

# West Haven Voice

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## Voice Profile

*A weekly in-depth interview*

"People actually brought their chairs and we were sitting down around the bathhouse just talking about what we could do to help while the city is in trouble."

~Rosella Abate Crowley

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### Rock & Stroll

Hundreds of West Haven Community House families and friends enjoyed the 2018 Rock & Stroll along and in front of Savin Rock. A fun walk was held with many events along the way, and daylong concert capped off the fun.



## Charter panel to file final draft

Ending 20-month odyssey at the request of the City Council, the Charter Revision Commission ratified its final report in a special meeting held Monday night. The report now goes to the council, which will review it, and then schedule a referendum on the recommendations.

After spending two weeks deliberating over the recommendations put forth by the City Council, the CRC took positive action on a dozen of those motions, and included all or part of their requests. The rest were either not allowed by statute on already part of the proposal in some manner,

"I was pleasantly surprised at the outcome," said Edward Granfield, the commission chairman. "As we pre-

pared the final draft, in the end, the majority of the City Council's recommendations were worthy of discussion and inclusion."

On Sept. 27 the CRC will submit the final report to the City Clerk's Office. At that point the clock starts ticking for the council. It has 15 days to call a special meeting to decide the fate of the report: adopt and send it to the people for the vote, or reject it. The body cannot modify it, but it does have the option to extract components the panel might not like.

Granfield has strongly advised against that option because of the inter-related nature of the recommended plan.

"That would be a dangerous scenar-

io," he said. "So much of the proposal is integrated throughout the new charter, extracting, for example Section 2 Item 1, could/would affect a half dozen other items and sections. Attempting to do so without a comprehensive understanding of the cause and effect of that action could cripple city government instead of improving it."

Granfield and his commission did not make changes that were cosmetic, according to the chairman, but completely altered the way the city would do business if accepted.

"This effort was not your simple every day charter revision exercise, our proposal is a comprehensive restructuring of city government. West Haven has been operating under the same model

for almost 60 years, with basically the same results and common complaints heard over and over again," Granfield said.

Politicians have promised change and a better way of doing things for decades, according to Granfield, and it was time to put together a plan that would force changes to be made.

"The promise of change takes place every two years, but never becomes reality," said Granfield. "The Charter Revision Commission took it upon itself to bring forth a bold new initiative supported by facts and figures from successful communities similar to ours from all over the country including right here in Connecticut. For those

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## Public Meetings

No meetings have been published for the October Schedule.

## Weather

**Friday Sept 27** Sunny all day High 73F



Sunrise: 6:44 am  
Sunset: 6:40 pm  
Wind: E 5-10  
High Tide: 10:29 am; 10:52 pm

**Saturday Sept 28** Cloudy & Sunny High 78F



Sunrise: 6:45 am  
Sunset: 6:39 pm  
Wind: SSW 5-10  
High Tide: 11:19 am; 11:44 pm

**Sunday Sept 29** Sun & Clouds mixed High 77F

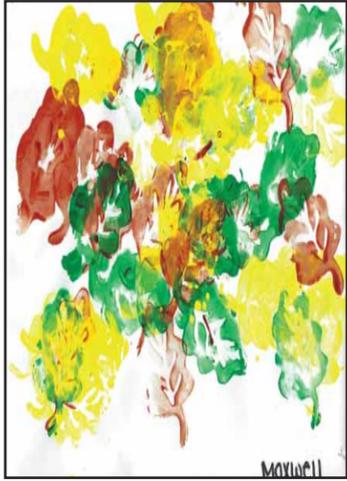


Sunrise: 6:46 am  
Sunset: 6:37 pm  
Wind: E 5-10  
High Tide: 12:08 pm

**Monday Sept 30** Clouds in AM with showers late High 69F



Sunrise: 6:47 am  
Sunset: 6:35 pm  
Wind: E 5-10  
High Tide: 12:35 am; 12:58 pm



Maxwell Chung, age 2, a student at the West Haven Child Development Center, Inc. is predicting that leaves will begin to turn colors, now that fall is here.

## Council OKs sale

By Josh LaBella  
Voice Reporter

In a special meeting last week, the City Council approved the sale of the Thompson and Stiles schools, as well as the Blake building, to Park Lane Group for a total of \$875,000.

The developer aims to convert the Blake building into 27 units of 1 bedroom or studio apartments for people ages 55 and over. The Stiles and Thompson Schools will be converted as well for a total of 75 units for the same demographic.

The school buildings went out to bid late last year. The highest bidder, KCG Development LLC, recently withdrew their bid to purchase the two schools for \$852,000 when tax credits fell through.

Stiles and Thompson were sold together for \$450,000. They have been out of use since 2004 and 2010, respectively. The Blake building was sold for \$425,000 and was most recently used by the Board of Education for their administration.

Ted Lazarus of the Park Lane Group said the current plan is to build senior housing in the buildings but he would change that if the city wanted something else. Lazarus said all the projects Park Lane has done so far are "energy independent" with solar panels and geothermal heating and cooling. He added that the

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## On this date:

**1917** -- Battle of Polygon Wood begins. Fought during World War I between the British and Australian troops and German army near Ypres in Belgium, the battle ended in an Allied victory.

**1914** -- Establishment of Federal Trade Commission (FTC).

**1786** -- Protestors shut down the court in Springfield, Massachusetts starting the Shay's Rebellion. Named after the rebellion's leader Daniel Shays, the revolt began as a response to an economic crisis where people who owed debt were imprisoned. After a bloody conflict, the Shaysites were crushed by the government. This was the first armed internal conflict in post-revolutionary America.

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# Council approves WHCDC lease

By Josh LaBella  
Voice Reporter  
The City Council voted to approve a new lease for the Child Development Center in its meeting on Monday night. After Mayor Nancy Rossi signs the agreement, it will put an ordeal to bed, which has been going on for more than a year.

The one-year lease agreement calls for a yearly rental of \$21,000, with the development center paying in installments of \$1,750 a month. The city will continue to pay for utilities. During the meeting, several city council members lobbied to extend the lease to two or three years.

The Child Development Center is a nonprofit program, which teaches approximately 186 young students a year. The program has been run by Dr. Patrice Farquharson for 40 years. The center has been paying \$9,000 a year for rent

due to an agreement from around the same time Farquharson started there.

Mayor Rossi has previously stated in an interview that she had Corporation Counsel Lee Tiernan terminate the lease in order to open negotiation with the center. She said with the city in financial dire straits they needed to "look at all programs."

"Is the \$21,000 market value?" said Rossi. "No. But, instead of going from \$9,000 to \$50,000 we are going to go in increments."

Rossi pointed out that the Community House, a social service agency for children and families in West Haven, pays \$18,000 to rent three classrooms in Molloy School. She also addressed claims that the city had showed the building the center is using to developers by saying doing so is within their right as the owner of the property.

In the meeting, Tiernan said city officials showed the property to "at least one gentleman" because they wanted to have a "plan B" if the lease negotiations fell through.

Councilman Aaron Charney made a motion to extend the proposed lease for three years instead of one. He said in doing so they could give the families whose students attend the school peace of mind – a sentiment that several other council members shared.

Tiernan pointed out that, in a three-year lease, the total value would be over \$50,000. He said that would result in the Municipal Accountability Review Board having greater discretion to look into and approve the agreement – adding the lease agreement he built "would not be subject to review" by the MARB.

Tiernan said the entire contract was built for the one-year lease and if the council wanted

to extend it, all other areas of the contract would need to be renegotiated. He also said he wanted to keep the lease in one-year increments in order to be able to adjust for shifts in utility costs.

The end result was the coun-

cil voting to amend the agreement so that the mayor could re-sign it without coming back to them during the review period in November. After being signed by Mayor Rossi, the new lease will go into effect on Oct. 1.

## Park Dept. offers fall programs in Yoga, Zumba

The Department of Parks and Recreation is registering residents and non-residents 16 and older for adult fitness programs.

A new session begins Oct. 1 for yoga, tai chi and Zumba and Oct. 2 for cardio toning.

Yoga meets Tuesdays and tai chi and Zumba meet Tuesdays and Thursdays. Cardio toning meets Mondays and Wednesdays.

