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Purmont chronicles recent past

By Michael P. Walsh

Special to the Voice

Mayor Edward M. O'Brien received a freshly pressed copy of "A Brief History of West Haven, Conn., 1986-2017" from author and city historian Jon E. Purmont during a presentation Oct. 12 at City Hall.

Purmont, who wrote and edited the narrative, chronicled the city's annals from 1986 through 2017.

He was assisted by West Haven scribes Diane Dorman Arduini, Susan Walker and William J. Heffernan III, who contributed the sections "Cove River Archaeology Site," "Public Education" and "West Haven Fire Service," respectively.

"I want to thank and commend Jon, along with Diane, Bill and Susan, for collecting this essential information and continuing the story of our great city for the enjoyment of future generations," said O'Brien, who had commissioned Purmont, president of the West Haven Historical Society, to compose an updated history of the city.

Two years in the making, Purmont's 31-page booklet is now the authorized follow-up to "A Brief History of West Haven, Conn.: Celebrating 25 Years as a City," the 16-page "little blue booklet" penned in 1986 by then-city historian Harriet C. North and Bennett W. Dorman, who later succeeded North as West Haven's history curator.

The new booklet, published Oct. 6 by the central services office at City Hall, contains color photos taken by various photographers, including Dan Shine and Michael P. Walsh, the city's public relations information coordinator.

The layout was done by city Information Technology Manager David W. Richards.

The booklet, also printed on light blue cover stock, is avail-See Purmont, page 7

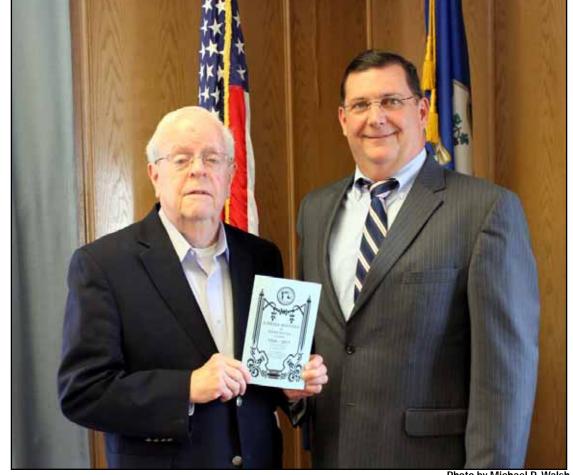


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Author and city historian Jon E. Purmont, left, presents a copy of "A Brief History of West Haven, Conn., 1986-2017" to Mayor Edward M. O'Brien on Oct. 12 at City Hall.

WHCH staff, clients aid storm victims



Staff members and clients from the West Haven Community House collected money and items for storm-rayaged parts of the country and Puerto Rico. Shown are just some of those who took part: Arianis Marte, Nitsa Togridis, Keri McLaughlin, Lyza Bartha, Jean Brunt, Karen Moretti, Lisa Tisdale, Stacey Empric and Kathy Hart-Jones.

After three major hurricanes (Harvey, Irma and Maria) and an earthquake ravaged the Caribbean and the United States Gulf Coast, the Community House staff members held a collection for those in need.

Many staff members have friends and family in the areas that were hit the hardest, including Puerto Rico and Mexico.

The Community House's Head Start staff members Arianis Marte & Stacey Empric organized a "Food and Essentials Drive" for Puerto Rico and Mexico.

"After not hearing from my family for several days and seeing the devastation that occurred in Mexico as well, I knew I could not just sit still and hope that someone would help. Since I could not physically be in Puerto Rico to volunteer, I knew that asking our community for help would turn out to be a success. I am so joyful and humbled by the donations received; this collection became bigger than I envisioned", said Arianis.

Together, with the help from fellow staff members from all departments, hundreds of essential items were collected and will be delivered to Mexico and Puerto Rico.

In addition, teachers and students from our Children & Youth Services program at Pagels Elementary school raised \$200 for hurricane survivors in Texas and Florida.

They designed handmade beaded bracelets and sold them to family, friends and teachers for \$1.

"Their little hands are helping to make a difference", said Candace Simmons, Head Teacher at Pagels childcare program.

The Community House is one of the largest employers in the city of West Haven with more than 160 full and part time employees, some that have been there for more than 30 years. In 2016 the agency celebrated its 75th anniversary year.

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@westhavenvoice.com.

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O'Brien goes on campaign offense

Showing he can play offense as well as defense, Mayor O'Brien is calling out Nancy Rossi for her inflated claims regarding her ability to make financial decisions for the city. O'Brien, who has been forced throughout the campaign to defend his administration from Rossi's attacks, took a different tone this week regarding what he claims is the cornerstone of her campaign.

"Nancy's entire campaign is predicated on her being some sort of financial genius but her record proves otherwise."

O'Brien first points to Rossi's decision to retroactively approve a bid waiver for a firetruck purchased improperly by former Allingtown Fire Chief Peter Massaro in 2015. Massaro purposely skipped the competitive bidding process, violating city procedures and FEMA guidelines, when purchasing a new truck for the department and overpaid by nearly \$200,000.

"Where were Nancy's tight-fisted policies when this happened?" O'Brien asked. Not only did Rossi vote for the retroactive bid waiver, she went on the record as being "very supportive" of it. "This doesn't sound like someone who is watching every last dollar," O'Brien said, "and I don't think it's any surprise that Peter Massaro ended up running on Nancy's ticket."

Mayor O'Brien is also pointing out Rossi's support for a large raise to the city's former Finance Director amidst a fiscal crisis back in 2008.

"The city had just been informed that the deficit had increased to \$23.9 million and Nancy fought to give John Picard's Finance Director a \$24,000 raise in a single year," O'Brien said. "Does that sound like smart financial decision-making to anyone?"

The raise increased the Finance Director's salary to \$140,000 a year.

"These things just go to prove that

Nancy Rossi is not the financial genius she claims to be. Combined with the fact that she has staunchly opposed efforts to eliminate the General Fund deficit, we have overwhelming proof that Nancy is part of the problem, not the solution," he said.

Rossi countered, saying the mayor has some of his facts wrong.

"Mayor O'Brien, to no one's surprise, has his facts wrong, again! When it comes to the purchase of the Fire truck for Allingtown all of the FEMA guidelines were followed. Former Chief Peter Massaro shopped the truck to eight different vendors; the department received quotations and proceeded to interview companies. The department made the recommendation to the City Council and it was approved according to the city's purchasing ordinance. They purchased the fire truck that best fit the public safety requirements for the Allingtown district. There was

never a retroactive approval of the purchase, the truck was not purchased prior to the City Council approval," she said.

She said she was in support of the new truck and so were supporters of Mayor O'Brien

"The vote was 10-1 in favor," she

As far as the recasting of the Director of Finance's salary, she said she wasn't the only one who voted for it.

"I was on the City Council with Ed O'Brien when the finance director's increase was proposed and approved. Our decision made the position competitive with other municipalities.

She said his charges come up short and are attempt to confuse the voters, something she said he attempted during the primary in September.

"It is time for a change and I believe I am the most qualified person for the job," she said.

Mayor calls opponent Rossi a 'liar'

Mayor O'Brien is calling Nancy Rossi out on the numerous lies she has told throughout her campaign for mayor. She, meanwhile, is countering by calling his assertions "ridiculous." The ever-escalating battle of words saw a new salvo this week in a statement by the mayor concerning his opponent's rhetoric untruthful.

"Nancy is running her cam-

paign on multiple outright lies and I think the residents of West Haven need to know that," O'Brien said in the statement issued Monday.

O'Brien points to specific examples of this, the first being Rossi's press release regarding the train station area.

"On Sept. 1 of this year, the Rossi campaign sent a press release to the West Haven Voice regarding 'Mayor O'Brien's plan for affordable or 'low income' housing around the train station," the statement read. "In reality, there are absolutely no plans for low income or affordable housing in the train station area."

Mayor O'Brien commented Rossi knows the facts, but continues to talk fantasy when it comes to the issue. "Nancy sent this out knowing full well that the city's plan for the train station area does not include any affordable housing and she completed fabricated this idea in an attempt to scare or mislead voters," O'Brien said.

The city's transit-oriented development plan can be found at www.cityofwest-haven.com/DocumentCenter/

View/114, the release noted.

Next, O'Brien pointed out Rossi's numerous statements concerning the size of the city's deficit. "Rossi has stated throughout the campaign that the O'Brien administration has doubled the city's deficit which is also completely false," the statement reads. "The city's total deficit was

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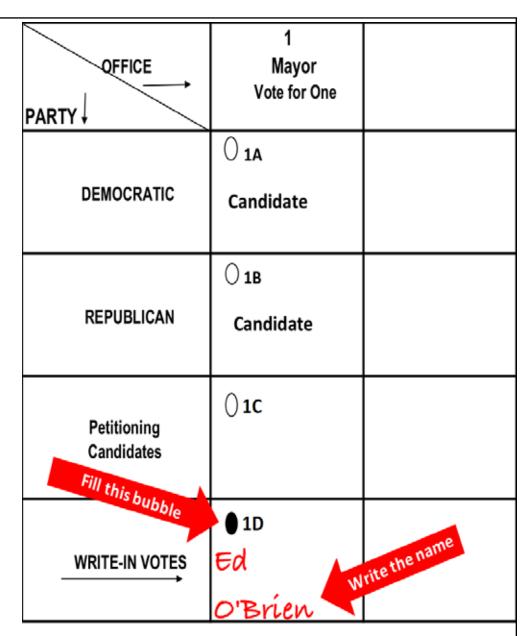
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Military Museum hosts WWI remembrance

The West Haven Military Museum and Learning Center Board of Directors will commemorate the United States' involvement in World War I on Thursday, Oct. 26 with a program of ceremony, music, exhibits, special guests and a reception. The event, which will begin promptly at 6:30 p.m., is open to the public.

