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A weekly in-depth interview

"Every time we give a gift card or give a basket of food, we don't document that stuff. That's just the right Christian thing. We do that year-round."

~ Phil Liscio

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Photo courtesy of Sen. Maroney

Internet forum for seniors

State Sen. James Maroney (D-14) -- far right -- hosted an affordable internet access informational forum at the West Haven Senior Center on Nov. 14. The senator was joined by representatives from Comcast who presented a demonstration on how seniors can use their voice activated television remotes and also informed seniors on how they can sign up for the internet and cable program. They also discussed the Internet Essentials Program, which benefits low-income individuals.



BOE sued over HS reconstruction

By Josh LaBella
Voice Reporter

A parent of West Haven High School students is suing the Board of Education for \$15,000 excluding damages and costs for what they say is "discrimination" and "retaliation."

The summons, which was gathered through a Freedom of Information Act request, shows the lawsuit being pursued by Feinstein Educational Law Group of Mystic, CT. The plaintiff is Christine Barrington, who is suing on behalf of her two sons in West Haven high school.

The summons accuses the board of education of discriminating against the plaintiffs two sons, who both saw worsening allergy symptoms after extended periods of time in the high

school, which is undergoing extensive renovations.

"Both minor plaintiffs attend West Haven High School, an old building containing numerous environmental allergens, which is in the process of being demolished and replaced," attorney Andrew Feinstein said in the summons. "Since enrolling, both minor plaintiffs have complained of progressively worsening allergic reactive symptoms, including but not limited to pale/greyish skin, eye flashes, red/dry eyes, rapid heart rate, nausea, nasal congestion, sneezing, dry through/hoarseness, light headedness, headache, fatigue/ exhaustion/ reduced stamina, after being inside WHHS. Such symptoms resolve over week-ends and during school vacations."

Doctor Andrew Carlson, the minor plaintiffs' doctor, confirmed their "high allergic reactive sensitivities" after bloodwork skin tests were done. On Feb. 8 of this year, Barrington contacted WHHS Nursing Administrator Donna Kosiorowski to detail her concerns about the impact of the WHHS environment on her sons' health. Kosiorowski offered to convene a meeting pursuant to Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, 29 USC 794.

According to the summons, a school board-based team found the plaintiffs ineligible for Section 504 disability accommodations. The summons said the team made no recommendations for any evaluation or refused any suggested by Barrington.

The summons alleges that after sev-

eral subsequent meetings and contact with school officials the school refused Section 504 eligibility.

"The defendants engaged in the above discriminatory conduct with malice or with reckless indifference to the plaintiffs' statutory protected rights," the summons said. "As a result of the defendant's unlawful conduct, the plaintiffs have suffered and continue to suffer a loss of educational opportunity, pain and suffering, anxiety, humiliation, shame and other emotional distress."

Regarding the second count in the summons, it claims BOE employees and other city officials allegedly retaliated against Barrington for being an advocate over her concerns with the

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Public Meetings

Monday, Nov. 25 -- City Council, Council Chambers, 7 p.m.

On this date:

1979 -- Mob burns down US embassy in Pakistan. The mob was allegedly incensed by a rumor that the United States was involved in an attack on a mosque in the holy city of Mecca.

1964 -- Verrazano Narrows Bridge opens in NYC. It was the world's longest suspension bridge, until the Humber Bridge in the UK opened in 1981.

1962 -- War between China and India ends. The month long war began over a border dispute between the two countries and ended with a unilateral ceasefire by the Chinese.

1941-- Tweety Bird makes its debut. The fictional cartoon canary also just called Tweety made his first appearance in A Tale of Two Kitties, a Warner Bros. Merrie Melodies cartoon.

1920 -- Bloody Sunday in Ireland. A key event in the Irish War of Independence, which was a conflict between the British government and Irish revolutionaries in Ireland, Bloody Sunday began with the killings of 14 people by the Irish Republican Army.

Weather

Friday
Nov 22 Mostly cloudy then showers. High 57F



Sunrise: 6:48 am
Sunset: 4:27 pm
Wind: WSW 10-20
High Tide: 7:01 am; 7:27 pm

Saturday
Nov 23 Sunny with a few clouds. High 45F



Sunrise: 6:49 am
Sunset: 4:27 pm
Wind: W 5-10

High Tide: 7:56 am; 8:23 pm

Sunday
Nov 24 Showers then partly cloudy. High 44F



Sunrise: 6:50 am
Sunset: 4:26 pm
Wind: NNW 10-15

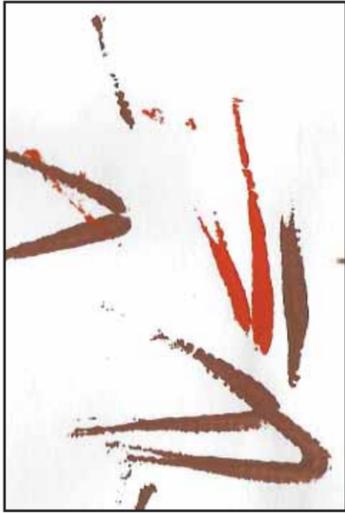
High Tide: 8:48 am; 9:17 pm

Monday
Nov 25 Sunshine! High 49F



Sunrise: 6:51 am
Sunset: 4:26 pm
Wind: WNW 5-10

High Tide: 9:37 am; 10:08 pm



Charlie DeBenedetto, age 2, a student at the West Haven Child Development Center, Inc., predicts cooler weather to look for turkey tracks!

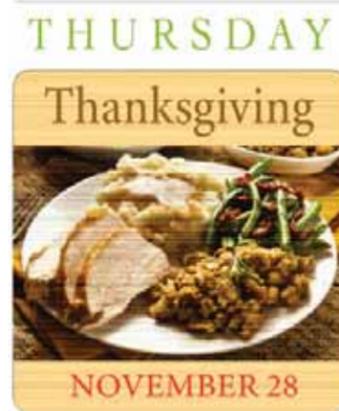
Things to Do!

First Lutheran Church, 52 George St., will hold its annual Harvest Fair on Saturday, Nov. 23 from 9-2. There will be vendors, baked goods, white elephant sale, raffles and refreshments.

The annual Holiday Fair, sponsored by the West Haven Historical Society, is set for Saturday, Nov. 23 from 10-4. The Fair will be held at the Poli House 686 Savin Ave., opposite the West Haven Green.

The event will include various local crafters, home-baked goods, prints, cards, books, jewelry, and a special Tree Raffle, which offers surprise gifts for a contribution to the Historical Society.

There will be an array of gift ideas for everyone looking for unusual items to include on their gift giving list this year. Admission is free.



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Photo by Camdyn Morgillo

Peer advocates give out toys

City recreation program coordinator Diane Dietman, third from back left, and West Haven High School peer advocates flank a box of toys at the Department of Parks and Recreation on Monday. The toys were donated to the department's "Christmas in July" toy drive, which was co-sponsored by the Connecticut Recreation & Parks Association and Christmas Wish CT, a charity committed to sharing the spirit of Christmas year-round. Park-Rec collected more than 1,000 new, unwrapped toys in July and early August at its Painter Park office, swimming pool venues, and camp and playground programs. The department has given a portion of the collected toys to Christmas toy drives being held by the West Haven High Peer Advocacy Program and West Haven Professional Fire Fighters Local 1198 for those in need. Residents wishing to receive toys for city children 12 and younger who are under their guardianship must fill out a registration form at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/toysforjoy2019>. Proof of residence is required for registration, which ends Dec. 13. To make an online donation to the peer advocates' Toys for Joy campaign, visit <https://tinyurl.com/whhstoysforjoy>.

Breakfast with Santa set

The West Haven Fireworks Committee is hosting a Breakfast with Santa fundraiser for the 2020 July 3 event on Sunday, Dec. 8, from 11-1 at Off-Shore Restaurant, 852 Jones Hill Road.

To purchase tickets, or for information, call Sandy at (203) 934-3161. Reservations must be made by Dec. 3. Price is \$15 for adults, and \$10 for children.

