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Photo by Russ McCreven

Cutting a rug on the shore!

Maybe it's more like a plank than a rug, but dancers and walkers enjoy the weekly music furnished by volunteer DJs at the Capt. Tony Deck at the end of Oak Street. For more than two decades people have congregated at the location to enjoy the cool breezes, while others have danced the night away.

Shoreline Fest opens tonight

The Savin Rock Festival was canceled earlier this year because of the city's ongoing financial plight. A city businessman stepped into the breach and is hoping his new fair-style festival will do what the former festival did: celebrate the city's shore.

The new event, presented by Maremma Amusements owners George Maremma, Jr. and George Maremma III, is coming to the Savin Rock shoreline on back-to-back weekends starting today. Maremma's company was the provider of the various rides and attractions used during the former festival, so much of what is offered will be a familiar treat for festival goers.

Shoreline Fest marks a return to "more of a fair atmosphere," complete with crafts, food tents, rides and non-profit booths, organizers said. Maremma and his associates have cobbled together fraternal and civic organizations in much the same way the Savin Rock Festival did.

The 10-day event is set for

Old Grove Park, off Palace Street, and on the nearby lawn at Captain Thomas Boulevard and Oak Street. The popular shoreline venues are also known as Parcel I and Parcel J, respectively.

The hours are 6 p.m.-midnight today-Friday, noon-10 p.m. Saturday, noon-7 p.m. Sunday, 6 p.m.-midnight July 26-27, and noon-10 p.m. July 28.

Mayor Nancy R. Rossi said the privately operated festival is taking place at no cost to the city, a big consideration when the proposal was made.

According to Maremma Amusements' contract with the city, the company is assuming all festival-related responsibilities and fees, including paying for non-city maintenance workers and extra-duty police, obtaining all permits and licenses, and paying for electricity, portable toilets and rubbish removal.

Maremma will use the proceeds from food concession rental fees "to offset the cost of police services and city ex-

penses."

Under the contract, the company will also pay the city a one-time fee of \$5,000 for up to 21 amusement rides.

Before the cancellation of this year's Savin Rock Festival because of financial constraints, the Maremmas, who are no strangers to giving back to the city, supplied the festival's rides and games for 23 years.

For Shoreline Fest, the Orange-based amusement company is partnering with the West Haven High School Band Parents Association, a long-time participant of the Savin Rock Festival, which previously depended on the festival for holding its annual craft fair fundraiser.

Rossi said the new festival allows the band parents to continue having the fair and raising much-needed money for their association.

The craft fair is open 2-8 p.m. today-Friday, 1-8 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, 2-8 p.m. July 26, and 1-8 p.m. July 27-28.

Maremma Amusements will offer bracelets for unlimited

rides, a family pack of 24 tickets and single tickets.

Connected by a midway of games, both venues will feature food vendors and rides, including a Grand Carousel on the grounds of the 148-year-old Grove.

Maremma Jr. said the carousel was filmed in New York's Central Park in 2016 and appeared in the Kevin Spacey movie "Rebel in the Rye" last year.

"I am thankful to George Maremma and his son for rising to the occasion and bringing this festival to our shoreline for all ages to enjoy," Rossi has said.

"While it will not replace the Savin Rock Festival, Shoreline Fest will preserve the legacy and spirit of old Savin Rock as a destination for family-friendly fun. I look forward to seeing my fellow Westies at the festival."

2nd reunion aided HS Band program

A group of musicians with a long history in the community used a reunion to boost music education and the WHHS Marching Band and its Concert Band. The reunion, held at popular city eatery Randall's Restaurant, packed in music lovers and raised needed funds for the high school ensemble.

"The night was organized by John McCarthy and Pat Ramano," said Cathy McCarthy, director of Rock House, a training ground for new musicians in the area. "It was started two years ago as a reunion for a popular local band from 25 years ago called the Savin Rock Band."

The band consisted of many local musicians over its time active so we thought it would be a great idea to have a reunion.

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Kaylani Foster 2, a student at the West Haven Child Development Center, Inc., is happy to see the beautiful weather and butterflies.



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Submitted Photo

Dan Carr, owner of Randall's, John McCarthy, and John Merola show off the donation jars used for the recent band reunion, benefitting the WHHS Band.

Band: *Group raises funds*

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The first reunion was a packed night at Randall's. Seeing the success, the group de-

ecided to use the popularity to give back to the community.

"For the second reunion we wanted to do something positive for our community so we thought to make this a fundraiser for the WHHS Band. John McCarthy has been involved in several Wimbash Festivals that raised money for the WHHS band in the past," said Cathy McCarthy.

While it was a fundraiser, it was an informal night with volunteers getting donations the old-fashioned way.

"John Merola, Pat Ramano and John McCarthy made donation buckets and they were passed around throughout the night with several parents of high school band students. The Savin Rock Band and Full Wound Sound were the two bands performing. Neither band was paid for the night. It was purely for fundraising purposes. Dan Carr, owner of Randall's, donated \$500 to the cause," she said.

The Band Parents Association was closely involved with the event, and made sure the students and interested parents were part of the event. Interestingly, the Band Parents Association, which depended on the Savin Rock Festival for much of its fundraising, almost lost out with the cancellation of that event earlier this year. A newer festival, the Shoreline Festival, opens this weekend, and will aid the group in its efforts.