Multiple class and program combinations are available to fit people's schedules and budgets, including a senior discount.

For information on program fees, times and locations, visit <https://www.whparkrec.com/info/default.aspx>. Register for the programs at the department's Painter Park office, 190 Kelsey Ave., or at [www.whparkrec.com](http://www.whparkrec.com).



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# Dear Felicia

Well honeybunch, here we are in fall, autumn, after summer, whatever you wanna call it. Before yew know it, the leaves are a gonna be on the ground, and we'll be takin' the winter coats outta moth balls. Trees are already showin' color. We're getting some cool nights. But enuff about the weather, there are some interestin' tidbits going on in the berg. And, Cobina will tell yew about somethin' very unusual - but somethin' that makes yew wonder who it didn't happen before.

The youngsters at the high school had a gridiron game t'other night - the foist one o' the year. Iva Lootey sez that things were going along when the coach for the visiting team came out to the center o' the field and yelled something like, "Your lights are on fire." Up in one o' the light towers there was, in fack, a little blaze erupting. That kind o' put the halt to the contest, and brought members of the fire

brigade to put out the flames.

For years a momma osprey has been setting up her nests in one o' the light towers at Ken Strong Stadium, according to Iva. This has been going on for a decade or more. Well, once momma has her chicks, and they leave the nest, the remains of it are left until next year.

When she comes back in 2020, she's gonna hafta start from scratch. But the postscript is that the school was told the lights had to be inspected to see what damage was done, and played the Friday night contest at Veterans Field. Yew can't make this stuff up.

*Nelly Nuthatch was in and thought it was very quiet on the campaign front. Some three weeks after the primary, one would think that now we're headin' into October things would be heating up. Nope. It's been quieter than an English gentlemen's club. Nary a word has been exchanged betwixt the two gentleladies in the race.*

*From Cobina's perspective that ain't a good thing for the challenge candidate, Michelle Gregorio. Effen she wants to unseat the incumbent she's gotta start doing it like the death of 1000 cuts. Each week, two or three times a week, she's gotta come up with positions and polemics that are gonna make her different, and she's not done it so far.*

*Meanwhile, as the barristers say, "Silence means consent." The more silent things are the more it plays in the favor of Heronrunner as we git closer to the big day. That ain't the way these things are supposed to go.*

Sammy Bluejay has been surveying the way the two parties are knitting back together - or not - follying the primary. Over on the GOP side to start, there is still a lotta angst betwixt the two factions that worked for votes.

Sammy sez that the charges and counter-charges, threats and setch, were not good for the group, and have many people wonderin' what in blazes they signed up for. Remember, politics in our burg is a blood sport. So, it's gonna be interesting effen the GOP can put itself back together and back the one candidate. In this regard history is kind o' against it.

Meanwhile, Sammy sez that the primary, while it seems to have settled the question as to where the voters want the party to go, ain't necessarily

resolved the internal squabbles that the group has been known for since the place separated from Orange.

The factions still don't like each other, and the supporters of Collins and O'Brien are shrinking back. But, don't git the impression they're over it. Nope. Effen history is any indicator, they are just licking their wounds, and getting ready for the next go-round. The more things change, the more they stay the same.

*Last week I made mention o' the council members who seem to disregard the complaints made by their constituents in our Gripe Vine colyume. It seems that Eleanore Turkington has taken up the gauntlet as well. Some members of the council are jest ignoring each and ev'ry isshew that is brought their way. One wonders effen they care if they git re-elected?*

*More to the pernt they probably think their re-election is in the bag, and why should they be bothered with the complaints of people who put them into office? It's an old story. Then when people have had enuff and decide it's time for a change, the politicians act as if they've been blindsided. Our experience is setch that yew can always see why the voters git angry...it jest takes 'em a bit o' time.*

The wag came in t'other afternoon, and wanted to talk about Charter Revision. I guess it's

gonna be a few months before the question goes before the voters, and that gives the local political establishment time to marshal their forces and look to torpedo the whole thing.

Whilst the council seems perty upfront and OK with the recommendations made by the Charter Revision Comish, there are some politicians who are really upset the game rules are gonna be changed. They like the way the game is played now.

Effen the city goes to a manager-council form of government, the chicanery and "spoils" that the leaders are used to will probably change. Yew can't pressure a city manager to hire a trusted hack the way yew can in a mayor-council form of government.

But the bigger question is even more interesting. We hoid from one o' the meetings that effen the city goes to a manager, the council is really intent on getting rid of the mayor's position. Why put in another elected official, when you can make the chairman of the council the de facto chief elected officer. There is something to be said for that position, one just wonders effen the Charter Revision Comish will take it under consideration.

Some think the commish is being hard line. That really ain't the case. What it is trying to do is make the case that the city needs a fresh start in order to get its house in order, and that to make too many "tweaks" might bring up things that no one expected, and could have a ripple effect.

As one commish member said, everything is inter-related, touch one thing and it has an effect on something else.

We can't wait to see how this all plays out.

*And to keep our observations going, it's another week and we still ain't seen anything over at the Haven site. There has been some talk that things are gonna start until after election cuz the politicians don't wanna make it an isshew - or play the old "backhoe in front of the sign" routine.*

*That shouldn't happen, though, cuz the Haven developers are marching to their own drummer, and are tone deaf to what goes on here. That's why we're wonderin' when something will happen. They play things soooo close to the vest we wonder effen they are even thinking about when to start.*

*We're headin' into October, and a letter went out to businesses in the area at the first of the year, saying that demolition would happen in March.*

*I'll close this time till next, mitt luff und kizzez,*

*Cobina*

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## All-Americans

West Haven High School varsity cheerleaders, holding citations from left, sophomore Tianna Greene, senior Destiny Barnett and junior Carly Cambino receive a General Assembly citation from state Rep. Charles J. Ferraro (R-117), fourth from left, and a citation from Mayor Nancy R. Rossi, fourth from right, on Sept. 5 for being named 2019 UCA All-American cheerleaders. Joining the are: Councilman Peter V. Massaro (D-6), City Council Chairman Ronald M. Quagliani (D-at large), state Rep. Dorinda Borer (D-115), West Haven High cheerleading coach Bridgette Hoskie and assistant coach Kristen Teshoney; state Rep. Michael A. DiMassa (D-116). Councilwoman Robbin Watt Hamilton (D-5), and Councilman Richard DePalma (R-at large).



## Charter:

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Westies looking for a real change, this is as good as it's ever going to get."

Once the report is filed with the City Clerk's office, the work of the commission ceases by law.

Though it will no longer have standing as a body, Granfield, along with his other members have made it clear they intend to watch how the process proceeds. They believe they have worked too hard and too long to allow the work to get ignored.

Here are some of the major alterations in the proposal:

- \* Appoint a professional City Manager to run the day to day business operations of the city;

- \* Re-configure the city council to 12 members with three voting districts; the job of the mayor is reduced to part-time, but still elected citywide, who then becomes voting member 13 and the legislative leader of the City Council;

- \* Change the Board of Education to a district based format, with nine members from the three voting districts, no more at-large only;

- \* Four (4) year terms for all elected officials;

- \* Add professional qualifications as a requirement (credentials) to the City Charter for all appointed department heads.

- \* Change three current elected positions to appointed, due to the professional credentials required for each position: City Clerk, Tax Collector, City Treasurer;

- \* Recognize ERS as a city department (it is not outlined in the current charter);

- \* Empower an independent city ethics and charter compliance commission with oversight authority;

- \* Updated dozens of outdated clauses, provisions, and language within the charter in order to improve city operations.

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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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## Just three questions...

Over the next several weeks – until Election Day, Nov. 5, the city will see Republican challenger Michelle Gregorio faceoff against first-term incumbent Mayor Nancy Rossi for the mayoralty. In the next several weeks, then, the public could and should expect both candidates to layout a comprehensive platform as to what voters can expect should one or the other be elected.