The evening will begin with a grand entrance by the Second Company Governor's Footguard, Color Guard and Band with the presentation of the colors and renditions of World War I songs. Museum President Frank Chasney will welcome guests and introduce Peter Sonski, Manager of Education for the Knights of Columbus Museum in New Haven, who will describe that organization's involvement in "The Great War".

Special guest Laura Mancuso, author of the recently published "New Haven in World War I" will describe Connecticut's 102nd Infantry's role in the Battle of Seicheprey on the Western Front in France as she uncovered it for her research. Her presentation about this country's first battle in WWI is supported by the museum's military intelligence map and an artist's rendering of the scene. Attendees will then be free to enjoy self-guided tours,

a book signing by Ms. Mancuso, and a reception by students from The University of New Haven School of Hospitality and Tourism.

While this is a fundraising event, admission is free and all monies raised from free-will donations will be used for the new Media Center, according to Event Chairman Arlene De-Grand Painter. Grants, private gifts and general donations support the overall operation of the museum and library, which is 100 percent volunteer staffed by veterans and members of the area communities.

The 9,000-square-foot museum's collections of thou-

sands of articles and artifacts from the Revolutionary War to today's war on terror include rare uniforms, a Second World War bunker, an early meeting room of The New Haven Grays (1865-present), and a wing tip from a WWII Japanese fighter plane. Among the special exhibits are a por-

trait of Sergeant Stubby, the famous 102nd's four-legged mascot about whom a cartoon documentary is being made.

The non-profit 501(c)3 Military Museum and Learning Center is an all-volunteer organization located at 30 Hood Terrace. For more information contact (203) 934-1111.



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In order to score cheap, political points, Nancy Rossi has lied about:

- Her campaign trying to set up a debate during the primary.
- 2. Low-income housing coming to the train station area.
- 3. The deficit doubling in the past four years.

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PAID FOR BY FRIENDS OF ED O'BRIEN, ROBERT SAGER, TREASURER, APPROVED BY ED O'BRIEN.

Dear Felicia

Well, sweetie, things are plodding along here in the berg with (by the time yew git this missive) three weeks left in the mayoral campaign. This is about the time the candidates themselves see this as the home stretch, but think it'll never end. It could be the longest three weeks of their lives. Of course, in these parts, more and more local yokels are seeing this as a replay of previous elections.

I told yew about this. This three-way race thing has people looking back at years like 1981 when George Dunleavy and Don Wrinn beat each other's brains out in a primary that had to be redone by court order after "irregularities" were found in absentee balloting. That go-round had the second Democratic Primary done on Election Day, with the general election moved back to December.

Repubican, Larry Minichino, won that election, basing much of his campaign movement that was still the hottest political item in town. He was around for three terms before he got ousted by Democrat Sal Guerra, who eventually got ousted by Republican Clem Evangeliste. Guerra was hurt by the housing bubble that burst with a vengeance in this town – and from which it has never recovered some 30 years later. Within three years of the 1989 election that brought in Evangeliste the city was bankrupt.

Here we are some 20-something years later and the city has about the same amount of debt as it did when the state took over, but said state will issue an \$8 million handout to the city as long as it can have a seat at the table of decisions. I reminded yew last week that though the administration, which hasn't yet decided to take the money, calls the "review" board something like what it goes through now, there are those who see this a smoke screen. "Review Board" or "Oversight Board" the state is coming in to protect its assets. If it says "jump," whoever sits in the office on the third floor will only be able to ask "how high?"

So, in many ways this is like elections of the past, which has got to scare the Dems. Sammy Bluejay sez jest that. The Demmies, both the Rossi camp and the O'Brien camp, are seeing a lot o' anger out there and seeing as how the Dems have been in power for a quarter-century, the anger is directed at them. Needless to say with the way the country went against the power base over the last little while, there are some who think the time is ripe for a GOP upset. We shall

Nelly Nuthatch, meanwhile, came in t'other afternoon to say that the campaign signs are popping up all over the the city like mushrooms after a long rain. Rossi signs have been up for quite a while cuz of the primary, and some have been modified to reflect the results of the primary. Hizzoner has changed his signs, of course, he has some rather snappy signs (attractive in their own way) for the write-in campaign.

Nelly sez that some who were involved in the Picard write-in four years ago, are wondering effen the O'Brien people have any war chest to pay for the rest of the campaign. They told Nelly that last time and couldn't have got cheaper in the intervening moons

Who knows? It ain't like they're gonna hafta pay those bills that's

Iva Lootev was in at the same time and he seems to wonder what is blazes is happening with the bonding the city has put itself into and yet to be sold. As I think I told yew a while ago, the city is putting out Bond Anticipation Notes (BANs) and is already spending some o' the kopecks they hope to accrue when the bonds are sold.

Nobody seems to know exactly what's going on with that sale, and how well, they're going. With the state offering to give us a check for \$8 million with strings, investors can't be breaking down the doors or the tellers' windows to purchase these things. It's \$150 million more of debt by a city that don't even know effen the budget it passed for July 1 was balanced or not.

Until we know the status of the bond sale, like the state's handout offer, it's all jest a concept that everyone is talking about. Once the money is in hand, it becomes real.

That is why the big question that is coming from some quarters is similar to the question heard during the primary concerning the Haven: The high school isn't going to be

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How would you like to be a campaigner and attempting to answer that query? It can't be comfortable because even though you might think you're in the know, you probably aren't. Only the inner circle in the Actors Colony, both city-side and school-side can answer that query, and they aren't offering any explana-

Getting back to the \$8 million the state is offering the city. I ain't hoid whether hizzoner will take the deal, but one wonders how in Heaven he'll be able to refuse it. There's only one problem that politicos around the city are talking about.

Regardless of who is on the winning side come Nov. 7, that person is stuck with the deal hizzoner agrees to, if, in fact, he agrees to take the money. The "review board" is being touted as jest another iteration of the Municipal Finance Assistance Committee (MFAC), which has been working alongside the administration for years. Still, the city can accept or reject what MFAC sez. Yew can read the above commints to understand where people are coming from regarding this.

I made a brief mention of this last week, but I'll tell yew a bit more. The troubles betwixt the union members in the high school and the union itself are simmering and not to far below the surface. Remember, a year or so ago, the high school members wanted to secede from the union and go their own route and were stopped by the union international.

Well, a few things regarding what is seen as a further attempt to get rid of people the school administration thinks should be gone have riled up the issue again. Much like they have at least three times past, there seems to be a concerted effort to stuff a dossier on two teachers with the express purpose of getting rid of them. The two in question had something to do with the "Save Our Shops" movement a few years ago. Since then they have been looked on with a jaundiced eye, especially by that mercurial person teachers refer to as "Dr. Death." And the same complaints are made against the union leadership. Those complaints have to do with the fack that the leadership has been out of the classroom for a rather long period and seem to have a cozy relationship with those with whom they are supposed to have an adversarial one. One cannot be too adversarial when one has a cushy job at the largesse of the administration.

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2017 scholarship WinnersThe Shore Haven Junior Baseball League recently awarded its 2017 scholarships to former players. Pictured between Assistant Commissioner Rich Pyrdol (left) and Assistant Commissioner Rick Dini are: Gabby Prisco, who won the Joseph Morrell, Sr. Scholarship; Jared Sandler, who won the Sal Arminio Scholarship and Mario Kiaunis, who was awarded the Dave Therese Scholarship.



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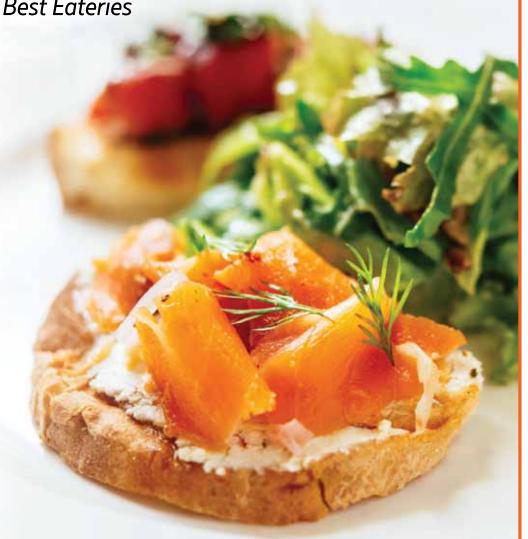
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All the candidates' focus should be on platforms So, the question is the same: What will the candidates do to

So, the question is the same. What will the candidates do to make West Haven a better place? What will they do, if elected, to make us safer, happier and more prosperous? To say the mayoral campaign, which ends in three weeks, has been something short of exciting is an understatement.

On the Democratic side of the aisle, we have the September primary winner, Nancy Rossi, and we have incumbent Mayor Edward M. O'Brien. Both have turned their campaigns in to little more than bicker-fests, where charges and countercharges are proffered and defended. We get it.

O'Brien has made decisions Rossi hasn't liked and didn't like at the time they were made. She was originally an O'Brien supporter, it should be noted, when the mayor beat John M. Picard for the Democratic nomination in 2012. One of the things O'Brien campaigned on was a five percent across-the-board cut of the city budget in an effort to bring it into balance. That was done eventually, but by that time other decisions had been made which were considered financially unsound, by the candidate who continually reminds us she is a Certified Public Accountant.

O'Brien, meanwhile, believes Rossi to be a political gadfly, who has a political history that shows her to change allegiances as the opportunity presents itself. He sees her constant switching of alliances as more a symptom of political opportunism than a political stance based in principle. That may be true, but opportunism is rife in politics, no matter what the affiliation. "The enemy of my enemy is my friend" is the dictum in the political world. Locally, the Democratic Party has always presented itself as a fractured majority.

As we've said before like all Gaul, the city's Democratic Party is divided into three parts. Over the last two-plus decades there has been a game of "king of the hill" between the three factions, with two coalescing to be the third. Those fights have seen the leadership switch several times. O'Brien, it has to be noted, is allied heavily with the Morrissey faction of the party, and has been for more than a decade since his days on the City Council. And O'Brien has allied himself with the Borer faction when the opportunity presents itself.

