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## Fire Expo

An aerial view of the West Haven Centennial Fire Expo on Saturday. Families, fire service enthusiasts, and paid and volunteer firefighters from across the state turned out to see the colorful fleet of engines and trucks, including antique fire apparatus, on display in the parking lot of the Savin Rock Conference Center. West Haven's three fire departments held the free exposition to salute the community's 100th anniversary. For more information and photos see page 19.



# Rossi win confirmed in recount

With a challenge of the absentee ballots still a possibility by Republican candidate Barry Lee Cohen, a recount Sunday solidified the Nov. 2 win of incumbent Mayor Nancy Rossi, Sunday Cohen, whose attorney questioned the legality of some of the ballots, still has until next week to determine whether he should mount a court challenge (See related story, page 11).

The recount gave Rossi a 34-vote margin of victory, 4,754-4,243.

Following the recount, both Rossi and Cohen were asked for final statements regarding the campaign and the results.

Rossi said she was thankful for the voters giving her another chance to serve.

"I am thankful to the voters of West Haven for allowing me the privilege to continue serving them as mayor for another two years,"

She did admit the recent arrest of former city worker and State Rep. Michael DiMassa and worker John Bernardo had a telling effect.

"The scandal and arrests regarding the federal CARES Act has me physically sick and the fact that it happened on my watch personally hurts me. Although I will not take responsibility for the illegal actions of those involved in this alleged embezzlement scheme, I do take responsibility for this happening during my term. It hurts me physically and emotionally—I will make sure that every last penny of the Care

Act funding is accounted for, and all the individuals involved in this alleged embezzlement scheme will be arrested and held responsible for their actions," she said

She said changes are in the wind following the recent arrests.

"I will make the changes necessary to our internal and financial control system to make sure this never happens in our city again. We have so many good projects happening on the horizon and I look forward to advancing all of them," she said.

She asked for unity, now that the election is over.

"I ask all of our residents, whether you voted for me or not, to come together and join me in continuing the

improvement of West Haven over the next two years. I promise you that we will get through these rough times and will rebound wiser and stronger," she said.

Cohen, meanwhile, thanked voters for their support, and encouragement.

"Thank you, West Haven! I am humbled by your support that was epitomized by your trust and votes on Nov. 2. Your unwavering dedication, friendship, and love prior to, during and since last Tuesday has warmed my heart and made me a better man. I will always embrace, cherish, and honor this extraordinary journey for a lifetime," he said.

He then reiterated the theme the city  
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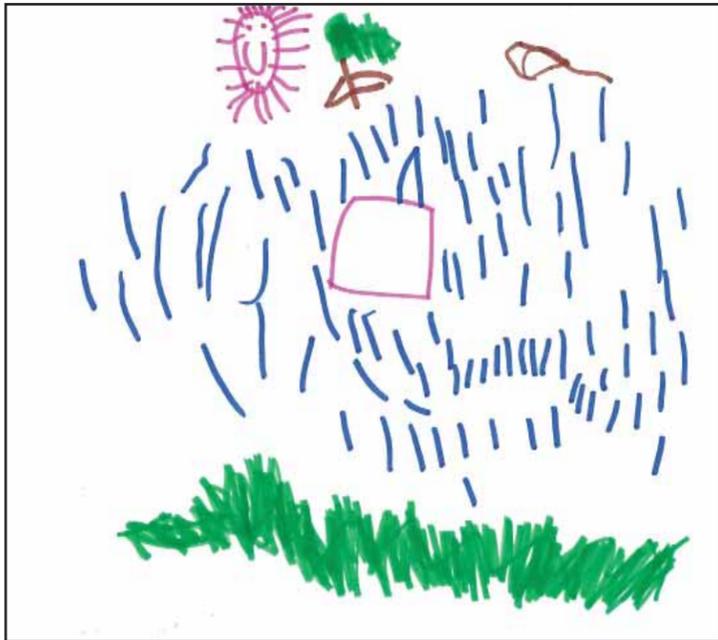
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Nawal at West Haven Community House's Head Start program says, "I 'drew' the rainy day, the sun, the flower, the house, the grass, and it was rainy a lot."

### On this Date

**1973 -- Military coup in Greece.** President George Papadopoulos was ousted by the army, just a week after student-led protests at the Athens Polytechnic were violently put down by the government.

**1960 -- Assassination of the Mirabal Sisters.** The 3 Dominican sisters, Patria, Minerva, Antonia Mirabal, were activists that were opposed to the dictatorship of Rafael Trujillo. On this day, they were brutally killed and their deaths staged to look like accidents.

**1952 -- Agatha Christie's The Mousetrap opens at London's West End.** The longest running show in history, the play began as a radio play called Three Blind Mice. It is based on the death of Dennis O'Neill, who died while in foster care.