The committee has several fundraisers a year to cover the costs related to the July 3 fireworks display at Bradely Point. The event has brought as many as 100,000 in the city and the costs associated with traffic and security as well as the display are large.



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Dear Felicia

We are one week to Thanksgiving, honeybunch, this time next week, the Mystick Maidens of the Marsh will be convening under the direction of Tina Peckingham at the Cove River area to celebrate the day with everyone else in the berg. Mama had it right, get by May and the year just flies by. It seems like the weeks are just moving along at a speedy pace.

I hoid a great line t'other day. Remember the great Kitty Carlisle, a socialite who used to be on quiz shows? She lived to about 99. They asked her on her 90th what it was like. Sez she, "It feels like I'm having breakfast every 15 minutes." Cobina knows the feeling.

Tennyrate, here in the Asylum by the Sea, we're getting ready for the Turkey Day festivities as we always do. Next week, the WHHS and ND football teams will grace our front page as they have done for publications in this community for almost 50 years.

It's a tradition that we will keep up for as long as we are around.

Of course, with the coming of Thanksgiving in an odd-numbered year, we get ready for the inauguration ceremony of a new administration. As yew recall - and effen yew don't, we have problems - the election resulted in herronner getting a second term, and bringing in all of her slate. The only Demmie who didn't win was Louise Martone, whom the Rossi people are quick to pernt out was not one of theirs.

So, the foist Sunday of December by the current charter means they all convene - this time in the new WHHS auditorium probably - and get sworn in for the new administrative year. The council and other boards have been meeting, but not much gits done in these meetings, excep' of course, effen it can stick it to the incoming people. So far nothing, but yew never know.

The plans for the inaugura-

tion ceremony are still being worked out, but in past years it's been a big do with speakers from the state or fed'ral governmints coming in and giving a rousing oration. It's the only time we git real pomp and circumstance around here, so it has a bit of pizzazz. As things git announced, we'll let yew know what is happening.

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With the inauguration, of course, comes a new council. And like I tolt yew before, this is gonna be different for one very big reason: there will be two Republicans on the council for the foist time in many a decade - three to be exack - and that could be a good thing for debate on that body. For too long the GOP had only one person due to the very small consideration minorities are given under the current charter. So, with only one member, effen the Republican had a pertinent pernt about what was being discussed, or had a motion, thing usually died for a second to the motion.

Now, there will be a second to any GOP motion and the body will hafta discuss it. It's a small thing, but over the years, it's been a pernt of frustration. Republicans sometimes see the problems in the trifurcated Democratic Party and the in-squabbling they are known for. They can dissect the problem, but are ignored, cuz yew know as well as I do, effen yew have anything but a "D" after your moniker, you are just

whistling in the wind. No longer.

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Sammy Bluejay fluttered by and sez that Bill Ewry and his group over at the First Congregational Church are moving apace to present the eighth version of this Community Thanksgiving Dinner. Whilst it is the eighth under this iteration, it goes back to the 1990s. This current group has it cuz the previous group, under WHEAT, had to get back to basics. Luckily, Bill and his entourage took it over in a seamless transition, and people in the berg are able to have a nice dinner at the Fellowship Hall. Sammy sez he will be perched outside come the big day.

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Whilst all the planning is going on for Thanksgiving, remember that another big event happens on the week-end - the Christmas tree lighting. No, it ain't a holiday tree, it's a Christmas tree, and those bleeding hearts who don't like it can allow it to ruin their holiday - whatever it is they are celebrating.

Also Hanukkah starts just a few days before Christmas this year, on Dec. 22, so there is something to look forward to that week. It's always a nice celebration for our community.

As I told yew last week, the boys and girls of the DPW have been workin' on the Green for days trying to git things ready for the tree lighting. Cobina traversed by there

a day or two ago, and noticed that things weren't finished but they will be.

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Iva Lootey, meanwhile, came over for tea t'other day, and as we are wont to do, we began discussing politics. Iva had some interesting observations. He noted last week's discussion of the GOP and the in-fighting that seemed to be happening therein during the last campaign - infighting that certainly did not help its candidates.

It's Iva's speculation that the 2020 Town Committee elections could be interesting in both parties. Foist the GOP: it seems that whom the party should endorse was a pernt of contention to the point that the losing side - those who really wanted Steven Mullins to run - kind of backed off a bit, according to members of the GOP, those who supported eventual candidate Michele Gregorio.

Well, with the tensions bubbling up, Iva seems to think that when the Republican Town Committee meets after the foist of the year to determine the new committee, there might be some fireworks and maybe even a primary. You'd hafta go back many, many moons to determine when the last primary for GOP seats on that panel was held - maybe in the time of Al Conte?

That could set the stage for something. There has been talk of overhaul of the town committee, but as Iva pernted out, that's talk we've all heard before. Still, effen there are fireworks over who the next leaders are, there might be reason to believe fireworks are on the horizon. Gregorio for the time being IS this party leader by virtue of her candidacy. It'll be very interestin' to see what happens.

Iva had things to say about the Demmies, too. Back in 2017, the Rossi faction - that's what it should be called, not the Picard faction anymore - perty much swept into the majority o' seats on the Democratic Town Committee. It was a primary effen yew remember, and it didn't go anywhere near what people - including Rossi's own people - thought it would. She parlayed her election win into a big majority on the 60-member committee.

Here we are two years later, and she not only beat a primary challenge by two candidates in September by goodly margins, she got 60 percent of the vote three weeks ago. That puts her faction in the cat bird seat for this go-round. One wonders effen there will be a primary for the DTC this time. Effen the two other factions, Morrissey and Borer, don't primary, it will be the foist time in almost 25 years that setch a thing hasn't been attempted. It seems like every other March we're having a primary for primacy on the DTC.

We shall see.

With that bit o' chatter, I'll close mitt luff und kizzez,

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WHHS: Lawsuit hits air quality

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WHHS renovations.

"A part of the plaintiffs' mother's advocacy has been her repeated request for comprehensive environmental assessment of the existing WHHS buildings, including but not limited to the presence of mold and excessive dust. This has led to repeated and on-going efforts by City and Board officials, their agents and/or designees to silence plaintiffs' mother, including but not limited to the following individual and/or collective acts of gross misjudgment, bad faith, deliberate indifference, and purposeful retaliation," Feinstein said in the summons.

The summons went on to list occasions in which officials of the city and BOE allegedly attempted to threaten and intimidate the plaintiffs' mother. The parties named in the summons include High School Building Committee Chairman, and partial owner of the West Haven Voice, Ken Carney and the Board's "Specially Designated Person" Richard Dunn.

There have been a number of air quality tests conducted at the school; all of which have validated officials claims that the school is safe to be in.

A recent study by the American Federation of Teachers, the parent organization of the WHFT, the teachers' bar-

gaining agent reiterated the findings of other studies conducted.

The investigating report, written by Amy Bahruth, of the Union Leadership Institute, an affiliated AFT organization, followed a tour on Oct. 1. City officials and Carney believed the report exonerated the city from what is believed to be unfounded accusations.

At the time, Carney was happy with the results, and believed it showed the efforts made to keep the staff and students safe.

"The completely exonerates us and puts all those accusations to bed," he said after the report came out. "The union did the study after getting

complaints, came in with the attitude something was wrong, and then sent in this report."

Carney said union officials had the attitude it was a "sick building," but the report was very positive when it came to describing the steps taken to make sure air quality, dust and other air-borne allergens were under control.

One of those recurring complaint was dust all over the building that might contribute to respiratory problems. The report, however, did not support the claim

"During the walk-through we observed no nuisance dust in either of the buildings (new or old)," it said.



Photo by Josh LaBella

The reconstruction of West Haven High School is the subject of a lawsuit filed by a city resident, claiming the air quality in the buildings, both new and old, are contributing to respiratory ailments in her children. The suit is looking for \$15,000 plus damages, citing officials have been "retaliatory" in their actions.

Small Business Saturday is Nov. 30

By Michael P. Walsh
Special to the Voice

Mayor Nancy R. Rossi has announced the city's participation in the 10th annual Small Business Saturday on Nov. 30.

