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~Aaron Charney

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Parades gets OK as leader of high school

By Josh LaBella
Voice Reporter

In a move which he called a foregone conclusion for quite some time, Superintendent Neil Cavallaro has appointed Acting Principal Dana Parades for the official position. The Board of Education was scheduled to confirm the nomination during their meeting Tuesday night after press time.

Parades has been serving in the role since late Oct. when Principal Pam Gardner passed away. Cavallaro said in his recommendation letter to the board of education that during Gardner's illness Parades had worked closely with Gardner and her administration to ensure staff needs were met, students were educated, and the school moved forward.

"Now, because of the leadership skills she's demonstrated, in addition to her commitment and dedication to that school, I believe she deserves the opportunity to continue in that role and be formally appointed by the board of education as the next principal of West Haven High School," said Cavallaro.

The letter pointed out that Parades is a life-long resident of West Haven and, therefore, a product of the district. It also noted that she was recently named the Connecticut Association of Schools' High School Vice-Principal of the Year.

A press release by CAS cited Parades's "single-minded drive to ensure success for every child in her care."

"There's nothing too big or too small that Dana won't do to help children," said Christine El-Bakri, a WHHS parent, in the release.

Cavallaro said he supports Parades 100 percent. He said she has been loyal to the school district and, more importantly, the high school.

"She's a tireless worker who puts her heart and soul into that school," said Cavallaro. "We could go out and look, but you're never going to find anybody as dedicated to our school district as Dana."

Cavallaro said he anticipated the entire board would vote to approve Parades. He said the only question from the beginning was how much time was appropriate to let pass before filling Gardner's position, which she had held for about 10 years.

The superintendent said Parades had been instrumental in the process of the construction project at WHHS, the most expensive project in city history. He said there was no one more prepared to meet the challenges which lied ahead than Parades.

"There's nobody who understands the workings of West Haven High School better than Dana," said Cavallaro. "She's been doing it, is ready to do it as the principal."

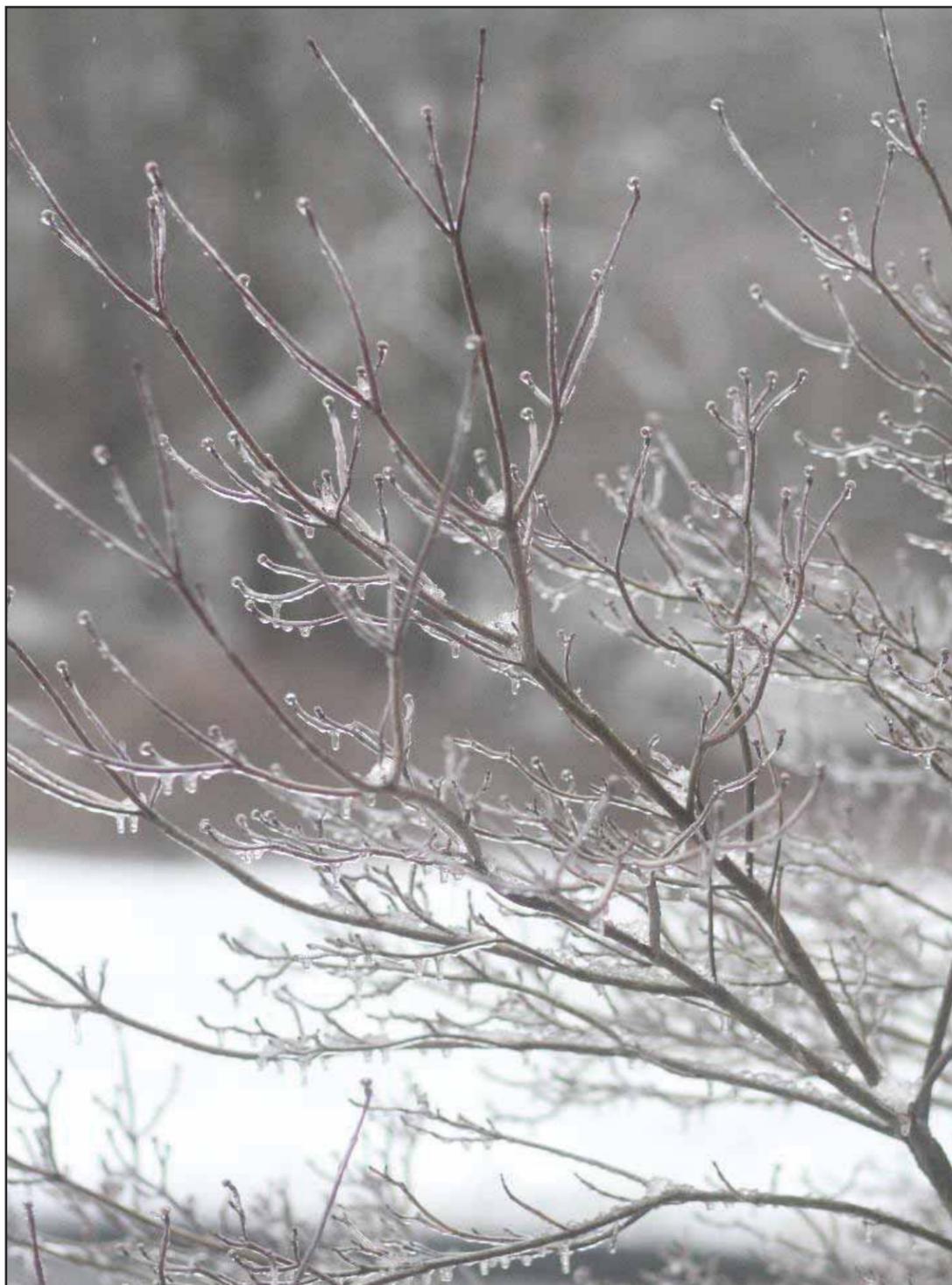


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Put on Ice

Regional weather forecasters had their work cut out for them last weekend as a powerful storm moved across the US, dumping snow, sleet and freezing rain on a large swath of the nation. Along the Connecticut shoreline, the snow was minimal, but freezing rain and then rain pelted the area. The freezing rain left its mark with trees coated with ice.

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Government Meetings

Weather

Friday Jan. 25 Partly cloudy. High near 40F.



Sunrise: 7:19 am
Sunset: 5:20 pm
Wind: W 10-15 mph

Saturday Jan. 26 Mostly sunny skies. High near 35F.



Sunrise: 7:19 am
Sunset: 5:22 pm
Wind: W at 5-10 mph

Sunday Jan. 27 Partly cloudy. High 32F.



Sunrise: 7:18 am
Sunset: 5:23 pm
Wind: NW at 10-15 mph

Monday Jan. 28 Mostly sunny skies. High near 35F.



Sunrise: 7:17 am
Sunset: 5:24 pm
Wind: W at 10-15 mph



Kids' Forecast

Madelyn DeMayo, age 2, a student at the West Haven Child Development Center, Inc. predicts more winter storms heading our way.

Things to Do

To have your event featured here email it to: info@westhavenvoice.com

Concert postponed

The Nutmeg Symphonic Pops Concert scheduled for Sunday is postponed to a date in March due to an anticipated conflict at St. Louis Church. For information call Dino Ciaburri at (203) 812-0606 or (203) 933-2224.

Annual Sunday Brunch

The West Haven Historical Society has scheduled its Mid-Winter Sunday Brunch

on Jan. 27 at Duffy's Tavern, 241 Campbell Ave. Cost is \$22 and will run from noon- 2 p.m. For reservations call Sandy at (203) 934-3161 or Jon at (203) 933-0081.

Soup and Song

New Life Church at 255 Jones Hill Road, is featuring the sounds of Patti Dahl and Heartsong at the Soup and Song First Friday Fellowship on Friday, Feb. 1. Soup will be served starting at 6 and the concert begins at 7. A collection will be taken for the band. New Life Church is on the corner of South St. and Jones Hill Road., with plenty of parking and handicap accessibility.

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Monday, Jan 28

West Haven City Council Regular Meeting, Council Chambers, City Hall, 7 p.m.

Tuesday, Jan 29

Housing Authority 8 p.m. City Hall Harriett North Meeting Room

Thursday, Jan 31

Charter Revision Commission, Harriet North Meeting Room Regular Meeting, 6 p.m.

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Did you know...

The city's 19th Icy Plunge for the Cure takes place on Saturday, Feb. 2. Registration forms are available at the Human Resources office on the 2nd floor of City Hall. On the date, registration takes place in the Savin Rock Conference Center at 8 with the plunge at 9:30.



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Charney wants to tap potential

By Josh LaBella
Voice Reporter

City Councilman Aaron Charney has always been interested in government. He said he came to West Haven because he sees potential in the city.