All totaled the one-night music event raised \$1,015 for the WHHS Band.

When asked why the two bands took such an interest, Cathy McCarthy said it's all about the music.

"We are simply local residents that want to help our community. We want to keep music active in the community and help to encourage the children of West Haven to be creative and music is a great path," she said.

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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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Top dog

City Clerk Deborah Collins presents a gift basket stuffed with dog toys and treats to Jackie Corvera, of Arlington Street, and her 4-year-old Pomeranian, Latte, on July 12 at City Hall for winning the inaugural Dog Contest. The contest, held by the city clerk's office, was an incentive for residents who licensed their dogs before June 30 as part of Dog Licensing Month.



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Dear Felicia

Well, sweetie pie, things around the berg are really into summer – and the usual things that happen hereabouts. Of course, there are things new, old and somewhat in between. The foist thing, of course, is the Shoreline Festival that is put on by Marena Amusements, and starts this eventide.

The elephant in the room about it is that it was begun in order to fill the vacuum left by the mayor canceling the Savin Rock Festival a few months ago. Marena, who was the provider of the rides and some of the attractions, had a space on his calendar and decided to take things into his own hands.

Word is amongst those involved he is hoping the festival will grow legs and replace – at least temporarily – the Savin Rock Fest, which everyone hopes isn't going the way of all flesh. There are some hurdles that organizers and people involved know they are going to face.

The foist and foremost thing is the lack of stage attractions. If there are any, nobody has made any mention of them. One of the biggest things about the Savin Rock Fest was the rides and things for the kiddies to do, but the thing that brought the big crowds were the nightly concerts. There were some big-named attractions that came over the years, and that brought 20,000 or more to the Old Grove on certain nights.

With no concerts really on the docket, people are worried that the crowds will be on the light side. Cobina is taking more of a positive attitude (I know, unusual ain't it). Whilst the crowds may not be as big as the Savin Rock Festival, me-thinks people will be attracted to things going on shore-wise and will take part in it.

Marena was looking for civic and fraternal groups to take part in the festivities, and we know that many of the popular food trucks will

be there. Bill Conlan, and Bill Dwyer for two are always big favorites, and HB and Roger will be there with their creations in food and drink. That will be something to draw crowds.

Of course, like I said, we're hoping this new reality with the city's finances won't spell the end of the Savin Rock Festival. Let's hope that, rather than the city running it, it goes back to the private sector as it once was. Remember, the festival was begun by the Chamber of Commerce in Reagan's first term. Maybe the Chamber or a coalition of groups can take it away from the halls of government, and put it back in the hands of people who know what they're doing.

Speaking of the city's financial concerns, let's hope the current state of some of the city's parks isn't put under that umbrella. Cobina was about the city and some of the ball fields and parks – a big plank in herroner's platform when she was runnin' for office if mem'ry serves (and it do) – are in a shambles. Now, we all know the Dept. of Public Works is having furloughs and is short staffed, but the best workers are the ones that take care of the parks. Painter Park for example looks like hell in plain English.

Let's not be penny wise and pound foolish, letting parks get so overgrown and outta sorts that it's gonna take more money and more time to put things back to

normal. Taxpayers use the parks and they should be presentable and can be, the finances of the city notwithstanding. There is also the liability question.

Effen yew don't take care of things, people can git hurt and the city can be sued. That will put quite a chink in our insurance armor and cost us more money in the long run.

Sammy Bluejay stopped by t'other afternoon and sez that the Haven is a go now that the public hearing was conducted last week, and that things might actually be moving along at a somewhat steady pace from here on in.

One thing that Sammy was happy about was the fact that Eminent Domain wasn't used in purchasing any of the lots, and even the gas station that has been much in question will be built around, whilst it seems the hold out properties did settle. Good. Kelo was a very bad decision by the Supreme Court and will be a stain on the court until it is overturned. Taking over properties for private development is not a good use of land or a good way for governments to operate.

As yew probably hoid, the GOP is having a primary Aug. 14 in the 116th for that party's nominee. In something to be noted an 18-year-old Roman Khondker is looking get the nomination from Richard DePalma. The seat is currently

occupied by Michael DiMassa, a Democrat, and it'll be interesting to see what exactly transpires in this primary and how it affects the general election. Cobina can't remember the last time a Republican occupied that district seat – maybe since Hoover.

Tennyrate, there are primaries galore over that week in both parties. The Demmies and the Republicans will be having gubernatorial primaries to determine who will take the nods in their respective lines. Because this is the year that there is a national component to the election – Congressional elections in this case – the primary is moved back to August.

This has only been the case for a few years. It was changed after the primary by Ned Lamont and Joe Liebermann fought for the party's senatorial nod a decade or so ago. Since then it was determined the extra month was good for the winner.

Nelly Nuthatch tells me that whilst we ain't been hearing much over the last few weeks, the Charter Revision Commish is dutifully doing its task and staying under the radar. Nelly didn't get into too much detail cuz there wasn't much detail to get into.

But she did say that things are percolating over in that group and what started out as a rag-tag bunch of people who didn't know much about city government, there are now people who have become quickly educated. We won't call them experts in the field of city politics or the workings of the Actors Colony, but they are getting working knowledge – and that's all that really is necessary.