Nov. 30 also marks the lighting of the city's Christmas tree on the Green.

The Yuletide event attracts hundreds of people each year, many of whom Rossi hopes take advantage of sales at downtown specialty shops.

Small Business Saturday falls between Black Friday and Cyber Monday.

It is a day to celebrate and patronize

the small, independently owned businesses that help stimulate local economies across the country.

"Patronizing a West Haven small business is a great way to kick off your holiday shopping," Rossi said. "While you're downtown for the tree lighting, why not stop at one of the stores or restaurants. Whether you're looking for items for your holiday table — fresh flowers, truffle products or gourmet meats — or perhaps jewelry, wine or gift cards, West Haven small businesses have you covered."

Small Business Saturday was established by American Express in 2010 in

response to the most pressing need of small-business owners — more customers — and has served as the ceremonial kickoff to the holiday shopping season for small businesses ever since.

According to AmEx, U.S. shoppers reported spending an estimated \$17.8 billion at independent retailers and restaurants on Small Business Saturday in 2018.

Similar to last year, the Small Business Saturday Coalition, led by Women Impacting Public Policy, a nonpartisan small-business advocate known as WIPP, is rallying mayors nationwide to show their support and encourage

their communities to shop small on Nov. 30.

"West Haven's diversity is reflected in our small businesses," Rossi said. "When you support a small business, you're supporting our community as well."

In recognizing the importance of supporting independent businesses, Rossi has issued a Small Business Saturday proclamation declaring the special observance in West Haven.

Merchants and consumers can learn more about Small Business Saturday, including how to participate, at www.shopsmall.com.

City issues snow emergency parking rules

By Michael P. Walsh
Special to the Voice

The snow is coming and city officials are getting ready. To help crews expedite snow removal, Public Works Commissioner Tom McCarthy is reminding residents and businesses to observe parking regulations during and after storms.

Per the "Severe Weather" parking ordinance under Chapter 188 of the West Haven Code, police will tag and tow vehicles violating the ordinance at the owner's expense. Violators will receive a \$100 fine.

Once snow begins to fall, a parking ban is in effect on the even-numbered side of most roads, unless one is posted with a "No Parking" sign on the odd side.

The ban is in effect for 36 hours after a storm.

Residents are urged to park in driveways or designated private lots.

However, during an official snow emergency de-

clared by Mayor Nancy R. Rossi, a parking ban will run from 11 p.m. to 7 a.m. on both sides of Campbell and Savin avenues, Morgan Lane, Elm Street, Meloy Road, Second Avenue from Elm to Beach streets, and Main Street from Savin to Washington avenues.

McCarthy is also reminding residents and businesses to shovel their sidewalks within 24 hours after a storm or face a \$25 fine "for each day that the violation persists."

According to the "Removal of Snow and Ice" ordinance under Chapter 195 of the West Haven Code, people are given 24 hours to remove snow from sidewalks on and bordering their properties.

Violators are subject to the \$25-per-day fine, which is enforced by the Police Department, the ordinance states.

To report a complaint, call the department's non-emergency line at 203-937-3900. Complaints are kept

confidential.

McCarthy also pointed out that plowing or blowing snow into city streets is prohibited and violators are subject to a \$60 fine for each offense, per the ordinance.

Also, residents and businesses with mailboxes damaged by snow thrown from a plow are the responsibility of the property owner.

The city will only repair mailboxes damaged by the striking of a plow blade if there is visible evidence, such as paint or tire tracks.

Snow removal around mailboxes is the property owner's responsibility.

Residents are also urged to help firefighters keep hydrants clear of snow.

For more information, call the Department of Public Works at (203) 937-3585 or visit the department's page at www.cityofwesthaven.com.

Impeachment charade

A Latin term needed for bribery is ditched for the term “bribery.” An accuser is “protected” by a Congressional resolution crafted specifically to hide the truth. The Speaker of the House now says that the accused must prove himself innocent. This is the topsy-turvy spectacle that has become impeachment. And, make no mistake, it was planned this way.

For more than three years – since Election Night, 2016 – impeachment has been talked about by Democrats who have never recovered from the shock of Hillary Clinton’s defeat. For three years they have put the nation, and its people, through the Hell of investigations. In all situations, whether it was Russia, Russia, Russia, or now Ukraine, Ukraine, Ukraine, we are told to believe them rather than our lying eyes.

Russia was used to get dirt not on Hillary Clinton, but on Donald Trump. It is without doubt that the bureaucracy, particularly the intelligence agencies and the FBI, were working with the Democrats in trying to foil Trump’s election, and then his administration. These are facts, not conspiracy theories. The Democratic Party, its members and the imbedded bureaucracy, now called the “Deep State,” worked in concert. They are working in concert now.

This Ukraine controversy would be laughable, but we’re dealing with actors who would rather tear the country apart than lose position and power. The impeachment “inquiry” is nothing more than an orchestrated Stalinesque show trial, used to mollify the base of the Democratic Party. It is fitting. The party is becoming less “democratic” and more “authoritarian.” It seeks to destroy those institutions and traditions that have made this nation great.

The politics of the proceedings is no more evident than the reports this past weekend that the Latin term, *quid pro quo*, was too exoteric for the average American, so “bribery,” is now the word being bandied about – except as legal analyst Greg Jarrett has pointed out, there is no bribery without a *quid pro quo*. The buzzword was changed via focus groups!! What more need do we have to see this has never been an inquiry, but a proceeding to write articles of impeachment.

Further, we cannot know the person who began this charade because it would undermine the predicate. There is sufficient evidence that a CIA operative originated the complaint and he did it with the aid of Rep. Adam Schiff’s office. Schiff is the new Joe McCarthy, and has shown, to quote Joseph Welch, he has “no decency.”

The rules of the “inquiry” were crafted so the name of the agent, erroneously called a “whistleblower,” cannot be said during the proceedings, nor can anything linking him to the complaint be used. Indeed, we are told his testimony is not needed at all. So, the complaint that started this proceeding is no longer part of it. Fancy that.

Then we have the Speaker of the House, the nation’s Theologian-in-chief, Nancy Pelosi, who when she isn’t praying for the nation, is telling the President if he has a way to prove his innocence he should present it. So the presumption of innocence is scuttled.

This is purely a political exercise. Rep. Al Green of Texas said so. Not to impeach Mr. Trump means he will be re-elected. Then, that perpetual indictment to American education, Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez said that the impeachment is necessary to prevent a “catastrophe” for her party in 2020.

This entire charade is an embarrassment to the nation and should be a permanent mark against the Democratic Party and its leaders.



Latin is not the problem

By Rich Lowry
Syndicated Columnist

If the impeachment effort isn’t taking the nation by storm, the Democrats have an answer -- blame it on Latin. The use of a Latin term, *quid pro quo*, is now thought to be a damper on the impeachment cause because it sounds complex and technical.

Latin is one of the great legacies of the Roman Empire, influencing languages across Europe and giving us scientific, medical and legal terms that heretofore had been thought perfectly fitting. That was before Democrats felt they needed a more emotive phrase to characterize President Donald Trump’s conduct in the Ukraine controversy, and especially one that denotes a more grave offense.

Democratic Rep. Jim Himes, from Connecticut, made the case on “Meet the Press:” “When you’re trying to persuade the American people of something that is really pretty simple, which is that the president acted criminally and extorted, in the way a mob boss would extort somebody, a vulnerable foreign country, it’s probably best not to use Latin words to explain it.”

There’s a lot to unpack here. The first problem is that Ukraine is not nearly as sim-

ple, or as dramatic, as Democrats first hoped. It doesn’t have something memorable and inherently attention-grabbing at its heart, like the Watergate break-in or the Clinton-Lewinsky affair. It involved a pressure campaign on the Ukrainians that -- once examined closely -- was complicated, ambiguous and highly contested within the administration. No matter what word is applied to it -- even the plainest, non-Latinate English word -- this isn’t going to change.

Another problem is that it wasn’t criminal. Impeachment doesn’t require a crime, but it helps.