**1936 -- Nazi Germany and Japan sign the Anti-Comintern Pact.** The treaty was directed towards the Soviet Union and stipulated that in case of Soviet aggression towards either country, the other would consider it as an act of aggression towards it as well.

The pact was later signed by other countries including Italy, Romania, Spain, and Turkey.



File photo by Michael P. Walsh

### Book signing Wednesday

Mayor Nancy R. Rossi and author Dan Shine sign a paperback copy of the new centennial book, "City of West Haven: Village to Town," for Juliet Taylor, an Army veteran from Bridgeport, in the first-floor foyer of City Hall on Oct. 20. The \$20 book, printed in partnership with GHP Media of West Haven, chronicles the stories and photos that shaped West Haven's past 100 years. The information was sourced from the "Historian's Corner" series written by Shine, one of the foremost authorities on West Haven history.

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# City honors veterans with ceremony today

By Michael P. Walsh  
*Special to the Voice*

The city and the West Haven Veterans Council will hold a Veterans Day tribute on the Veterans Walk of Honor in Bradley Point Park at 10:45 a.m. today.

All veterans are invited to participate in the annual ceremony, which will feature remarks by Mayor Nancy R. Rossi and Veterans Council President Dave Ricci.

The public is also invited.

Louis P. Esposito Jr., Rossi's executive assistant, will serve as the master of ceremonies.

The event will commence with a presentation of the colors by the West Haven Police Honor Guard and a flag-raising by the West Haven Fire Department Honor Guard.

It will include the national anthem and "God Bless America" sung by Liz Levy and opening and closing prayers given by Victor M. Borrás of Gateway Christian Fellowship.

The tribute will also include a bell-ringing at 11 a.m. and taps played by former West Shore Fire Department Lt. Kevin McKeon.

Veterans Day, formerly Armistice Day, is celebrated on the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month, marking the anniversary of the armistice that ended World War I in 1918. To coincide with the solemn ceremony, the Veterans Council will officially launch the 14th phase of its popular Brick Campaign.

In November 2006, the council began the first of 14 campaigns selling bricks to memorialize veterans on the 100-yard Walk of Honor between the William A. Soderman and Vietnam Veterans

memorials.

The bricks, which cost \$75, have charcoal lettering for personalized messages.

About 2,850 bricks have been installed so far, including 130 for the 13th phase, which was dedicated June 5.

Applications, due March 18,

2022, are available at <https://www.cityofwesthaven.com/DocumentCenter/View/3962/Veterans-Brick-Campaign-Application-2022-PDF> and in the mayor's office at City Hall, 355 Main St.

For details, call (203) 937-3510.



File Photo by Michael P. Walsh

The Veterans Walk of Honor at Bradley Point Park has been a feature of the city's shoreline since 2006. The brick memorials are once again being sold to expand the number of veterans honored.

## Happy Thanksgiving, neighbors.



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# Dear Felicia

To say this has been quite a week or so, honeybunch, wouldn't be the half of it. Since last week corresponded much has happened and is still going on. Usually after an election most places settle back down and get to the usuals of everyday life, not here in our little corner of the universe. Nope.

There was a recount of last week's election - witch is kind o' like something that happens around here a lot. I can remember at least three in the last decade or so.

Tennyrate, by the time you git this missive, we might have a better idea of who won, but one wonders effen that's gonna be the end of it. We shall see.

What Cobina wants to talk about, though, was the fack that whilst no one seems to be talkin' about it, one has to wonder - and Sammy Bluejay

did - as to whether herroner was hampered by the ongoing fraud investigation concerning the federal money. We know that jest days before the voting, Barry Lee Cohen, who seemed to resonate with many, put out yellow signs to go along with his team's signs, "Stop the Corruption," sayeth them.

That was a bit of genius from a campaign pernt of view. There are some who aren't convinced that things are as they are being told concerning the funds that were laundered. Herroner says she found them whilst looking through the requisitions, there are some - including a former State Central Committee Chairman - who wonder about that. Until setch evidence comes to the contrary, we hafta take her word for it.

As yew probably saw, a second arrest was made in the

case, the same name that has been bandied about the Actors Colony since the mayor made her Youtube announcement four weeks ago. John Bernardo was arraigned before a federal judge last week, and it was the same name that everyone was talking about.

His arrest has been the topic of a lotta speculation around the berg cuz, whilst it wasn't much of a secret, it was two weeks after former City Hall worker and former State Rep. Michael DiMassa was arrested. That has led people to think that something is afoot one way or t'other.

