog Russ McCreven was around the stadium this week and caught the West Haven High frosh putting in some plays at their home turf. There were other things going on as well. Left -- The West Haven Soccer Camp, sponsored by the Blue Devils' soccer team put kids through their paces, with agility drills, honing their skills for youth soccer games set to start in a few weeks.

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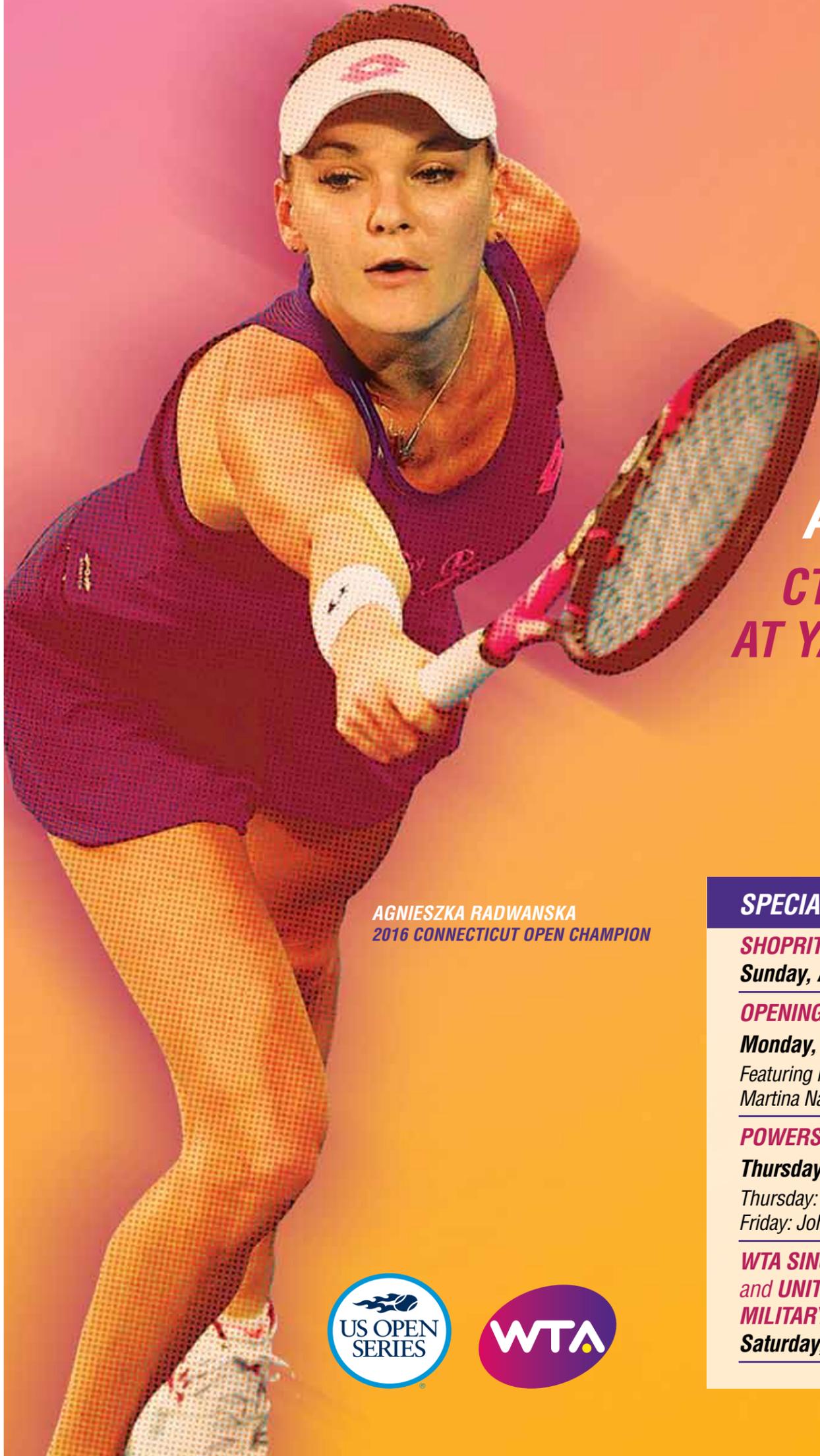
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Sporting Life

By Mark Vasto

Floyd Mayweather and Conor McGregor's world press tour was a brilliant marketing scheme that now has the entire world talking about the fight.