Charney, a Democrat from the Third District, said his

family was living in West Haven when he was born but he lived in Milford for most of his life. He came back five years ago. He said the main issues he wanted to address once in office were transparency and efficiency.

"Governance is best done in the sunlight," said Charney, an

attorney with his own practice who graduated from Vermont Law School. "So I've always been big on transparency. I think I'm still the only councilperson with a Facebook page." In reference to efficiency, Charney said he does not like waste and, as someone with a vested interest in the West Haven, he thinks the city needs to be efficient.

"It's very easy just to raise taxes," said Charney. "It's much more difficult to sit down, talk to people, look at spreadsheets, see where you can cut, before you just jump to that. It takes a lot of work and a lot of effort. I'm willing to put that time in."

Charney said his education has given him experience in how to be efficient and, for that reason, he decided to step up for the tax payers of West Haven. According to him, there has always been a tug against transparency in city government.

"I'm a millennial," said Charney. "The way we get our information is completely different than the generation before us. That's why, the moment I got in, I set up a Facebook page. Send me messages. I'll keep you up to date on council meetings and stuff like that."

Charney said the city does do

that to a point but there can always be improvement. He said when the government has to make hard decisions it is easier to try and be a little less transparent.

"We are facing some very big issues in this town," said

Charney. "I believe the public has to be involved and they have to have input. The best way to have input is they have to have information."

He said an example of the lack of transparency is the
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Dear Felicia

Welcome to Cold Central, honey bunch. As Iyam scribing this week's missive, Momma Nature has decided to put these parts in a deep freeze. It's only supposed to last a couple o' days and then get back to normal, only to git cold again. It is winter, I realize, but a body has no time to git used to the difference in temps from one day to the next. And that goes for the gassamobuggy as well.

Cobina thought the family auto would kick and scream, but it did turn over despite the wind and cold. Jest like Cobina, it decided that the old bones needed to git outta the house, or in this case outta the yard, and take us where we needed to go.

Of course, over the weekend, we had yet another fizzle of a snowstorm or as they like to call it now "winter event." For days leading up to Saturday night, we were regaled with talks of about eight inches o' snow follyed by up to three-

quarters of an inch of ice. Then it all changed. Sunday went off in these parts without a hitch, but in the interior, it was perty bad.

Needless to say, the supermarkets were rather busy. On Friday, Cobina went into a local market's parking lot and decided she could wait a day or two. People were coming outta the place with two carriages of groceries. When was the last time we were snow-bound for two weeks? I can't remember any, but people were stockin' up.

Here in the Asylum by the Sea, things are getting back to normal somewhat following the abrupt departure of the former Finance Director. Remember, he determined he was leaving our fair city without so much as a "by your leave," and the job was immediately taken by the guy whom, I guess, was supposed to be the second in command.

Tennyrate, the transition is ongoing, but seems to be

smooth. Sammy Bluejay seems to think that the former man in charge got a good taste o' the way things are in this burg and determined he could do better elsewhere. Like I told yew last week, the rumor was that he was looking for digs hereabouts so his family could reunite.

Nobody leaves a job like that unless a) they realize things are sooooo bad they don't want any part of it; b) a new and better job came about; or c) Both. I don't know fer sure, but effen I was a bettin' gal, I'd put my money on c.

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*By the time yew read this missive, the high school will have an old new principal. The acting principal, Dana Paredes, will be confirmed as the new head of the place. That meeting of the Bored of Ed is scheduled as of this writing for Tuesday. Usually they meet on Mondays but the holiday pushed it to Tuesday. Our pages will be in production for the most part, so we can't have a verification, but it would take something untoward to keep her outta the post, and that ain't happening. She's got a pristine rep.*

*For the kids and staff at the school, the appointment is a good thing. They had a rough couple o' years dealing with the illness of Pam Gardner and her loss last fall. This give 'em all the continuity they need. It's always better to have the devil yew know, whether it's at work or school.*

Nelly Nuthatch showed me that herronner is planning a "town hall" on Jan. 29. That might be an interesting event. She's had 'em in the past, and, quite frankly, things have not been as busy as one would think. With the five-year plan now calling for higher taxes and the paring of the budget that took place, it'll be interesting to see effen there is a push back from taxpayers.

It'll also be interesting to see how it all transpires. With taxes scheduled to go up every year during the five-year plan, that usually is not a good omen for the incumbent in the Actors Colony. But, as we've said in the past, the installation of the MARB (Municipal Accountability Review Board), she's got the political cover she needs. "The MARB made me do it" is a great cover for a politician who has to raise taxes - usually a no-no, especially in an election year.

Rich Borer, Jr. had to do the same thing after he was put under state review back in the 1990s, and he survived to tell the tale. One would expect that since it is her foist term, and she really had the MARB imposed on her by the actions of her predecessor (Ed O'Brien bonded to pay the deficit, which imposed the panel), she's got exactly what she needs to win in November.

Still, November is an eternity away politically speaking. A lot can happen. O'Brien

is looking to run against her. He has some support, but we ain't seeing the big guns of the Democratic Party (at least some o' them) coming out and lending a hand.

It's gonna be an interesting year.

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HMMM. Just a week or so ago, Mikey Mercuriano was going to mount an assault on the Dept. of Transportation to get it to build the garage that it had planned for the choo-choo station. As yew remember, he was miffed about five years ago when the garage was abandoned, and has been further miffed that buses that were supposed to drive into the station don't.

The El-em City was scheduled to git two new garages for Union Station, but I guess the Harp administration ain't sure it wants two. The money is there, and Mikey thinks it'll be a new draw for our little corner of the MetroNorth circuit.

Well, now we see the DOT is gonna re-impose parking fees for the lot. When the station foist opened that was the case, and then it went to free parking. Now the agency has said fees will be put into effect. The question before the house is how that is gonna affeck use of the station? Lotsa people have got used to the no-fee parking. Will they go elsewhere, or stop using the station. I guess we'll find out.

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 Meanwhile, in our neck of the woods, yew've noticed, no doubt, a new name in our pages. That would be Josh LaBella, our new Jimmy Olsen. The youngster is learning the ropes around here, and methinks is getting quite an education in the ins and outs of the political world as it relates to God's Li'l Acre. It's one thing to study civics and the theory of things. It's quite another to see the actual human interaction.

Josh is getting to be known around town, and is getting to know the players. That should be an education unto itself, effen yew ask me.

Meanwhile, I see that Pam McLoughlin is back on the city beat for the local papyrus. My, my, my everything old is new again, jest like the song sez. We hope she's enjoyin' her new go-round in the Asylum.

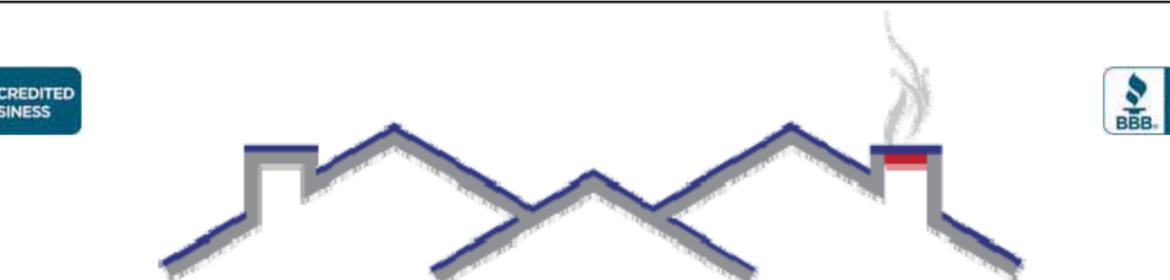
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Whilst all this is going on there is still the matter of The Haven -- that upscale shopping mall that is supposed to go down on El-em Street. Robbie Raven came in with a rumor going about the burg that the projeck is delayed. We can't say that is true as city officials have been tellin' us al along things are set to start shortly. We hope so. With that bit o' chatter, I'll close this time till next, mitt luff und kizzez,

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Charney: Sees district's issues

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process the city has been going through with the Municipal Accountability Review Board. He said it has very little public input.

"You have to Hartford to have a public session," said Charney, "and even then they cut you off. They really don't care about the taxpayers in the City of West Haven."

He also said he is frustrated with the Haven project, which is in his district. He said the developer does not come to speak to the council and, other than a site plan review last year, there have been no updates on their progress.

"We have to drive through it every day," said Charney. "I have constituents that live [next to the Haven] that have to deal with the crime across the road. The least they could do is come here and give us some information. That's not on the administration. That's on the developer. But the city has to try and lean on them."

Charney said getting Third Ave. paved was one of the most rewarding things he had helped do, as well as something which highlighted the value of public input. He said he knocked doors on the street found a resident who collected signatures for a petition.