If the candidates are looking for hypocrisy, they needn't look far nor into the long past. O'Brien excoriated Picard in 2012, when he opted for a write-in candidacy after losing the primary. A short look at the reasons and justification for O'Brien doing the same thing four years later will elicit the feeling one has read these reasons before.

Meanwhile, David Riccio, the Republican candidate, has played the "ground game" and walked from house to house over the last several weeks, but his campaign has been short in taking advantage of the continual back-and-forth between the two Democratic opponents. Just this week he has finally taken a positive step toward telling people what his campaign stands for and the principles by which it will be governed.

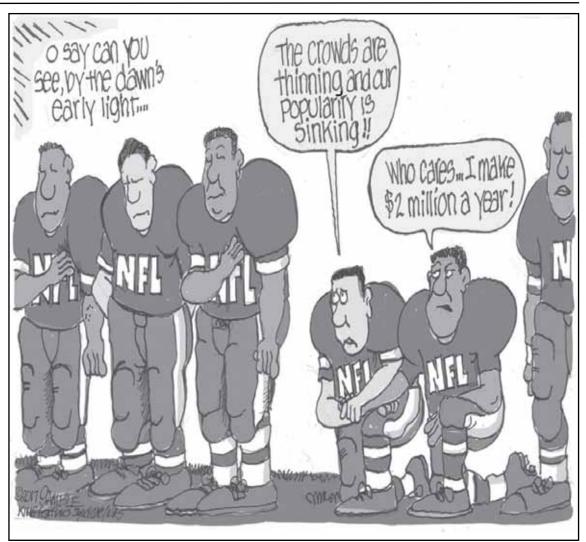
That is the ingredient that has been missing in the campaign thus far. The reasons the city is in tough financial shape are well known. We can disagree about what caused it, and even about some of the remedies, but we haven't heard how the candidates hope to govern and move toward relieving the financial rut the city has been in since the 1980s.

We hope that in the final days of this campaign the combatants will take the opportunity to present cogent, positive programs and principles that will guide their leadership in the next two years. The time for recriminations and the blame game are past.

What the voters of the city need to know and want to know is what each candidate stands for and what each candidate will do to improve the city over the next two years. How will you govern?

That is what we hope to see and hear in these next few weeks. It is important, because the city's next two years will determine whether we extricate ourselves from this rut, or dig ourselves ever deeper into it.

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'Mud chucking' not productive, to city

It's not fun, it's sad.

It was said in the last issue of the *Voice* that I and my campaign are having fun watching the "mud get chucked" between Rossi and O'Brien. I understand why you could think that, but in fact it's not fun, it's sad.

Voters are tired of these unproductive attacks being made by my opponents on one another. There's plenty of blame to go around between O'Brien and Rossi. Not a lot of difference between them. They have both been involved in running the city for many years and are cut from the same cloth.

I have come to many of your doors and listened to your concerns, so let's talk about how I and my team propose to take West Haven in a new direction, to a better future.

Effective change in West Haven will only come with transparency and responsible leadership in city government. A perfect example of a failure of transparency is last week's CANCELLATION of the City Council meeting INCLUDING THE FINANCE DIRECTOR'S REPORT. It looks like it was more important to hold a campaign event than inform the public.

What are the odds that we'll see an accurate report on the city's financial condition before Election Day?

As mayor you must have a realistic view of expected revenue and the courage to adjust spending accordingly, even if this makes you look bad and angers people. Spending may have to be cut in areas that no one wants to cut. A leader must make the hard choices needed to move us forward. In other words, we must be fiscally responsible. We must find ways to spend less and still get the job done.

A new approach to economic development will be a critical part of my administration. We will move away from the policy of building more housing, and focus on business development for the entire city, not on just one developer whose project after six years, may or may not happen. That is the only way we can begin to get taxes under control, and end our over-reliance on State handouts. Let's face it, we will take whatever aid we can get to help us deal with the problems we face, but the State is

broke and we must rely on ourselves.

We can do it. The Riccio Team has studied successful municipal economic recovery plans throughout the Northeast, and once elected that knowledge will form the basis of an economic development plan for the entire city.

There are many more issues to talk about and I plan to share my thoughts with you as we move closer to Election Day. Among those issues are improving the education of our kids, and our quality of life, including neighborhood blight and crime.

You can take a look at my entire platform by reading the ad found in this issue or by visiting davidriccioformay-or2017.com. I hope to see you

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as I visit on the campaign trail. Contact me on my website or on Facebook @ davidriccioformayor and let me know what your thoughts are on moving West Haven to a better future. I am interested in your opinion and I will listen

David Riccio
GOP Mayoral Candidate

O'Brien aids area combat problems

Mayor Ed O'Brien has been instrumental in working with the West Haven Watershed Restoration Committee and Audubon Connecticut in seeking to improve the area across from the former Captain's Galley restaurant, the Sandy Point Beach and Bird Sanctuary.

As a West Haven resident and representative of the WH-WRC, I have met numerous times with Mayor O'Brien and his administrative staff concerning upgrading Sandy Point.

The mayor always found time to discuss the project and aid in any way he could. He enthusiastically supported our shared vision to improve the area for walkers, bikers, birders, fishermen, and nature lovers of our shoreline.

Sometimes in a political campaign the little accomplishments that occur in West Haven unfortunately go unnoticed, but not by me. I appreciate all Mayor O'Brien has done to improve Sandy Point for the benefit of all our citizens.

He has worked tirelessly and with great passion to make Sandy Point a valuable destination in our city. I urge you to consider this when you cast your vote on Election Day.

I intend to write in Ed O'Brien on Line D. It has been a privilege working with him.

Georgianna Jette
WHWRC member
Sandy Point Project
Manager

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able for free in the mayor's office on the third floor of City Hall, 355 Main St., and at the Historical Society's Poli House headquarters, 686 Savin Ave.

In addition to covering major economic development, expansion and redevelopment projects from the past 30 years, including the opening of the \$130 million Metro-North Railroad commuter station in 2013, the booklet details important events, the burgeoning presence of the University of New Haven and Yale University, and "Emergency Services," such as the city's takeover of the Allingtown Fire District in 2012 and renaming the department the City of West Haven Fire Department Allingtown.

It documents the multimillion-dollar redevelopment of Sawmill Road, a strip of hotels, retail stores and restaurants; the recently opened Atwood, an \$18 million, 90,150-square-foot apartment and commercial development on Boston Post Road; and the highly anticipated Haven South, a \$200 million, 250,000-square-foot lux-

ury fashion outlet mall on Water Street.

The booklet also catalogs a comprehensive reference list of former and current mayors, police chiefs and fire chiefs, both paid and volunteer, in the appendix.

In the booklet's conclusion, Purmont, an emeritus professor of history at Southern Connecticut State University, wrote: "This brief history of West Haven reveals a vibrant and vigorous city moving forward to meet the challenges of the twenty-first century. It is a community which has evolved from a small farming village established in 1648, to a dynamic, forward looking, diverse community of over 50,000 citizens."

"The many strengths of West Haven — its people, its expanding service-based economy, and its commitment to providing opportunity for all its citizens — are outstanding characteristics of this community," he wrote.

Purmont further wrote, "The future of one of Connecticut's oldest settlements and newest municipalities is hopeful and full of promise."

Camp bench dedication slated

Long-time youth sports coach and West Haven icon Frank Camp, who passed away recently, will be remembered and honored with a bench dedication and reception at Veterans Field on Saturday, Oct. 21, sponsored by the Ray Tellier Midget Football League, a league Camp helped found 51 years ago.

Camp was 89 and leaves his wife Joyce and daughters Karen and Kathleen. He was predeceased by his daughter Kelley.

"Franny Camp was a true gentlemen, and was respected throughout the city and the region. He was well known for his successful youth football, basketball and softball teams. He was involved with so many sports organizations in the city. Franny was one of the dedicated youth coaches responsible for creating the foundation and mission of the Ray Tellier Midget Football League which stresses fundamentals, responsibility and respect that continue to be taught today. We need to do something to thank and remember coach Frank Camp for everything he has given to our youth football and cheerleading league and so many other sports organizations in West Haven," said Mike Last, league president.

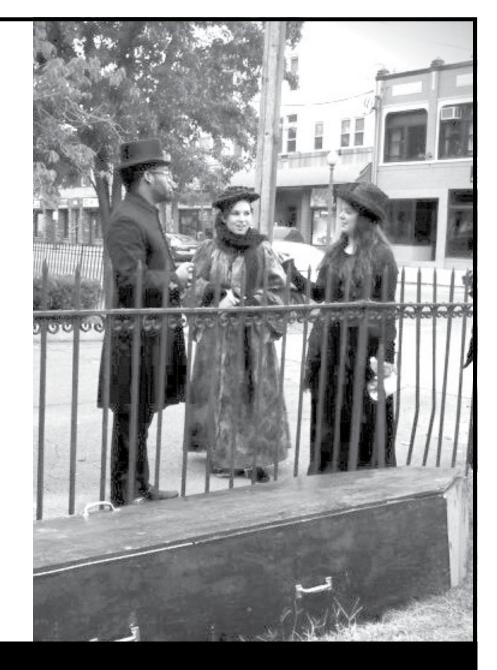
The dedication ceremony will begin on at noon and be followed by a reception.

GRAVEYARD LANTERN TOUR

Saturday, October 28 5:00 p.m.-7:30 p.m.

Tickets are \$5. Tours begin at the Poli House at 686 Savin Avenue.

University of New Haven theater students are collaborating with the West Haven Historical Society on the annual Graveyard Lantern Tour. This will mark the program's fourth year of participation in this spooky local event, which "resurrects" several long dead West Haveners who are buried in the graveyards in the center of town. Join the West Haven Community and get ready for Halloween!





The Dave Riccio Platform

RESTORE ACCOUNTABILITY AND TRANSPARENCY
TO OUR CITY GOVERNMENT

Responsible Leadership

THERE HAS BEEN A CONSIDERABLE DECLINE IN OUR RESIDENT'S TRUST AND CONFIDENCE IN RECENT ADMINISTRATIONS.