Bernardo has been a cog in the Democratic machine these last years, and has supported candidates across the tripartite spectrum that is city politics. What he knows and who can play something in this probe, that's for sure.

Still, people are reeling from all this, and many are angered - thus, one could make the argument - circling back - that what has happened over the last little while had an effect on the way people voted. Herroner must be thankin' her lucky stars that the arrest of Bernardo was after the election and not before. It could have meant something in the close count.

The recount took place in the Actors Colony and was,

as it usually is (we've been through this once or twice) it was an all-day affair. The original count on Election Day was 24, it was upped to 29 before the recount and ended up to be 34. So, herroner is herroner for another 24 moons.

Cohen was stoic about the outcome, Sammy told me that he didn't expeck the outcome to be different with the recount, but is concerned about absentee ballots.

Absentee ballots have always been a source of concern, and will be until they git rid o' them or find some other way to do it. We can remember many times ABs were contentious - in fact, every time.

Barry has about a fortnight to figger out what he's gonna do, so we hafta wait and see. The Republicans, meanwhile, did OK in getting two people on the City Council, so we can have opposition motions gain and second and be discussed. That's a plus.

Maybe, just maybe, this showing will give the GOP the kick in the pants its needed for the last three decades. Like him or not, Cohen might be the feisty person people were lookin' for from the city's opposition party.

We shall see what happens come the Town Committee elections in '22, but before they trash a losing candidate, they might wanna consider that he's got something people seemed to like.

Whilst that is going on, one wonders if, after all this fol-drol is over the culture in City Hall, which spans over many, many administrations will finally be changed. Things have been left to fester fer too long, and it's coming to a head.

Lost in all this, was the fack that MARB upbraided herroner in the most recent meeting for not follying what they see as markers they want the city to show. Now they're talking about withholding the funds the city would git from the MARB, which I thought weren't even counted in this year's budget - according to the post-message hype.

Tennyrate, the online publication the Connecticut Mirror has found through its investigation of purchase orders that a marching band was hired for the Memorial Day parade, and other things were bought as well. The questions now about the COVID dollars that come to the city are multiplying.

Rumors are flying about the berg that new indictments are gonna be issued by the feds and could go into double digits. Then there is the revelation that those purchase orders were paid toot-sweet, whilst regular vendors with the city wait upwards of 120 days to git paid. Some vendors

don't even allow the city to use a credit card, and some stopped doing business unless its COD.

Cobina happened out in the flivver the other day, and was traversing around the Beach Street area. Iva Lootey told me a few weeks back that some people are balking at the raising of the roadbed over there to prevent floods.

From whot Cobina saw the people who talked to Iva should go take a gander at the sidewalk - it's being chewed up. It was obvious the recent Nor'easter had a bad effeck on the walkway, and once the walkway goes, the road is soon to follow.

We went through this a few years back and 'twas that incident, follying Hurricane Sandy, that brought up the idea of raising the road. We shall see. Luckily, we don't have the same problems about sewer lines and storm drains, cuz they remedied that situation with big rocks and concrete. But, the roadbed is still a problem. Stay tuned.

Whilst all that is going on, regular people are starting to think about - and probably save up for Thanksgiving.

According to the local press, this year's dinner is gonna be the highest it's ever been thanks to the yokels in DC. But that's another story.

And like clockwork Bill Ewry has sent woid that his committee is workin' hard to git this year's Community Thanksgiving Dinner up and running. It's been a long tradition in town to have a community dinner at the First Congregational Church - since the 1980s. It's been under different committees and with different people, but it's still a concept to git people together. Yew can read more about it elsewhere

Along with it, the holidays nearing has brought out a bunch of food drives and soon there will be toy drives. People are thinking along those lines, and with some still reeling from the pandemic, there's probably gonna be a need like the past couple o' years.

It's a sign we're at least getting back to some normality around these parts.

Heck, we've seen an increase in the number of club notices that wanna git into "Around Town" in the papyrus and online. That hasn't happened in about 22 months effen my math is right. Club notices are returning, the IA Club Auxiliary brought back the Pizza Challenge a couple weeks ago, and things are getting back to the way they should be - much to the consternation o' some who want us to be in a constant state of pandemic mania. But, the regulars know better than those who claim to be their betters.

With that bit o' chatter, I'll close this time till next, mitt luff und kizzez,

Cobina

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**Dear Eleanore Turkington:**

There seems to be a refusal to turn the heat on at the 300 Elm Street library. It is consistently very cold and unhealthy for those that use the free internet service and therefore stay in the library for an extended time. What will it take for them to turn on the heat?

*LT Joseph*

**Dear Eleanore Turkington:**

The bean counters are too cheap to turn the heat on in the library at 300 Elm Street. Mornings are becoming cold and there are freezing temperatures in the forecast. The public library is cold all day because the heat is off. The heater is too cold to touch. Its time for them to turn on the heat.