Mayweather, at 49-0, is putting it all on the line to go 50-0, eclipsing Rocky Marciano's record of 49 straight wins. He is a master showman and knows how to push people's buttons better than anyone since Muhammad Ali. For at least his past 20 fights, Mayweather has played the villain, and he plays it with such sincerity that it's really hard for a lot of people to root for him ... but you'll watch, and he'll keep cashing those \$100 million checks.

But Conor McGregor also is undefeated as a boxer. And he is a WORLD CHAMPION fighter. He is not a novice by

any means. In terms of the pre-fight smack talk, there is little doubt that McGregor had the bigger mouth (and funnier lines) but that being said, the incessant profanities and racial allegations have unfortunately ruined much of that tour for posterity.

Mayweather, knowing how to manipulate, has tried to frame this fight in racial terms. He claims that McGregor slurred him, he wants to go that way and give himself enough motivation to win and win BIG. McGregor, in turn, rightfully accused Mayweather of being a wife-beater.

That's certainly not what this country needs right now. Mayweather needs to ditch that angle or else they should just call off the fight. First of all, it was already implied: We know that McGregor is white

and Mayweather is black. To frame this fight as yet another "great white hope" misses the mark entirely, and it needs to stop.

So, we know McGregor talks a big game. But this fight is something special, I can tell. It's literally the biggest fight since Ali-Foreman in terms of hype. I've studied McGregor's tapes, and this guy really has a shot at winning.

He's a FIGHTER; dismissing that is ridiculous. He beat the brakes off of Pauli Malignaggi, according to the leaked tapes of his second sparring match with McGregor. And while the clip of the fight shows a definite push and not a knock-down, the 20 seconds before that showed sweat spraying off Malignaggi's head and him bailing into the ropes. It was an unfair fight because Paulie is older and out of shape, but I'm certain Paulie very much got the better of him in the early rounds.

But the films -- and his highlight reels from the UFC -- show that McGregor has stunning accuracy and is a killer counterpuncher. He's going to come out with savage fury and try to score the biggest upset in boxing history. McGregor is in serious shape and really believes he can do it. Self-actualization in action. He says he can break Mayweather's guard, and I believe him. His biggest worry is being disqualified for an illegal strike.

My money's on McGregor. We soon shall see.

Mark Vasto is a veteran sports-writer who lives in New Jersey.

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Pre-season workout

Members of the West Haven Greys soccer team had a spirited workout over the weekend at Pagel's Field on Benham Hill Road. The senior team is getting ready for its season at the school facility.



Photos by Russ McCreven

It's in the footwork!

This up and coming Westie frosh player just got a handoff and is mastering his footwork. High school teams have begun practice for the fall season, getting the final double-session days in before school starts next week.

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'The Atwood' opens in Allingtown

By Michael P. Walsh
Special to the Voice

Clasping a pair of oversize scissors, Mayor Edward M. O'Brien cut the ceremonial ribbon Aug. 17 with Acorn Group founder David A. Beckerman and Vice President Gary S. Letendre to mark the grand opening of Acorn's The Atwood, an \$18 million apartment and commercial development at 222 Boston Post Road aimed at making the neighborhood around the Allingtown Green a destination.

As many of the new building's residents, all students of the nearby University of New Haven, moved into their new digs, O'Brien touted The Atwood's highly anticipated opening as "one example of how we are transforming West Haven through economic development."

"This area is transforming before our eyes," O'Brien told a group of more than a dozen city officials and project executives moments before the afternoon ribbon-cutting, which also included Jay Brotman, managing partner of the New Haven architectural firm Svigals & Partners, state Rep. Michael A. DiMassa, D-116,

and city Planning and Development Commissioner Joseph A. Riccio Jr.