The best card that Republicans had against Bill Clinton in their impeachment push in the 1990s was that he had flagrantly violated the law by perjuring himself repeatedly. Democrats wish they had Trump on similar violations. In their absence, they are attempting to create the impression of rank criminality, via metaphor.

This is why they want to shift to the terms “extortion” or “bribery” -- and throw in references to mob bosses.

It can’t be that squeezing a foreign power is a criminal act, though, or every American president would be guilty

of crimes in the course of the horse-trading of routine statecraft.

What makes the Ukraine matter different, and blameworthy, is that he wanted an investigation that touched on Joe and Hunter Biden. This was improper because it involved a mingling of presidential powers and U.S. resources with a goal that was, largely, personal and political in nature.

Once we are talking about an improper use of lawful powers, then things are less lurid and more complicated than a mafia-land crime. And once you factor in that the Ukrainians ultimately got their funding without investigating anyone or announcing an investigation into anyone, the picture is even less clear.

Impeachment and removal of a president requires a national consensus to get the two-thirds vote to convict in the Senate. This is why the Democrats need more than wrong and troubling and worthy of congressional investigation, a standard they’ve amply met; they need shocking to the conscience, which they aren’t going to meet on anything like the current universe of facts.

This is the political reality -- in English, Latin or any other language.



Dear Eleanore Turkington:

Back at the beginning of October I wrote that there are holes and crevices on Knox Street. Perhaps we are being forgotten because this is a dead end street. This complaint is specifically located at the entrance to 12 Knox St. Winter is coming and we hope that they can redo this street and fix the holes.

JE Knox Street Resident

Dear JE:

I notified Councilwoman Robbin Watt Hamilton of the condition on Knox Street. It is now the end of November and GripeVine hasn't heard from Councilwoman Hamilton. Hopefully she will respond to Gripe Vine with an update of this road's condition. Meanwhile, drop me a note and let me know if any improvement has taken place.

Gripe Vine Readers:

I am very adamant when it comes to children's safety and each time Gripe Vine receives emails and letters from readers alerting me to roads and intersections that post STOP SIGNS that are ignored, especially at streets where children

travel or wait to board school buses, I really get highly annoyed. Thus, the reason for the letter that arrived on my desk back on Oct. 5 calling my attention to motorists disregarding STOP SIGNS at Hubbard and Benham Avenue.

I notified outgoing Councilwoman Louise Martone Oct. 5 of this hazardous area. To date I have not received a reply. I am hopeful that members of the police department read this column and make sincere efforts from the Traffic Department to pass some tickets to law-breaking motorist at this site. Meanwhile, I am hopeful Councilwoman Hamilton will follow up on this complaint and make some dedicated efforts to remedy this situation.

Dear Eleanore Turkington:

Someone has removed the STOP Sign at Seaview and Ocean Avenue. Can we have it replaced?

IM Motorist

Dear IM:

I am happy to say that following correspondence with State Representative Dorinda Borer, a reply arrived regarding this



ELEANORE TURKINGTON

"missing" STOP SIGN. Here is what Rep. Borer had to say: "I am sorry it took a few weeks since your article appeared in The Voice regarding the STOP SIGN at Seaview. In order to provide you and your readers to reach me, here is

my contact information:

My official State Rep email is Dorinda.Borer@cga.ct.gov

My personal email is DorindaBorer@gmail.com

My cell number is 203-887-6359

Please feel free and pass it along to readers as I strive to be as responsive as possible.

With respect to the STOP SIGN at Seaview, I only remember a cross walk being there and don't remember there being a stop sign there in the past, but I will inquire to DOT (Department of Transportation) as it certainly warrants one. I will bring Rep. Charlie Ferraro into the loop as this intersection is located within his district and we try to work with each other on these issues."

Dear Eleanore Turkington:

As you may know, I will be the new councilman for the 10th District, effective Dec. 1. Should there be any pending concerns, questions or assistance pertaining to my district, please don't hesitate to contact me now or moving forward.

Barry Lee Cohen

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# Letters

## He'll be first in line to apply for home

I recently read that the Planning & Zoning board has denied the application by local developers for a small, long overdue and much needed, 55-and-older community. Apparently, the reason for the denial was the lack of "recreational facilities." As a member of the 55-and-older group I do not feel the need for any such facilities, especially in such a small community (16 houses). In fact I would not want to be paying the fees for it. So, unless there is a specific requirement in the zoning regulations for such facilities, I urge the board to reconsider its denial. I, for one, might be the first applicant for one of the houses.

*Marty Northam*

## A recreational facility is the way to go

I was at Our Lady of Victory Church for mass one Sunday and as usual my mind started to wonder. I was thinking about what could be done with the church that is now being sold.

My experience as a recreation person made me think what a great place for a recreation center. There is enough room for two courts, exercise equipment, room for a senior center along with the child development program we now have and much more. Maybe in the future a community pool and a splash pad, there is a lot of potential there. A friend of mine even suggested maybe the state would put a vocational school in the empty building.

People have to understand that recreation is more than kids' sports programs. Baby Boomers that are now coming of retirement age need more than (no offense) line dancing on the beach. Municipalities that have recreation centers offer day time programs like basketball and volleyball and other things enjoyed by older folks.

I know people will be saying, "What's he been smoking the city is broke," and I know that. But if it's sold to developers and they put in 10 or 20 houses what's that going to cost us with services and kids going to school?

Educating one child nowadays far exceeds what you generate in property taxes.

Purchasing this property may save us money in the long run, along with the benefit of having a recreation center. Maybe the MARB would even agree?

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*Tom Conroy*

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## Historian's corner

By Dan Shine

West Haven Green, 1920s  
Part VII

Katherine Held was born in 1915; today she is 104 years old, and still has a sharp and lucid memory. She has lived in the same house on Church Street for nearly her whole life, and this column would not be possible without the efforts of Katherine, as well as Steve Hildrich, present Historian of First Church, which this year is celebrating its 300th Birthday.

West Haven, Borough of Orange, became a town of its own right in 1921. The West Haven of Katherine Held's childhood is remembered as a time when most people took the trolley or walked in order

to get to work or to shop.

Indoor plumbing and telephone service were both fairly new, and gas lights were still in the process of being replaced by electric lights, both in homes and along the streets, and radio sets were just finding their way into many homes. And it was during the 1920s, that automobile would begin to change the culture and structure of America.

Katherine's memories recall the homes and businesses which surround the Green, and those will be discussed here.

At the northeast corner of Savin Avenue and Main Street was the home of George Peck. That home would be razed in

1958 and in its place would be Williston apartments. Steve Hildrich saw the wrecking ball take it down; he lived on Center near Savin at that time. The stately house had worn paint outside, but beautiful woodwork inside. Even at 13, he was very sad to see it go. As a child, Katherine Held recalls many happy days spent playing with Attorney Peck's children.

Two doors to the east was the home of Dr. Bevan; when young Katherine was out sick for more than three days, she would need a note from the doctor before returning to her classroom at Washington School. The next house belonged to well-known Sav-

in Rock entrepreneur Frank Wilcox, who had opened his restaurant in 1900. Wilcox's was built on pilings, and was famous up and down the coast for their shore dinners and its unsurpassed vistas of Long Island Sound.

Two doors further to the east was Seth Taylor Funeral home, named for its owner, who had founded it in 1917. Katherine Held spent many days at play with the Taylor's daughter and recalls being told to be quiet especially during funerals. At the corner of Campbell Avenue and Main Street stood West Haven Town Hall, which had been built in 1893; it housed the police department, the fire department and the

young town's administrative offices. Every building on that block was beautiful—sadly, today every one of them is gone—or so changed as to be unrecognizable. On the northeast corner of Campbell Avenue and Main Street stood Silver's Drug Shop, run by its young new owner William Silver, who had purchased the business when he was twenty years old.

*Thanks to Steve Hildrich for his help with this column..*



Members of the West Haven Police Dept. show off the new fleet of 1929 cruisers purchased for the town. The police are shown in front of the old Town Hall, which stood in the same spot as the current City Hall. Demolished to make way for the new structure, the building was originally a borough hall until 1921, when West Haven split from Orange.