Nelly seems to think some surprises might be in store for officials when the final report comes out. She don't have any info other than what she shared, but she is using the "it's too quiet" rule. Just like kids being too quiet, when a commish makes it pernt to be off the grid, something is happening. Just call it a hunch.

Well, we ain't talked about it for a while, but Cobina was out in her gassamobuggy and went via Beach Street. She still can't figger out why properties over there aren't being conveyed to interested parties. The old Captain's Galley site is up for sale now that a new plan for a restaurant has been nixed. Chick's former site is still up for sale and stands open to the elements, while the former Debonair Motel is closed off, with some of the parking lot used by beach-goers. Meanwhile that building just languishes there.

One of these days we'll find out if anyone has a plan for anything over there.

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Gripevine

By Eleanore Turkington

Dear Eleanore Turkington:

Cars are parking along Connecticut Avenue blocking emergency vehicles arrival if necessary. There is also garbage left on the street and beach here. People are changing their clothes in the middle of the neighborhood. The No Parking June-September signs that use to be installed on Connecticut Avenue and up the side streets are no longer there. What happened to them?

Fed Up Taxpayer

Dear Fed Up Taxpayer:

I have been communicating with the Mayor's Executive Assistant, Louis Esposito with a number of complaints including yours. According to Esposito, "I gave this complaint to the West Haven Police Department a few weeks ago. I have also asked our highway department and the Police Department about the signs. They are trying to find out who took the signs or where they are."

Fed Up Taxpayer and the residents who live in this area: Gripe Vine would like to see if these signs have been replaced yet. With all the hot weather upon us and heavy beach and water use, it would be to everyone's benefit to see this gripe solved.

Dear Eleanore Turkington:

Who maintains the previously installed bricks at the Veteran's Walk of Honor? I have noticed as of Sunday, June 2, that several of the bricks had grass sprouting between them. If the city can't afford to maintain this area, then I suggest that the city seek out some volunteers to do it.

RH

Dear RH:

As my readers know, Gripe Vine communicates with Mayor Nancy Rossi's Executive Assistant Louis Esposito who has been assisting Gripe Vine with reader's complaints.



TURKINGTON

Relating to your complaint, Esposito replied, "I will have someone go down this week to spray the weeds."

Please let me know, RH, if Esposito's reply solved this problem.

Dear Eleanore Turkington:

The West Haven Train Station is disgusting. The grounds around this place are in very, very bad condition. Such a beautiful station is going to the dogs.

RBS

Dear RBS:

I have been informed by the Mayor's Executive Assistant that, "I met with personnel from the Department of Transportation three weeks ago about this complaint. They had their contractor come out that day and cut the area. I will call again to find out if they can do it on a more regular basis."

Once again, readers, let me know if this clean-up has been performed. As I have said many times, you live in a beautiful city and it's up to its residents to help keep it that way. I will try to help as much as I can.

Dear Eleanore Turkington:

Has the leaf pickup by city employees been implemented yet?

LL

Dear LL:

Mayoral Executive Assistant, Louis Esposito replied, "Yes, we have been picking them up since the second

week of June, but we are still behind. We're working on a better plan."

Dear Eleanore Turkington:

There is a broken down vehicle on Winslow Avenue blocking the sidewalk for months. This is a very dangerous situation. You have walk in the street to get by.

Watch out Pedestrians

Dear Watch Out Pedestrians:

Louis Esposito, Executive Assistant to the mayor, responded to your complaint with, "I gave this gripe to the police department a while ago. I thought it was taken care of."

Please let Gripe Vine know if that car has been removed.

Dear Eleanore Turkington:

There is trash all over the side yard on Colonial Avenue, on the Honor Road side. Can this eyesore be cleaned up?

Environment Concerned

Dear Concerned:

According to Esposito, "The city's Blight Officer, George Sherman will check this condition out."

Keep Gripe Vine informed on this issue.

Dear Eleanore Turkington:

Was the pot hole at 300 Derby Ave. ever repaired?

Disappointed

Dear Disappointed:

My thanks again, to Esposito, Mayor Nancy Rossi's executive assistant who replied, "We did some pot holes on this road, but I will send our crew back out there."

Dear Eleanore Turkington:

I love to go down to the beach with family and friends to play bocce. Can you please find out what department is responsible for the upkeep of these courts other than the one on the boardwalk? They are in desperate need of some TLC.

Bocce Lover

Dear Bocce Lover:

Louis Esposito, Mayoral Executive Assistant replied to your gripe with, "I will drive down to the Bocce courts to look at it myself."

Gripe Vine Readers:

I have accumulated at least 50 of your complaints and have been waiting to hear from Louis Esposito, Executive Assistant to Mayor Nancy Rossi. Esposito was on vaca-

tion but has returned and has assured Gripe Vine he will follow through on all reader's gripes.

My thanks and appreciation to Esposito for his help in solving your complaints.

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The name didn't matter

All one really needed to know was that protesters at the Supreme Court last week had three different professionally made signs, one for each of three finalists chosen by President Donald Trump. When the announcement was made that Brett Kavanaugh was chosen, the correct signs were dutifully distributed and the fake outrage began for the TV cameras.

Secondarily, the #Me Too Movement sent out a press release protesting the nomination of a Supreme Court nominee, and didn't wait to press the button sending the release to its email list. Instead, and "XX" was used to "fill in the blank." But, the press release decried the nomination for all the usual reasons, so well-known we do not have to rehearse them here.