"Then public works paved the road," said Charney. "It shows you how effective public input can be. Finally getting that fixed after all those years. It made me proud that we actually did that. It's one of those 'government actually works' type things. It's so easy to get jaded. It's [events] like that - where leaders actually do something you want - its rewarding."

Charney said he is unsure if he will run for reelection. He said it is a family decision given how big the obligation is. In terms of his goals for the future, he said he does not "see that far down the way on this type of stuff."

"I've always wanted to be up in Hartford," said Charney. "I'm only 33 so I have to put my time in."



Submitted Photo

Students of the Month

St. Lawrence School recently celebrated its students of the month for December, in a ceremony held at the school. The students were honored for their academics and achievements in the classroom. Each student was awarded a pin and certificate, and the students, along with their parents, were invited to have breakfast with the Pastor, the Rev. Jose Mercado and Principal Paul DeFonzo. Pictured from left to right: Front row -- Sunnie McLaughlin, Kindergarten; Middle row -- Grace Turcio, grade five; Xander Estes, grade three; and Peter Mattiello, grade two; Back row -- DeFonzo; Jerry Dong, grade seven; India Joyner, grade eight; Fr. Mercado; and Kahmari Jacobs, grade 6. Missing from photo: Nailah, grade one and Jaevon Masoperh, grade four.

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MSM showed its bias

The mainstream media took it on the chin over the weekend, not once but twice. Between the glee-turned-glum crash of the BuzzFeed story about Donald Trump suborning perjury and the quick-before-we-learn-the-facts virtue signaling that condemned students from a Kentucky Catholic high school, the MSM has proven it is an advocate rather than a commentator on the issues of the day. In both cases, the media showed itself to be the very cartoonish character it is said to be by the majority of Americans.

In the first instance, an anonymously sourced story in the third-rate blog BuzzFeed alleged that President Donald Trump ordered his former attorney, Michael Cohen, to lie before Congress concerning the negotiations with Russia over a plan to build a Trump Tower in Moscow. The report alleged there were emails and text messages that supported the charges.

Almost immediately, the media outlets that can be called the "usual suspects" pounced and did a victory dance. This was finally the thing that would stick. Trump would be removed from the White House and the 2016 election would be subverted.

As New York Post columnist Michael Goodwin pointed out: "The Gotcha! glee, the declarations of Trump's certain impeachment for suborning perjury, reckless references to Richard Nixon, the breathless anticipation of resignation and disgrace, perhaps prison — these and other overheated reactions quickly clogged the airwaves and internet, growing ever more bold as the day wore on and no compelling rebuttal appeared."

The glee turned sour when at about 7 p.m. Friday night Special Prosecutor Robert Mueller's office posted a response that not only disputed the claims, they trashed them in very lawyerly language.

For more than 12 hours, impeachment mania clogged the airwaves, and many members of Congress and Never-Trumpers were immersing themselves in the glow of getting rid of the man they hated so much.

It was all gone --in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye. Yet again, they let themselves be carried away by their own hate and prejudice. Trump should never have won. Anything needed to take him down is legitimate.

Then we get to the story that dominated over Sunday. A clip of a video went viral, showing a confrontation between a white teen with a MAGA hat and a Native-American veteran. No context was given in the clip, just a face-to-face standoff with the teen smirking.

Immediately, it was the white kid against the minority. Immediately, people and the MSM made up their minds that the kids had to be in the wrong. After all, they were white, they were at the March for Life, they were Catholic (Christians are always wrong, and Catholic bias is celebrated), and the kid was smirking.

And, if that didn't cinch it, the MAGA hat told them exactly what they wanted to believe. It fit the narrative the MSM loved to promote.

Meanwhile, the usual suspects from Hollywood, and even members of the so-called "conservative" media took the teens to task believing the narrative.

The same outlets that hailed the Trump story now turned their sights on the kids of Covington Catholic High School. But wait, the clip was only a smidgen of a larger tape, and it took an editor from Reason Magazine to debunk the story. Not only that, it was found that the Native-American himself is a serial prevaricator, while the group of boys was not the originator of the provocation, but the receiver.

The boys were using school cheers and songs to drown out the vile things that were being hurled at them by a lunatic fringe group that hates whites. Oops! It was the group that confronted the teens, not the other way around.

In one weekend, the mainstream media proved themselves to be everything their critics claim — and more. In their quest to transform America and marginalize those who love it the way it is — with its flaws — they have shown they are not purveyors of truth and information, but ideologues and advocates.



FBI is not meant to rule us

By Rich Lowry
Syndicated Columnist

The FBI took it upon itself to determine whether the president of the United States is a threat to national security.

No one had ever before thought that this was an appropriate role for the FBI, a subordinate agency in the executive branch, but Donald Trump isn't the only one in Washington trampling norms.

The New York Times reported the astonishing news: "Counterintelligence investigators had to consider whether the president's own actions constituted a possible threat to national security." U.S. presidents over the decades have made many foolhardy decisions that have undermined our security; never before have they been deemed a fit subject for an FBI investigation.

The proximate cause for the probe into Trump was his firing of FBI Director James Comey, which the FBI considered both a potential crime and a national security matter because it might shut down the investigation into Russian efforts to influence the 2016 election.

Even if they were shocked by the treatment of Comey, top FBI officials should have been able to quickly ascertain that the Russia investigation con-

tinued unimpeded -- indeed, it is still ongoing today.

If the Times reporting is correct, the FBI grew more suspicious of Trump's conduct based on comments that have been widely misunderstood. Among the bill of particulars: -- During the campaign, he urged the Russians to hack Hillary Clinton's email. Trump clearly meant this line sardonically, though.

-- The GOP platform allegedly was softened toward Russia. Never mind that, as Byron York of the Washington Examiner has demonstrated, this didn't actually happen.

-- And in his Lester Holt interview after the Comey firing, Trump said that "this Russia thing with Trump and Russia is a made-up story." The president added, it's worth noting, that he knew firing Comey probably extended the investigation rather than shortened it.

More legitimately, agents were disturbed by Trump's continual praise for Vladimir Putin. These comments were blameworthy, but not a federal offense.

As part of the executive branch, the FBI should brush up on the powers of the chief executive. The president gets to fire subordinate executive branch officials. He gets to

meet with and talk to foreign leaders. He gets to make policy toward foreign nations. Especially important to the current investigation, he gets to say foolish, ill-informed and destructive things.

If the president wants to tilt toward Russia (not that Trump really has, except in his words), he can. If he wants to butter up China's dictatorial president during high-stakes trade negotiations, he can. If he wants to announce a precipitous withdrawal from Syria and make it slightly less precipitous in a fog of confusion, he can.

And the FBI should have nothing to say about it.

The Times story is another sign that we have forgotten the role of our respective branches of government. It is Congress that exists to check and investigate the president, not the FBI.

Perhaps the Times report is exaggerated, or the FBI has serious evidence of a criminally corrupt quid pro quo between Trump and Moscow that there's no public indication of yet. Otherwise, the Times story is a damning account of an offense against our political order, and not by Donald Trump.

Rich Lowry is editor of the National Review.



Dear Gripe Vine Readers:

To refresh my readers, I have been receiving your complaints and will publish them in Gripe Vine. My efforts to obtain responses and answers to your issues have been ignored at the mayor's office. As you may remember, I indicated to Gripe Vine readers that I will publish your complaints in my column anticipating a reply from either the mayor's office indicating that they have been investigated or a reply from my readers that their gripes were still outstanding. With a new year upon us I am hopeful that the city's administration team will stand tall and resolve your complaints.

Dear Eleanore Turkington:

I am writing this complaint to state that the Woodside path in Allingtown is a mess! UNH recently completed a construction project and while it looks great, they left the curbing on Woodside Path and Sunset Drive all broken and in pieces and there is curbing that has been damaged from a city plow for over two years now! I know it's a dead end-street and maybe not a priority but come on, at least replace the cubing to make it look somewhat like a road. Oh and while they are there at it we could also use a good street sweeping. The

leaves are atrocious! Any help is appreciated.

A Good Taxpayer

Dear Eleanore Turkington:

I am the president of the Oceanside Condominium (30 units) on Beach Street West Haven.

We are very disappointed that nothing was done regarding paving the street that is in deplorable condition.

Many other streets in town are being paved and they are not in such bad condition as Beach Street. (Washington Avenue and opposite California Street). Our taxes are in excess of \$1,000 per month for a 1800 square foot unit. Please respond and help us SAVE OUR STREET.

Oceanside Condominium President

Dear Eleanore Turkington:

The property at 3 Timberland Drive has been vacant for years and is becoming increasingly dilapidated. Recently, tree limbs fell and knocked down power lines and there were wires down on the street. This site is an eye sore and a safety issue.