- Base new hires or appointments to Boards and Commissions solely on qualifications. Wherever possible, vacancies will be filled by West Haven residents.
- Return transparency and integrity to City government.
- Record and post City Council meetings, as well as properly updated agendas and minutes on the City's webpage.
- Implement new performance standards to ensure excellence becomes the standard among all City employees.
- Insisitute quarterly town hall style meetings with all department heads to address citizen's concerns and hear your ideas.

Fiscal Responsibility

OUR CITY HAS ENDURED DECADES OF UNCONTROLLED SPENDING HIGH DEFICITS AND INCREASED TAXES. WE DON'T HAVE TO SETTLE FOR THIS ONGOING POOR OUTCOME.

- Balance the Budget by controlling spending and stabilize taxes.
- Implement 10% reduction of all non-union wages, including the salaries of the Mayor and his staff. Eliminate the
 personal use of City vehicles.
- Review all contracts entered into by the City.
- Review all City operations to identify programs that can be consolidated, improved, or eliminated.
- Impose an immediate hiring freeze for non-essential workers.
- Consider privatizing non-essential city positions to reduce expenditures.

Quality of Life

I AM COMMITTED TO MAINTAINING A SAFE AND VIBRANT COMMUNITY, INSTILLING A SENSE OF COMMUNITY AND PRIDE THAT CONTRIBUTES TO THE RESIDENTS' HEALTH AND HAPPINESS.

- Strengthen and enforce all blight ordinances. Inform all owners that violations of blight ordinances will be met with immediate fines and liens.
- Insure that our **police have the resoures they need**. Work with residents to keep city neighborhoods safe and encourage neighborhood block watches.
- Encourage and partner with organizations in providing events and programs for the community. **Open the Arts Center and** appropriately fund our library.
- Repair sidewalks to improve the aesthetics of our neighborhoods and safety of our residents.
- Invest in upgrades to our parks and public lands.



Economic Development Education



The Dave Riccio Platform

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Economic Development

BASED ON OUR STUDIES OF SUCCESSFUL MUNICIPAL ECONOMIC RECOVERY PLANS THROUGHOUT THE NORTHEAST.

- Return West Haven to a shoreline destination by developing appropriate business opportunities along the Beach Street corridor.
- Create a Bioscience Enterprise Zone around the train station in coordination with the Yale West Campus.
- Restructure our Central Business district and develop themes for our business corridors.
- Actively recruit new businesses and adopt a pro-business culture that values businesses as partners.
- Review permit and approval processes to reduce delays and development costs.
- Create an economic development website to provide information and resources to prospective developers, including a property database.
- Eliminate the Transit-Oriented Development Plan. We focus on business development, not more housing.
- Enact density based zoning regulations for any new residential structures.

Education

RECENT ADMINISTRATIONS HAVE FAILED OUR CHILDREN. FROM DELAYS IN HIGH SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION TO OVER-RELIANCE ON STATE GRANTS FOR ALL-DAY KINDERGARTEN, GRANTS THAT WILL SOON RUN OUT.

- Coordinate with University of New Haven and Yale University to increase their assistance to our schools, to include funding. Accelerate the progress of the new high school.
- Ensure proper funding of all-day kindergarten.
- Higher emphasis on preparation for tech jobs and STEM programs.
- Increase proficiency levels in all categories of state assessment tests.
- Join with other districts to lobby the state to bring the decision-making process to where it belongs, at the local level.
- Engage with parents to play a larger role in our schools.

West Haven is a marvelous city with immeasurable potential that has experienced decades of decline under ineffective leadership. A better future for West Haven can be achieved with new leadership and top-notch management from the David Riccio team.



Upgrade to LEDs will save city \$338k

By Michael P. Walsh

Special to the Voice

United Illuminating is converting the city's 4,388 streetlights to environmentally friendly LED lighting, a move that will conserve energy while saving taxpayers an estimated \$338,000 a year in electrical costs, Mayor Edward M. O'Brien announced.

O'Brien said UI is replacing the city's existing high-pressure sodium streetlights with LED, or light-emitting diode, technology to provide a more energy-efficient, cost-effective product.

The Orange-based utility, which owns and maintains West Haven's streetlights, is performing the work at no additional cost to the city, he said.

"I am extremely excited about the agreement we reached with UI to upgrade our city's streetlights," O'Brien said. "These new lights will improve our infrastructure, save us approximately \$338,000 every year, and cost our taxpayers nothing. This is clearly a total win for West Haven."

State Rep. Dorinda Borer, D-West Haven, added: "The 3,000 Kelvin color temperature LED option was chosen because it will still keep our streets properly illuminated for safety purposes but, at the same time, will do it in a way that is both environmentally friendly and healthy. The softer version will still keep with the integrity and feel of the neighborhoods. It's not only a financial win, it's a quality-of-life win."

On Sept. 26, O'Brien signed a UI streetlight conversion contract calling for the utility to retrofit the city's existing cobra-head streetlight fixtures and replace their existing high-pressure sodium lights

"Iam extremely excited about with brighter, high-efficiency he agreement we reached LED lights.

"We're excited about this opportunity to help West Haven reduce its energy costs while providing high-quality, efficient LED lighting for city streets," said Roddy Diotalevi, senior director of sales and external relations for UI. "Upgrading to LED street lighting is just one of the ways UI and its parent company, Avangrid Inc., are using technology to improve people's lives and reduce harmful impacts on the environment."

In late 2015, the city converted the interior and exterior lights to LED at its Beach Street wastewater treatment plant and 13 pumping stations.

O'Brien said the LED lights use significantly less energy than the high-pressure sodium lights they are replacing, reducing the city's energy costs and contribution to global warming. The retrofit and installation is expected to begin in early 2018, he said.





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'Trunk or Treat' at 1st Church

"Trunk or Treat" at 464 Campbell Ave. (on the Green) is set for Sunday, Oct. 22, beginning at 5 p.m. Spooky trunks, awesome games, and plenty of refreshments are planned. Costumes are welcomed and encouraged! This family-friendly event is being presented by the First Congregational Church.

O'BRIEN WILL SAY ANYTHING TO KEEP HIS JOB

DON'T BE FOOLED - KNOW THE FACTS ABOUT O'BRIEN:

- » Yet to balance budget, running consecutive DEFICITS which have grown larger each and every year [Annual City Audits]
- » Doubled the general fund DEFICIT to \$16,000,000 [RSM Audit for year ended June 30, 2016]
- » Responsible for bond rating DOWNGRADE by Standard and Poors [CT Post October 3, 2017]
- » Approved borrowing (bonding) of \$17,000,000 to cover budget DEFICITS [New Haven Register, June 27, 2017]
- » Has brought West Haven to the brink of INSOLVENCY -- the states only municipality with a negative budget reserve (-\$16,000,000) [CT Post August 20, 2017]
- » Inflated State aid in current budget in the amount of \$8,000,000 and now will request a BAILOUT from the state of \$8,000,000 to fill the hole that he created in the budget. O'Brien stated, "If there was \$8 million in aid out there, why would I not accept that?" [New Haven Register, October 3, 2017]

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Campaign: Mayor says opponent is a liar

Continued from page 2

over \$16 million when Mayor O'Brien took office, and has only increased by about 1 percent of the city's yearly budget. In the same time the O'Brien administration has also paid off nearly \$30,000,000 in long-term debt."

Regarding these statements, O'Brien contends the reason is to highlight her belief she is a financial "expert."

"The only thing Nancy is running on is her so-called financial expertise, but she doesn't have a great case to make so she needs to resort to distorting facts to score any points. It's really sad that someone running for Mayor feels the need to mislead West Haven residents."

The city's yearly budgets and audits can be found at www.cityofwesthaven.com/ archive.

"It's extremely unfortunate that Nancy has to resort to lies and misleading statements to have any message for the people of West Haven. We could spend more time discussing our visions for the city's future and what we think it takes to get there, but instead we have to waste time refuting the lies that Nancy and her campaign are attempting to spread around West Haven," the mayor stated in closing.

If the mayor was looking for a walking back of her claims, he didn't get them. Rossi said she stands by these and other statements she's made since the campaign began.

"In response to Mayor O'Brien's ridiculous claims, I stand 100 percent by the facts offered by my campaign reagement of the city. Our facts can easily be checked and verified in published reports and audits," she said.

She countered his claims concerning affordable housing by pointing to the state's own plan.

"The presentation and public meetings held regarding the Transit Oriented Development (TOD) plan, requested by Mayor O'Brien, I was present at both meetings, concerned our residents because the majority of the plan indicated that there would be affordable housing around the train station," she said. "The state's long-term plan for TOD zones around the state is to build affordable housing. The fact is that West Haven has enough housing and we need to increase our commercial base to give our property owners relief.

On the topic of the deficit, she countered with numbers of her own.

"the truth is that Ed O'Brien has doubled the general fund deficit. The deficit was \$7.8 million on Dec. 1, 2013, when he assumed office and currently stands at \$16.8 million. This information is included in the city's annual audit reports. I can help Mayor O'Brien interpret the financial statements and audit if he is having trouble understanding them," she said.

She charged the mayor's administration has been derelict in its duty to produce a balanced budget and that has resulted in the growth of the operating deficit.

"Mayor O'Brien has yet to

garding the mayor's misman- balance a budget and is responsible for large operating deficits for each year he has been in office. The last financial audit report shows an operating deficit of \$2.5 million for fiscal year 2016. The city will likely have yet another deficit for fiscal year 2017 (which ended June 30). The current budget is around \$8 million out of balance because the mayor increased

the amount of revenue from the state. Most other mayors budgeted conservatively but not O'Brien—he put in extra revenue that we will not receive and now he is lobbying the state for a bailout to avoid insolvency," she said..

Mayor O'Brien also states that his administration paid off \$30 million for payments for debt service, she calls that claim false.