And, the usual suspects in the mainstream media began the hoped-for "Borking" of Kavanaugh, putting reporters on his case, looking for anything - anything - that can be used against him. The *Washington Post*, which is still riding the coattails of Watergate, found that Kavanaugh likes his beer (Budweiser) and maxed out his credit card to buy Washington Nationals season tickets for himself and friends. And, he paid off the credit card! Meanwhile, the venerable abortion provider Planned Parenthood decided to get its oars in the water by declaring Kavanaugh to be a "frat boy" and making fun of his first name.

The leftwing playbook, used so many times in so many campaigns and appointments, came out again. The candidate/appointment is "racist," "sexist," "homophobic," "Islamophobic," "will bring us back to the 1950s," or "slavery will be brought back." The list goes on and on. Armageddon is just around the corner.

Since it first "borked" Robert Bork in 1987, the left has used the playbook to great success over the last three decades, painting its enemies with a broad brush, and getting traction from the MSM, which shares its philosophy. But, finally, the playbook is showing age, dog-ears and missing pages.

The public is getting tone deaf to the outrage. For the last 18 months, the volume of outrage on anything and everything has been off the charts. The ranting has become more and more extreme and the public is not buying it. Despite its best efforts, the MSM, and reliable leftwing outlets like the *Daily Beast*, CNN and MSNBC are being seen as so over the top as to not be believed. If everyone who disagrees with them is a racist, homophobe, sexist then everyone is. That doesn't play.

What is at stake for the left is its use of the courts to do what it could not do in the legislative halls of government. Since the Warren Court of the 1950s, the left has used the judiciary not to interpret law, but to legislate from the bench. Whenever the political process failed, the courts were the place the left could reliably go to force its agenda.

Roe v. Wade was the motherlode of judicial tyranny, using verbal sleights of hand and logical handstands to create a right that is nowhere enumerated in the Constitution. Even the most Progressive pundits realize the 1973 decision is cut from whole cloth, and is based on very shaky legal ground.

The selection of Kavanaugh might bring with it the first reliably conservative court in four generations. Not since the early days of the FDR administration was the court conservative. In fact, the realization has so upset Progressives, they are now mainstreaming the idea of upping the number of justices when they someday reassume power and pack it with like-minded jurists; thus, they would ensure a liberal bent on the court.

And here is what liberals are afraid will happen: Decisions such as *Roe v. Wade* will be struck down and the "right to an abortion" will revert where it always should have been - with the states. That puts it back where it belongs - in the legislative realm.

This terrifies Progressives. It is much harder to change society by the vehicles provided in the Constitution. It's easier to go court shopping and find a judge that agrees with your position. The courts over the last 80 years have become not a check on the other branches of government, but a super branch, trumping the will of the states, Congress and the Executive. Putting originalists and Constitutionalists on the court will reverse this legislation from the bench, and put the courts back in the job for which they were intended.

That is why the outrage - manufactured or otherwise - is now being heard.



Trump right on NATO funding

By Rich Lowry
Syndicated Columnist

Angela Merkel is, her supporters like to gloat, the leader of the free world.

Just don't ask her to spend as if she is.

Donald Trump has made the German chancellor one of his favorite rhetorical targets, especially over Germany's anemic defense expenditures. This has led to worries about the future of the trans-Atlantic alliance, and reflexive support for Merkel among the American political elite.

Trump shouldn't openly mock Merkel, or suggest that there have been annual dues to NATO that Germany has failed to pay. Trump tends to view foreign countries like contractors trying to scam him in a development deal. This scants history, geo-strategy and the national pride of other countries -- as usual, Trump would benefit from at least a gesture toward statesmanship.

Yet Germany's defense spending, or lack thereof, is a disgrace. One would think the country would have been embarrassed onto a different trajectory after German troops -- Panzergrenadierbataillon 371, to be exact -- had to use broomsticks instead of guns in a NATO exercise in 2014. But Germany evidently doesn't embarrass easily.

NATO countries, after a long vacation from history after the end of the Cold War, agreed at a summit in Wales in 2014 to spend 2 percent of their gross domestic product on defense annually within 10 years.

It is the biggest economy

in Europe and fourth largest in the world that is the serious laggard. Germany spends all of 1.2 percent of GDP on defense. As Elisabeth Braw points out in *Foreign Policy* magazine, its military is short on tents and winter clothes, most of its tanks aren't battle-ready and it has a shortfall of about 20,000 officers and NCOs. It is promising to get to 1.5 percent GDP ... by 2025 (when a Trump second term would be ending).

Merkel is happy to browbeat other EU countries over their fiscal and migrant commitments, but please don't bother her to spend on her own defense.

The old saw is that NATO exists to "keep the Soviet Union out, the Americans in,

and the Germans down." But the last item, given the deep streak of pacifism in postwar German politics, is no longer apt. The EU, not military conquest, is now Germany's tool for European influence.

Germany still has a gauzy view of what matters. Its foreign minister has argued that its development aid should count against its goal for military spending, fundamentally confusing soft and hard power.

Needless to say, if Vladimir Putin is tempted to challenge NATO somewhere on its periphery, he's not going to be dissuaded by Germany's foreign-aid budget or its openness to Middle Eastern migrants.