Timberland Drive Resident

Dear Eleanore Turkington:

There is a big pothole in front of my house at 51 Nonquit St. and two huge potholes next door at 55 Nonquit Street.



ELEANORE TURKINGTON

They are extremely dangerous at night.

Taxpayer Nonquit Street

Dear Eleanore Turkington:

Countless vehicles refuse to stop or even slow down at the stop sign at Benham Hill Road at Hubbard in West Haven. This is a school zone and is unsafe for children.

Parent Hubbard Road

Dear Eleanore Turkington:

Beware of the huge network

of potholes at the end of Bungalow Lane off Second Avenue. The road is too narrow to drive around them.

Frustrated Driver

Dear Eleanore Turkington:

Fountain Terrace has become a speedway by cars using it as a shortcut between Hopkins, Curtis Drive and Fountain Street. They come over the steep hill at Curtis Drive or onto Fountain Terrace from Fountain Street doing 35-40 mph. As there are no sidewalks on Fountain Terrace, this hazard invites an accident waiting to happen. There is also a hazard from a series of potholes at the crest of the hill going down onto Curtis Drive.

Safety First Please

Dear Eleanore Turkington:

The trucks on Voss Road continue to invade the area. I haven't seen a patrol car in the area yet, unless they do it when I'm not here or asleep. At any rate, the trucks don't seem to be reading the signs

on both ends of this thruway.

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Historian's corner **By Dan Shine**



Rationing and Victory Gardens:

If you were a child growing up in the Fifties or Sixties, you probably recall hearing something about them.

In his later years, Father would tell The Boy about how commodities such as gasoline, coal, and various types of foods were rationed during World War II, as they had been during World War I. In fact, after Father had been drafted into the army, and before he went overseas, he came back to West Haven for one last visit; and while he was here, he walked to the town rationing board to apply for extra food for his family.

Food was rationed, shoes were rationed, some medicines were in short supply due to naval blockades--the majority of all these articles were reserved for use by the Armed Services.

One day when he was still a child, The Boy's mother would tell him of all the ways that Americans pulled together to support those who had left home to fight the nation's enemies during WWII.

One thing that she mentioned was something called "Victory Gardens," a term which sounded strange to The Boy: How could a garden help America to win a war?

Victory Gardens, also called war gardens, or food gardens for defense, were utilized during WWI and WWII to provide supplemental crops to ease food shortages. In fact, they operated in England, Canada, Australia and the

United States, using private and public lands. During WWI, President Wilson encouraged Americans to grow Victory Gardens, saying that, "Food will win the war."

As a direct result, five million Victory Gardens were in operation in the U.S. by the war's end.

In Canada, ladies' organizations brought expert gardeners into the schools to get school children and their families interested in gardening. In addition, homeowners were encouraged to keep hens in their yards for egg production.

During WWII--when much of Europe was devastated by the fighting--for many, starvation was near at hand. Even before the U.S. entered the war, we were supporting the British with regular shipments of food. Something had to make up for shortages created by these massive exports, so President Roosevelt appealed for a rebirth of Victory Gardens, and First Lady Eleanor Roosevelt set a national example by creating a Victory Garden on the White House lawn.

By May of 1943, there were 18 million Victory Gardens operating in the United States. This served to unite the homefront and empower the people. The slogan, "grow your own, can your own," became popular during the war years. Many families continued to tend their backyard gardens and can their fruits and vegetables long after the war had ended.



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Borer named co-chair of women's panel

A member of the city's delegation to the General Assembly has been named to a prestigious committee dealing specifically with women's issues.

Following its first organizational meetings of the 2019 Legislative Session, State Rep. Dorinda Borer (D-115) was named leader to represent the Democratic members and State Rep. Rosa Rebimbas (R-Naugatuck) was elected to lead the Republican members as joint co-chairmen of the Bipartisan Women's Caucus.

"I'm incredibly thrilled and proud to be representing the women leaders and this caucus which is now the largest and most influential caucus at the Capitol," said Rep. Borer. "Women's issues are all encompassing; they are not strictly issues that involve women. They involve men, children, and every aspect of our day to day lives. We had great successes during the last legislative session and I look forward to growing those accomplishments as we enter the 2019 legislative session. We are 61 women strong and I'm so delighted to watch this caucus flourish."

"I am honored to be co-chairing the Bipartisan Women's Caucus once again," Rep. Rebimbas said. "This incredible group of legislators is dedicated to advancing bills

that will enhance the lives of women and their families across the state. Thank you to everyone who was able to join us today and I look forward to working with my colleagues on these issues during session and throughout the year."

In Connecticut, women make up of 52 percent of the population and women-owned businesses employ an estimated 95,000. The bipartisan caucus met early Tuesday to kick off the legislative session and stress the importance of women's issues in our state. This session, the caucus will include 20 freshman legislators.

Rep. Borer will be stepping into a role previously held by State Rep. Kim Rose (D-Milford). "Representative Rose helped navigate the women's caucus during a difficult budget year, but stayed focused on driving important initiatives for everyone. I hope to build upon the influential work she began," said Rep. Borer. "I look forward to continuing the bipartisan partnership with Rep. Rebimbas to accomplish our shared goals."

"This is a monumental year for women in the legislature," said Rep. Rose. "During the election cycle, we cheered on 132 women running for a seat in the General Assembly. Now, at our first meeting on the Bipartisan Women's Caucus

we are pleased to welcome our 20 new members. This is a very exciting time to be a part of the caucus and I'm thrilled that Rep. Borer has been chosen as my successor. It was a pleasure working

with Rep. Rebimbas for the last four years. We made significant strides and formed a friendship"

During the last legislative session, the women's caucus supported several bills rang-

ing from healthcare benefits and access to pay equity. As they enter the 2019 legislative session, the Women's Caucus will be reviewing and discussing about the proposed bills.



Reps. Dorinda Borer and Rosa Rebimbas of Naugatuck were named co-chairmen of the Assembly's Bipartisan Women's Caucus.



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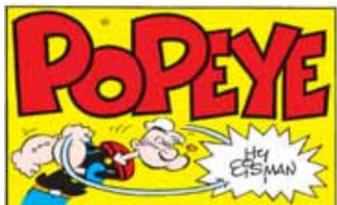
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WHEAT collection

St. Lawrence students in all grades, PK-8th, pitched in Tuesday by bringing in non-perishable food items to be given to WHEAT (West Haven Emergency Assistance Taskforce). With the government shutdown many more families are in need. For their efforts the children were treated to a "dress-down day." Shown are a few of the Saint Lawrence School students with what was collected.



Trees, bags a no-no for city pick-up

By Michael P. Walsh
Special to the Voice

The city reminds residents not to put Christmas trees in plastic bags or stands for curbside pickup.

Lights must also be removed from Christmas trees. Plastic bags and other items can become tangled in the machine that grinds the trees into compost.

Christmas trees will be picked up in January only. Residents needing a pickup after January will be charged a \$25 fee. Christmas trees can also be brought to the compost site at 1 Kimberly Ave.

The 2019 leaf bag pickup schedule is April 1-June 1 and Oct. 1-Dec. 31.

Grass clippings are not allowed in leaf bags, per state law. Leaves must be in biodegradable paper bags and will not be accepted if they are in plastic bags.

"Crews will not pick up leaf bags containing anything other than leaves," Public Works Commissioner Tom McCarthy said. "No grass, no branches, no sand, no rocks, no dirt."

Residents are also reminded that brush and branches should be tied in small bundles. Logs and stumps will not be picked up, McCarthy said.

All leaf bags and brush are disposed of at the compost site, where they are grinded into compost. Compost is free with proof of residence. McCarthy pointed out that residents can bring grass clippings as well as bagged leaves and untied brush to the compost site from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. weekdays and, starting in the spring, from 8 a.m. to noon Saturdays.

Also, residents are reminded that five holidays during the year delay curbside pickup one day. Affordable Waste Systems LLC of East Haven, the city's private contractor for rubbish and recyclables, will not pick up rubbish, recyclables or metals Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving and Christmas.

If a holiday falls on a week-day, pickup for that week will move ahead one day.



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Don't get in her way!

With a look of determination and grit, the Sting's Kiara Rogers powers her way through the lane in last Saturday's Girls Basketball League match at the Edith Mackrille. Winter leagues are heading into the final weeks of the regular season before turning their attention to postseason playoffs.



Photo by Todd Dandelske

Player of the Week

Shea Sheffield (2) is the Vio's Sports Plus/Westie Blue Player of the Week. In two games this past week, Sheffield helped his team to a pair of victories. The junior scored 16 points in a victory over North Haven and added 14 more in a win over Sheehan. To read about the Player of the Week and learn about all of your West Haven sports, including game stories, photos, videos and more, visit www.westieblue.com.