Dan Shine is a columnist for the West Haven Voice, and former historian of the First Congregational Church.

# Lowe's employees build a 'gaga' pit

By Michael P. Walsh  
Special to the Voice

Employees from Lowe's of Milford have built West Haven its first gaga pit in the heart of Painter Park.

For those who don't know, gaga is a form of dodgeball played in an octagon-shaped structure, or pit.

To accommodate the popular children's game, a group of Lowe's volunteers recently erected a gaga pit, measuring 20 feet long, 20 feet wide and 4 feet high, with a way for climbing in and out, said city project coordinator Tom Conroy, acting director of the Department of Parks and Recreation.

Lowe's constructed the wooden gaga pit, which includes a mulch base, next to the basketball court behind the Noyes Field dugout, where shade is provided, Conroy said.

The home improvement store donated the labor and materials for the project, which took two weeks to complete, he said.

According to Conroy, Lowe's called him over the summer to

see if the city had any projects for its volunteer program.

"Kids from the Summer Adventure Camp had visited a place where they had a gaga pit and loved it and asked if we could get one," Conroy said. "So when Lowe's came along, we thought this was a great idea."

The game combines dodging, striking, running and jumping. Players hit the ball at each other with their hands and are eliminated if the ball strikes them on or below the waist. The last player to not get hit by the ball is the winner.

Lowe's, headquartered in Mooresville, North Carolina, is no stranger to giving back to West Haven.

Three years ago, employees from four area Lowe's stores — Derby, Milford, New Haven and Orange — volunteered their time to renovate the Painter Park wooden playground on Kelsey Avenue.

For five weeks, starting Aug. 26, 2016, dozens of Lowe's employees painstakingly restored the castle-themed play-

scape for their annual "Lowe's Heroes" community service project.

On Oct. 15, 2016, West Haven officials dedicated the refurbished "Maureen's Dream"

playground in honor of park neighbor and former city schoolteacher Maureen Blake.



Photo by Tom Conroy

The new gaga pit in Painter Park built by employees from Lowe's of Milford. Gaga is a form of dodgeball played in an octagon-shaped structure, or pit.

# Liscios lives out faith in action

By Josh LaBella  
Voice Reporter

With his Christian faith and a sense of community, Phil Liscio has worked over the past decade to help others and give back through a group he founded called Westies Care.

Liscio, who was born in Buffalo, NY, was raised in Milford. He and his wife Janet moved to West Haven about 30 years ago.

"We got married and bought a house here a couple months later," he said.

Liscio said before he met his wife, he was very involved in doing work with the Catholic Church. He said his volunteer work in West Haven started when he and Janet had children.

"I was a stay at home dad," said Liscio. "I would do things like take them to the park. Or I would take them to recreation department [events] like 'Mommy and Me' which they changed to 'Mommy, Daddy and Me' because of me. You start meeting people."

He said Patty Horvath told him he should get involved in Edith E. Mackrille Elementary School's PTA. Through his work in the PTA and coaching his daughter's sports teams, Liscio began to get more involved in the community.

"With that, and coming to church here, you start to wonder what else you can do to help people," said Liscio. "It evolved into the things we do now."

Liscio said the creation of Westies Care was a result of starting a scholarship in the name of his son, Danny, who died at the age of 20. He said everything the group does is to give back.

"Everything we do is steeped in our Christian faith," said Liscio. "The Bible tells you to do those things."

In addition to the scholarship, the Liscios hosted a blood drive at the First Congregational Church, of which Phil and his family are members. He said another driving factor in the growth of Westies Care came when he was bringing food to the West Haven Emergency Action Taskforce.

"I was in total shock when I actually saw people I knew going there for help," said Liscio. "This is when the economy was bottomed out - 2008 or 2009. Everybody was really struggling. I was struck by that. That people I know, who are good, hard working, taxpaying, income earning people, needed help."

After talking to Rose Majestic, the Director of WHEAT,

Liscio decided to have a food drive that summer because Majestic told him people are less likely to donate food at that time of year. They hosted a food drive called the Westies Care Food Fight: Red Sox vs. Yankees.

"We weighed the food, and that counted as points," he said. "We raised more money, and brought in more food, in one weekend than Rose said she had ever seen in a summer food drive."

Westies Care started with just Phil, Janet, their daughters and a number of volunteers. In order to start to grow, as well as raise money, Liscio said

they need to become an official non-profit organization. He said his friends helped them with that.

"Colene and Peter MacDonald came to me and said they had a lawyer friend who may do it [help them apply for 501c3 status] pro bono," said Liscio. "We got the paperwork together. They did all the work. We became a 501c3. We got an executive board and that core group still works together on everything."

Liscio made a point to say that Westies Care does not do all their work alone. He said they work with other community partners such as their

church, the Rotary Club and the Vertical Church.

"It's not difficult," he said. "You know what's difficult? It's not being able to help everybody who needs it."

Westies Care has held a yearly banquet for the past decade where they honor members of the community and give out scholarships to students going on to higher education. He said last year they gave out \$12,000 in scholarships.

The group has grown over time to hold many events including a Care and Share program at the Apple Festival and a Christmas dinner at the

First Congregational Church. They also hold a dinner, with the help of other groups, at the church every Tuesday for those who need it.

"We [also] do a lot of small stuff," said Liscio. "Every time we give a gift card or give a basket of food, we don't document that stuff. That's just the right Christian thing. We do that year-round."

Liscio said he feels blessed when he, his family, and his friends can help others. He said if they were not giving back, they would not feel they were living up to what to what they are expected to be.



PHIL and JANET LISCIO

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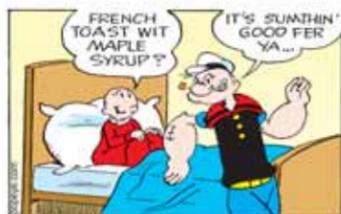
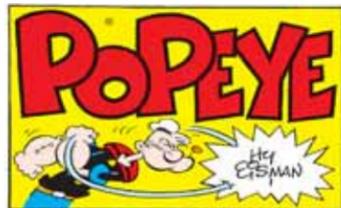
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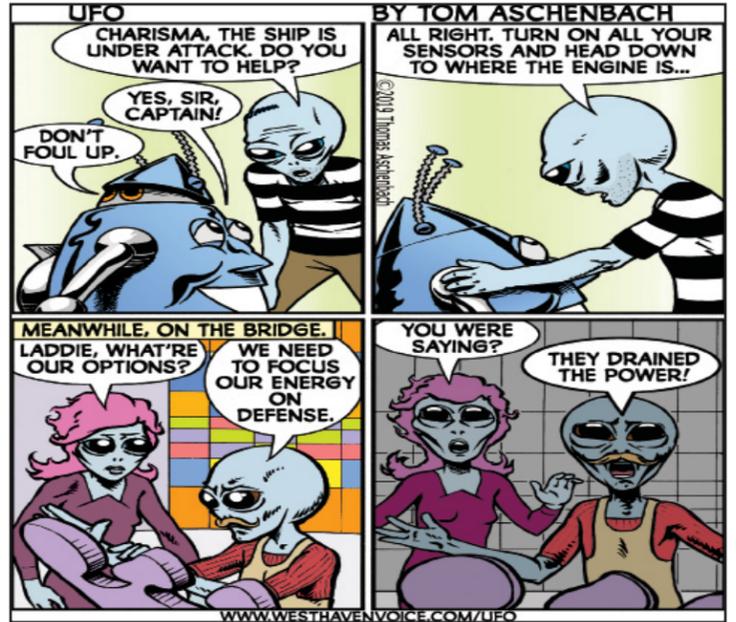


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## ND hosts 4th annual 'Hunger Relief' effort

Notre Dame High School of West Haven is hosting the Fourth Annual Hunger Relief for Haiti service project. This event, in partnership with Harvest Pack, a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization that addresses food insecurity, is scheduled for today from 3-7 p.m. in Collins Auditorium at Notre Dame High School.