*Mr. Ice M.S.*

**Dear LT and Mr. Ice:**

I was able to reach the Executive Director of the West Haven Library, Colleen Bailie. A prompt response provided the following answer to your questioning the lack of heat at the West Haven Library, 300 Elm Street.

According to Bailie, "We are working on the problem and its an issue with our heating system that our contractor was notified of immediately this past week. We are awaiting a part to be replaced and are working diligently with our contractor to get the library temperature up to appropriate levels. Please assure your readers we are aware of how vital our services are, especially during the cold months to be a warm, comfortable environment for all."

**Dear Eleanore Turkington:**

Our trash pickup is long outdated. We need barrels with attached lids that ae

picked up with the claw trucks not humans. People leave the trash uncovered as they blow or throw all over to be crushed by oncoming vehicles.

I have seen crews early in the morning picking up the plastic bags! Also, we badly need a transfer station just like Hamden, the city would be a lot cleaner and more inviting to businesses and new tenants. Electronics collections and bulk trash pickup three times a year doesn't cut it.

Dear Eleanore Turkington:

I would like to know when, if ever, the Morse Park courts will be ready for use. The courts have been painted and a perimeter fence been installed but no backboards or rims. I see the softball fields being tended to regularly and used, however the basketball court remains dysfunctional.

*MG Still Waiting*

**Dear MG:**

I have always been under the impression that local councilmen and councilwomen bear the responsibility of offering assistance to the people in their districts. A majority of the time, I have found this to be true. However, I have been disappointed occasionally, as I have with your complaint.

I have notified William X. Conlon, 2nd district councilman, of your gripe four times and have not received a reply, even one indicating this complaint was not within his neighborhood, if that were the case.

A basketball court is a healthy sport activity and would benefit many young people. As soon as I hear from Councilman Conlon, one way or another, you'll read the update here in Gripe Vine.



ELEANORE TURKINGTON

**Dear Gripe Vine Readers:**

I have received many complaints, a number of them repetitive but caring and important referring to traffic safety. Many of them forwarded to council members and council women who have neglected to respond through Gripe Vine, for my readers. Bearing in mind, a number of these traffic safety gripes should be followed through to the best of the council representatives as possible.

Lately, here are a few of these traffic complaints: One of them requested was a stop sign at Marion and Middle Street, a school bus stop. The request was forwarded to the police department. Speeding, reported often on Second Avenue, Also, a dangerous traffic

issue at Kelsey, Main, Wagner, and Elm Street.

Campbell Avenue and Captain Thomas Blvd., Potholes on Captain Thomas Blvd, a potentially dangerous traffic site. A dangerous pothole on northbound Kelsey Avenue, a missing stop light at Captain Thomas Blvd., and the broken traffic light at Campbell Avenue and the Veteran's hospital.

The streets of West Haven need working traffic signals, stop signs for protection and roads without potholes endangering motorists and pedestrians.

On Nov. 4, I sent a voice mail to West Haven Police Chief Joseph Permo seeking his assistance with these and similar

traffic hazards. I asked Chief Promo for his cooperation indicating I would forward these complaints directly to him for his scrutiny and solutions.

Please be aware I have received complaints relating to the Boston Post Road and I will forward these to the Department of Transportation for assistance.

I would like to ask you to include as complete as you can, locations of your gripes, facilitating a prompt, successful solution.

**Coming up.....**bulk trash gripe...more on West Spring gripe..Sawmill Road and Greta Street- huge crack in this road...graffiti marked stop sign at 5-7 First Ave.

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## Veteran's Day -- 2021

Today, we celebrated Veterans Day, a commemoration of all those who served – and those who died – wearing the uniform of the nation. Originating as Armistice Day, Nov. 11, 1918, it was dedicated to the end of what was then known as “The Great War.” On the eleventh day of the eleventh month at the eleventh hour, four years of bloodshed ceased in a conflagration that saw many millions die, it was the bloodiest war in human history. In many European nations, Nov. 11 is known as “Remembrance Day,” and is marked by the tolling of bells at 11 o'clock, and religious and civil ceremonies.

Rudyard Kipling's “Recessional,” known popularly as “Lest We Forget,” has been associated with this day and the devastation that occurred not only from 1914-1918, but in World War II and various other battles up to the present day. It stands as a stark prayer for forgiveness and mercy even in those wars considered “just.”

It is a West Haven Voice tradition to present this hymn during the week of Veterans Day as a prayer for peace and for continued hope that wherever our armed forces are sent, they be on the side of what is moral and right.