For our part, we believe three major questions should be answered by both candidates, and those answers should be the basis of determining who should sit in the third floor office at City Hall over the next two years:

**The city's financial crisis** – This situation has been the driving force in city affairs for more than a quarter-century. Since the city was found to be bankrupt in 1992, taxes, spending and expansion of the city's tax base have dominated concerns of our residents. Indeed, all political issues center around this.

West Haven has been treading water or plugging holes. Either taxes were raised or kept steady to maintain the status quo, or inventive bookkeeping and tricks were used to make it appear as if we were balancing our books. We need only remember the bonding frenzy of the early 2000s when money that was bonded and the ancillary costs were used to plug budgetary gaps. And all administrations have used – for two decades – unattainable collection rates in taxes just to make it appear as if we were spending as much as we were taking into our coffers. The Municipal Accountability Review Board (MARB) has pretty much stopped the practice, looking for more realistic numbers.

Rapped up into the financial problem is the development problem. With taxes high, and getting higher under the MARB's mandated five-year plan how does a city attract developers and businesses? It is a problem that has plagued us since the first financial crisis in the 1990s and has continued.

Both candidates have stated development and expansion of the tax base are major components of their platforms. To this point, however, both have used broad terms in making those claims. We hope, over the next couple of weeks, to hear details and plans that are not only viable, but operational. Platitudes won't cut it here.

**Charter Revision** – With the question of revision not going on the November ballot, we want ironclad assurances the candidates are on-board with the alterations as outlined by the Charter Revision Commission. It was pure sloth that put us in the situation we now find ourselves, with the issue going past the winter months and possibly not being decided by the voters until spring.

The charter revisions are innovative and will change the political landscape. The fact the vote will now be after the election changes the dynamic. Both candidates should be clear as to whether they support or reject the package of revisions, and why they take the stand they do. It is too important a question to allow for non-answers or ambiguous statements. It is a time for clarity.

**Quality of life** – Besides the political issues, we want both candidates to express their visions for the future of the city, and how to address the quality of life here beyond general comments or feel-good statements. What will they do to make life here better? It is not a difficult question, but it can be a pivotal one.

Both candidates should outline their programs and plans that will make life in our city better.



## Sanders dislikes everyone

By Rich Lowry  
Syndicated Columnist

At least Bernie Sanders is an equal opportunity misanthrope. He doesn't like rich people, and it turns out he doesn't necessarily like poor people, either.

At the recent CNN town hall on climate change, a questioner asked the socialist senator if he'd be "courageous" enough to endorse population control to save the planet. Sanders answered "yes," and then, after referring to abortion rights, endorsed curtailing population growth, "especially in poor countries around the world where women do not necessarily want to have large numbers of babies."

He's looking at you, sub-Saharan Africa.

The Sanders riff is the latest instance of a rising anti-natalism on the left, which has gone from arguing that carbon emissions are a problem to arguing that human beings are a problem. They release carbon emissions, don't they? QED.

When a proposition has the support of Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez, who questions the morality of having children, and Bill Nye the Science Guy, who has discussed punishing people for having children, it's on the way to universal assent among a certain segment

of soi-disant thoughtful progressives. A headline in The New York Times even asked, "Would Human Extinction Be a Tragedy?"

Undergirding the anti-natalist position is the belief that we are facing a global catastrophe, such that additional babies will tip the planet into uninhabitability for everyone. This goes beyond the best evidence, and discounts the human capacity for adaptation that is one of our chief attributes.

The view that human beings are an unsustainable drain on limited resources goes back to the 18th-century thinker Thomas Malthus and, more recently, the Stanford University biologist Paul Ehrlich. In his 1968 book "The Population Bomb," Ehrlich put an emphasis on overly fertile Third World countries, just as Bernie Sanders did.

But if consumption and carbon emissions are the concern, it's rich people in developed countries who are the bigger problem and should be dealt with accordingly (a task for which Sanders is disarmingly well-suited). As Benjamin Zycher of the American Enterprise Institute notes, rising incomes -- considered an unalloyed good by anyone who experiences them -- invariably

increase energy consumption.

What are we to make of an agenda that seeks to diminish the number of human beings overall and to make those who enjoy material prosperity less wealthy?

At a more fundamental level, the anti-natalists have a gross materialistic view of humanity. For them, we are a series of inputs and outputs, and if one particular output is considered undesirable (in this case, carbon emissions), it reduces the value of human beings altogether. No one who isn't a cracked ideological extremist or perversely blinkered economist actually looks at people this way. It doesn't account for relationships or for joy, for the wondrous distinctiveness of every person, no matter how poor or humble.

People aren't a burden; they are a resource and a gift. Any movement that regards them any other way is profoundly misguided and deeply anti-human. Build windmills if you must, but don't try to scare people out of having children -- or much worse, facilitate abortions -- in your zeal to shave some fraction of a degree off the global temperature 80 years from now.

Rich Lowry is editor of the National Review.

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**Dear Eleanore Turkington:**

About the motorized skateboarder we witnessed him two times. Once in front of Jimmie's and the other out at the point. I don't live in the condos; I live in the West Shore where everyone has a barking dog, so I go to the walkway for some peace and exercise where the rules of the walkway are only for those of us who ate considerate of others. Until there is a direct police presence every day not when someone calls, the response time is so long its useless. If a few tickets were written, maybe things will change, but unfortunately, I guess upper level administration can't address that.

This is of course, the new normal. They don't enforce anything unless you call about it. Blinders seem to be on our leaders of the city. If readers expect change it will never happen voting the same people into office. Ask yourself if West Haven is in better or worse shape? Do people like paying the highest and getting so little? All you have to do is look at the budge pie chart and see that the BOE eats up 1/2 of your tax dollars.

I never had a child in the West Haven system, yet I pay for that just like the family of six . What is being done to lessen that burden for the ones who already paid our fair share? I would rather see my tax dollars go for enforcement of building codes and zoning violations and better police enforcement. How about a new roof on the conference center next to Jimmies? If this city can't take care of its own roof, this is sad.

We are looking to move but between dogs, high taxes and

a city that has a not so nice reputation anymore for accomplishing anything positive for its taxpayers it's not an easy call.

*WLA Taxpayer*

**Dear WLA Taxpayer:**

I have received other complaints relating to the of lack of police enforcement and motorized skateboards. I am waiting for a reply from the West Haven Police Crime Prevention Department for Gripe Vine's request for the number of police officers assigned to patrolling the walkway at the beach area. I feel confident this information will be helpful to my readers.

**Dear Eleanore Turkington:**

There are illegally parked trucks with commercial writing on them. I have contacted the Connecticut Motor Vehicle Department who says that six-wheel dump trucks are commercial vehicles. I can't seem to get a clear answer.

*GK Curious*

**Dear GK Curious:**

I researched the Connecticut Department of Motor Vehicles and was able to discover a few facts that I hope will answer your and other interested residents of exactly what constitutes a commercial vehicle.

According to the Connecticut Department of Motor Vehicles, A commercial vehicle can be defined as a vehicle with a gross weight of 26,001 or more pounds or a vehicle that is designed to transport 16 or more passengers including the driver. Also, a vehicle that carries 11 or more passengers including the driver and used to transport students under the age of 21 to or from school. Also, any vehicle transporting hazardous material which is required to be placarded.

**By Eleanore Turkington**



Gripe Vine Readers:

If you live near the Third Avenue Beach parking lot, please let me know if a barrel has been placed at this site. I have

received a complaint that one is needed here. I have notified Councilman Nick Ruickoldt twice of this condition and to date have not received a reply. As always, I rely on my readers as well, to keep the rest of us updated.

**Gripe Vine Readers:**

Over a month ago, I wrote to Councilman Nick Ruickoldt to express complaints from readers about an area on Morse Avenue that was attracting rodents and "pests of all kinds. No reply.

If you live in this neighborhood, let me know if the accumulating trash has been

cleaned up.

**Gripe Vine Readers:**

There was a malfunctioning traffic light at Campbell and Lamson that was reported to Gripe Vine. I notified Councilman Mitchell Gallignano of this condition and have not heard from him.