"Does he not remember that he recently requested and received authorization from the City Council to borrow an additional \$150 million? His math skills frighten me. (He) is running West Haven into the ground. Obviously he does not understand finance and budgeting and he lacks leadership skills. He has no long-term plan or vision for the city," she said.

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At a Glance

Society presents graveyard tour

The annual Graveyard Lantern Tour, presented by the Historical Society, will be held Saturday, Oct. 28. The event, which has become a traditional Pre-Halloween activity, takes place between 5-7:30 p.m. Each group will leave every 15 minutes from the Poli House, 686 Savin Ave. opposite the Green.

Cost is \$5 for adults and \$2 for children twelve and under. Cider and donuts will be provided for all attendees.

Each year people who are interred in the Burial Grounds on the Green and in Oak Grove cemetery are "resurrected" for the evening. Students from the University of New Haven will once again play the roles of those long departed.

Flashlight Halloween Haunt set

The Department of Parks and Recreation is holding its annual Flashlight Halloween Haunt Oct. 26 at the Painter Park wooden playground on Kelsey Avenue. The rain date is Oct. 27.

The event, for city residents, includes a candy corn guess and a contest for best costume. Trick-ortreaters must bring a flashlight and a candy bag to search for ghoulish goodies.

Prizes are awarded for best costume in each age

The hunt schedule is 6:05 p.m., ages 3 and younger; 6:25 p.m., ages 4-5; 6:45 p.m., ages 6-7; and 6:55 p.m., ages 8-12.

Participants should register 10 minutes before their hunt time and must show proof of residence. Only one adult may assist a child in the hunt for ages 3 and under; all other age groups hunt unassisted.

Trick-or-treaters are asked to bring nonperishable items for the West Haven Emergency Assistance Task

Golf tournament scores \$7,188

Longtime West Haven businessman Frank Cuomo, owner of Elm Cafe at 124 Elm St., presented the 19th annual Elm Cafe Golf Tournament Sept. 18 at Alling Memorial Golf Club in New Haven.

The tournament, which benefits blood cancer research, raised \$7,188 for the Stamford-based Connecticut Westchester Hudson Valley chapter of the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society.

Since its inception in 1999, the event has collected \$147,776 for the cause, Cuomo said.

LLS, the world's largest voluntary health agency dedicated to blood cancer, aims to cure leukemia, Hodgkin lymphoma and myeloma.

Tag Sale of school items

A giant tag sale of West Haven Green Nursery School items is scheduled for Sunday, Oct. 22, noon to 1 p.m., at 1 Church St. This sale is open to nursery schools and the public. Most items are old, but serviceable. Offers before and after the above date will also be accepted. All items are sold as is, where is. Any reasonable offer accepted. All sales are final







Around Town

Back to the Oldies

"Back to the Oldies" makes a return to Cielo, 85 Chase Lane, on Saturday, Nov. 11, from 8 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. Charles F. Rosenay the "Original Boppers DJ is set to spin the discs, while Carla Gemma Caccavale performs.

Tickets are \$20 per person and include door prizes, coffee and dessert. The raffle benefits the MDA.

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

Used Book Sale

The First Congregational Church, 464 Campbell Ave., will host its monthly used book sale, SERRV Shop and Clothes Closet on Saturday, Oct. 21 from 9:00 a.m. to 2 p.m.

As usual there will be a large selection of gently read books of all kinds, including mysteries and children's books, on sale for low prices, articles made by refugees from around the world and used clean clothing, including many coats, on sale for \$5 per bag.

Call (203) 933-6291 for information.

Vendors needed

Our Lady of Victory School

is looking for crafters for our annual OLOV Christmas Fair. It will be held Nov. 18 and 19. If you are interested in obtaining an application please call the school at (203) 932-6457 between the hours of 8 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., or you can e-mail Cecelia Castillon at ccastillon@olovk8.org.

NARFE confab

The National Active and Retired Federal Employees Association monthly meeting will be held Monday, November 6, 1 p.m., at the North Haven Congregational Church, 28 Church St. All active and retired federal workers are invited to attend.

The guest speaker will be Debbie Herget from Blue Cross/Blue Shield Federal Employees Program, who will discuss the 2018 health benefits plan and provide 2018 brochures. The meeting will include the nomination and election of Chapter Officers for 2018.

Chili Cook-off

First Lutheran Church, 52 George St., will sponsor its annual Chili Cook-off on Saturday, Oct. 28 from 3-6:30 p.m. in the church hall. A chili-tasting kit costs \$5. The cost of entering a pot of chili is \$10. For more information, call (203) 859-2088.

Halloween Dance

The West Haven Italian-

American Civic Association will host a Halloween Doo Wop Dance at 85 Chase Lane on Saturday, Oct. 28, at 8 p.m. Music by DJ Dave till midnight.

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Historian's corner

Remembering Savin Rock Part II 9-1870, George l

In 1869-1870, George Kelsey built a 1500 foot pier off of Beach Street and inaugurated ferry service to both New Haven and the Lighthouse. He then built the Seaview Hotel, the famous bandstand and fountain at Savin Rock, and the Observatory atop Savin Rock.

Clearly, Kelsey changed both the landscape and economy of our community—and became quite wealthy in the process.

It seems quite appropriate therefore that one of the main thoroughfares leading to Savin Rock is named in his honor.

As Kelsey prepared the infrastructure, others would

By Dan Shine

eventually expand Savin Rock's recreational offerings: the sandy beach at Savin Rock provided opportunities for the citizens of the community as well as visitors who bathed, dug clams, or fished for harbor bluefish.

The Grove, just east of Savin

The Grove, just east of Savin Rock, was the scene of many picnics, camping expeditions, and reunions.

But it was not until the 1870's that a mechanical concession was first erected on this natural playground.

The first "flying horses" were operated in 1878; they were powered by a man pulling a rope.

Later, power for the flying horses was provided by a horse walking on a treadmill, which was connected to the carousel by a leather drive helt

The horse, as the story goes, had a fondness for chewing tobacco.

By 1875, Savin Rock was the place to go for cock fights, horse races and prize fights. A 40 foot tower on top of Savin Rock was used as an observatory until it burned in 1897. Summer crowds of up to 50,000 visited Savin Rock on weekends.

In the closing years of the 1800s, although West Haven had lost its previous importance as a shipbuilding center, it retained its supremacy as a seaside resort.

The growth of Savin Rock at this time was phenomenal. The leading restaurant, bath house and pier in Savin Rock were run by a concessionaire named Skeele.

The favorite foods of visitors to the Rock were clam chowder and roasted clams; indeed, Savin Rock did much to popularize the "shore dinner."

The local citizens of this period made regular summer pilgrimages, just as the Quinnipiac Indians had come there years before "to salt".

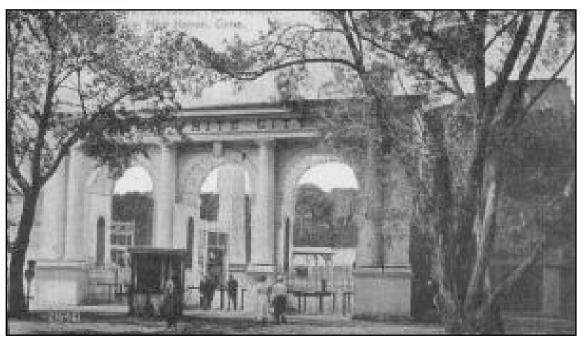
In 1892, Savin Rock was electrified, and visitors were awed by the wondrous displays of the newfangled light bulbs and electric fountains there.

In that same year, the last of the horse-drawn streetcars to serve Savin Rock went to the barn, and the clanging electricpowered trolleys took their place.

These electric trolleys covered the distance from New Haven Green to Savin Rock in a mere thirty minutes—at blazing speeds which fairly terrified the passengers!

By 1899, weekly entertainment at Savin Rock included visiting vaudeville acts, minstrel shows, novelty shows and comedy acts.

To be continued.



The entrance to the White City as it appeared around 1900. By that time Savin Rock had establihsed itself as a place to escape the summer's heat.



Westies off after win over NFA

team, ranked first in the CIAC Class LL Point standings with a 5-0 record, hosted the Norwich Free Academy Wildcats on Saturday night at Ken Strong Stadium. After the Blue Devil defense stopped the Wildcats on their first possession, Zach Conlan took a handoff on the second play for the Westie offense and raced 48 yards for a touchdown and a 7-0 lead just 2:03 into the game.

That was just the beginning of an outstanding night for Conlan. With 5:51 left in the first quarter, Conlan broke off a 60-yard TD run and after Chris Chance's two-point conversion, the Blue Devils were up 15-0.

On the Wildcats' next possession, Conlan intercepted a pass at midfield and set up West Haven for another touchdown drive that was capped off by a Chris Chance 4-yard TD run and with 47 seconds left in the first quarter, the boys were in control 22-0.

The Wildcats got one back with a 17-yard touchdown pass just 1:08 into the second quarter but, West Haven would put any NFA comeback

The West Haven football hopes to rest with a Kyle Godfrey 78-yard touchdown run with 2:43 on the clock and a Chris Chance 12-yard touchdown pass to Jordan Wetmore in the corner of the end zone with 1:31 left in the half for a commanding 36-7 halftime

After the Westies punted on their first possession of the second half, the West Haven defense held the NFA offense and forced the Wildcats to punt. Shane Clarke rushed in on the Wildcats' punter, leapt to block the punt and then scooped up the bounding ball to return the play for a touchdown and a 42-7 lead with 9:05 left in the third quarter. Norwich Free Academy was able to get a little closer with a 24-yard TD pass with 4:19 left in the game and a 4-yard TD pass as time expired to make it a 42-19 final.

Zach Conlan finished with 163 yards rushing to go with his two touchdowns and interception while Kyle Godfrey rushed for 105 yards to help West Haven rack up 521 yards in total offense.

The Blue Devils will enjoy a bye week this week and return to action next Friday when Shelton Gaels on Friday at 7 in Ken Strong Stadium.