God of our fathers, known of old—  
Lord of our far-flung battle line—  
Beneath whose awful hand we hold  
Dominion over palm and pine—  
Lord God of Hosts, be with us yet,  
Lest we forget—lest we forget!

The tumult and the shouting dies—  
The Captains and the Kings depart—  
Still stands Thine ancient sacrifice,  
An humble and a contrite heart.  
Lord God of Hosts, be with us yet,  
Lest we forget—lest we forget!

Far-called our navies melt away—  
On dune and headland sinks the fire—  
Lo, all our pomp of yesterday  
Is one with Nineveh and Tyre!  
Judge of the Nations, spare us yet,  
Lest we forget—lest we forget!

If, drunk with sight of power, we loose  
Wild tongues that have not Thee in awe—  
Such boastings as the Gentiles use,  
Or lesser breeds without the Law—  
Lord God of Hosts, be with us yet,  
Lest we forget—lest we forget!

For heathen heart that puts her trust  
In reeking tube and iron shard—  
All valiant dust that  
builds on dust,  
And guarding calls not  
Thee to guard.  
For frantic boast and



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## The 'Life of Brandon'

By Rich Lowry  
Syndicated Columnist

There's a crisis afoot in the land -- people are being rude to President Joe Biden.

The trend of anti-Biden protestors chanting or holding signs saying, “F--- Joe Biden,” or the cleaner version that has come to signify the same thing, “Let’s go Brandon,” is being portrayed as a new low in American politics.

A recent Washington Post report was headlined, “Biden’s Critics Hurl Increasingly Vulgar Taunts.” It stipulated presidents have always been the subject of derision and abuse, then claimed, “The current eruption of anti-Biden signs and chants, however, is on another level, far more vulgar, and widespread.”

Really? Put aside all the abuse presidents were subjected to prior to the digital age, whether John Quincy Adams (“pimp”), Andrew Jackson (“a greater tyrant than Cromwell, Cesar, or Bonaparte”), Martin van Buren (“Martin van Ruin”), Abraham Lincoln (“the original gorilla”) or Theodore Roosevelt (“that damned cowboy”). The last few years weren’t exactly a mannerly period of polite disagreement in our national life.

As Byron York of the Washington Examiner has noted,

Donald Trump’s opponents gloried in the F-word, such that without it some of them would have been rendered practically mute. When Robert De Niro introduced Bruce Springsteen at the 2018 Tony Awards, he used the opportunity to declare: “I’m gonna say one thing. F--- Trump.” Cue the standing ovation.

A Los Angeles art gallery had a “F--- Trump” exhibit, rapper Eminem led a “F--- Trump” call-and-response at a concert in England, and so on.

If lobbing this particular vulgarity is now completely out of bounds, the new progressive rule is “F--- you” for me, but not for thee.

After gaining traction with roadside demonstrators outside Biden events and with college football fans, the “F--- Joe Biden” chant took an unexpected turn last month. The NASCAR driver Brandon Brown won a race at the Talladega Superspeedway and the reporter interviewing him misstated a growing “F--- Joe Biden” chant in the background as fans saying, “Let’s go Brandon.”

The scene was like something out of the Will Ferrell comedy “Talladega Nights.” A meme was born.

The substitute version of the insult, instantly adopted by

the president’s critics, is more lighthearted than the original. Fundamentally, it’s a joke. It is a gibe at Biden, of course, but also at the misreporting of the chant at the raceway, which is taken as a symbol of the media’s ridiculous protectiveness toward Biden.

The chant is also amusingly anodyne, given its provenance. Who can object to the cheering on Brandon, whoever he is?

Not everyone appreciates the humor, though. When a Southwest Airlines pilot allegedly spoke the offending phrase over the intercom on a flight with an Associated Press reporter on board, the outrage machine kicked into gear in a particularly blatant display of humorlessness and lack of proportion.

Harvard professor and CNN commentator Juliette Kayyem posted a missive supposedly from another pilot calling for the Southwest pilot and the crew all to be fired on grounds that he must have been too mentally unbalanced to operate the plane.

Asha Rangappa, another CNN commentator and a Yale law professor, compared the pilot’s statement with saying, “Long live ISIS,” as if expressing an anti-Biden sentiment

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# Election: *Rossi, Cohen relate final thoughts*

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is in need of real change.

"No matter the outcome of the election, one message rings loud and clear: Westies are demanding a change in leadership. As most recently witnessed in the last few days with the hiring of a marching band and the purchase of Christmas decorations using COVID funds, the public's trust continues to be shattered and dismay grows while West Haven's reputation gets dragged through the mud. This is in addition to the ap-

palling financial mismanagement that has resulted in a forensic audit by the OPM, the potential withholding of funds and strong rebuke of our current administration by MARB, and the ongoing FBI investigations which to date has resulted in two arrests, with more on the way," he said.