"This innovative development initiative, envisioned by David Beckerman, is revitalizing our Allingtown neighborhood and the Allingtown Green area, including our bustling and vibrant Route 1 gateway," O'Brien said later.

"Acorn Group's goal is to design new buildings and public amenities that make the Allingtown Green more of a destination," Beckerman said in a news release from Acorn's public relations firm, C.C. Sullivan of Montclair, New Jersey.

The four-story, 90,150-square-foot building, built by the Acorn development company Forest Road Manor LLC on the former 89-year-old site of Carroll Cut-Rate Furniture, houses 67 market-rate apartments, composed of one- and two-bedroom studios, and 15,000 square feet of commercial space on the ground floor.

During the brief ceremony, Letendre confirmed that the apartments are 100 percent leased by UNH students and the commercial space is 50 percent leased.

He also confirmed that the

national retail tenants occupying the ground floor of the brick and fiber cement-sided building include Torrington-based EbLens Clothing & Footwear and Dallas-based Mooyah Burgers, Fries & Shakes.

According to the release, the building's multihued facade "imbues (the) Allingtown Green with the feel of a traditional American village center, ... with (new) retail storefronts ... and restaurants ... planned around the newly landscaped green to enhance the village feel."

The Atwood, standing between Atwood Place and Taft Avenue, is 400 feet from UNH's Route 1 campus, which is home to 6,000 students.

The handicapped-accessible, natural gas-fueled apartments are equipped with kitchens with ambient lighting, stainless steel appliances, wood-laminated flooring, and granite countertops with decorative stone backsplashes. They are also outfitted with energy-efficient heating and cooling systems, a sprinkler system, and tiled bathrooms and shower stalls.

The building was construct-

ed by A.P. Construction Co. of Stamford, creating scores of construction jobs and using as many local contractors as possible, Letendre said. It was designed by Svigals + Partners.

"Outside The Atwood," the release said, "generous sidewalks create opportunities for

outdoor seating and room for people to congregate and be visible."

Officials said the project, which includes two rear parking lots totaling 181 spaces, will generate \$101,776 in property tax revenue in its first year and \$370,279 by year eight.



Photo by Michael P. Walsh

Mayor Edward M. O'Brien, holding a pair of oversize scissors, cuts the ceremonial ribbon Aug. 17 with, from left, Acorn Group founder David A. Beckerman, Svigals & Partners managing partner Jay Brotman, Acorn Vice President Gary S. Letendre, state Rep. Michael A. DiMassa, D-West Haven, and city Planning and Development Commissioner Joseph A. Riccio, Jr. to mark the grand opening of Acorn's The Atwood, an \$18 million apartment and commercial development at 222 Boston Post Road.

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Gripevine

Dear Eleanore Turkington:

West Haven can't wait to cancel anything. They cancelled a July concert in the Grove. I can't believe this. Who makes these decisions and why was this concert cancelled in the morning?

Disgruntled Music Lover

Dear Disgruntled:

Francis Withington, West Haven's Complaint Officer said, "The concert was cancelled at 1 p.m. by the Parks Department. It was rescheduled for Monday and went off nicely.

Again, another Friday, it was cancelled around 3:30 p.m. and again by the Parks Department. It was rescheduled.

Any mention of heavy wind or thunderstorms has to be taken seriously."

Dear Eleanore Turkington:

I wrote you on March 26 and your reply stated Francis Withington said that the curb complaint at Peck and William Street is reported to Jim Cavallaro and it will be done within the next couple of weeks. It has been OVER 12 WEEKS and still no repairs. I've called numerous times and either get put on hold or told NO ONE is in now. I'm attaching the ORIGINAL ARTICLE with pictures of the curb.



TURKINGTON

Frustrated Taxpayer

Dear Frustrated Taxpayer:

According to West Haven's Complaint Officer, Francis Withington, "We're doing curbs in Allingtown now. I advised Jim Cavallaro, Highway Superintendent of this curb and he will address as soon as possible."

Dear Eleanore Turkington:

There was a broken drainage pipe on Colonial Drive. Will it be repaired?

Interested

Dear Interested:

I have been informed by Francis Withington, West Haven's Complaint Officer that your gripe is not a city issue. It is private property.