Westie swimmers overtake Greenies

The West Haven boys' and diving team defeated the Hamden Green Dragons, 100-83, on Wednesday afternoon at the WHHS Pool. In individual events, the Blue Devils got victories from Bryan Barrington in the 200 freestyle and 500 freestyle, Luis Lopez in the 200 IM and 100 breaststroke, Issac Gorske in the 50 freestyle and 100 freestyle and Shane Taulty in the 100 butterfly.

The Westies were also victorious in the 200 Medley Relay with Barrington, Chris D'Inzeo, Taulty and Lopez, the 200 freestyle relay with Gorske, Taulty, Chris Olsen and Joshua Carr and the 400 freestyle relay behind Gorske, Barrington, D'Inzeo and Lopez.

The boys' basketball team hosted the Sheehan Titans on Thursday evening and built an early 27-10 lead after one quarter but had to hold on to grab a 70-64 victory. The Titans chipped away at the lead getting within four points in the last minute but the Blue Devils hit seven of eight free throws to ice the game. Quannel Straughter led the Westies with 25 points, Shea

Sheffield scored 14 points and Malcolm Duncanson added 13 points in the victory.

This week, the boys hosted the Branford Hornets on Tuesday and finish the week with a trip to face Jonathan Law on Friday at 7.

The boys' hockey team faced the Fairfield Prep Jesuits on Wednesday night at the Edward L. Bennett Rink and came away on the short end of a 4-1 decision. The Jesuits struck first with a goal with 4:44 left in the first period and padded their lead with another goal on the power play with 20.2 seconds left in the period.

The Blue Devils cut the lead in half when Kaden Morgillo fed Kevin Moriarty in front of the net and Moriarty cashed in with 7:12 left in the second period. Robbie Forleo also assisted on the tally. The Jesuits responded with a short-handed goal with 1:06 left in the period to regain a two-goal advantage. Fairfield Prep iced the game with an empty net goal with 58.8 seconds left for the 4-1 final. Jared Pliszka did his best between the pipes making 47 saves for

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Raines notches 32 in 80-68 win

It was another busy week for the winter sports teams. Basketball stayed unbeaten with two impressive wins, hockey had an undefeated week, wrestling finished sixth at Eagle Classic, indoor track ran well at the SCC Coaches Invitational, and swimmers got back in the pool after a long layoff.

Basketball -- Connor Raines scored 32 points as the basketball team moved to 11-0 on the season beating Hamden 80-68 on Friday. It was a win-win night for the Green Knights as they raised well over \$3,000 for the Juvenile Diabetes Foundation in its annual charity game.

Raines scored 15 points in the decisive fourth quarter as the game was tied 45-45 after the third quarter. The Green Knights started the week with a tidy 64-49 win over Hillhouse. Notre Dame shook off a slow start falling behind 13-5 before going on a 16-0 run to take control of game. Raines had 18 to lead the Green Knights while Jaiden Kimbro and Zach Laput contributed 16 and 15 points respectively.

Wrestling -- The wrestling team had a successful week winning a dual meet over New Haven and then finishing sixth at the Eagle Classic over the weekend. Rob Long captured the 285-pound division championship at the Eagle Classic. Alex Barbour also reached the finals, winning his semifinal matchup by decision.

He would end up finishing second in the 182-pound division. Notre Dame had other strong performances from Christian Fillion, third in the 138-pound division; Jeff Bracale, fourth in the 113-pound division; Gianni Liguori, fifth in the 145-pound division; and Porter Schexnayder, fifth in the 106-pound division. Schexnayder also received an award for the fastest pin (26 seconds). In the New Haven dual meet, Alex Barbour won two matches as the Green Knights stayed undefeated in SCC dual matches beating the New Haven coop team 60-18. Luis Stephenson, Gianni Liguori, Jackson Paulishen, and Kevin Seigny all won

against New Haven.

Indoor Track -- Carlos Aurora's third-place finish in the 55-meter dash helped the Notre Dame indoor track team to a 24th-place showing at the SCC Coaches Invitational on Saturday, January 19 at the New Haven Athletic Center. Aurora ran in a time of 6.79 seconds. The Green Knights also got points from Johan Klein-Robbenhaar in the shot put. He finished seventh with a throw of 44-06.25, easily outdistancing his seed throw of 41-06. Other top 20 finishers for Coach Xavier's squad were Jason Sawicki and Jared Russo in the 55-meter hurdles. Sawicki ran 14th in a time of

8.59 while Russo placed 20th in 8.73 seconds. Max Bothwell cleared 11-feet in the pole vault to finish 18th.

Hockey -- The Notre Dame hockey team rebounded from a tough week with a win and tie against Xavier and Bishop Fenwick from Massachusetts. John D'Errico scored with 50 seconds left in overtime to lift Notre Dame to a 2-1 win over Xavier in a game played at the Wesleyan Ice Rink on Jan. 16.

It was the third overtime win on the year for Head Coach Larry Vieira's squad having beaten Fairfield Prep and Hamden already in extra time. Ian Hayden forced overtime with a late third-period score.

This past Saturday, the Green Knights traveled to Massachusetts and skated to a 3-3 tie with Bishop Fenwick. Mike Card scored twice including the tying goal with 8:54 left in game.

Swimming -- The Notre Dame swim team got four wins from Bill Hinckley but fell to the Branford/Guilford coop team, 86-80, in an SCC Meet Jan. 17 at the Walsh Intermediate School! Notre Dame won five of the 12 events but it was the depth of the Branford/Guilford team that proved to be the difference.

The Green Knights won the opening event when Hinckley, Jonathan Farricielli, Sean

McDermott, and Alex Ozonoff finished first in a time of 1:50.30 in the 200-yard medley relay. Hinckley then continued Notre Dame's winning ways capturing the 50 and 100 freestyle midway through the meet. He won the 50 in 24.29 and 100 in 52.65. He then teamed with Farricielli, Gavin Kanlong, and Malachi Blatchley to win the 400 freestyle relay in the last event of the meet.

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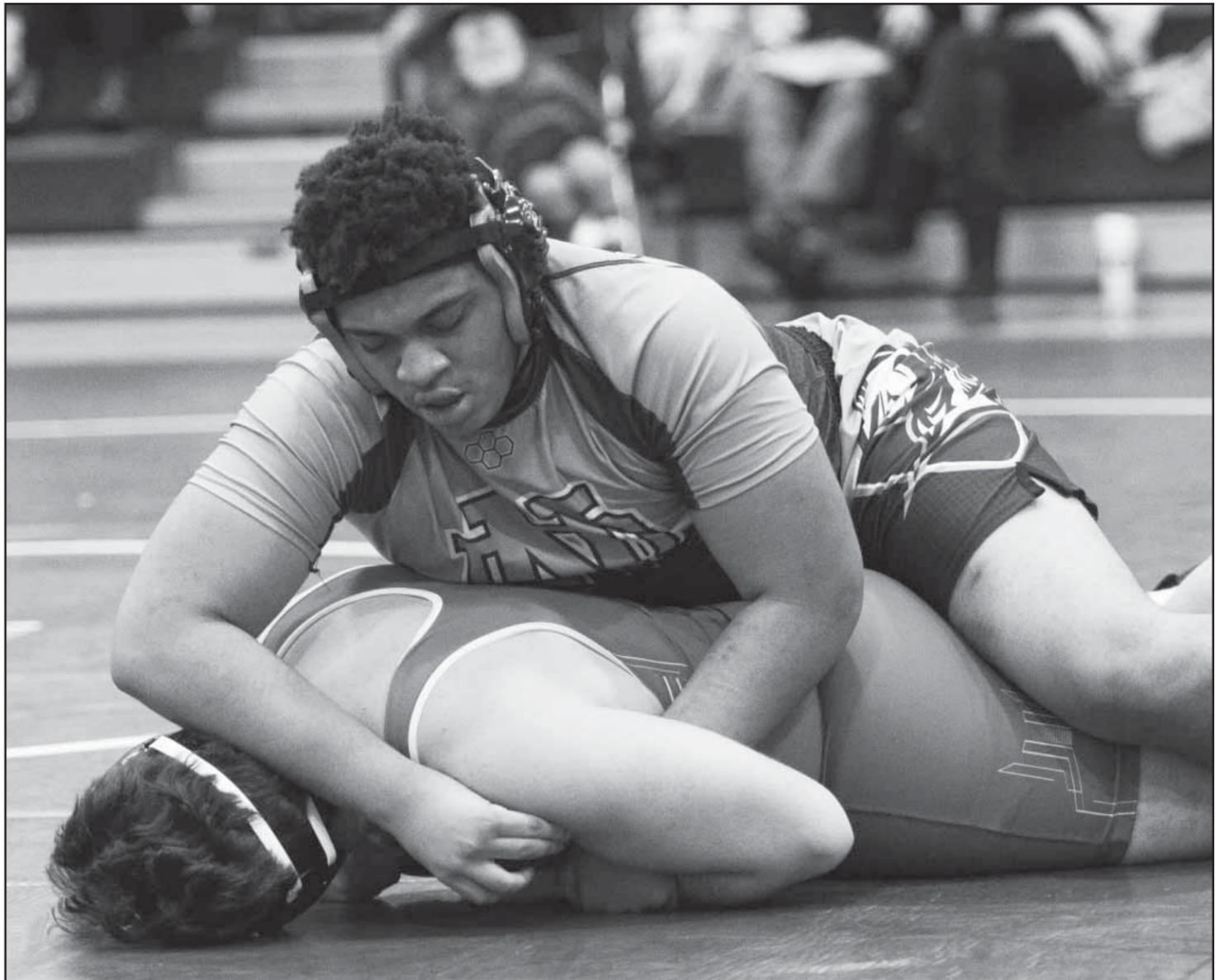


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Rob Lowe won three straight matches to capture the 285-pound division at the Eagle Wrestling Classic this past weekend at East Catholic. Lowe helped the team to a 6th place finish.