The girls soccer team got a huge 1-1 tie against the Guilford Indians last week in Guilford to qualify for postseason play. The Westies got on the board first when Kelsey Gilmore set up Keegan Riccio for the goal and a 1-0 lead. The Indians would get even with a goal later in the first half.

they host the always tough Alycia Morales made 10 saves between the pipes for the Blue Devils to preserve the tie and send the girls into the tourna-

> On Friday evening, the Westies hosted the Mercy Tigers in Ken Strong Stadium. The Blue Devils had several chances in the first half from the speedy Kelsey Gilmore but her opportunity with 23:15 left in the first half sailed wide and then

she was denied by the Tigers' keeper two and a half minutes later to keep it scoreless.

In the second half, Mercy broke through with a goal 3:58 into the half to make it 1-0. Fifty-two seconds later, Betsy Magana came up with a big save when she challenged a charging Tiger player. Magana was able to punch the ball away just before a violent col-

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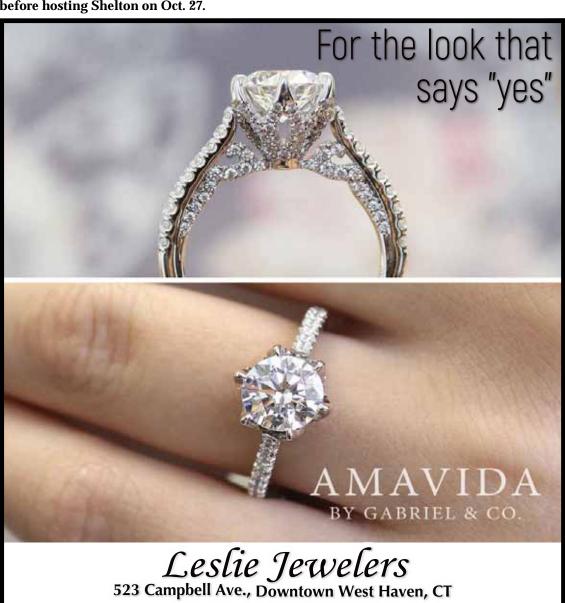


West Haven's Chris Chance eludes four Norwich Free Academy tacklers for another long gain in the Westies' 42-19 win last week. Now 6-0 on the season, the Devils take a week off before hosting Shelton on Oct. 27.



Photo courtesy of Todd Dandelske

Player of the Week
West Haven junior football player Zach Conlan (4) is the Vio's Sports Plus/Westie Blue Player of the Week. Conlan scored twice on the ground and set up another touchdown with an interception in a 42-19 victory over Norwich Free Academy. Read about Zach on the Player of the Week page at www.westieblue.com.



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The balance of the West Haven football team has been evident from the start of the season. Each week has been someone different as the Westies have found a variety of

ways to an undefeated start.

Zach Conlan was the next man up Saturday evening as the Westies defeated Norwich Free Academy, 42-19, in a nonconference game at Ken Strong Stadium in West Haven.

Conlan scored twice on offense, made several big tackles on defense, and capped his stellar performance with an interception to set up a score

By Mike Madera

as the Westies improved to 6-0 with the win.

"Zach (Conlan) is a little overshadowed by the other two right now," West Haven coach Rich Boshea said. "He is a very good running back. Kyle (Godfrey) and Chris (Chance) are good, but by no means is Zach the third option. He's a tough, hardnosed kid who doesn't care if he gets the ball or not. He plays hard on both sides of the ball."

The Westies, who gained 521 yards of offense in the game, were in control from the start and were rewarded in the second half when Shane Clarke blocked a Norwich Free Academy punt, scooped up the ball at the 4-yard line, and ran in for the score and a 42-7 West Haven lead. The touchdown with 2 minutes, 55 seconds gone by in the second half gave the Westies a 35-point lead, setting up a running clock until 4:19 remained in the game.

In what was expected to be a battle of West Haven's talented running game against a high-octane passing attack of Norwich Free Academy, the Westies set the tone in the first half, accumulating 372 yards of offense alone in the first 24 minutes.

While the Wildcats had 202 yards of their own in the opening half, the Westies took control by scoring on all but one possession in the opening half.

Conlan was the differencemaker in the opening half as he ran for 160 yards and a pair of touchdowns, and also intercepted a pass by Norwich Free Academy's Shea McManaway.

"I just keep using all the criticism to keep me going," Conlan said. "I come out here and do exactly what I do. This feels great. It feels great to be with all my friends."

Conlan gave the Westies a 7-0 lead with a 48-yard touchdown run on West Haven's

second offensive play of the game, then helped the Westies increase the lead to 15-0 with a 60-yard touchdown run with 5:51 to go in the opening quarter.

After Conlan intercepted a McManaway pass and returned the pick to the Wildcats' 34, Chris Chance ran in from four yards out six plays later for a 22-0 lead with 47 seconds to go in the opening quarter.

"I am just focused," Conlan said. "I just have tunnel vision the entire time. We are trying to go all the way."

The Wildcats (2-3) finally got on the scoreboard with 1:08 gone by in the second quarter as a 7-play, 60-yard drive was capped with a McManaway to Kevin Pomroy 17-yard scoring strike.

"They all are playing well," Boshea said. "We have a good secondary. They all know their coverages. All the guys know where they are supposed to be. We work hard on studying film with the kids. They're put in the right spot and they stay in the right spot and make the plays when we need them."

West Haven, which scored on five of its six first half possessions, took a 29-7 lead when Kyle Godfrey raced in from 78 yards out on third down with 2:43 left in the first half. The Westies recovered a fumble on the ensuing kickoff, and Chance hit Jordan Wetmore with a 12-yard scoring strike with 1:31 to go in the half for a 36-7 West Haven lead.

The Wildcats, who amassed 359 yards of offense in the loss, got on the board late in the game when McManaway hit Nolan Molkenthin with a 24-yard scoring strike with 4:19 left in the game.

Conlan finished with 163 yards rushing, while Godfrey ran for 105 yards.

McManaway was 19-of-32 for 267 yards in the loss for the Wildcats.

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Knight booters look for CIAC berth

By Steve Kirck

Special to the Voice

Notre Dame's soccer team inched closer to qualifying for state tournament, while cross-country won itsfinal regular season dual meet and the basketball team is gearing up for big fundraiser on Saturday, Oct. 28. Oh yeah, football didn't win or lose. Heck, it didn't even tie. It had a bye week before returning to action hosting Xavier on Friday, Oct. 20 in the first of threestraight home games.

Soccer Needs Tie To Qualify --When the ND soccer team walked off Veterans Field following a 2-2 tie with Hamden on Friday, Oct. 13, there was a sense of disappointment having surrendered a goal on a penalty kick inside of 10 minutes left in the game. However, in the big picture look, the tie enabled head coach Rudy Raffone's

squad to inch closer to achieving their meet against crosstown rival West pre-season goal of qualifying for the CIAC Class L Tournament. Now, the Green Knights need only one tie to make the tournament over its final four games. Brad Doyle and Sean Hayes tallied the ND goals that erased a 1-0 deficit and turned it into a 2-1 lead against Hamden. After Jordan Pattavina's penalty kick tied the game, Hamden's pressure continued and goalie Jay Brennan needed two huge saves in final 10 seconds to preserve tie. Earlier in the week, Matthew Consorte tallied his first varsity goal but ND fell to Cheshire 2-1. ND starts this week with a 4-4-4 overall record.

Cross-Country Ends Dual Meet Season With Win -- The Notre Dame cross country team sent the 10 seniors on the 2017 squad out on a winning note at the final regular-season dual

Haven.The underclassmen led the way as Thomas Minar (Milford), Oliver Shannon (Branford), and Jon Katz (Hamden) finished second, third, and fourth respectively to lead the Green Knights to a 20-35 win over West Haven at Carrigan MS. West Haven's Sebastian Villanueva placed first running the 3.07-mile course in 17:59. The Green Knights had the next three cross the finish line. Minar finished 11 seconds behind in a time of 18:10. Shannon (18:11) and Katz (18:16) finished right after Minar to lead Notre Dame to victory, its second of the dual-meet schedule. Notre Dame will end its season running in the SCC Championship Meet on Thursday, October 19 and the CIAC Class L Meet on Saturday, Oct.

Harlem Wizards Coming Oct. 28 --

The Notre Dame basketball team will be hosting a benefit basketball game with the Harlem Wizards on Saturday, Oct, 28, at 7:30 pm at the University of New Haven Gymnasium. This event is a fundraiser for the Green Knights basketball team, that will play three games in Orlando, FL during winter recess as part of a tournament at the Wide World of Sports Complex at Disney World. Tickets are \$12 for adults/\$10 for students if purchased in advance. For more information, visit https:// www.notredamehs.com or ND's social media outlets @NDWHAthletics.

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Westies: *Boys continue soccer drought*

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lision at the top of the box. The Westies had another chance with 18:02 left in the game but Gilmore's crossing pass was just a little too far ahead of her teammate.

Mercy picked up an insurance goal with 8:35 left in the game for a 2-0 final. Magana finished with eight saves in goal for West Haven.

This week, the Blue Devils hosted the Foran Lions on Monday, traveled to Branford on Wednesday and have a home contest against the North Haven Indians on Friday at 7.

The boys soccer team had its scoring drought continue with a 3-0 loss to the Shelton Gaels and a 0-0 tie against the Sheehan Titans.

On Tuesday, the Westies hosted the Gaels at Ken Strong Stadium and saw Shelton take a 1-0 lead at 20:37. That would be all the offense the Gaels would need. Shelton added

second half for the 3-0 win. Saul Novoa stopped seven Shelton shots in the loss.

On Thursday night, the Blue Devils traveled to Wallingford to take on the Sheehan Titans. The Westies couldn't generate any offense but the goaltending of Saul Novoa made sure the boys would not be defeated on this night in a 0-0 tie.

This week, the boys had an afternoon contest on Monday at Fairfield Prep, hosted the North Haven Indians on Wednesday in their final home game of the year and finish the week at Career/Hillhouse on Friday at 7.