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Giannattasio opens campaign headquarters

Anthony Giannattasio, the endorsed Republican candidate for the 14th CT Senatorial District, opened his campaign headquarters yesterday evening.

Located at 158 Bridgeport Ave., Milford, the opening was attended by over 70 sup-

porters including business leaders, elected officials, volunteers and family members. The campaign opening featured a ceremonial ribbon cutting, volunteer recruitment and celebratory good cheer.

Giannattasio stated, "On behalf of my family, thank you

for the outpouring of support we've been witnessing since I earned the GOP endorsement last May. My message continues to be that of any business owner that works to meet a payroll each week.

"My message is the same as any parent that wants a bet-

ter future for our children, as well as the best of care for our parents and veterans. And that message is simple: "Reduce taxes. No tolls. Ensure safe schools. Cut regulations and bring jobs back to Connecticut." Should I be honored with your votes, together we

will work to revive our stagnant economy and improve the lives of every Connecticut resident."

Michele Gregorio, former 14th Senate District Candidate and prior West Haven Republican Town Committee Chairman endorsed Giannattasio at the opening stated, "Connecticut is at a defining moment that requires leadership that listens.

"Tony is that leader. A problem-solver with a record of helping people and making the tough decisions, Tony has earned the respect and trust of the business community, neighbors and elected officials alike."

The 14th CT Senatorial District has part of four towns, including all of Milford and Orange, Districts 2, 8, 9, 10 of West Haven and a portion of Woodbridge.



Letters

Abortion is litmus test for this city voter come November

I am pro-life, and my views on abortion inform the way I vote. If I put the rights of the unborn to life on one side of a balance and all the other issues important to me on the other side, the right to life outweighs them all. If necessary I will be a one-issue voter.

To say that abortion is a "choice" makes the taking of a life into no more than deciding between coffee or tea.

To say that this unborn child's life is a matter of opinion-what if this opinion is wrong?

These specious arguments are used to justify murder in much the same way that Hitler made his arguments against the Jews.

Hillary Clinton called me a deplorable racist. Yet I wish that

the over 13 million black babies who have been aborted since 1973 were with us today. The oldest would be 45 years old.

President Obama said I am a bitter old woman who doesn't like people who aren't like me-I guess other bitter old women. But I'll be a champion for the unborn-all of them.

Peter Strzok called me a smelly Walmart shopper.

Yes - I smell hypocrisy, I smell true bigotry masquerading as arrogant self-righteousness, I smell intolerance and disdain toward the most lowly and helpless among us.

Abortion - the most important human-rights issue of our time - will be an election litmus test for me.

Patricia Bollettieri

SustainableCT a vehicle for growth

By Robin D. Parson
City Resident

You all may have heard that our City Council passed a resolution to join SustainableCT (Check it out here: sustainablect.org). This is good news

that will become exciting news if we can capitalize on the opportunities and support membership affords us.

But let's start at the beginning.

Communities can evolve by

choice or chance. We may dislike change, but one way or another change will happen. Technology, demographics, market trends, and consumer attitudes all effect changes in our local community whether we like it or not. So, change will come and, as with any natural process, you need to figure out how to use it to your advantage or it will swamp you like a tidal wave. Right now, we have been effectively swamped by the changes that have taken place since West Haven's "good old days."

West Haven should have learned its lesson by now about boom-and-bust cycles created by outside entities. We are surrounded by the hulking ruins of those booms-

gone-bust. The world has changed and our challenge today is how to design a path to success that delivers more reliable results over the long term. Not success just for the investors or just for one in-crowd or another, success for ALL our residents. That path is sustainability. In a sustainable economy, everyone can thrive and no one gets left holding the bag for people who took the money and ran.

Municipal planning guru Ed McMahon (not that Ed McMahon, another one, and the inspiration for much of this posting) invites us to: "Try to imagine a company that didn't have a business plan. It would have a very hard time attracting investors or staying com-

petitive in the marketplace. The same is true of communities. A community plan is simply a blueprint for the future. People may differ on how to achieve the community's vision, but without a blueprint, a community will flounder." West Haven, like the State of Connecticut, has, in the words of a recent article in Governing, "failed to position itself to react to changing demographics and location preferences."

What SustainableCT offers us is a framework for digging ourselves out of this rut. That framework comprises a system for tracking achievements that strengthen our existing resources and put us in a more resilient economic, social, and environmental position.

Lowry: Trump right

Continued from page 6

It's not clear how seriously Germany takes the Russian threat (although it sent some troops to Lithuania last year). Germany has been supportive of the proposed Russian pipeline, Nord Stream 2, that would make Europe more dependent on Russian natural gas and bypass Ukraine. It's Trump, the alleged tool of Putin, who has been complaining bitterly about the project.

With Putin looming to the East, NATO remains a vital tool of Western power. It's not an imposition to ask that Germany act like it.