Dear Eleanore Turkington:

What's the latest on the abandoned buildings at Beach

Street?

Just Curious

Dear Just Curious:

"We are hopeful that the gallery will be down sometime in August. Again the other properties are privately owned and we can only monitor the blight, if any. They are on the radar by the Blight Department," says Francis Withington, city's complaint officer.

Dear Eleanore Turkington:

Recently, I sent you a letter complaining of the graffiti on the skateboard complex on Beach Street. Will the painted ugliness ever be removed?

Disgusted

Dear Disgusted:

"The graffiti was removed and came back. I'll get it taken care of," states Francis Withington, complaint office.

Gripe Vine Readers:

Unless I am mistaken, motorcycle complaints sent to Gripe Vine have been slowing down. Please let me know how your neighborhood is faring with this gripe.

However, just as a reminder I am continuing to place items of interest on this subject weekly.

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front of upper beams of head lamps. Readers, please note if you don't see these laws observed. Let me know.

You can submit your gripes, comments and suggestions to gripevine4wh@aol.com or write to Gripe Vine c/o West Haven Voice, 666 Savin Ave. Please be sure to include your name, address and phone number, kept strictly confi-

dential with me.

Coming up..Fireworks on Prospect Avenue and Grove Place...speeding motorcycles on Captain Thomas Boulevard between Campbell Avenue and Washington Avenue, night and day...pot holes on Beach Street...teenagers popa-wheeling their bikes in between cars on city streets and much more.

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 **Historian's corner** **By Dan Shlne**

Old West Haven Newspapers

This week, your Historian defers to past Historian, the late Harriet C. North, and a column that she wrote in 1980:

Today, I am going to evoke memories in some old West Haveners concerning how this paper came to be. As far as can be ascertained, about 1895 there was a paper called "Weekly Times." The publishers were Mr. R.W. French and Mr. E.P. Thomas, editors and proprietors. It was printed by the "Knox-All Printing House" on Washington Avenue, near George Street.

In 1905, a weekly newspaper emerged, run by one Edward Whaples, called the "Advertiser." It was printed in a small shop in the rear of Mr. Whaples' home on Washington Avenue and Leete Street.

After the publisher's death in 1910, Mr. Charles G. Chamberlin was appointed administrator of his estate. He bought the newspaper and the printing press.

It was moved to Campbell Avenue in a building between Town Hall and Center Street. The business was incorporated under the name "Orange Print."

In 1915 the newspaper was



sold to Mr. M.C. Schwaner. Associated with him as editor was Arthur E. Lamsen who conducted the business for several years. The printing business was later sold by Mr. Chamberlin to Mr. Herman Wilson who erected a brick edifice on Curtiss Place and moved the business there. His son recently passed away; the building remains.

There was another newspaper published about that time called "Town Topics." This was owned by Mr. Lucien Smith and printed in the shop of Edwin P. Thomas on Washington Avenue. Old timers will remember Mrs. Frank

Merwin Smith, a lady well on in years who wrote the "society" column.

Teas, "whist" parties, dinner parties, and weddings were colorfully described by her. West Haveners avidly read her column.

Some years later, "West Haven Life" was published by Lewis L. Field. He and his wife Marion were well-known among the townspeople. Mr. Field and several West Haven businessmen ran this concern.

During the Great Depression, about 1929, Mr. Walter Kiernan and his wife ran the paper. Following that, came the "News-Record" published

by Richard P. Plank.

The "Town Crier" came into existence about 1930, with Frank Sheehan as editor. The next new owners and editors were Mr. James C. Sullivan and his wife Jane.

All of these papers were published at the printing presses of Nathan and Herbert Thomas on Washington Avenue.

When the Sullivans took over, they moved the office to a building on Center Street near Campbell Avenue. The printing was done in Hamden. Mrs. Sullivan is still active in the newspaper field. She writes "My Pet Gripe" for the Register, along with other

household articles. The next owners were Robert Joyce and his wife Judy. It was called the "City News." They held it for seven years. The present owners are the people who print the Milford Citizen with Mr. Bill Riccio as editor. Before him were Mercedes Carafeno, Colby Dreissens, Jon Swelbelius and Glenn Clark. It is now called the "West Haven News."