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West Haven.

This week, the Westies hosted the Hamden Green Dragons on Wednesday evening and then travel to the Rinks at Shelton to face the Notre Dame of Fairfield Lancers on Saturday at 8:30.

The West Haven/Sacred Heart girls' hockey team saw its eight-game win streak come to an end at the hands of the Darien Blue Wave on Wednesday afternoon.

Darien jumped on the Westie Sharks with two goals in

the first period before the girls were able to respond a minute into the second period on a tally by Taylor Nowak assisted by Veronica Lynn. Darien reestablished its two-goal lead with 3:29 left in the period but Brooke McNabola gave the Westie Sharks hope with a goal with 49 seconds left in the period in cut the lead to 3-2.

Unfortunately for the girls the Blue Wave responded with 11 seconds left in the period to seize the momentum back. Darien would tack on two, more goals in the third period

for a 6-2 final. Kyleen Crowe made 17 saves between the pipes.

This week, the girls traveled to face Hand/Coginchaug/Old Lyme on Wednesday, head to the Rinks at Shelton on Friday to take on Masuk/Barlow/Newtown/Lauralton at 6:10 and finish the week hosting Fairfield Ludlowe-Warde on Saturday at 3.

The girls' basketball team battled with the Lauralton Hall Crusaders on Tuesday evening at the WHHS Gym. The Blue Devils had a chance

to win the game with .3 seconds left in regulation when Ny'Aire Serrano took an inbounds pass but released and sank the shot a split second after the buzzer, sending the game to overtime tied 56-56.

The Crusaders took a lead in the overtime but Serrano hit two, clutch free-throws with eight seconds left to tie the game 66-66 and send it to a second overtime. The Westies controlled the second OT and grabbed a 76-68 victory. Natalia Frazer led West Haven with 26 points while Serrano scored

24 points and Tenique Gates added nine points in the win.

On Friday evening, the Westies hosted the Hillhouse Academics and were no match for the Academics potent offense in a 71-29 loss. Hillhouse led 32-12 at halftime and never looked back. Ny'Aire Serrano led the Blue Devils with 12 points while Natalia Frazer and Davina Mendez each contributed with 6 points.

This week, the girls traveled to Wallingford and faced the Lyman Hall Trojans and host Sacred Heart Academy Friday.

Photo by Russ McCreven

On a mission!

The Sting's Cassidy Carrano turns the corner on The Starzz' Nora Grillo.



Westies dominate Stars in 8-1 romp

The West Haven Squirt A travel hockey team won its only game of the weekend as it dominated Southern Stars A1, 8-1, on Saturday night at the Milford Ice Pavilion. Five different Blue Devils scored goals to lead a balanced offensive effort.

Ethan Kelly opened the scoring when he converted a breakaway, using a pretty deke with Leo Mazuroski assisting. Zach Melchiore made it 2-0 after Sean Studley deflected Cameren Lipford's pass to him and he fired it home. After a Stars goal,

Studley intercepted a pass at the blue line and scored with a wrist shot for a 3-1 lead after one period.

Lipford opened the second period scoring with a nifty cut move and wrist shot with Ethan Kelly assisting.

Lucas Iversen later won the puck on the boards and fed Melchiore who centered it. Rafi Treat banged home a backhand for a 5-1 lead. Ethan Kelly and Studley assisted to Lipford for a wrist shot off the goalie's mask and in. Kelly and Lipford then fed Studley who roofed it for a 7-1 lead af-

ter two periods.

Lipford closed the scoring, and recorded a hat trick, with Ethan Kelly assisting in the third period.

Aedan Guarino and Gavin Coady played solid on the wings.

Mazuroski, Ryan Pniewski and Jonathan Charbonneau controlled the defense for the Westies. Matthew Kelly made his first start in goal and recorded eight saves to earn the victory.

The West Haven Peewee A travel hockey team posted a win and a tie in two games this weekend. The Westies topped Northwestern, and played to a tie with the Greenwich Skate Club.

West Haven opened the week with a 6-1 victory over Northwestern at the Edward L. Bennett Rink Friday evening. Zach Goetze led the way with two goals, Mickey Dowd had one goal and one assist, and Michael Madera added two assists.

Dowd gave West Haven a 1-0 lead 2:40 into the game off an assist from Madera, before Northwestern evened the game at one after one period.

Goetze scored an unassisted goal 49 seconds into the second period, and Price scored off an assist from Mike Page with 5:52 left in the middle period for a 3-1 advantage. West Haven increased the lead 55 seconds later when Bruno Martone scored off assists from Dowd and Madera.

The Westies closed the scoring in the third with two more

goals.

Dylan Bosworth scored off an assist from Connor Moriarty 1:03 in, and Goetze added an unassisted goal with 10:57 left for the 6-1 final. Jacob Silva and Bryan Hong both played well in goal, while Jason Alling, Haygen Axelrod, Martone and Ray Heenie all played well defensively.

Chris Consorte and Dan Johnson had strong offensive efforts in the win.

The Westies then traveled to Boston on Saturday and played to a 3-3 tie against Greenwich Skate Club at TD Garden. Dowd led West Haven with two goals and an assist.

West Haven took a 1-0 lead with 30 seconds left in the opening period when Dowd scored off an assist from Martone. The Westies increased the lead to 2-0 one minute into the second period when Madera scored off assists from Goetze and Dowd.

Greenwich scored the next three goals, but Dowd's tally with 7:45 to go allowed West Haven to even the game at three.

After having last weekend off, the West Haven Bantam A travel hockey team played two challenging games, where it came out with two ties.

On Saturday, the Blue Devils welcomed the West Hartford Wolves, where they skated to a 2-2 tie. Joey Honcz scored the games first goal, off of a shot from the top of the circles. Sean Bosworth received the assist on Honcz's goal.

The game stayed 1-0 until the third period, where the Wolves went up 2-1 midway through the third.

The Blue Devils scored with just nine seconds remaining in the game to tie it, after getting the puck to the net, there was a scrum in front where Matt Morgan was credited with the game tying goal. Dave Brown was credited with the assist.

Brendan Smith played a complete game, making some key saves to preserve the tie. Nolan Cole, Kevin Gardner, Dante Hardt and Colin Deane all played well in the win.

On Sunday, the Blue Devils headed to the Darien Ice House to take on New Canaan Winter Club, where they came out with a 3-3 tie.

Cade Simone got the first goal of the game with seven minutes left in the first period as he was able to squeak in the goal through the opposing goalies pads. Jayden Spreyer got the assist on Simone's goal.

After NCWC was able to tie the game, the Westies were able to take the lead off a goal from Brown, as Morgan was credited with the assist. Bosworth scored the third goal of the game, off a beautiful feed from Morgan in front of the net for a 3-1 lead.

NCWC was able to score two goals, off of two different tip in goals to tie the game, one of them in the final minute of the game.

Smith played a great game in goal in the tie. Nolan Cole, Carl Murgo and Justin Pniewski all played well in the game.

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Rossi, Advisory panel set Tuesday confab

City officials and Mayor Nancy R. Rossi and her staff are hoping for a big turnout, Tuesday night, as her office and a university committee that advises the city plan a town hall.

Rossi invites residents to participate in a town hall meeting Jan. 29 at City Hall, which is aimed at bringing residents closer to elected officials and promoting transparency between City Hall and constituents, organizers said.

The meeting is 6-8 p.m. in the Harriet C. North Community Room on the second floor of City Hall, 355 Main St. It is sponsored by the mayor's office and the University of New Haven Mayor's Advisory Commission.

The advisory panel is made up of students from the local university, adding a different

perspective to issues that confront West Haven. Over the years the committee has been involved in surveys, position papers and events that have brought the school and city closer together.