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# Historian's corner

By Dan Shine

## WHHS Football 1968 An Autumn to Remember Part III

Sometime after Tom Lavery's father passed away, the family discovered that he had saved all of the newspaper clippings from the WHHS 1968 football season, and had carefully underlined his son's name in each article--for such is the way with proud fathers. No doubt there were a number of other parents who carefully recorded those proud and significant moments in their sons' lives as well.

Ultimately, West Haven High School's 1968 football team finished the season undefeated, and was ranked fifth in the nation. As a result of that memorable year, the players on that team were subject to great acclaim, and many opportunities that would not have been available

under other circumstances. According to Ted Williams, linebacker/tackle. "As the only member of the state championship team to be selected to the All-State roster, I ultimately had the benefit of attending and graduating from Harvard University, which has enabled me to have a life beyond my wildest dreams. I've had success in the business world--both commercial and government --that has afforded my family and me a comfortable standard of living. Certainly the discipline and work ethic of my parents were the nucleus of my moral code. But I believe it is safe to say that Westies football added to that work credence."

Ted's story is not unusual among this remarkable group of well-seasoned football players. Many of them credit their experiences with the

1968 team for their later successes in life.

Today, the boys of the WHHS 1968 football team are retired or in the twilight of their careers; and their hair has thinned, and turned to grey. In their homes are the keepsakes of that special season, and in their hearts are the unforgettable memories that live on and on.

And they have chosen to give something back to the community that supported them: Three years ago, they formed the nucleus of a new organization, the West Haven Football Alumni Association. This group also includes WHHS alumni from other years. The group raises money to send students on the team to football camp, upgrade the WHHS weight room, and provide college scholarships to deserving athletes, whether

they play football or not.

The group holds three major events each year: in March here is a dinner to roast or honor former players; in August they hold a golf tournament, and in late summer a picnic in Painter Park. This picnic is open to the public.

This year, the group has hosted numerous current and former military members for a "veteran's night out" whenever West Haven has a home game. Their guests, some of whom live at the VA Hospital have been treated to a pizza dinner, and have gotten to watch the West Haven-Hamden game at Ken Strong Stadium.

One veteran who served in Iraq, and who is presently receiving care from the VA Hospital said, "It means a lot to see people who want to give back to us...it's a good feel-

ing."

So, to West Haven's 1968 Football Team, and to the West Haven Football Alumni Association, we say, well done!



Dan Shine is a weekly columnist and former Historian of the First Congregational Church on the Green.



# Sale

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"carbon footprint is basically zero."

Lazarus said it will be easy to do three buildings "in parallel" but added the Blake building is in better shape and will have lower up-front costs.

Councilman Peter Massaro said it was a "big plus" to not only to get the buildings on the tax rolls but also to transfer the upkeep responsibilities away from the city.

Council Chairman Ron Quagliani pointed out that the city has previously sold buildings for significantly under their value and he was happy to see them sold at a fair price to a developer who wanted to make them "vibrant again."

When asked by Councilman Aaron Charney where the money from the sales would go, Corporation Counsel Lee Tiernan said the Municipal Accountability Review Board would most likely want to see it spent on debt reeducation, opposed to going into the general fund.

Tiernan also said, due to the three buildings being classified as historic, the developer plans to have 30 percent of hard construction costs covered by state and federal tax credits and grants aimed at rehabilitating historic buildings.

The council unanimously approved the three sales.

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# Crowley does more than complain

By Josh LaBella  
Voice Reporter

As the city goes through a financial crisis, some people stand by and watch and others take action. Rosella Abate Crowley formed the group West Haven United to help keep the city clean and give people activities to attend.

Abate Crowley said she has ten children, twelve grandchildren, a great grandson and a great granddaughter due at the end of the month. She said between her family and her job she is kept quite busy.

"I've been a nurse for 38 years," said Abate Crowley. "I retired from the State Health Department shortly after my husband died because I wasn't allowed to moonlight."

Abate Crowley said she was not allowed to moonlight because for her job as a regulator for the health department she oversaw every hospital and nursing home in the State of Connecticut.

"I ended up leaving and working in the private sector," said Abate Crowley, "which paid more than the state. So right now, I'm doing consulting for nursing homes."

Her involvement with the city started with the Bathroom Crisis of 2018, when the city had to lock the bathrooms at the beach on the weekends. She said people posting on the Facebook page "West Haven – The Way It Is" were using the issue to say negative things about the city.

"It just went on and on and on over some stupid bathrooms," said Abate Crowley. "I've lived here almost 62 years. I remember what it used to be like. Back when I was a kid this was not a clean place. The beaches were filthy. The remnants of Savin Rock were still open. But I remember garbage everywhere, trash all over the streets."

Abate Crowley said she did not understand the tone people had about West Haven. She invited people to come down the beach with her. She said they found the area in good condition with trash bins empty and the grass mowed. She said she posted pictures to the page of what they found and within a few weeks she was kicked off the page.

The organizer said, little by little, the group began to grow. They raised money privately in order to have the city put cell-phone application activated locks on the bathrooms by the beach.

"We set another meeting," said Abate Crowley. "People actually brought their chairs and we were sitting down around the bathhouse just talking about what we could

do to help while the city is in trouble."

Abate Crowley said one of the main issues they wanted to tackle was the lack of programming and events. They also wanted to help make the city cleaner.

"We started with a clean and green committee and an activities committee," she said. "So, we worked with the city last year. They had a few dollars – not a lot. We did two movies and three bands. So, we helped with that."

According to Abate Crowley, they "nickel and dime" their funding, selling drinks and snacks at events. She said West Haven United is having trouble getting businesses in town to donate.

So far, the group has gathered volunteers and worked with public works to clean up different areas of the city. They have also hosted Halloween on the Green and hosted movies on the green throughout the summer. The city also asked them to help with the Christmas tree lighting.

"That [the tree lighting] had kind of faded into nothing but, 'One, two, three – flip the switch – hooray,'" said Abate Crowley. "It used to be a big deal years ago. We came up with a different way of doing things. We had activities for the kids. We had tables where they could make things to take home. They wrote cards to the veterans at the VA. They wrote card for military mem-

bers overseas. They wrote letters to Santa and Mrs. Klaus."

Rosella said they also had food trucks, music and free photos. She said the event was well received and gave them "the fuel to keep going." She said they have teamed up with the city to save costs. They are also in the process of trying

to get their nonprofit status – something Abate Crowley hopes will help the group get more sponsors.

She said this year West Haven United is hosting Halloween on the Green again as well as a "much bigger" tree lighting.

Abate Crowley said they

have about 20 consistent volunteers but are working on getting more people involved. She says she understands it's not easy to dedicate time but the goal is worth it.

"This is where I was born and raised," said Abate Crowley. "I want to see it improve."

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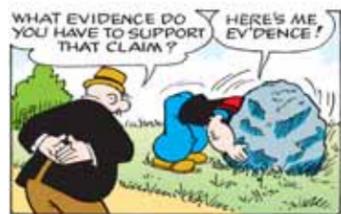
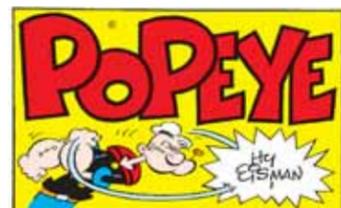
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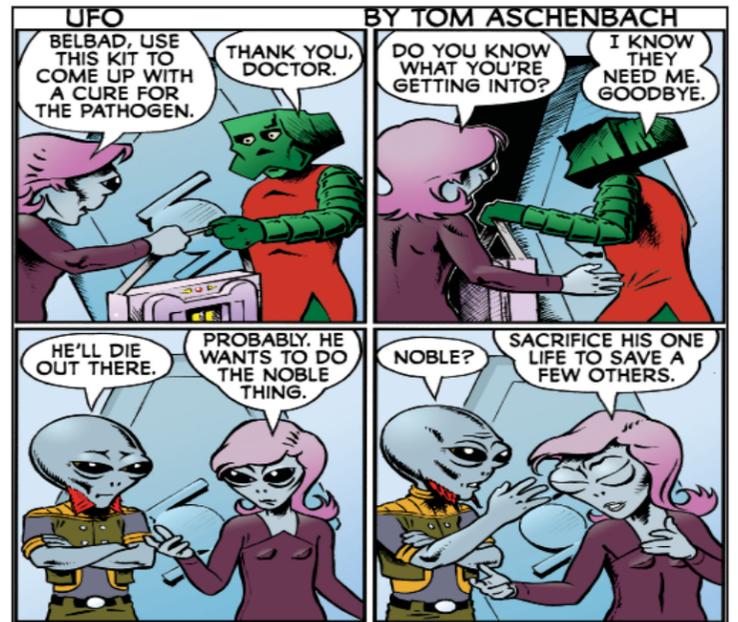


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## 0-2 Westies have tough road

The West Haven football team fell to 0-2 with a 33-8 loss against Conard Friday evening at Veterans Stadium in West Haven. The game was moved from Ken Strong Stadium due to a fire in one of the

light towers Thursday.