West Haveners eagerly await the printing of each week's issue to read about the political, sporting, social and advertising news (to say nothing about Felicia—that girl who seems to know all).

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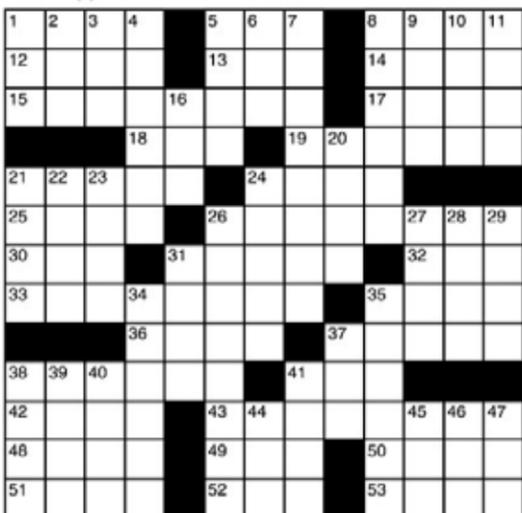
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King Crossword

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| 1 Moby-Dick's pursuer | 37 Greedy one's cry | 20 Model Macpherson |
| 5 Strange | 38 Wheedle | 21 Con game |
| 8 Slight coloration | 41 "A mouse!" | 22 Golf target |
| 12 Disturb | 42 Enthusiastic | 23 Hot dog holder |
| 13 Hawaiian neckwear | 43 Rapid decline | 24 Southern lass |
| 14 Reed instrument | 48 Equestrian game | 26 Seasickness |
| 15 Tunes | 49 Type squares | 27 Friendly |
| 17 Diamond source | 50 Concept | 28 Dutch cheese |
| 18 Court | 51 Aware of | 29 Be too fond |
| 19 Spring, for one | 52 Regret | 31 Jack and Jill's terrain |
| 21 Unspoken "I dunno" | 53 Retain | 34 Type of doll |
| 24 Leave suddenly | DOWN | 35 Long-snouted antelope |
| 25 Henhouse | 1 Upper limb | 37 Obtain |
| 26 Became less harsh | 2 Weeding tool | 38 Crime boss |
| 30 Everything | 3 Have a bug | 39 Shakespeare's river |
| 31 Bisect | 4 Explode | 40 Leave at the altar |
| 32 Commotion | 5 Hodgepodge | 41 Different |
| 33 Creator of 1-Across | 6 Cee follower | 44 Ostrich's cousin |
| 35 "Phooey!" | 7 Turn to liquid | 45 Rhyming praise |
| 36 Shoppe | 8 Beefsteak or plum | 46 Teensy |
| | 9 Sacred bird of Egypt | 47 Siesta |
| | 10 Taboo, to a child | |
| | 11 Adolescent | |



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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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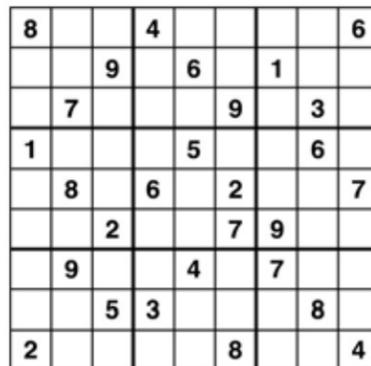
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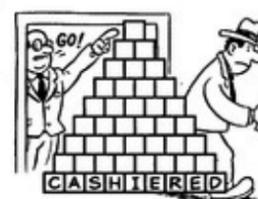


Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

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- To be dismissed from your job.
- To have looked for.
- Having arrived at.
- What the mad cat's back did.
- Famous tree of Lebanon.
- (Informal) A funny person.
- An ungenerously man.
- A notice of sale.
- Roman symbol for 500.



Answers to last week's puzzles

— **King Crossword** —
 Answers
 Solution time: 21 mins.

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— **ENGLISH** —

— **Weekly SUDOKU** —
 Answer

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