He said the wrongdoers will be punished, but those who were complicit need accountability.

"Be assured, those responsible that cast this dark cloud on our city will be held account-

able and prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law. Others who were complicit should do the honorable act and resign. Please remain Westie Strong," he said. "These individuals do not represent us. Stay positive and proud, however, please do not allow the heinous actions -- and inaction -- of those involved go unchallenged."

He then turned to his potential challenge.

Severe absentee ballot irregularities that were clearly identified on Nov. 2, have since dramatically escalated,

and were further verified during the recount. This, in addition to the ongoing scandals, have bred contempt throughout our city and statewide. *A canvass, as required by law, has not yet been conducted.* Due to the public's growing consternation my team is reviewing all options at my personal expense with the singular mission to ensure that every ballot cast was counted appropriately. It's not about winning or losing an election; it is and always has been about ensuring the integrity of our elec-

tion process," he said.

He repeated his belief his campaign was a boost to the city and thanked the voters.

"I am so very proud of the clean campaign and tireless work of my team which I will forever be indebted. Comprised of Democrats, Republicans, Independents, and Unaffiliated, each of you, along with 50% of the voters agree that it is all about Us," he said. "Whatever the future may hold, have no doubt I will continue my mission and my love for One West Haven."

## Community Dinner to be take-out only

A dinner that has seen several iterations since its inception in the late 1980s will offer a Thanksgiving dinner to those who need one or will be unable to cook it themselves. Under its current format, the tenth annual such dinner is planned for Nov. 25, Thanksgiving Day.

Bill Ewry and the parishioners of First Congregational Church, along with volunteers from other churches and organizations, will prepare, package and have the dinners delivered on a pick-up basis. Due to COVID concerns, the dinner will not have a sit-down offering in the church's Fellowship Hall, the second time this has been decided.

"I am writing to announce the 10th Annual Community Thanksgiving Dinner.

The dinner will once again be hosted by The First Congregational Church of West Haven," wrote in a letter sent

to the Voice. "Again this year, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, there will not be a sit-down dinner. The dinner will be served packaged curbside at our church entrance at 464 Campbell Ave."

The Thanksgiving meal will still have all the fixings of a traditional Thanksgiving dinner, including turkey, dressing, vegetables and dessert.

For the next nine days, the committee is accepting requests.

"We will be accepting requests for dinners through our church office by phone, our website, or email: Church Office, (203) 933-6291, website: [www.fccwesthaven.org](http://www.fccwesthaven.org), or email: [thanksgivingdinner@fccwesthaven.org](mailto:thanksgivingdinner@fccwesthaven.org). Requests will be accepted through Friday, Nov. 19," he wrote.

Ewry related that after the meal requests have been received, the requestees will be

called with directions prior to Thanksgiving Day.

Usually, the committee asks the community to help with providing things for the dinner, such as favorite desserts. COVID has curtailed that part of the participation as well.

"For safety concerns, we will not be accepting food donations from the community this year," Ewry wrote. "Once again, The University of New Haven, through the school's food services provider, has volunteered to provide some of the food for the dinner."

As with any community project like this, funds are needed to help make it possible, Ewry is asking those wishing to donate to please do so.

If anyone would like to support the dinner with a monetary donation, the donation should be sent to the church office at 1 Church St., West Haven 06516 attention Bill Ewry with "Thanksgiving Dinner" in the memo.

Begun in the 1980s as a project of the West Haven Clergy Association, the committee of city parishes took the acronym ACTION, the Area Congregations Together in Outreach Networking. The Thanksgiving dinner was intended to help the needy and homeless, who would not have a dinner. Quickly, it became apparent a broader outreach was needed.

Seniors with no family, those who could not be with

family, and even those families who just wanted to be part of a bigger event expanded the scope. City organizations, merchants, bakers and others took part helping prepare the meal, which was served to homebound residents as well as the sit-down dinner in the Fellowship Hall of First Church.

The project was then taken over by another committee, which attempted to expand the services offered, under the direction of the Rev. Arthur Yost, then-pastor of First Methodist Church. Eventually, the dinner had to be separated from the other activities, and was reorganized by Ewry and others.

## Lowry: *Brandon lives on*

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in a jokey way is the same as pledging loyalty to a terror group that would love its acolytes to crash airliners.

Of course, pilots shouldn't make political announcements on their flights, and it'd be better if no one resorted to public obscenities when referring to Biden, Trump, or any other officeholder. But it's one of the privileges of living in a democratic age that people can insult the head of state without fear of jail or other punishment.