Since 2016, Notre Dame's Harvest Pack event has impacted the lives of children and families in Haiti.

This year, the Notre Dame community is striving to reach its 2019 goal of packing 100,000 meals for the poorest country in the western hemisphere.

This makes Thursday's event the largest meal-packing project in the region.

"We've set another ambitious goal for ourselves this year, shooting for 100,000 meals. We were delighted when last year's event produced almost 84,000 meals -- with enthusiasm building, our fundraising efforts this year have broadened and deepened, which will propel us to our fourth successive higher total," said James S. Zoldy Jr., President of Halsey Associates (New Haven).

Notre Dame is grateful for the generous financial support of Halsey Associates, Washington Trust Co., the West Haven and New Haven Rotary Clubs, and Notre Dame students who together raised a total of \$13,000 to cover the cost of food, packaging, and transportation.

When the goal of 100,000 meals is achieved, the volunteers of Notre Dame's Harvest Pack events will have packed over a quarter of a million meals for St. Therese School and Orphanage.

"Harvest Pack has become a signature event and rally point for our community," said Robert F. Curis, President of Notre Dame High School. "It is a wonderful way for the Notre Dame community, friends and neighbors to roll up our collective sleeves and set our minds and hearts into action to serve others in need."

### IA Seniors plan Christmas Party

The WHIA Seniors at 85 Chase Lane will hold a Senior's Christmas Party on Tuesday, Dec. 10 with a full dinner menu of prime rib, stuffed shrimp or stuffed chicken and dessert. Members, \$25, Guests, \$27 RSVP to Josephine Matera by Dec. 2, (203) 225-9239.

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## 8U Seahawks champs!

The West Haven Seahawks 8U football team (11-0) won the Connecticut state championship with a convincing 30-0 win over the Northern Connecticut Pop Warner champion Pomperaug Warriors.

Seahawk running back Tristian Crawford took over the game and accounted for all the scoring with four offensive touchdowns and a fumble recovery for a score on defense. The offensive line provided great blocking and big holes that was led by CJ Schaulder, Jaden Potter and Kayden Loyola. The defense held the Warriors at bay all day with excellent play from William Pastore, Jacari Harris, Jayden Spell, Brody Coe, Kaedyn Desruisseaux and Mason Booker.

The Seahawks will now advance to the New England regional semi-final game and face the Rhode Island Champion, Mount Hope Cowboys from Providence. The game will be played on Saturday at 10:30 at LaSalle Academy in Providence.



Photo courtesy of RTMFL

Seahawks' running back Tristian Crawford (4) looks for an opening to run. The Seahawks won the State Championship, 30-0, over the Pomperaug Warriors.



Photo courtesy of RTMFL

Seahawk Jaden Spell (22) moves in for the tackle during West Haven's 30-0 win over the Pomperaug Warriors. The Seahawks advance to the regional playoffs.



Photo courtesy of RTMFL

Seahawk defender Jacari Harris (56) runs down a Pomperaug runner during the state championship game.

## Knights top Westies for Soderman Trophy



Photo courtesy of NDWH

The Soderman Bowl Trophy switched schools last Friday night as ND football broke a three-game losing streak.

Football -- It took until the second-to-last play of the game for the football version of the city rivalry to be decided. Notre Dame took a 41-35 lead on a 32-yard scoring strike from Jackson Zalinsky to Aiden Stankiewicz with 48 seconds left in the game to provide the winning margin.

The game was finally decided on a Michael Consorte interception with 15 seconds left. Zalinsky threw four touchdown passes to four different receivers in a back-and-forth affair that saw seven lead changes. Neither team led by more than eight points. West Haven quarterback Andre Rentas ran for three touchdowns, including 53 and 56 yard runs. The Blue Devils tied the game with three minutes left on a Jaden Grant nine-yard run and ensuing two-point conversion.

Damian Blount had two touchdown runs for the Green Knights, who also had Robbie Oliverio, Austin Pieck, and Tommy Candelora catch touchdown passes. Notre Dame, which now stands at 5-4 on the year, will look to end the year with a win in the annual Green Bowl game on Thanksgiving morning against Hamden.

Soccer -- Head coach Chris Ciuca's soccer team rebounded from a slow start to post a seven-game unbeaten streak heading into the postseason. Unfortunately for Notre Dame, that run ended in a 2-0 loss at Wethersfield in the second round of the CIAC Class L soccer tournament on Wednesday, Nov. 13.

The Green Knights used two early goals to post an opening-round win at Bassick on Vet  
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# Devils fall to Knights

Throw away the records when the West Haven and Notre Dame football teams meet. Friday night was no exception.

Using a late score, Notre Dame rallied to defeat the Westies 41-35 in the Soderman Bowl at Veterans Field.

With the game even at 35, Notre Dame quarterback Jackson Zelinsky hit Aiden Stankiewicz for a 32-yard touchdown. Zalinsky threw for 288 yards and four touchdowns in the contest.

In the high-scoring affair, West Haven got on the scoreboard first when Andre Rentas scored from 1-yard out with 7:14 left in the opening quarter. The Green Knights responded with 11 ticks left in the quarter to take a 7-6 lead as Zalinsky hit Austin Pieck from six yards out.

Rentas hit Justin Medina for a 33-yard scoring strike 2:09 into the second for a 14-7 advantage, but the Green Knights evened the game with 5:57 left in the first half on a 9-yard touchdown run by Damian Blount.

The game continued its fast pace in the third quarter as Zalinsky hit Robbie Oliverio from six yards out, but the Westies took a 27-21 lead to the fourth quarter after Rentas scored on a 53-yard run 1:19 later, then ran in from 56 yards with 1:27 to go in the quarter.

Bliount ran in from 26 yards out 47 seconds into the fourth for a 28-27 Notre Dame lead, before the Green Knights increased their lead to 35-27 when Zalinsky hit Tommy Candelora from 51 yards out with 7:20 to go.

When Jaden Grant ran in from nine yards out and Rentas and Jordan Berrios connected on the conversion, West Haven evened the game at 35.

Rentas ran for 147 yards in the contest.

## Knights: PG squad goes to 3-1

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erans Day. An own goal and a great strike by Thomas Ellis sparked Notre Dame to an eventual 2-1 win. Both of Notre Dame's goals came in the first 12 minutes of the game.

Bassick finally tallied with less than three minutes left but the Green Knights didn't allow another Lion scoring chance in the win. Ellis earned all-SCC First Team honors, while fellow senior and captain Christian Lombardo was named to the all-SCC Second Team. Notre Dame's final record was 8-7-1 in 2019.

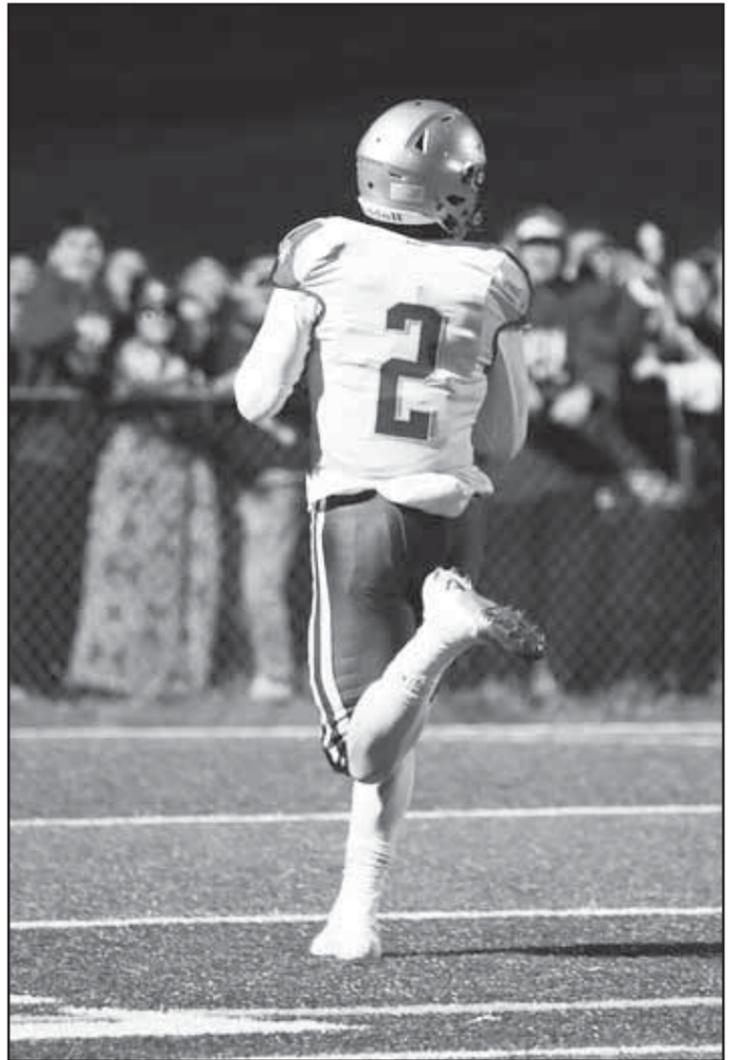
Post-Graduate Basketball -- Notre Dame Prep, the Green Knights post-graduate basketball team, had a busy and successful week. They went 3-1 to improve their overall record to 4-1 on the season. Coach Nick Defeo's squad