As for the game, the Westies could never get into a rhythm, scoring just once on a Jaden Grant touchdown run to get within a touchdown.

The Westies never got closer

as Conard controlled play in the second half, securing the win. West Haven will travel to play Newtown Friday evening.

The West Haven volleyball team had mixed results this

week. The Westies picked up their first win of the season and improved to 1-1 overall with a 3-0 victory over Bassick Monday evening at West Haven High. The Westies won by scores of 25-9, 25-6, and 25-14.

West Haven controlled the match from start to finish with a team effort. The Westies did not allow Bassick to get in double digits in terms of points until the third game, and received solid efforts throughout the team.

Bria Stanley led West Haven with 11 aces, eight kills, and one assist, Giliana Santaniello had nine aces, one kill, one dig, and 11 assists, Savannah Lopez added six assists, and Noelle Noble had five kills. Romelin Mendoza chipped in three aces, and Neve Krajcir had two aces and two kills.

After a feel good win over Bassick for West Haven's initial victory of the season, the Westies were looking to keep the momentum going against Mercy Wednesday evening.

While West Haven put up quite a battle, it was not enough in a 3-2 loss to the Tigers. Mercy prevailed by scores of 17-25, 22-25, 25-23,

28-26, 6-15.

After losing the first two games in close fashion, West Haven rallied to take the third and fourth games by two points apiece. Mercy then pulled away in the fifth game for the victory.

Santaniello led the way with 19 assists, five aces, four kills, two digs, and two blocks, Stanley added five aces, 12 kills, three digs, and two blocks, Krajcir had seven aces, three kills, and nine digs, Noble was again solid with 14 kills, nine digs, and three aces.

Lopez added 12 assists, five kills, and four digs, Thiana Baez had five digs, and Lexi Prion added four digs.

West Haven improved to 2-2 on the year with a 3-0 victory over Hillhouse Friday evening in New Haven.

The 26-24, 25-16, 25-15 victory saw Stanley lead the way with six aces, six kills, five digs, and three blocks.

After a battle in the first game which was extended, West Haven prevailed by two points. The Westies won in an easier fashion over the next two games to move to the .500

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Photo by Russ McCreven

West Haven defenders Kyle Tomekins and Joe Hawkins chase down the Conard quarterback in last week's game at Veteran's Field. The Westies lost, 33-8.

## Knights booters get first victory

The soccer team got their first win of the season, cross country fared well in their two meets and the inaugural Athletic Hall of Fame is now less than two weeks away as the second full week of the fall sports season was a successful one in Green Knight Nation.

Cross-Country -- The 2019 Notre Dame cross-country team woke up a motivated bunch on race day when they faced off against Fairfield Prep, North Haven, and East Haven in their home opening meet at the Hamden Town Park course on Sept. 16. That motivation led to a sweep of all three opponents. Jacob Carson set a personal record and was the first Green Knight runner to cross the finish line and was second overall.

He finished in 17:35. Notre Dame won the race with their depth. Coach Andreozzi squad placed four runners in the top five overall. In addition to Carson, Ohm Patel ran third, while Gabe Quinn and Oliver Shannon finished fourth and fifth respectively.

In the second meet of the week on Sept. 19, Notre Dame ran third out of 11 teams at the Going to the Sun Invitational held at Coginchaug HS. The Green Knights scored 74 points and were only bested by East Catholic (53 points) and East Hampton (64 points). Notre Dame placed three runners in the top dozen as Ohm Patel finished 7th, Jacob Carson ran 10th, and Oliver Shannon crossed the finish line 12th to lead the Green Knights to its 3rd place showing.

Football -- As an encore to a season opening road-trip to top-ranked Hand of Madison, the Notre Dame football team headed in the opposite direction, albeit to take on another formidable foe in second-ranked St. Joseph on Saturday.

The second-ranked Cadets flexed their muscle in the second quarter scoring four times to pull away to an eventual 42-7 win

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Photo courtesy of NDWH

Notre Dame soccer coach Chris Ciuca and quad-captain Thomas Ellis celebrate the Green Knight's first win of the season following a 2-1 win over North Haven on Sept. 17.

# Westies: *Booters up record to 3-0*

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Santaniello ran the West Haven offense with eight assists and five aces, Noble had four digs and three kills, while Baez and Krajcir each added three aces.

For the West Haven girls soccer team, it has not been home sweet home thus far in the 2019 season. With a 4-2 loss against North Haven Tuesday evening, the Westies fell to 1-2 overall on the year, and 0-2 at Ken Strong Stadium.

The Indians scored three times in the first half and another early in the second to go up by four goals, before West Haven finally got going.

"We were flat in the first half tonight," West Haven coach Pete Trenchard said. "The second half was better. We played with more intensity and more heart. If we had put that effort in for the entire match, it would have been a different story. We need to find a way to play like that from start to finish."

Trailing by four goals, West Haven finally got in gear in the second half when senior Taylor Nowak scored off assists from freshmen Julia Tsakonas and Emma Walker with 11 minutes, 47 seconds to go in the contest.

Just 49 seconds later, West Haven was at it again. Senior Alexia Guerrero scored with help coming from sophomore Cori Severino and Tsakonas to get the Westies within a pair of goals. West Haven never got closer as North Haven held on for the win.

Junior Mackenzie Gardner made 10 saves in the loss for West Haven.

The Westies fell to 1-3 with a gut-wrenching 2-1 loss at Cheshire Friday afternoon. West Haven held a 1-0 lead, but could not close out the contest.

Madison Lentine scored off assists from Severino and Jessica Robinson at the 14:20 mark for a 1-0 lead, but Cheshire evened the game 11:57 later.

The Rams were not done and took a 2-1 lead with 3:27 remaining in the contest for the 2-1 victory.

Gardner made six saves in the loss for the Westies. Cheshire held an 8-4 shot advantage in the game.

The West Haven boys soccer team is off to just the start head coach Chris Cap could have hoped for. With another solid defensive performance, the Westies won their third straight contest to open the season with a 2-0 victory over Foran Saturday morning.

The shutout was West Haven's second of the year as the Westies have allowed just a pair of goals this season.

The solid defensive effort led to just six shots by the Lions. West Haven goalkeeper John McLaughlin made three saves for the shutout, his second of the year.

West Haven scored the only goal it would need at the 10:07 mark as Aldo Barragan found the back of the net. The Westies increased the margin to two goals 28:38 later when Brian Rivadera set up Derick Meza.

West Haven, which took 11 shots, improved to 3-0, while Foran fell to 1-1-1.

The West Haven girls and boys cross-country teams ran

in Hamden Tuesday afternoon with Career and Cross also competing.

On the girls' side, Hamden topped the Westies, 15-50 and Cross did the same by an identical score. West Haven and Career did not have enough runners to score against each other. The boys topped Career 20-39, but fell to Hamden 15-45, and Cross, 22-39.

For the girls, junior Kenedi Merola finished in 26 minutes, 34 seconds, senior Daelle Coriolan finished in 26:43, and junior Maryn Lovallo recorded a time of 27:48.

On the boys' side, senior

Ryan Martinez was the top finisher in 19:36. Junior James Weber finished five seconds later at 19:41, and sophomore Eric Owen ran a time of 20:15.