Anyone who thinks deriding a U.S. president, especially an unpopular one, is breaking new, dangerous ground knows nothing of our history or what it's like to live in a clamorous continental nation. Partisan insults, vulgar and not, come with the territory.

*Rich Lowry is editor of the National Review.*

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## Yale offers teens help

The Anxiety and Mood Disorders Program at the Yale Child Study Center offers comprehensive evaluations and treatments for children and adolescents ages 6 to 14 years.

Services are provided at no cost to families who agree to participate in research but can otherwise be provided for a fee (with a sliding scale plan also available).

The program treats a range of anxiety disorders and fears.

The program is currently conducting two large clinical trials to treat childhood anxiety.

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Families interested in the service should call (203) 737-4644 or email [anxiety.csc@yale.edu](mailto:anxiety.csc@yale.edu) to learn more about the Anxiety and Mood Disorders Program at the Yale Child Study Center.

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PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION  
CITY OF WEST HAVEN, CONNECTICUT

The West Haven Planning and Zoning Commission will hold a Regular Meeting and Public Hearing on Tuesday, November 23, 2021 in the Harriet North Room, 2nd Floor, City Hall, and 355 Main Street, West Haven, CT at 6:00 P.M. to act on the following matters:

**Proposed Amendment to Zoning Regulations.** The City of West Haven is proposing an amendment to Section 20 Commercial District Table 20.1 to reduce the minimum lot size per unit requirement to 1,300 Square Feet. The amendment also includes a change to Table 62.1 in parking space requirements to a maximum requirement of 2 parking spaces per dwelling unit in residential zones. File ZR R21-93

**Proposed Amendments to Zoning Map.** The City of West Haven is proposing to amend the Zoning Map along portions of the R-3 Residential and PF Public Facilities districts along portions of Campbell Ave., Richards St., and Hall St. to become part of the adjacent NB Neighborhood Business District. File ZM R21-94

**Proposed Amendments to Zoning Map.** The City of West Haven is proposing to amend the OS Open Space and SCR Shoreline Commercial Retail district boundary as it crosses the parcels at 5 and 6 Rock Street. File ZM R21-95  
565 Jones Hill Rd. Application for Special Permit to allow parking in the front yard. Owner/Applicant: Katherine Sharog. File SP R21-97

Applications and supporting documents are available for review on the Office of Planning and Development, website at <http://cityofwesthaven.com/198/Planning-and-Zoning-Commission>.

A copy of the proposed Text Amendment and proposed Zoning Map Changes will be available for public inspection at the City Clerk's office ten (10) days prior to the public hearing. If you have any additional questions please call The Planning Office at 203-937-3580

Kathleen Hendricks, Chairman  
Planning and Zoning Commission

## Special Election Warning

December 14, 2021 State Election

The electors of the Town of West Haven are hereby warned to meet at their respective polling places in said town on Tuesday, December 14, 2021, for the following purposes:

To cast their votes for State Representative of the 116 Assembly District to fill a vacancy, as appears by Section 9-215 of the General Statutes of Connecticut. District 4, District 5, District 6, and District 7.

Notice is hereby given that the location of the polling places is as follows:

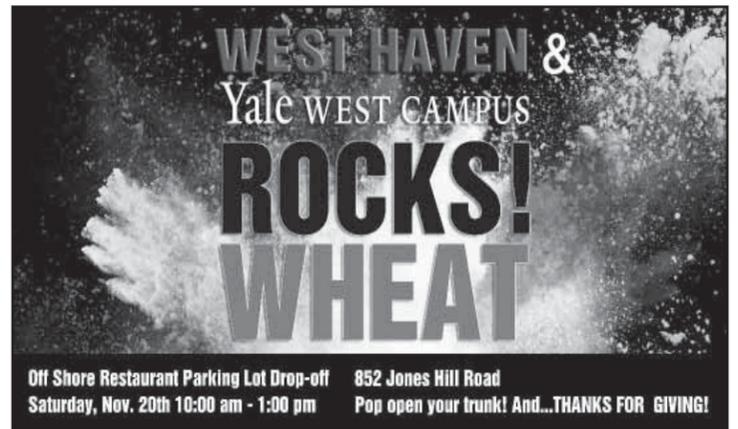
- 4th District: St. Pauls Church 898 First Avenue
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- 6th District: Forest School 95 Burwell Road
- 7th District: Molloy School 225 Meloy Road

Absentee Ballots will be counted at the following central location:  
City Hall 355 Main Street

Voting machines will be used. The polls will be opened at six o'clock in the morning 6:00 a.m. and will remain open until eight o'clock in the evening 8:00 p.m.

Dated at West Haven Connecticut, this 29th day of October 2021.