opened the week with a pair of home wins over the Mitchell College JV team (82-73) and Commonwealth Regional (95-80).

They then participated in the Power Five Tipoff Invitational, splitting a pair of games, over the weekend of Nov. 15-16. They fell to Woodstock Academy Blue before rebounding the next day to post a season-high 102 points in a win over RockTop Academy. Kerwin Prince scored a season-high 29 points in the win over RockTop Academy.

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Player of the Week

Andre Rentas (2) was tough to contain against the Green Knights as he ran for three touchdowns and threw another. Rentas scored on runs of 1, 53, and 56 yards, while he threw a touchdown pass of 33 yards. To read about the Player of the Week, and all of your West Haven sporting news, visit www.westieblue.com.

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Squirt A sextet tops RiverHawks, 8-3

The West Haven Squirt A travel hockey team beat the Connecticut RiverHawks, 8-3, at The Rinks at Shelton on Sunday to notch its eighth win

of the season. Forward Cameren Lipford scored five goals and tallied an assist and goaltender Alex Werle saved 15 shots to lead

the way for the Blue Devils. Just 33 seconds into the game, Lipford put the Westies up 1-0 with forward Aedan Guarino assisting on the goal. The RiverHawks tied it at 7:23 of the first before Lipford made it 2-1 at 2:47 of the period.

Bolstered by strong efforts offensively and defensively, the Blue Devils never looked back. Center Grady Schulte made it 3-1 at 10:10 of the second with Lipford assisting on the play. Lipford and Aedan Guarino then scored three minutes apart to give the Westies a four-goal lead. The RiverHawks cut it to 5-2 at 1:18 of the period.

Lipford opened the third with a goal assisted by forward Ryan Walsh, followed

by a goal set up by Aedan Guarino. The RiverHawks cut it to 7-3 before Schulte netted his second goal of the contest at 1:23 of the period to seal the victory for the Blue Devils.

On Saturday, West Haven fell, 7-4, to Yale A in a tough game at Bennett Rink.

The Blue Devils struck first, with Lipford scoring 41 seconds into the game on a pass from center Tyler Silva. Lipford made it to 2-0 on a wrist shot from downtown at 9:16 of the first. Aedan Guarino assisted on the goal.

Werle, who stopped 38 shots during the game, made a pair of showstopping glove saves at 7:59 and 2:39 of the first to keep the Westies in the contest. Yale cut it to 2-1 at 1:55 of the period.

In the second, Yale tied the game on a power-play goal before scoring at 7:37 of the period to go up 3-2. Yale then scored twice in two minutes to make it 5-2. Lipford cut it to 5-3 on a rebound from Aedan Guarino at 2:00 of the second. Silva also assisted on the play.

At 5:40 of the third, Schulte made it a one-shot game, firing a wrister from inside the right faceoff circle that sailed off the Yale goaltender's glove. The Blue Devils could not keep up the momentum, however, as Yale sunk two straight goals to close out the contest.

The West Haven Peewee AA travel hockey team has won 16 consecutive contests. The Westies opened the weekend in CHC action playing third-ranked Southeastern in the first of two games on Saturday. Riding a 13-game win streak. The Westies increased the run to 14 games with an 8-0 victory. Nick Eberhart made sure the streak would not end at 13 as he beat the goalie with a wrister, assisted by Nicky Stevens and Thomas Porto with 3:42 left in the first period.

The Devils piled on seven more tallies. The goals were scored by Eberhart (2), Nick Salzano (2), Billy Mascari, John Donohue, Tim Donohue, and Brody DiNuzzo. Assists went to DiNuzzo (3), Thomas Porto

(2), Zach Goetze, Gabe Locklear, Stevens, Tim Donohue and Jack Aloï. Nate Kempton started and finished in net as he turned aside everything Southeastern threw at him while earning another shutout. West Haven then topped Hamden 10-1. To open the second contest of the day, DiNuzzo found a loose puck in the neutral zone and went the rest of the way, before beating the Hamden goaltender on his backhand with 8:07 remaining in the first.

The Westies tacked on seven more goals, before Hamden found the back of the net. West Haven added two more goals late as the team defeated Hamden, 10-1, behind another strong performance in net from Tyler Donroe.

Goals were scored by DiNuzzo (2), Locklear (2), Stevens, Eberhart, Connor Benz, Tim Donohue, and Porto. Collecting assists were DiNuzzo (2), John Donohue, Aloï, Eberhart, Drew Kauffman, Stevens and Mascari. Goetze and Beckett Stenz played well.

West Haven capped the weekend with a 2-0 victory over Whalers Black. Stevens scored the opening goal and DiNuzzo added an empty net goal. Kempton played well in a complete game shutout. The West Haven Peewee A travel hockey team split a pair of games this weekend and now stand at 9-12-1 overall and 8-8-0 in CHC league play. The Blue Devils defeated Watertown A, 10-4, and fell to highly-ranked Avon A, 8-3.

On Saturday night at The Rinks at Shelton against Watertown, the Westies shook off a slow start when Ronnie Mastroni got them on the scoreboard 6:21 into the first period. Brady Price's slap shot bounced off the boards and Mastroni knocked in the loose puck. Dylan Bosworth made it 2-0 with a wrist shot before the Red Wings cut the lead in half before the break.

West Haven came out flying in the second period. Connor Moriarty won a face off and Mastroni took the puck

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Stick save

West Haven Squirt A goaltender Alex Werle makes a stick save against the Connecticut RiverHawks at The Rinks at Shelton on Sunday. The Blue Devils defeated the RiverHawks, 8-3, for their eighth win of the season, anchored by Werle's 15 saves and forward Cameren Lipford's five goals and one assist.

Hockey: *Peewee AA at 13*

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to the net to make it 3-1. Alex Bowery then jammed home a wraparound. Price roofed a back hand making it 5-1. Zach Melchiorre then fed Mastroni for a breakaway goal. After a Red Wings score, Chris Consorte found Sean Studley in the slot for a wrist shot. Price then redirected Bosworth's point shot just before the second period ended.

In the third period, Studley converted another Consorte pass before Watertown scored a pair of goals. Mike Page wrapped things up with a goal from Bosworth and Bowery giving West Haven the 10-4 victory. Greg Galasso made

six saves in net.

On Sunday morning at Edward L. Bennett Rink, the Westies and Avon were locked in a battle for the first half of the game. Avon scored in the opening minute, but the teams skated evenly into the second period.

Avon scored on a power play for a 2-0 lead, before the Westies got on the board. Bowery gathered a loose puck and found Studley cutting in front for a one-timer to make it 2-1. Avon responded immediately though and scored three goals in the next three minutes to take control.