The West Haven girls swimming team fell to 0-2 on the year with a 101-80 road loss against Branford Thursday afternoon. West Haven had a pair of first place finishes in the meet as Kaelyn Falanga placed first in the 50 freestyle in 27.09 seconds, and the 500 freestyle in 5 minutes, 57.09 seconds.

The Westies also had five second place finishes. The 200 medley relay team of Madi-

son Hobart, Molly Wilson, Falanga, and Victoria Acuna placed second in 2:06.69, while the one-meter diving had a second place finish by Kaylee Taulty with 144.30 points.

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# Squirt A drops pair; Bantams win

The West Haven Squirt A travel hockey team dropped a pair of games this weekend. The Blue Devils fell 7-3 to Stamford A at Bennett Rink on

Saturday and 8-3 to Yale A at the Northford Ice Pavilion on Sunday.

In the opening contest, West Haven forward Cameren Lip-

ford deked his way to the net to cut the Sharks lead to 2-1 in the first period. Forward Ryan Walsh assisted on the play.

Lipford contributed two more goals, both assisted by forward Aedan Guarino, in the third period.

Against Yale, Aedan Guarino scored first for West Haven, tying the game 1-1 midway through the first period with Lipford assisting on the play. Trailing 3-1, the Blue Devils trimmed the contest to 3-2 on a goal by Lipford with four seconds left in the first.

Lipford tallied his second goal of the game late in the second period.

Goalie Alex Werle kept the Westies within striking distance in both games, making

several outstanding saves.

The West Haven Peewee A hockey team swept its weekend games and posted its first two wins of the season in the process. The Blue Devils won 4-3 over the Riverhawks A, and topped New Canaan A1, 6-3. Peewee A is now 2-4-0 on the season.

On Saturday evening, the Westies headed to The Rinks at Shelton for a road game against the Riverhawks. Trailing 1-0, Brady Price tied things up for the Westies.

West Haven took the lead with a power play goal early in the second period when Ronnie Mastroni picked up a rebound of an Ethan Kelly shot for a 2-1 lead.

Three minutes later, Connor Moriarty pushed the lead to 3-1. With just over four minutes left in the period the Kelly brothers connected for a goal when Matt Kelly hit Ethan Kelly and Ethan sniped home a wrist shot for the 4-1 lead.

In the third period, the Riverhawks scored twice and closed to within a goal. West Haven goaltender Greg Galasso made three big saves down the stretch to preserve the win. Galasso (8 saves) and Jacob Silva (7) split the game in net.

On Sunday morning at Edward L. Bennett Rink, the Westies faced New Canaan A1. Down, 1-0, 6:54 into the game, the Blue Devils tied the contest when Alex Bowery buried his wrist shot. Just 2:38 later, the Westies took the lead with a power play goal as Ryan Pniewski hit Mastroni, who fired a missile off the right post and in for a 2-1 advantage. Twenty-nine seconds later it was 3-1 Westies when Ethan Kelly flicked the puck to Mike Page for a nice one-timer. Galasso made six saves in the period for West Haven. The Blue Devils made it 4-1 at 6:40 of the second period on another Bowery goal.

Silva relieved Galasso and

made two big saves on a New Canaan power play. West Haven then made the score 5-1 with 13.8 seconds left in the period when Sean Studley's shot rang off the post, but Ethan Kelly knocked in the rebound.

Mastroni scored the final goal of the game off an assist from Jonathan Charbonneau. Galasso had six saves and Silva stopped seven shots. The Westies outshot New Canaan 22-16 for the game.

The West Haven Peewee AA travel hockey team had its first CHC game of the season in Darien against New Canaan on Saturday. Playing without two key players, Brody DiNuzzo and Nick Salzano, the Westies played hard, but fell, 6-4.

West Haven started strong, taking the early lead in the first with Jack Aloï's goal from the point, assisted by Thomas Porto. Later in the first, a goal from Billy Mascari gave the Westies a 2-0 lead.

New Canaan quickly rebounded with three unanswered goals in the second period. Despite two more goals in the third from Drew Kaufman, assisted by Zach Goetze and Cooper Deko, New Canaan added a pair of empty net goals, and the Westies fell 6-4.

On Sunday, the Westies traveled to Monsey, NY to face the Ramapo Saints AA for EJ action.

The Westies quickly rebounded from Saturday's loss and dominated the game, winning 9-1. West Haven received goals from Gabe Locklear (2), John Donahue (2), Goetze, Nicky Stevens, Connor Benz, Nick Eberhart and Mascari. Aloï led the defense with three assists.

The West Haven Bantam A travel hockey team fell to 1-4-1 with a pair of losses this weekend. The Westies opened

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# Hockey: *Ginsberg goal lifts sextet*

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the weekend with a 6-2 loss against Wonderland AA on Saturday, before dropping a 4-3 decision against the Riverhawks A on Sunday.

At the Edward L. Bennett Rink on Saturday morning, Wonderland scored twice in each of the first two periods for a 4-0 lead. An unassisted goal by Jayden Spreyer got West Haven within 4-1 early in the third, but Wonderland came back with two more goals for a 6-1 advantage.

The Westies battled and received a power play goal from Cade Simone with 1:36 remaining in the game. Christopher Adkins and Matt Wezenski each assisted on the tally.

The Westies suffered a gut-wrenching defeat on Sunday, falling to the Riverhawks at the Rinks in Shelton. Despite superb goaltending from Brendan Smith, West Haven could not hold on to a third period lead as penalties were too much to overcome and the Riverhawks scored three times.

West Haven took a 1-0 lead with 4:50 to go in the opening period as Spreyer picked up a rebound of a Dave Brown shot off the post for a power play goal. Brown gave the Westies

a 2-0 lead when he took a pass from Michael Madera and scored with 48 seconds left in the opening period.

The Riverhawks scored once in the second, then scored three times, including twice on the power play, in a span of 2:01 in the third to take a 4-2 lead. Colin Deane scored off an assist from Wezenski with 1:39 left, but West Haven could not get the equalizer.

The West Haven Bantam B travel hockey team opened the weekend with an away double header on Saturday.

First, the Westies faced off against East Haven and suffered their third loss of the season. Despite a goal from Max Ginsberg, off assists from Ashley Welch and Zack Fonda, and another from Matt Wright, the Westies could not overcome 11 penalties and fell, 4-2.

The second game was against Yale at Ingalls Rink and saw the Westies jump on the scoreboard first when Danny Johnson deflected a shot from Kevin Gardner. Youssef Ullah also added an assist on the goal.

Yale tied the game at the end of the period and then built a 3-1 lead, but the Westies caught life halfway through the third period with a goal by

Fonda off an assist from TJ Levenduski.

Ginsberg added a goal to tie the game at three off assists from Fonda and Welch. With under 20 seconds left in the game, the Westies called timeout with the face off in their zone. The Westies won the draw and moved the puck down the ice and Ginsberg

slid a rebound past the goalie with 0.1 seconds on the clock to get the win.

On Sunday, the Westies faced off against Stamford at Bennett Rink.

West Haven continued its momentum from the previous day with Welch assisting Fonda for the first goal within 14 seconds of puck drop.

The goals continued in West Haven's 12-1 win with three goals each from Gardner and Youssef Ullah, two goals each from Tyler Bernardi and Wright, and a goal from Nate Chiappetta.

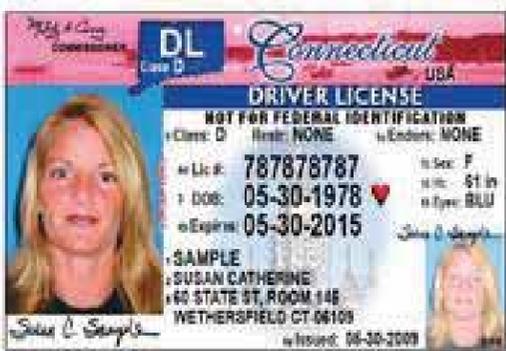
Along with Welch, Johnson (2), Fonda (2), Loehfelm (2), Kerzner, Chiappetta and Javed Ullah added assists.



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WH Bantam B players celebrate Max Ginsberg's game-winning goal against Yale.