Rich Lowry is editor of the National Review.
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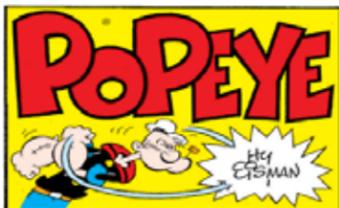
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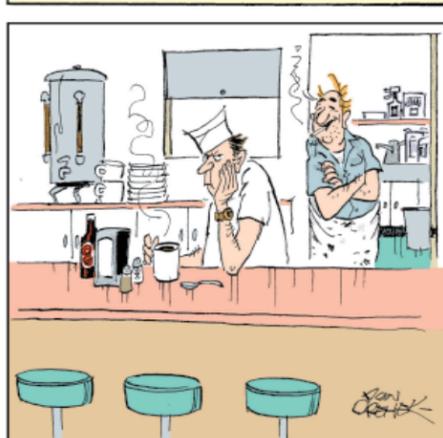


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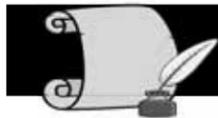
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Historian's corner

By Dan Shine

July 5, 1779

July 3, 1779 was a Saturday. For Adjutant William Campbell and more than 3,000 other British and Hessian soldiers based in New York City, July 3 proved to be one terribly uncomfortable night.

Soldiers, horses, cannon, and gear were all crammed together aboard two warships and 46 troop carriers bound for New Haven harbor.

Because of the still summer weather, it was slow going. The British armada took a day and a half to sail the 80 miles to New Haven.

When the ships finally dropped anchor off of West Haven's Bradley Point, it was already after midnight.

Most West Haveners were still sound asleep. Militia sentries, including West Haven's Thomas Painter, were beside themselves. Running from one shoreline house to another, Painter warned of the British fleet offshore.

Few paid much attention to the 20-year-old. Like many times before, they said, the fleet would sail off before day-break. Frustrated, Painter bur-

ied his personal effects for safe keeping than anxiously awaited sunrise at Bradley Point.

Aboard the ships, Adjutant William Campbell also waited, likely recalling his last visit to the area some 20 years earlier. A member of Great Britain's famed Third Guards, Campbell was a Scot Highlander who spoke both English and Gaelic. Born in 1742, the tall, some say strikingly handsome, Campbell originally came to the New Haven area as a private in Fraser's Highlanders.

His unit stayed for several weeks in 1759 before advancing north to take part in the epic Battle of the Plains of Abraham in September of 1759. The outcome of that battle proved to be the deciding victory for the British over the French.

By late 1760 Campbell sailed for home where he had already made arrangements to join the Third Guards as a corporal. For the next 15 years, Campbell was stationed in London as part of King George's personal bodyguards. It was a role in which he obviously ex-

celled.

Tapped as the official recruiter of the Guards, Campbell occasionally toured Scotland in search of new recruits.

Back in London, he earned a reputation for showing enviable restraint in helping to quell the infamous Wilkes riots of 1768. Promoted to sergeant, Campbell then married the widow of an army pal in 1772, and the couple had two children.

But Campbell's idyllic life in the shadows Buckingham Palace soon came to an end. Drawing the proverbial "short straw," he was tapped to return to America in June of 1776 as part of the army meant to crush the American rebellion.

Since that date, Campbell distinguished himself in leading the flanking guards of his regiment into a number of major battles against the Americans — from Long Island to Brandywine. By 1777 Campbell earned a field commission to the rank of ensign in 1777.

It was an extremely rare promotion in an age when officers' commissions were usual-



The city's insignia commemorates the invasion of the British in 1779 with Thomas Painter making the sighting off Savin Rock.

ly bought outright, not earned on the field of battle. But then Campbell was no ordinary soldier... as he would soon prove when he set foot on West Haven's shore.

Guest contributor Peter J. Malia is the author of award-winning *Visible Saints: The Colonial History of West Haven, 1648 - 1798*, available from www.connecticutpress.com.

Photo by Dan Shine

Morning walks

Voice columnist and shutterbug Dan Shine caught this couple one morning around the Lake Street area. Shine and his pooch take a daily constitutional when most people are just getting the first inklings that the new day is upon them.



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WHLL 'Stars make run, get ousted Walk-off double denies comeback

The West Haven Little League 12-U All Star team saw its season come to a heartbreaking end last week with a 9-8 loss to Orange in the District 4 quarterfinals in Orange.

Despite an incredible comeback which saw the Westies fight back from a 6-0 deficit and ride the relief pitching of Chase Supan, the Westies were unable to close the deal.

With two outs in the bottom of the sixth, the Westies were within one strike of advancing several times, but each time, Orange battled and hung on, until a two-out, two-run walk-off double ended West Haven's dreams of advancing.

Supan may have been the story of the game for West Haven as he entered in the second inning after Orange had batted around and scored six times.

Supan recorded a strikeout to end the frame, then went on to allow just two baserunners through the fifth inning, and finished with six strikeouts.

Supan's effort allowed the Westies to battle back as they got right back in the game with five runs in the third, evened the contest in the fifth, and took a two-run lead in the sixth.

In the third, Haygen Axelrod and Mike Madera opened with singles and both advanced on a grounder to second by Evan Jones. Will Panza followed with a single to score Jones and Madera, K.J. Harp walked, and Supan hit a two-out double to plate Panza and Harp. When Supan scored later in the inning on an error on a ball hit by Gabe Santarcangelo, West Haven was within one run.

The Westies had a golden opportunity to even the game in the fourth inning when Madera, Jones and Panza reached to load the bases with one out. Orange escaped without any damage, but was not as fortunate in the fifth as Jesse Buonocore ripped a long two-out homer to left to even the game at six.