West Haven opened the third with a short-handed

goal when Price took it to the net and Bowery fired in the loose puck. Avon responded again, before Page completed the scoring with an unassisted goal. Jacob Silva was strong in goal at times for West Haven and finished with 32 saves.

Youth league publicists reminded of deadlines

The winter sports season is set to begin in basketball. The West Haven Voice would like to remind league publicists and coaches of the requirements for weekly reports. All leagues are to have one publicist through whom all stories come. Our rule is: we will edit it, headline it and print it, but we will not write it.

Coaches are reminded to check with their league officials as to the protocol to be followed in order to have games published in the Voice. No individual games will be accepted. All games must be through the league's publicist.

Deadline for copy is Tuesday at 10 a.m. unless prior clearance is given by the editor for a later submission. All copy must be in paragraph form and is subject to the same editing for clarity, grammar and space as are all other submissions.

Pictures are welcome and will be published on an "as need" basis. Pictures should be accompanied by the names of the players involved, the action in the photo, and the score of the game.

All games must have scores in those divisions where scores are kept. We understand some younger divisions do not keep score, but those that do should be reported accordingly.

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First and Wesley UMC plans 2 events

The First and Wesley United Methodist Church parish is sponsoring two holiday events the weekend of Dec. 7-8.

A Living Nativity (an outdoor re-creation of the Christmas story), is scheduled for Saturday, Dec. 7, from 2-4.

This is a Christmas gift to the community. Experience the story of Christ's birth by seeing the manger scene with costumed characters. During the event, parishioners will distribute free gifts (hats/mittens) to children, provide hot chocolate, and host

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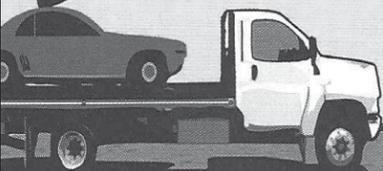
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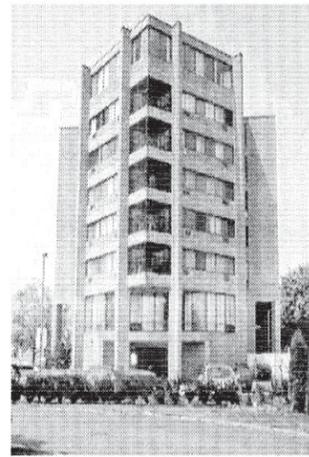
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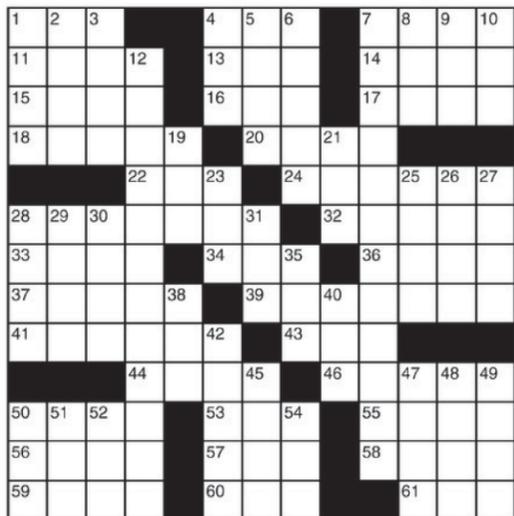
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 - 11 Frosty
 - 13 Wire measure
 - 14 "The Amazing ..."
 - 15 Killer whale
 - 16 Everything
 - 17 Basin acces- sory
 - 18 Intended
 - 20 Burg
 - 22 Sedona auto- maker
 - 24 Electronic dance music
 - 28 George who played 007
 - 32 Sandbank
 - 33 Lotion additive
 - 34 Massachusetts cape
 - 36 Knitting stitch
 - 37 Pays attention
 - 39 Balearic island
 - 41 Went to a restaurant
 - 43 Cow's com- ment
 - 44 Responsibility
 - 46 Formal decree
 - 50 On the rocks
 - 53 Jazz style
 - 55 "Damn Yankees" vamp
 - 56 Pickle herb
 - 57 "See ya"
 - 58 And others (Abbr.)
 - 59 Benefit
 - 60 Shriek bark
 - 61 Wonderment
 - DOWN**
 - 1 Gifftag prepo- sition
 - 2 Ireland
 - 3 Village People hit
 - 4 "I — Camera"
 - 5 Scottish gar- ment
 - 6 Apportion
 - 7 Dowager's pet, maybe
 - 8 Legislation
 - 9 High card
 - 10 Apiece
 - 12 Pony rider of song
 - 19 Can metal
 - 21 Horror director Craven
 - 23 Kimmel's net- work
 - 25 60 minutes
 - 26 Drug dealer's foe
 - 27 Earthenware pot
 - 28 Dalai —
 - 29 Came down
 - 30 Region
 - 31 — Kippur
 - 35 Water barrier
 - 38 Helios' realm
 - 40 Coffee, slangily
 - 42 Pudgy
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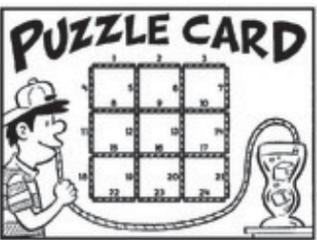


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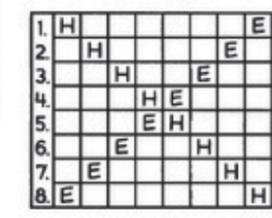
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- 2. A poker stake.
- 3. An extravagant act.
- 4. Pointy decoration.
- 5. Great for heartburn.
- 6. Words of opposite meanings.

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Using the definitions and the anagrams below, find the eight eight-letter words that fit into the framework pictured on the left. For each definition, the letters in the two anagram words must be unscrambled and used to form the word asked for.

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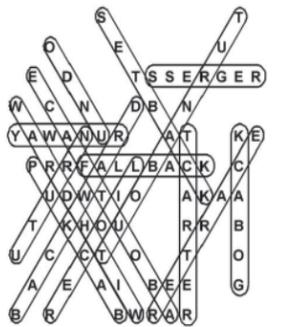
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Answers



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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 the Senior Center (203) 937-3507.

Holiday Bazaar

The West Haven Garden Club will have its Holiday Bazaar on Thursday, Dec. 5 from 9-2. It will take place at

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Holiday Fair

The annual Holiday Fair, sponsored by the West Haven Historical Society, is set for Saturday, Nov. 23 from 10- 4. The Fair will be held at the Poli House 686 Savin Ave., opposite the West Haven Green.

The event will include various local crafters, home-baked goods, prints, cards, books, jewelry, and a special Tree Raffle, which offers surprise gifts for a contribution to the Historical Society.

There will be an array of gift ideas for everyone looking for unusual items to include on their gift giving list this year. Admission is free.

Casino trip

The West Haven Italian-American Club will conduct a bus trip to the Mohican Sun Casino on Monday, Nov. 25. Cost is \$25 per person, gratuity included. Casino vouchers included are buffet and slot plays. Bus leaves club grounds at 3 p.m. Returns approximately 10:30. Call Mickey at (203) 606-0925.

\$5 Sale

Beacon on the Hill, a shop sponsored by Our Lady of Victory Church at 634 Jones Hill Road, is sponsoring a \$5 Sale on Saturday, Nov. 23, from 2-4 p.m. New items with price tags attached - clothing, handbags and shoes will all go for \$5. Cash only, no large bills.

Harvest Fair

First Lutheran Church, 52 George St., will hold its annual Harvest Fair on Saturday, Nov. 23 from 9-2. There will be vendors, baked goods, white elephant sale, raffles and refreshments.

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New UNH police officer takes oath of office

New University of New Haven police Officer James Baker, center, is joined by UNH Police Chief James T. Gilman, left, and Assistant Chief Donald F. Parker after being sworn in by city Corporation Counsel Lee Tiernan on Nov. 12 at City Hall. Also attending the ceremony were Baker's wife, Michelle, and Ronald M. Quagliani, UNH associate vice president of public safety and administrative services. Baker, of Hamden, recently retired from the New Haven Police Department after a 20-year career.



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