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# U14 girls roll over Clinton booters

It was another gorgeous Saturday and Sunday last weekend as the West Haven Youth Soccer League's fall season continued. The Elite Soccer Camps U14 girls Ttravel team took the trip up I-95 to take on host Clinton Sunday afternoon, and won, 6-0. Ericka

Tighe and Caslin O'Neill combined for the shutout in goal. Aylin Soto picked up a goal from a corner kick play run by Ashlynn Trenchard and Jaylyn Powell, and Powell had a goal of her own. Alex Nunes scored a stunner as she turned off her defender and fired a shot into

the goal. Ava Murphy played well in the midfield and scored from a long range blast from outside the box. Brooke and Camryn Flaherty also had a strong game in the win.

The Oyster River Energy U11 girls played two games last week, opening Wednesday

night against South Central Premier. Madison Gargiulo, Kaylee Pellino, Camilla Murphy, Katarina Oliveira, Amiyah Jones, Kayci Gayle and Nylah Beyah all scored. Goalies Kayla Quintanilla and Madison Gargiulo shared keeper duties. Lots of great

passing that led to goals and quick footwork by all.

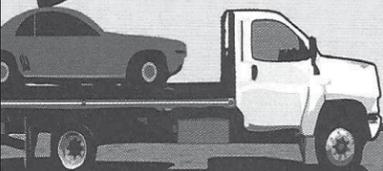
On Saturday, the girls played in the first game of the State Cup against Tolland. In the 8-0 shutout, Nylah Beyah scored her second hat trick of the week. Two great assists by

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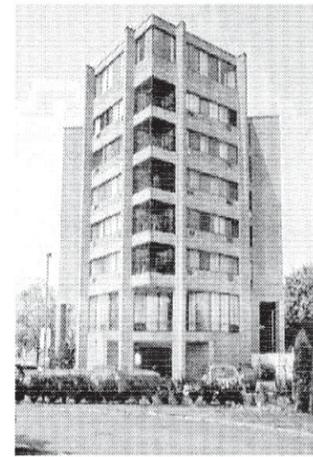
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  - 16 Syrian capital-ist?
  - 18 Encountered
  - 19 Step
  - 20 Boast
  - 22 Compass pt.
  - 23 Distort
  - 27 Paul Newman movie
  - 29 Crooner Vic
  - 31 Dope
  - 34 Steer
  - 35 Maiden
  - 37 Needlefish
  - 38 Bat a gnat
  - 39 Praise in verse
  - 41 Young horse
  - 45 Good, in Guadalupe
  - 47 To and -
- DOWN**
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  - 3 Busybody
  - 4 Root beer brand
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  - 9 Work with
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  - 11 Preceding
  - 17 On in years
  - 21 Specter
  - 23 Blue cartoon character
  - 24 Japanese pond carp
  - 25 Conclude
  - 26 Teensy
  - 28 Multipurpose truck
  - 30 Khan title
  - 31 Egos' counter-parts
  - 32 Margery of rhyme
  - 33 "- Little Teapot"
  - 36 LummoX
  - 37 Human - Project
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  - 42 Frequently
  - 43 Caribbean resort island
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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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**Junior Whirl**  
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A MOUNTAIN RESORT POOL PARTY

At left is a crossword puzzle grid. Below are words pertaining to an end-of-summer party that you will need to complete the puzzle. Use the trial-and-error method. Try to finish before the last bus leaves!

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**"FEAST" YOUR EYES ON THIS PUZZLE!** In this puzzle all of the words get progressively longer, and they all end in ATE. The following hints should help:  
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3. A shipping container. 4. A formal argument.  
5. To put in logical order. 6. To stretch out.

**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.

**DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK:**

- ◆ Moderate
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**Answers to last week's puzzles**

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**Weekly SUDOKU - Answer**

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# Seahawks' 10U goes to 4-0

The West Haven Seahawks' 10U team remained unbeaten (4-0) with a 33-0 win over the previously undefeated Seymour Tigers.

Frank Green opened the Seahawks' scoring with a fumble recovery for a touchdown. Caden Stanley, Jorrae Dupree, Azriel Pizarro and TJ Stevenson all added rushing touchdowns for the Seahawks. Mason Wright, Demarius Rutledge, and Colin Murray led the quick and stingy defense to preserve the shutout.

The 8U football team (4-0) remained unbeaten with a 21-0 victory at the Bridgeport Raiders. Kaedyn Desruisseaux started the scoring with an interception for a touchdown. Majesty Whitaker and Tristian Crawford scored offensive touchdowns. Trayvon

Jaynes, William Pastore, Jacari Harris and Mason Booker played well on defense.

The 12U football team (3-1) continued to improve with an impressive 28-0 win over the Seymour Tigers. Running back Yahinus Mercer scored the first Seahawk touchdown on a 3-yard run. Aedan Coe added a 61-yard scoring run and quarterback Nick Conlan connected with Teriq Mallory and Coe for 63 and 41-yard touchdown passes. Ethan Holy added a safety and converted the extra points.

Lindell Jaynes, Delaney Fludd, Tykese Robinson led the defensive effort.

The 14U Seahawks (2-2) fell to a talented Hamden Hurricanes team, 34-13. Demari Barker scored the hawks

two touchdowns and Javier Smith was all over the field and played good defense.

The blue flag football team (5 & 6) traveled to Seymour to take on the tigers. The Seahawks traded scores and played a great game. The offensive attack was led by Tyler Jackson, Aiden Dowdye and Colin Watson.

Playing well on defense was Noah Nieves. The green flag team traveled to play the Hamden Hurricanes. Quarterback Andrew Loehn connected with receiver Emmanuel Purdue who scrambled 50 yards for one of his three scores on the day.

Jovanni Perez scored a touchdown on the last play of the game. Nehemiah Knight played well on defense causing several key losses.



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**Seahawks' 12U receiver Aedan Coe (42) catches quarterback Nick Conlan's pass in stride for a West Haven touchdown. The Seahawks beat Seymour, 28-0.**

## Soccer: *Firefighters stay unbeaten, go 3-0*

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Camilla Murphy led to one Beyah's goals, as well as one by Katerina Oliveira. Goals were also scored by Isabella Antonucci, Mariella Cappelletta, Kayci Gayle and Madison Gargiulo. Kayla Quintanilla took first half goalie duties and Kaylee Pellino took second half. The strong line of defense was shared by Daniela Bazar, Cristel Miguel and Michelle Mora-Cyrus.

The WH Professional Firefighters U12 boys upped their record to 3-0-0 on the season with an 8-2 rout of Hamden on Sunday afternoon at Duffy Field. Sean Studley led the Blue Devils on offense with three goals and three assists. Pedro Furtado added two goals and an assist. Ramy Mendhouj (three assists) and Matthew Pantan (one assist) played well in the midfield. Efrain Brown controlled play in the back and added an assist. Mehmet Aciker, Pacey Larka and Ryan Malone also added goals. Victor Padilla made six saves in goal for the Westies.

The Milano & Wanat U9 girls put up a good fight in their first game against Orange fall-

ing, 6-4. Aliana Wilson made some great saves in goal. Celeste DiNallo was strong on defense. Stella Porto, Luciana Cappelletta, and Annabelle Fiorillo all scored. The P&B Express U14 girls traveled to New Haven Saturday for their first league game bringing home a 2-0 win. Natalie Reed and Aliana Tepetl both scored with support from Sophie Mazuroski and Amyah Kelly. Adelia Parise and Alivia Ginsberg contained the attack in the midfield. Jayden Braacker, Bellarose Ramirez and Madden Evangeliste provided solid defense combined with Sydney Gayle in goal for the shut out.