Next week, the Westies finish the regular season with games at Hamden on Monday at 7 and at Xavier on Wednesday at 7.

The girls swim team was defeated by the Jonathan Law Eagles on Wednesday, 102-71. The Westies got victories in individual events from Anya Celmer in the 200 IM and Alana Orecchio in the

100 freestyle. The Blue Devils Gym and were swept, 3-0. The also picked up wins in the 200 freestyle relay with Madison Hobart, Jillian Doherty, Anya Celmer and Eva Predom and the 400 freestyle relay team of McKenna Driver, Nicole Gaston, Morgan Falanga and Daniela Morales. This week, the girls wrapped up their regular season with their Senior Day against East Haven/Wilbur Cross on Tuesday.

The boys cross-country team lost to Notre Dame of West Haven, 20-35, despite the efforts of Sebastian Villanueva, who finished first overall with a time of 17:59.

The volleyball team ran into a tough Guilford squad on Tuesday evening at the WHHS Indians used a combination of sharp serves, good sets and quick kills to defeat the Wes-

Veronica Lynn with four kills and three digs and Megan Paterson with four assists and two digs led the Blue Devils. Also contributing for the Westies were Alyanah Bonilla with four digs, Danna Tortal with three digs and Nancy Tapia with three digs.

On Friday evening, the girls traveled to battle the Career Panthers. A trip to New Haven was just what the girls needed with a dominant 25-10, 25-18, 25-8 victory. Megan Paterson had 10 assists, Nancy Tapia and Irene Ronan had seven

kills each and Veronica Lynn had six kills and two digs.

This week, the girls hosted the Hand Tigers on Monday, the Platt Tech Panthers on Tuesday and finish the week with a road match at North Haven on Saturday at 3. Next week, the Westies play at Platt Tech on Monday at 5:15, host their Senior Night against Lyman Hall at 5:15 and finish the regular season at Sacred Heart Academy on Wednesday at

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WHYSL hosts annual tourney

The Top Hat Dance Academy West Haven U-14 girls team won its Division at The WHIT Columbus Day Tournament in West Haven

In the championship game at Veterans Field, the West Haven U-15 boys came out on top winning in double overtime, defeating Cheshire, 4-3.

In double overtime, with four minutes left West Haven came out with the winning goal by Donaldo Yanez, which was not possible if not for the amazing goaltending by Holden Axlerod. Bryan Rivas, Brian Carew and Alan Lopez led the boys with their passion for the game.

The Elite Soccer Camps U-12 girls travel team went 2-1-1 in the tournament. The girls opened the weekend against Cheshire, coming away 5-0

winners. Ariana Izzo, Brooke Flaherty and Isabelle Nagle all score in the win, while Sophia Derosa and Cynthia Burns combined for the shutout in goal.

The team played Branford later in the afternoon, but fell, 2-0. Olivia Trenchard and Abigail Phelan were both aggressive and worked hard despite the loss.

The team returned to action Sunday morning, tying eventual champions Bridgeport, 0-0. Camryn Beauvais and Camryn Flaherty anchored the defense, stifling a number of counter attacks, and Brooke Throm kept Bridgeport under pressure.

The girls won the third-place game early Sunday afternoon, 5-0, against Cheshire. Josephina Lakaj hit the back of the net twice, and Ava Murphy added one. Summer Krajcir worked hard in the midfield in the win for the Westies.

The U-11 girls team had a 1-2-1 record. The girls played hard Saturday, even though fell to Branford, 2-0, and the West Haven Lightning, 6-2. Michelle Ceja and Lea Boguniecki worked hard in the opening game, while Sydni Gayle and Llyanna Griffith-Waite cut out a number of Branford attacks. Against the Lightning, the Thunder fought hard.

Ciara Harp scored a solid goal from the penalty spot, and Amanda Fagnani gave a solid effort in the field in the first half and in goal the second half.

The girls had a much better day Sunday, tying Branforf, 3-3. Katelynn Salgado,

Andreya Bridges, and Jayden Braacker all were strong. In the final game of the weekend, the Thunder beat the U-12 team, 1-0, off a Jasmine Trigueros goal. Amyah Kelly kept the other team on their toes with her strong defensive play in the win for the Thunder.

The U-11 girls Lighting won its bracket at the WHIT this weekend, going 4-0. The Lightning opened up the tournament Saturday morning against the West Haven U-12 rec team, and won, 6-1. Niamh Chesson, Sophie Mazuroski, and Annabelle Pasacreta all excelled on defense, limiting the other team to only a few shots on goal.

In the second game on Saturday, the Lightning beat the West Haven Thunder. Ashlynn Trenchard scored and had an assist on an Aylin Soto goal, and Molly Gunning and Etta Funke strung together some smart passes to help their team find the net. On Sunday, the Lightning played the West Haven U-12 Rec team again, winning, 5-0. Adelicia Parise played well in the midfield, and scored a goal, and Chloe Whelan also scored a nice goal in the win.

In the final game of the weekend, the Lightning beat Branford, 3-0. Jaylyn Powell scored twice, and Alexandria Nunes added the third goal. Jaelyn Beauvais was strong in the midfield, and Kayla Burt kept the clean sheet in goal for the Lightning.

In the G Boys Division, Top Hat Dancing Team came away with a win, defeating GB2, 4-3. Bastian Tandazo led the offense with excellent dribbling and two goals. Ethan Jacinto played well and Nylah O>Gilvie contributed a goal with good soccer skills on display.

In the FG Girls Division, the Cappetta's Italian Imports Red Emojis played a strong game against the Shoreline Wellness Center Maroon team despite a 10-4 loss. Allianna Wilson was strong in defense while Leila Lancaster, Luciana Cappetta, and Giada Jimenez scored for their team.

In the EG Girls Division, Cappettas Italian Imports Red Fireballs played an impressive game in defeating the EG1 Green team, 2-1. The offense was led by Katerina Oliveriawit's two goals. They were assisted by Madden Evangeliste and Madison Jacksics. Natalie Reed, Sarahi Cruz-Cruz and Mackensie Jacksics led the way on the defensive side of the ball. Goaltending was covered with solid play from Mariella Cappetta and Melissa Valiterra who combined for many outstanding saves.

In the EB Boys Division, the EB5 Stars Ice Cream team lost, 1-0, to EB6 Milano & Wanat team. Nicholas Westphal was outstanding in net and in the field. Also playing great soccer was Daniel Davis and Nicholas D Medina Rosero.

In FB Boys Division action, the West Haven Elks 1537 took a win against State Farm Insurance, 5-3, with Andy Chulco, Holden Napoletano and Diego Oceguera being the the big scorers for the Elks team.

In CDG Division play the Oyster River Soccer Rockers lost, 3-1, to the Stars Ice Cream, despite good play from Sarah Davey and Lilanay Romero working hard as outside mids. Goals were scored by Delany Johnston.

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Squirt A squad rolls to 7-2 victory

travel hockey team defeated South Windsor, 7-2, Sunday morning at the South Windsor Ice Arena behind Thomas Porto's hat trick and a strong performance from the defense.

Porto opened the scoring just 1:09 into the game with a wrist shot from the right circle. Sean Studley then jammed home a loose puck from behind the net 40 seconds later to make it 2-0.

Zach Goetze scored on a breakaway three minutes into the second period for a 3-0 advantage. After South Windsor scored with 1:50 left in the period to get within a pair of goals, Porto won a shorthanded faceoff in the defensive zone and fed Goetze for a breakaway goal with one second left for a 4-1 lead.

South Windsor scored on the power play to open the third, but the Blue Devils closed out

The West Haven Squirt A the scoring with the next three goals to put the game away. Connor Moriarty fed Brady Price for a goal, Dylan Link hit Price, who passed ahead to Porto for a breakaway tally, and Link again assisted on another Porto breakaway goal.

> Maddox LaFountain was solid in goal, making 12 saves for West Haven. Matthew Kelly, Dylan Bosworth, Moriarty and Link were stout on defense.

> The West Haven Peewee A travel hockey team split a pair of games this weekend, losing to Northwestern and topping Greater New Haven.

> The Westies played host to Northwestern Saturday morning at the Edward L. Bennett Rink and fell, 6-1. A slow start would hurt the Westies as Northwestern scored four times in the opening period and never looked back.

West Haven's only goal

came in the second period when Shane Repetto scored an unassisted goal 1:05 into the period to get the team within

West Haven got back on the winning track Sunday afternoon with a 6-4 victory over Greater New Haven at the Northford Ice Pavilion. Dave Brown led the way with a goal and two assists, while Nolan Cole added a goal and an as-

West Haven took a 1-0 lead with 5:40 left in the first period when Cole set up Cade Simone for a power play goal. Mickey Dowd gave the Westies a 2-1 lead with a shorthanded goal off an assist from Jack Sellman, before Greater New Haven scored the next three goals for a 4-2 advantage.

Cole started a string of four straight West Haven goals when he got the Westies back into the contest with an unassisted goal with 2:05 to go in the middle period, before Brown set up Kyle Droney for the equalizer 1:12 into the third. Brown put the Westies on top with 3:10 to go and Colin Deane added an insurance goal off an assist from Brown late in the contest.

The West Haven Bantam A travel hockey team competed

in the Steel City Shootout last weekend in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania. Despite posting an impressive 3-1 record, the Westies came away with only a fifth-place consolation prize.

The Devils opened up against host team Lehigh Valley and dropped a 2-1 decision which would haunt them throughout the remainder of the tournament. The Westies tried to shake off the long drive to Pennsylvania but trailed throughout the game, scoring only at the buzzer of the third period on a goal by Steve Lewis which was assisted by Mike Alfano.

In the second game, with their backs to the wall, the Westies defeated the New Jersey Stars 6-4. Once again, it was Lewis leading the way with a pair of goals. Ben Carfora played a strong game, scoring one and assisting on two others. Nick Boanno, Nico Bruneau, and Ryan Bernardi rounded out the scoring, while Anthony Peschell added two assists. The West Haven defense chipped in also as Ryan Smith, Justin Pniewski, and Luca Ubaldi would all add helpers to the scoring column.