The town hall is geared toward allowing participants a range of topics to choose, and getting answers from the mayor and other city officials who will be on hand.

Organizers said people can ask Rossi questions as she engages with them on a variety of topics affecting West Haven.

"All members of the community are encouraged to attend and bring questions. The moderator is Douglas Gordon, a sophomore political science major at UNH," a press release from the city said.

Questions are limited to two,

and attendees are asked to keep each one under two minutes so all voices can be heard. In addition, one follow-up question is allowed after each initial question.

"Those rules may be altered by the moderator at the event," organizers said.

The alteration may be allowed due to the subject or follow-up needed to fully explore the issue.

Opportunities for partici-

pants to submit questions or comments in writing as an alternative to speaking will also be available, organizers said. The MAC is a collaborative, student-driven task force founded in 2015 to strengthen town-gown relations.

The UNH commission is led by Chairman Marcin Stankevitch, a junior political science major, and adviser Chris Haynes, assistant professor of political science.

City officials are anxious the meeting be well attended. With the city's financial situation, as well as the prospective construction of The Haven, and other matters coming before the City Council, such as Charter revision, it is hoped residents will come up with questions on these and other matters.

For more information, call the mayor's office at (203) 937-3510.

Wizards move to 7-0; topple Bristol by 13

The West Haven Wizards won a close meet against rival Bristol Splash on Saturday, 342-329. This meet is affectionately known as "The Clash with The Splash," and this year's installment proved to be exactly that, with many close races that were decided by as little as 5/100ths of second.

The high school girls' age group showed particularly strong during this meet. They took at least one of the three spots in each of their individual events: Emma Tirollo and Madison Hobart took first and third place in the 100-yard freestyle, Anya Celmer and Carly Weber took first and third in the 100-yard butterfly, the trio of Hannah Rascoll, Emily Eschweiler and Madison Hobart swept the 200-yard freestyle, and the 100-yard Backstroke as well; Emma Tirollo, Madison Hobart and Mady-sen Ellas swept. Anya Celmer and Carly Weber took first and third place in the 15-and-over girls 200-yard individual medley, Anya Celmer and Kaya Vital took first and third in the 100-yard breaststroke and Emma Tirollo and Hannah Rascol1 did the same in the 50-yard freestyle.

As the meet was nearing the end, the Wizards learned that going into the final relays, they were down by a point. The enthusiasm ramped up, as did the cheering! With all their teammates cheering them on the Wizards' relay teams took at least one of the top three finishing spots in nearly all age groups and ended up winning the meet by 13 points.

The Wizards are now 7-0 on the season going into their final regular season meet against a speedy team from New Milford on Saturday.

For more information on the West Haven Wizards Swim team please visit our website at www.westhavenwizards.org

Bruins' trio paces victory in Girls Basketball action

West Haven Girls basketball resumed play with games Friday night morning at Haley

The Rings End Lumbar Bruins used the scoring of Noelle Lawrence, Abby Wynus, Sara Went and Jada Turner to upend the Shoreline Dental Cardinals, 12-5. The Cardinal stars on the offensive end were Lily Granata, Cristel Miguel and Madden Evangeliste.

Katie Mondo starred offensively as the Gunning Law Huskies upended the Prospect Fish and Game Blue Devils, 27-11. The Huskies also received strong play from Samira Huckaby, Sophia Empric and Elena Cortes. The Blue Devils were led by Angelica Riley, Madison McGuire and Savannah McGourty.

Ciara Harp hit for 17 points West Haven Drug and Alcohol Task Force Panthers rallied to defeat the Napoli Parts Eagles, 28-17. The Panthers also received scoring from Riley Boynton, Kylie Gibbons and Jaecianna Mitchell. Amalia Ortiz hit for 14 points and Amarae Rosario and Aslhan Tuzcu rounded out the scoring for the Eagles.



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UNH officer takes oath

New University of New Haven police Officer Thomas P. Flaherty, center, is joined by, from left, Ronald M. Quagliani, UNH associate vice president of public safety and administrative services; UNH Police Chief Tracy L. Mooney; Mayor Nancy R. Rossi; and UNH Officer Scott Gardner after being sworn in by Rossi on Friday at City Hall. Attending the ceremony were Flaherty's wife, Meghan, and twin daughters, Brooke and Camryn, 12; his parents, Thomas and Joan Flaherty; and his nieces and godfather. Flaherty, of West Haven, retired as a detective from the city's Police Department on Jan. 17 after a 20-year career.

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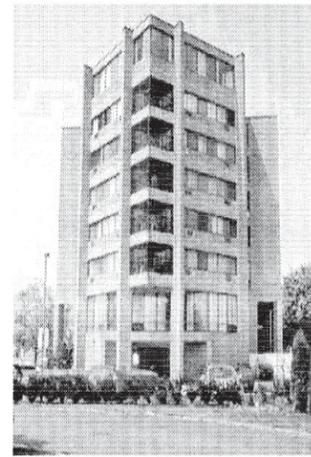
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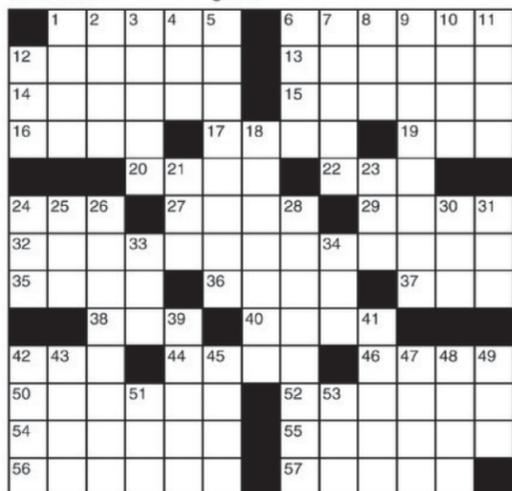
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 - 12 Grads
 - 13 Recluse
 - 14 ymnosophist's practice
 - 15 Incompetent
 - 16 Vicinity
 - 17 Sicilian spouter
 - 19 Tier
 - 20 Onetime NYC mayor
 - 22 Writer
 - Buscaglia
 - 24 Sternward
 - 27 Near the trea- sure
 - 29 "Thin Man" dog
 - 32 Just one thing after another?
 - 35 Deserve
 - 36 Arp's move- ment
 - 37 Poehler or Grant
 - 38 Panasonic competitor
 - 40 Incline
 - 42 Slithery squeezer
 - 44 Not so much
 - 46 Radius neigh- bor
 - 50 German Chancellor
 - 52 Merkel
 - 54 Successful player
 - 55 Hale and hearty
 - 56 Eight English kings
 - 57 Wear away
- DOWN**
- 1 Unclear view
 - 2 Discourteous
 - 3 Eskimo boat
 - 4 Officeholders
 - 5 It gets punched
 - 6 Avoid
 - 7 Punishment- related
 - 8 Geological time
 - 9 Food of the gods
 - 10 Narc's mea- sure
 - 11 Crockpot cre- ation
 - 12 Literary collec- tion
 - 18 Menaces
 - 21 Possess
 - 23 Chow down
 - 24 Expert
 - 25 Govt. lender
 - 26 Seasoning herb
 - 28 Guaranteed
 - 30 Male turkey
 - 31 One or more
 - 33 Business abbr.
 - 34 Hoosegow
 - 39 Back street
 - 41 Disney pachy- derm
 - 42 Wild party
 - 43 Never again?
 - 45 41-Down's "wings"
 - 47 Noisy
 - 48 Schnozz
 - 49 Illustrations
 - 51 Blunder
 - 53 Neither mate

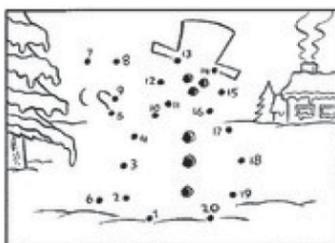


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| Beirute | Cemita | Cucumber | Torta |
| Bosna | Chip butty | Donkey burger | Vegemite |
| British rail | Chivito | Gyro | |



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Illustrated by David Coulson. Answer: An icicle.



FIND THE SEVEN WORDS PUZZLE! In the word square at the right, we've removed six of the letters to spell out the word "BOATER." See if you can replace these letters in the square so that you will have four 3-letter words across and three 4-letter words down. The time limit is 60 seconds.

Junior Whirl

by Charles Barry Townsend



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Starting with the given word **FACTORIES** at the bottom of our word pyramid, try dropping one letter at a time as you work your way up, so that the remaining letters at each level spell out a new word. The following helpful hints are in ascending order, beginning with **FACTORIES**:

- Where goods are made (given).
- What weathermen do.
- Found under a drinking glass.
- Wooden containers.
- A wide-eyed gaze.
- Clear, salty liquid.
- A long period of time.
- Egyptian sun god.
- Abbr. for chess piece.