The Elite Soccer Camps Golden Dragons took on Nick's Luncheonette Dragons Saturday morning, with the Golden Dragons picking up a 9-6 win. Jacob Rader impressed with his footskills, and Seth Empiric scored a nice goal. Ben Trenchard and Jax Guarino made some good defensive plays, and Jayden Huang showed some hustle. Matteo D'Elia made some great passes to his teammates and Jesus Rangel was solid throughout the game. For

Nick's Luncheonette, Mark Zhuno, Marvin Castillo and Dylan Torres did a great job on the field. The Jason Ranalli Yellow Bees had an action packed two games this weekend. In the first game, the boys played the WH Police Local 895 and did an amazing job together! Miguel Morales, Jr. scored a hat trick while Joel Batres solidified the defense. Kaleb Feliciano did a wonderful job passing to teammates, setting up two plays which resulted in goals for the Bees. Later, the Bees faced the Elite Soccer Camps Blues and did terrific in a back and forth scoring event for both teams. Curtis Dias and Connor Fitzpatrick showed all around fantastic ball skills, while Adem Gundogdu played amazing the entire game.

The Shoreline Wellness Blue Diamonds won, 3-0, over Keenan Funeral Home. Ava Pellino scored two goals and Jayda Cillberti scored one. Josselyn Davila played amazing in goal and Eve Montiel, Gillian Wynus, and Allie Powers played hard and strong in the midfield. The Sweet Relief Catering Blue Thunder played a great game winning, 5-0, over

the George Ellis Company, Inc. Ato Appiah scored twice, and excellent field play was shown by Mathew Davis, Jacob Smalls, and Eric Rivas. James and Carlos Bazar also contributed to the win.

The Bar Code Gold Stars played the Rock House School of Music Rockers. The Rockers triumphed, 5-3. Alanis Nieves played well in her midfield position and was able to score a goal. Jada Turner supported both the defense and offense. The WH Federation of Teachers Local 1542 Mini Blueberries played the Top Hat Dance Academy Green Crocodiles, with the Cros' winning, 7-2. Avielle Bernardo did a great job on defense stopping the ball from going in the net and Tyraja Garner used her speed and aggressive play to go after the ball for the Blueberries. For the Crocs', Kendall Gilchrist made an outstanding goal, her first of the season, while Ariel Titus and Camilla Barragan both finished with Hat Tricks.

The Cappelletta's Italian Imports Polar Bears played a tough game against The Gunning Law Firm losing, 9-2. Annabelle Fiorillo had some great passes for the Polar

Bears while Samantha Zuk and Luciana Cappelletta scored. For Gunning Law Firm, Sophia Empric and Kylie Gibbons scored multiple goals. Linnie Chesson. Alivia Reilly and Hailey Dargon also found the back of the net. Lulu Sebas played a strong game at midfield while Dana Lopez-Salazar made several nice plays throughout the game.

The West Shore Family Dental took on Stars Ice Cream, playing well and winning, 6-1. Danyella Lanche played great defense, Sarah Daveys had a first time goal and Nathalie Rivas worked hard. The Porto Funeral Home Navy Sharks played Jason Ranelli losing, 5-4. Ethan Fonseca played well overall for the Navy Sharks. Jimmy Clark played a strong defensive game. Gabriel Nascimento added excellent work for the Navy Sharks up front. In the final matchup of the weekend, the WH Italian American Civic Assn took on Frank Agvent Plumbing and Heating, battling to a 0-0 draw. Both teams worked hard to try and find the back of the net, but were stymied by the excellent goalkeeping of Matt Treat and Chris Petrie.

## Knights: *Cadets up next for ND squad*

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over the Green Knights. St. Joseph's scored on back-to-back plays to grab a 14-0 lead. After a 50-yard scoring strike from Jake Wallace to Will Diamantis, the Cadets went to their bag of tricks and Diamantis took a handoff and then flipped a pass to Austin Jose who raced 67 yards for a score.

Notre Dame climbed back in the game on its next possession as Jackson Zalinsky scrambled and found Tommy Candelora for an 82-yard scoring strike. However, St. Joe's turned two turnovers into touchdowns, both Wallace to Diamantis touchdown passes followed up by a pair of Jaden Shirden touchdown runs later in the second quarter to take a 42-7 lead into half-

time. Notre Dame will play its first home game of the season hosting Platt of Meriden on Friday.

Soccer -- The Notre Dame soccer team used a pair of first half goals to even its record in 2019 in their eventual 2-1 win over North Haven in the home opener at Veterans Field on Sept. 17.

The Green Knights struck first less than 15 minutes into the game when Kyle Cardenas scored off a corner kick. Notre Dame doubled its lead on a terrific rush. A long ball corralled nicely by Consorte led to the goal. Consorte took the ball just outside the box on the left and found Nicholas Vitti unmarked in front and Vitti deposited the pass into the back of the net. North Haven did pull within 2-1 on a perfectly

placed shot by Kasey Mongillo with 26:40 left in the game.

But Notre Dame goalie Zach Benson and the rest of the Green Knight defense kept the Indians from scoring the equalizer. The Green Knights didn't fare as well against Branford in their second game of the week. Branford scored five second half goals to break open a scoreless game in its 5-0 win on Sept. 20.

Hall of Fame -- The countdown has begun to Notre Dame's first Athletic Hall of Fame induction ceremony on Saturday, Oct. 5. The inaugural group of inductees includes a Who's Who of Notre Dame Athletics from a coaching and player standpoint.

The coaches include: Joe Tonelli '62,

Tom Marcucci '66, Jim Guercia, Gary Palladino, and Bill Parkinson. The athletes include: Ray Ciarleglio '59, Greg Lawler '65, Jim Davins '82, and Tarek Saleh '93. The 1954 and 1962 state champion football teams will also be honored. In addition, John Janenda, Richard Lawler, Sr., Nick Pietrosante '55, Ed Schreck '63, and Ray Tellier will be honored posthumously. Please visit <http://www.notredamehs.com/Hallof-Fame2019> for more information and to register for the event. The cost is \$65 per person.

You can get all the latest athletic news, scores, and more by following @NDWHAthletics on Twitter, Instagram, and Periscope while friending the @NDWHAthletics Facebook group.



# Around Town

## Used Book Sale

In connection with the annual Apple Festival on the Green, the First Congregation Church, 464 Campbell Ave., will host the monthly used book sale and clothes closet inside the church on Saturday, Sept. 28 from 9 until 4, And on Sunday, Sept. 29, noon until 4.

## Casino trip

The West Haven IA Club will conduct a Bus Trip to the Mohican Casino on Monday, Sept. 30. Cost is \$25 per person, Gratuity included. Casino vouchers are buffet and slot plays. Bus leaves Club grounds at 3, returns approximately 10:30. Call Mickey at (203) 606-0929.

## GOP picnic

The West Haven Republican Town Committee announces a multi-town event (West Haven, Orange, Milford, Woodbridge, New Haven): the Gathering of Patriots Picnic to be held on Saturday, Sept. 28 at High Plains Community Center, 525 Orange Center Road from noon to 4:30. Price is \$30 per person, \$60 per couple. Kids are free. Students with ID. \$20.

## WHEAT benefit

Save The Date -- Thursday Oct. 17, at 7:30 p.m. The Savin Rock Roasting Company is hosting a Trivia Night to benefit of WHEAT. Reservations are required. Call WHEAT at (203) 931-9877. There is a \$15 donation on the night of the event.

## Rosary Crusade

The annual Public Square Rosary Crusade will be held Saturday, Oct. 12, noon, at the West Haven Green, gazebo area. For information phone Eva Cestari, (203) 933-7141.

## Parade fundraiser

The Greater New Haven St. Patrick's Day Parade Com-

mittee is hosting a Halfway to St. Patrick's Day "Pass the Hat" fundraiser on Sunday, Sept. 22, at Duffy's Tavern 241 Campbell Ave., from 6-9 pm. Brannigan's Corner will entertain with Irish tunes.

## Auxiliary event

The West Haven Italian-American Ladies Auxiliary is celebrating its 60th Anniversary on Saturday, Oct. 5 in the club hall, Cielo. It is open to the public. The Event

"Bella Notte" is \$40. and begins at 5 p.m. with Cocktail Hour. Cocktail Attire is being requested. The price is all inclusive. Please RSVP by Sept. 27. Call Linda Smith, (203)772-5961 and Lisa Aguzzi, (203) 937-6467.

## WHGC confab

The West Haven Garden Club will hold its meeting on Monday, Oct. 7 at Ora Mason Library meeting room, 260 Benham Hill Road. A luncheon will then follow.

## Retirement / Comeback Roast



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