With all the momentum on their side, the Westies took an 8-6 lead in the top of the sixth. Madera led off with a single to left, moved to second on a sacrifice by Jones, and scored on a double by Panza. With two outs, Ray Gilbert and Supan singled to score Panza for a two-run lead.

After Anthony Constantinople walked to load the bases, West Haven looked as if it would build on the lead, but Buonocore's long fly ball to right was tracked down for the final out of the inning.

Panza led the Westies with four hits and two runs scored, while Madera and Jones each added a pair of hits and two runs scored. Supan added a pair of hits and scored once, while Axelrod singled, walked and scored.

The West Haven Little League 10-U All Star team surprised a lot of teams in its tournament this past week. The team was led by the arms of Hudson Axelrod and Connor Hume, before losing a heartbreaking, 8-7 game to a Max Sinoway team, who eventually played in the district championship game.

Timely hitting by Jeremiah Kavanah and Matt Suchy, mixed with solid defense from Colin Murray and Cam Lipford led West Haven into the cross-over tournament, before eventually getting eliminated via walk-off by a tough Max Sinoway team, which nearly went all the way.



Photos courtesy of Mike Madera



Above -- Will Panza makes play against Orange in the 12-U regional. The Westies mounted a furious comeback from a 6-0 deficit, but lost to the Orange squad, 9-8 on a walk-off double.

Left -- Hudson Axelrod pitched for the 10-U squad, which had success in its tournament run until meeting North Haven's Max Sinoway team. The Westies lost a heart-breaker, 8-7.

ND swimmer Hansen an All-American

When Notre Dame graduate North Hansen touched the wall in the final 500-yard freestyle event of his stellar high school career on March 18, he had no idea what he had ultimately achieved.

While Hansen finished second in the 2018 CIAC State Open Meet to Ridgefield and University of Florida bound swimmer Kiernan Smith, Hansen's time of 4:30.45 earned him all-American consideration at the time.

Now, after being released by NISCA on July 1, Hansen's time is officially among the top 100 in the country for 2018. This has earned him all-American status.

His time placed him 76th overall nationally in the 2018 swim season.

"Last year I got under the All-American consideration time, but I didn't make the final cut, so this year I really wanted to actually get it," said Hansen, who will take his pool talents to the University of Connecticut this fall. "When I saw my time at the State Open, I thought I would get the honors, but I still had to wait three more months for the final decision. It was worth the wait"

"I am thrilled for North on receiving this news," said head coach Michael

O'Brien.

"He had a super senior season and worked hard every single day and it's great to see hard work like that rewarded," O'Brien said. "Only 100 swimmers in the country receive this status so North has placed himself in elite company on the high school level. It's a fitting way to put a cap on his Notre Dame career and I have no doubt he will continue this success over the next four years at UConn."

Hansen, who was named Notre Dame's 2017-18 Athlete of the Year for his exploits in the pool, had himself quite a senior season and career as his

resume attests.

North Hansen Swimming Resume: All-American Status in the 500-Yard Freestyle; 6-time Class M state Champion; 7-time Southern Connecticut Conference Champion; runner-up at the State Open in 200 Yard Freestyle and 500 Yard Freestyle as a senior; holds School Records in the 200 Yard Freestyle and 500-Yard Freestyle; Class M Record Holder in the 500 Yard Freestyle; 4-Year All-State, 4-Year All-SCC, and 3-Year New Haven Register All-Area; USA Swimming Winter Junior Nationals Qualifier; will be swimming at UCONN this fall

Photo by Russ McCreven

Complete game

Flanagan Associates pitcher Mike Aquilino threw a complete game 4-2 Twilight League win over All-Brite last week. Aquilino struck out nine for the winners. The league is winding down its regular season as July itself winds down. Teams will then compete for spots in the annual National Amateur Baseball Federation Regionals at Quigley Stadium



NOTICE OF THE 14TH DAY BEFORE PRIMARY DAY ENROLLMENT SESSION- STATE, DISTRICT AND MUNICIPAL PRIMARY

Mandatory enrollment session will be held on July 31, 2018 between 5:00 pm and 7:00 pm (Sec. 9-17) for the purpose of registration, and/or enrollment of electors entitled to vote in the STATE, DISTRICT AND MUNICIPAL PRIMARY on August 14, 2018. Registrars will, at such time, hear requests by persons removed for adding their names to the registry list. (CGS Sec 9-37 and 9-53 and 9-16).

UNH opens School of Health Sciences

The University of New Haven, a leading private, coeducational university situated on the coast of Connecticut, announced today the establishment of a new School of Health Sciences.

The school will include undergraduate, graduate, and doctoral programs and will opened July 1.

“The School of Health Sciences will address the pressing public health issues faced by our society,” said University President Steven H. Kaplan. “We have enormous challenges facing us today, and they will require new and innovative approaches to health education.”

The School of Health Sciences will offer

interdisciplinary allied health and health sciences programs, while capitalizing and expanding on the partnerships the University has built with hospitals and other healthcare institutions throughout Connecticut and New England, and develop a public health program.

Developed by more than two dozen faculty members over the past three years, the School of Health Sciences will comprise the Departments of Allied Health, Nutrition Sciences, and Health Administration and Policy, and the University’s programs in dental hygiene, healthcare administration, health sciences, nutrition and dietetics, and paramedicine.