Answers from the bottom up: Factories, forecast, coaster, crates, stars, stars, era.

Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle



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

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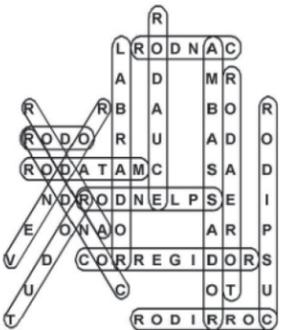
- ◆ Moderate
- ◆◆ Challenging
- ◆◆◆ HOO BOY!

Answers to last week's puzzles

King Crossword — Answers



"DOR" WORDS



Weekly SUDOKU — Answer

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



File Photo by Russ McCreven

About 175 intrepid participants dash in and out of the 34-degree water of Long Island Sound during the 18th annual Icy Plunge for the Cure benefit Jan. 13, 2018, at Savin Rock Beach.

20th 'Plunge set

By Michael P. Walsh
Special to the Voice

The Icy Plunge for the Cure, a longtime winter tradition, will celebrate the 20th anniversary of the West Haven Breast Cancer Awareness Program.

Participants in the plunge can break out the arctic swimwear at 9:30 a.m. Feb. 2 at Savin Rock Beach.

Registration starts at 8 a.m. in the Savin Rock Conference Center, 6 Rock St.

The benefit, in its 19th year, was spearheaded by city and police officials to increase breast cancer awareness. Their initial meeting, on Sept. 28, 2000, led to the creation of the West Haven Breast Cancer Awareness Committee and a series of fundraisers, including the plunge, in support of

breast cancer research and education.

The events, which included a duckpin bowling tournament, bake sale, pizza taste-off, walkathon and candlelight vigil, were held in memory of Susan A. Ruickoldt, a third-grade Savin Rock Community School teacher who died of breast cancer in 1997.

In 2003, the committee established the Susan A. Ruickoldt Scholarship Fund, which awards \$2,000 to a female high school senior from West Haven who plans to continue her education.

Today, the scholarship fund and plunge are the committee's remaining initiatives, said city Human Resources Commissioner Beth A. Sabo, a founding member who is joined on the committee by founders Maureen Blake, Jennifer Cavallaro, Ronald M. Quagliani, Susan See, Colleen Smullen and Lorie Tamaro, as well as new member Anthony Cordone.

"It has truly been an unbelievable run for the plunge and scholarship," Sabo said.

The first 100 people to register for the frosty dip will receive "plungewear." The top fundraiser will receive a prize.

Participants will wait on the beach for the signal to charge into the frigid surf of Long Island Sound. Wetsuits are not allowed.

About 175 people took part in last year's event, which netted \$25,000, Sabo said.

Since the inaugural plunge in 2001, the committee has collected hundreds of thousands of dollars for breast cancer research and education, buoyed by Cordone, a local contractor who has raised close to \$200,000 for the cause during that time, Sabo said.

Organizers anticipate another hearty turnout this year, with invitations extended to Mayor Nancy R. Rossi and her predecessors, former Mayors Edward M. O'Brien, John M. Picard and H. Richard Borer Jr.

After the plunge, organizers will hold a raffle with prizes donated by area businesses.

Registration forms are available in the Department of Human Resources on the second floor of City Hall, 355 Main St.

Checks are payable to the West Haven Breast Cancer Awareness Program.

City units are forming from the Police Dept. and other departments.

For information or to sponsor the plunge, call Sabo at 203-937-3558. Send donation checks to the West Haven Breast Cancer Awareness Program, Department of Human Resources, 355 Main St., West Haven 06516.

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Profile of Attorney Mark A. Healey

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



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

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

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

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

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Around Town

WHGC confab

The West Haven Garden Club will hold its monthly meeting on Thursday, Feb. 14 at St. Louis Church on Bull Hill Road at 11:30 a.m. After the meeting, a soup luncheon and dessert will follow and our program will be on or off due to the weather.

New members are always welcome. For further information, please call Iris at (203) 937-1674.

Senior trips slated

F. Senior and Friends has planned a trip to Atlantic City May 22-24 at Resorts Casino. The package includes two dinners, a show and \$25 coupon for slot play. Price is \$279 for a double, \$269 for a triple and \$389 for a single.

A trip to Niagara Falls is set for Aug. 5-8. Call for information on this and other trips. Call Fred (203) 389-5808 or (203) 927-4249.

St. Patrick trip

Join the West Haven Senior Center for the following trip: Thursday, March 14

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A flyer with further details is available at the office at the West Haven Senior Center 201 Noble St. or you can call (203) 937-3507.

Soup and Song

New Life Church at 255 Jones Hill Road, is featuring the sounds of Patti Dahl and Heartsong at the Soup and Song First Friday Fellowship on Friday, Feb. 1. Soup will be served starting at 6 and the concert begins at 7. A collection will be taken for the band. New Life Church is on the corner of South St. and Jones Hill Road., with plenty of parking and handicap accessibility.

Al-Anon group

An Al-Anon meeting group invites new members to attend its weekly meetings on Wednesdays at 7:30 p.m. in the First Lutheran Church, 52 George St. For information and details, call (203) 506-1464.

Student Loans

The Seth Haley Memorial Loan Fund of West Haven provides eligible college students with loans of up to \$2500 to help students finish their post high school education. Applicants must be West Haven residents who have completed two or more years of college or post-secondary work or be in their final two years of advanced work. Any West Haven resident attending college or a post high school professional, technical or trade school can be eligible for a loan. Repayments do not begin, and no interest will be charged until one year after graduation. If you are interested in making an application for a loan, please Gert Beckwith at (203) 934-6921, or Ralph Lawson, (203) 934-6442 or write to 170 Ivy St.

Trash date reminders posted

The 2019 bulk trash pickup schedule is April 8-12 and Sept. 9-13.

Residents are reminded to separate metals and recyclables from regular trash and to put out trash no more than 24 hours before pickup. Violations carry a \$100 fine per daily offense, Public Works Commissioner Tom McCarthy said.

Bulk items include couches, chairs, tables, carpeting, padding, fencing and small amounts of bundled lumber, which may not exceed 6 feet in length. No building materials, tires, mattresses, propane tanks or hazardous waste are accepted. Options for disposing of building materials include renting a dumpster or bringing the materials to a disposal facility for a fee.

Tires can be brought to Lakin Tire East Inc., 220 Frontage Road, for a fee. Mattresses

can be disposed of for free in a container at the city's highway maintenance garage, 1 Collis St. Mattresses must be dry.

Propane tanks can be brought to Taylor Rental, 304 Boston Post Road, Orange, for a fee of \$10 per tank.

Hazardous waste can be dropped off for free at HazWaste Central, 90 Sargent Drive, New Haven. HazWaste is open Saturday mornings from mid-May through October.

In addition to bulk trash, the city picks up household appliances, also known as white goods, and toilets. To schedule a pickup on their curbside collection day, residents must call the Highway Department at (203) 937-3644 or (203) 927-3585. Appliance doors must be removed.

The amount of bulk trash per collection is limited to 6 cubic yards, which is equal to a pile

of trash about 6 feet long, 6 feet wide and 4.5 feet high.

To prevent a potential fine, property owners should familiarize themselves with the city's trash guidelines at <http://www.cityofwesthaven.com/260/Bulk-Trash-Pickup>.

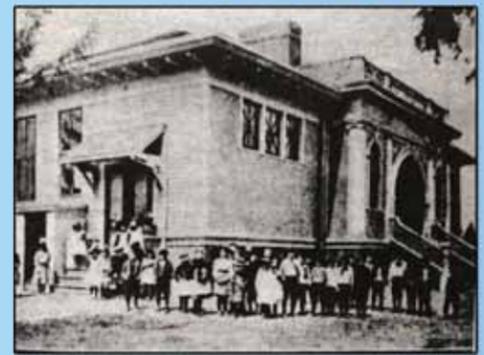
The 2019 e-waste drop-off days are April 13, July 13, Sept. 14 and Nov. 9.

Residents can drop off electronic recyclables – typically anything that contains a circuit board or needs a battery – from 8 a.m. to noon at the highway maintenance garage.

Anything that has refrigerant, including air conditioners and dehumidifiers, is not accepted. Those items are considered white goods, and residents are asked to schedule a pickup on their weekly collection day by calling the Highway Department. The e-waste drop-off is free for residents who have such items.

West Haven Historical Society's

MYSTERY PHOTO



What was the name of the school and its location?
It had a familiar name!

This building was torn down in 1909. Eventually another school was built at the same location.

Send your guess to info@whhistoricalsociety.org
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