The third game was another must win and the Devils answered the call, defeating the Steel City Renegades, 4-2. DJ Carfora opened up the scoring, netting a goal with an assist from his brother Ben to give the Westies an early lead. Boanno scored next, giving the Devils a 2-0 advantage, but the previously undefeated Steel City team rebounded with the next two goals.

Ben Carfora tallied two in the third to lead the Westies to victory. Rocco Plano and Joe D'Aurio gave huge defensive efforts in helping lead their team to victory. Joe Crisci was solid in net all weekend.

The Westies fell short in the tie breaker and were forced to play a fifth place consolation game. That did not deter them as they dominated the New Jersey Stars, 4-0. Nick Link led the way, posting the shutout. Michael Kelly scored a big goal and Jordan Fabula, Andrew Wrzosek, Adrien Felosh and Joey Honcz skated strong, helping deliver the win.

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The West Haven U-11girls travel team Lightning traveled to Madison Saturday afternoon, and came home 5-2 winners. Chloe Whelan played an outstanding game on defense, and Jaylyn Powell ruled the midfield and caused Madison lots of trouble.

The West Haven U-11 girls travel Thunder played Orange on Sunday, and fell 3-2. Despite the loss, the Thunder played very

Michelle Ceja and Amanda Fagnani were aggressive going after the ball, and Jasmine Trigueros played well in the goal for the Thunder. Amyah Kelly scored both goals for the Thunder, and Sydni Gayle had an overall good game.

The Elite Soccer Camps U-12 girls travel team hosted a solid Southington side late Saturday afternoon in league play, and won, 3-1. The Westies went down early 1-0, but tied it just before halftime thanks to an Ariana Izzo penalty kick.

Izzo scored on the other side of the break as well to put the Westies up, 2-1, and Abigail Phelan scored the insurance goal late in the game of a Brooke Flaherty cross. Ava Murphy played a solid game at centerback, stifling the Southington attacks. Isabelle Nagle and Cynthia Burns also both put in a good effort in the win by the Westies.

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Seahawks JVs bounce back

The West Haven Seahawk Junior Varsity team (6-1) bounced back after a loss last week to beat the West Elmwood Intruders (RI,) 28-6. Running back Pearson Hill scored two rushing touchdowns and Donovan Davis added one. Quarterback Maxwell Warren connected on a touchdown pass to Konye Taylor to close the scoring. The defense was led by Donte Salvatore, Preston Denno and Nate Osborne.

The Peewee Seahawks (7-0) remained unbeaten with an impressive win over the Stratford Redskins, 30-0. Running back Jahzire Massey accounted for two touchdowns and Javar Smith, Tristan Dos and Carson Hill each added one. The Hawk defense was led by Trevor Tompkins, Gavin Kanlong, Deven Robinson. Massey also had an interception to protect the shut out.

The Junior Peewee team (4-3) lost to a very talented Stratford Redskin team, 21-0. Aedan Coe led the defense with 5 tackles for losses. Antonio Robles. Ethan Blackwell, Avian Evans, Ethan Holy and Maliki Mercer played well for the Seahawks.

The Mighty Mite team (fundamental level) played the Stratford Redskins. Quarterback TJ Nixon scored two touchdowns on offense and Jey Scanlon, Caden Stanley, Kieandre Lymon excelled on the defensive side of the ball.

The Seahawks will end the regular season Saturday at home (Veterans Memorial Park-Bull Hill Lane). The Mighty Mites will play at 10, Junior Peewee 12:15, Peewees at 2 and Junior Varsity at 4. There will also be a bench dedication in memory of former league coach Frank Camp at noon.

The Pop Warner playoffs begin on Oct. 28. For more information please visit www.westhavenseahawk.com.

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Seahawk Peewee Jahzire Massey (21) runs for a score as the Seahawks (7-0) stay unbeaten with a 30-0 win at Stratford.



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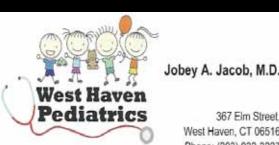
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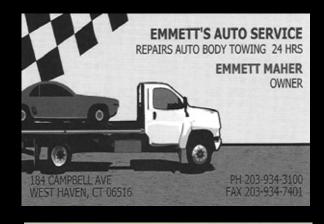




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View Improvement

Dear View Improvement:

According to Francis Withington, West Haven's Complaint Officer, "The wood has been removed. There is a butt that I will have removed."

Dear Eleanore Turkington:

An extra sign is needed in the middle of the Washington Avenue block; "No Parking this Side." The road is a twoway and there is not enough room. I have been complaining to the mayor's office for two years about this problem.

Tired of Waiting

Dear Tired of Waiting:

Francis Withington, complaint officer for the city of West Haven says, "I drove by this area and there was no illegal parking. I will forward this information to the Traffic Department at the West Haven Police Department so they can keep an eye out at this location."

Dear Eleanore Turkington:

There is tons of garbage on the beach at 593 Ocean Ave. at the edge where bushes and brush are located. Can we get this area cleaned up?

Neatnick

Dear Neatnick:

I notified Francis Withington of your complaint. His reply, "These bags were part of a beach cleanup which is done on weekends and the bags were left in spots for the Department of Public Works to pick up. On the following Monday, the bags were gone."

Dear Eleanore Turkington:

The sand is all but gone in the area of 623 Ocean Ave. beach; right down to the red and black sand and the erosion is cutting into the banks above. The hybrid map shows where there was lots of white sand. It's truly sad that one of West Haven's greatest resources has not been maintained.

Troubled

Dear Troubled:

City official, Francis Withington tells my readers, "Ocean Avenue is a state road and the rain runoff causes erosion when we get sustained rain."

Your letter will prompt local officials to investigate this problem.

Dear Eleanore Turkington:

Has the pot hole at 19 Beach St. been filled?

Motorist

Dear Motorist:

"Yes," says City Complaint Officer, Francis Withington, "But the road needs some work."

Dear Eleanore Turkington:

Have you or your readers noticed changes in your grocery purchase packages or boxes? I have and I am sick and tired of getting ripped off especially when I use my hard earned money to feed my family.

As an example, I used to buy those round crackers. The crackers were wrapped and sealed in long tube like coverings. As recent as two years ago, the packages were at least



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four inches longer, carrying more crackers. Now, I have seen the sealed cracker tubes are much smaller. I remember buying canned coffee, preserved in 16 ounce containers. Now the coffee is in 14 ounces or less and selling for the same price as 16 ounces.

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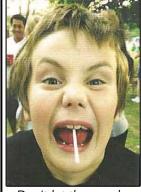
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ers will hold Limited Registration Session on Nov. 6, 2017 from 9am - 5pm to admit those seeking to vote in the Nov. 7, election whose qualification as to age, citizenship or residence was

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Answers to last week's

puzzles

— King Crossword —

Solution time: 25 mins.

Answers

King Crossword

40 Roker or ACROSS Stroller Yankovic

- Goya subject Playwright
- Levin Emanation
- 13 Press agent? 14 Affirmative
- action? 15 Stormy, as weather
- IRS employee 18 Dwell
- Bygone anes-
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- corner "Car Talk" medium
- Clone Solidify Coconut pro-
- 31 Many millennia
- Lubricate 33 Afternoon social
- 34 Ness or
- 36 Whatever number

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- Membership 38 Takes a break

- Brother of Curly 43 Public celebration the kiwi
- Extinct kin of April payment Boom times 52
- 53 String instrument "Holy cow!"
- 55 Recedes 56 Gaelic
- DOWN Twosome Mysterious
- character Curved paths Speak evil of
- Marceau's specialty Exist Stewart of Central
- 8 Chipped in a chip 9 Not fully

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- developed 10 Lasso 11 Hebrew month 16 Tokyo's old
- 20 Gratuity Jockey's handful
- Partner 24 Aviv preceder Twice-monthly 25 Court tide 26 Grow Court
 - Capricorn Meadow Wrestling surface
 - 35 Height of fashion?
 - Record holder 39 Backbone
 - 40 Intent Self-satisfied Crosby pal
 - Dandies Use a tea-
 - spoon 45 New Mexico art colony
 - terminus
 - 49 Kan, neighbor

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K R O L J G D A X V S P N K K I F C A X H V T S J Q O Y C L J H E C A O T X E V Y R O T R PNLJHONFFDECBYR XVTRCPFINLNSPOE SMKLIEGOLAKMELN D M O B R R S E H K C A D Z S X(WASHINGTON)DYWI UTODDRAWRQIAEOW NNLAAJIGFBPSRDC

AYMXWJVTSRPONFL Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all

Biddle Dyer Franklin

Hooper J. Adams Jefferson Low

Madison Pinckney S. Adams Ward

Washington Wolcott

Weekly **SUDOKU**

by Linda Thistle

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| | | 5 | 9 | 3 | | | | 6 |
| 1 | | 6 | | 8 | | | 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

idd1e Card A "B WORDS" FILL-IN PUZZLE! Why are feet like olden tales? What state is round at both ends and high in the midd 5. What is the left side of an

vawers: 1, The goal, 2, When it is going down, 3, Because hey are leg-ends (legends). 4, Ohio, 5, The part that is not

A NEAT WAGER! Draw four dots on a sheet of paper (Fig. 1). Challenge your friends to connect them up by drawing three straight lines through them without lifting the pencil from the paper (See Fig. 2 for solution.)

LINK-UPS! Here's a list of 12 short words, divided into two columns. Turn them into six longer words by linking them together. To do this, draw a line from one word in the left mn to one word in the right.



complete the puzzle grid above. Use the

BABEL BABY BADE BADGE BEAST BLOT BLURB BOOM BEET

CORE WORDS rsko reca r d A L L EXXOC (D I/E/R/O/C/T N/E/G E R/O/C) Weekly SUDOKU -

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