It will include 12 full-time faculty, more than 30 clinical faculty members, and more than 400 undergraduate and graduate students.

Summer McGee, chair of the Department of Health Sciences, will serve as the school’s first dean. A well-known health policy, management, and bioethics scholar, she joined the University in 2013.

“The University of New Haven has an incredible opportunity to build upon its existing reputation in allied health and health policy and expand into new areas of teaching and research focused on population health, health technology, and the rapidly changing healthcare landscape,” said McGee.

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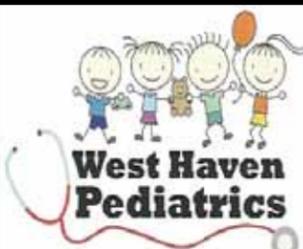
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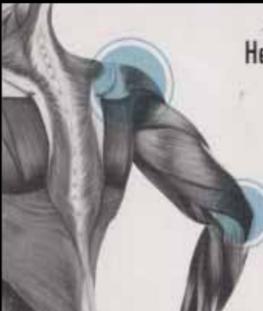
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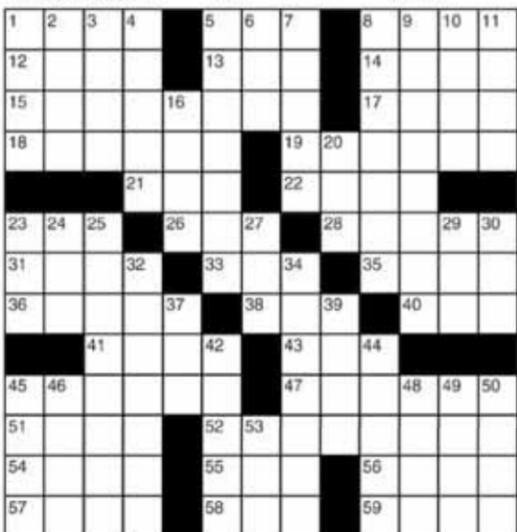
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- ACROSS**
- 1 Departed
 - 5 "Gosh!"
 - 8 Capri or Wight
 - 12 Wheelbase ter-
minus
 - 13 Scepter
 - 14 Mast
 - 15 Punishing, in a
way
 - 17 Erstwhile
 - 18 Fares, at times
 - 19 British P.M.,
1945-51
 - 21 "— the season
..."
 - 22 Crucifix
 - 23 Lived
 - 26 AAA job
 - 28 Grand tales
 - 31 Rose fruit
 - 33 Unruly bunch
 - 35 Within (Pref.)
 - 36 Give a speech
 - 38 Kids' card
game
 - 40 Understand
 - 41 Hear the alarm
- DOWN**
- 11 Gaelic
 - 16 Make booties
 - 20 Sock part
 - 23 Personal ques-
tion?
 - 24 Atmosphere
 - 25 Generating
 - 27 "Holy macker-
ell"
 - 29 B-F link
 - 30 Drunkard
 - 32 Stunt double,
e.g.
 - 34 Rapid outpour-
ing
 - 37 — out a living
 - 39 Space
 - 42 German city
 - 44 Domesticates
 - 45 Lot wares
 - 46 Antioxidant
berry
 - 48 "Thank You"
singer
 - 49 Race place
 - 50 Hollywood
clashers
 - 53 Opposite of
"post-"



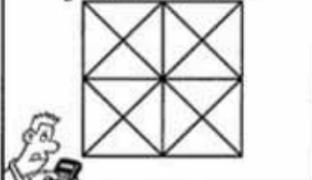
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Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions forward, backward, up, down and diagonally

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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 column to one word in the right.

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NAVIGATES

- NAP / LED
- SCAR / ABLE
- FRAN / RED
- WAGE / KING
- TAB / KUN
- NAMEN / CITY

Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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

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

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦

- ♦ Moderate ♦♦ Challenging
- ♦♦♦ HOO BOY!

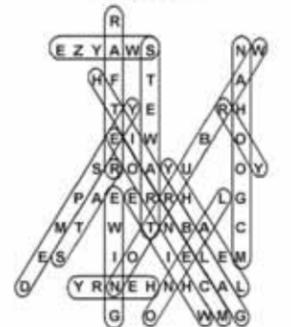
Answers to last week's puzzles

King Crossword — Answers

Solution time: 21 mins.

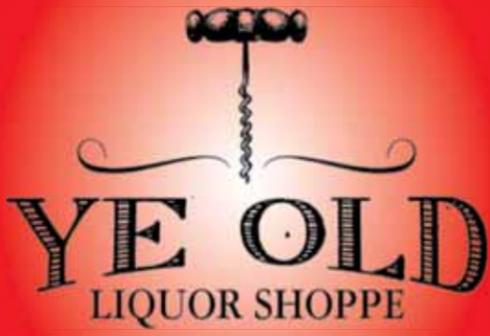
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S	E	A	S	T	U	X	S	E	E	D	
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B	E	A	S	T	B	A	G	K	E	A	
A	R	C	O	M	A	S	S	E	N	E	T
A	N	T	I	A	N	T	S	O	L	O	
L	E	S	T	D	E	E	T	B	S	P	

PATRICK —



Weekly SUDOKU — Answer

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