Patricia C Horvath  
Town/City Clerk of West Haven, CT



## Yale Rocks WHEAT to reprise, Nov. 20

West Haven Councilman Barry Lee Cohen is once again organizing a "West Haven ROCKS WHEAT" food drive on Saturday, Nov. 20 at the Off-Shore Restaurant & Lounge parking lot from 10a.m.-1 p.m. The effort brings together local partners, including Yale West Campus.

Located at 852 Jones Hill Road, the restaurant's parking lot provides a safe, socially distanced opportunity for the local community to donate non-perishable food items to the West Haven Emergency Assistance Taskforce (WHEAT). For the second year running the event is supported by Yale West Campus team members and other volunteers, who will be on hand to request that drivers pop open their trunks for quick retrieval of food donations.

Checks made payable to WHEAT will also be accepted.

As stated on the WHEAT website, food items highly coveted this month include peanut butter, tuna fish, cereal, pasta, jelly, tomato sauce, soups, canned fruits, and veggies. All nonperishable food items are greatly appreciated.

"I couldn't have received a faster, more enthusiastic response from our partners at Yale West Campus to once again help with this drive and most importantly support Westies in need," Cohen said.

Yale's West Campus, which straddles the City of West Haven and the Town of Orange, is participating in the event for the second year. "We know that many in our local towns continue to face difficult times and we want to play a part to support this community initiative. I'm grateful to our partners in West Haven for coming together to help out," said Meghan Dahlmeyer, Director of Finance and Administration at Yale's West Campus.

Cohen extended special thanks to Mark Laoue, owner of Off-Shore Restaurant, for once allowing the generous use of his premises.

"A true-blue Westie, Mark's quiet, yet committed support to West Haven rocks," he said.

Further information may be obtained by contacting Cohen at 203.645.2913; [bcohen@westhaven-ct.gov](mailto:bcohen@westhaven-ct.gov) or Jon Atherton [jon.atherton@yale.edu](mailto:jon.atherton@yale.edu).



West Haven Voice's next issue is the annual Thanksgiving edition, hitting the street Nov. 24.

# New England Brewing Co. moving to shore

By Michael P. Walsh  
*Special to the Voice*

Woodbridge craft brewery New England Brewing Co. announced a tentative lease agreement Nov. 1 to relocate to the former Savin Rock Conference Center in West Haven.

Marty Juliano, NEBCO's director of business development, heralded the news in front of the seaside conference center with Mayor Nancy R. Rossi, state Sen. James J. Maroney (D-10), and state Rep. Charles J. Ferraro R-(117).

Juliano was joined by Con-

necticut Brewers Guild Executive Director Phil Pappas and NEBCO founder Rob Leonard, Director of Operations John Dieli, Director of Brewing Operations Greg Radawich and Director of Sales and Marketing Jamal Robinson.

Also attending the late-afternoon announcement were City Council members William X. Conlon (D-2), Gary Donovan (D-at large), and Colleen O'Connor (R-at large), as well as city Treasurer Michael P. Last and mayoral Executive Assistant Louis P. Esposito, Jr.

Under the lease agreement, which requires City Council approval, NEBCO, the brewer of Sea Hag and other popular India pale ales, would build a two-story, 52,000-square-foot craft brewery at the site of the conference center on the Savin Rock shoreline.

The center — formerly The Casino and Harbour Mist restaurants and originally Phyllis' Restaurant — opened in April 1997 and closed for renovations in February 2019.

NEBCO was founded by Leonard in Woodbridge in

2002.

Pappas said that after 20 years, NEBCO has found its forever home — in West Haven. Juliano said the new brewery would include a production facility and office space, along with event space and a taproom for up to 1,000 patrons.

"This is the place you want to be," said Juliano, a native of West Haven. "The community is second to none."

Rossi praised the agreement and thanked NEBCO for choosing the prime West Ha-

ven site to brew its craft beer line, including Sea Hag, the No. 1 craft IPA in Connecticut.

The mayor said she always supported a long-term lease for the waterfront location and never entertained selling "one of the most beautiful pieces of property" in the city.

The brewery's move from 175 Amity Road in Woodbridge to a larger site at 6 Rock St. in West Haven would create 75 to 100 jobs, Juliano said.

Plans include demolishing the existing building, built in 1971.



Photos by Michael P. Walsh

Above Mayor Nancy R. Rossi, fifth from right, joins executives of New England Brewing Co. and city and state officials Nov. 1 to announce a tentative lease agreement to relocate the Woodbridge craft brewery to the former Savin Rock Conference Center. With Rossi are, from left, Connecticut Brewers Guild Executive Director Phil Pappas; NEBCO Director of Sales and Marketing Jamal Robinson, Director of Operations John Dieli, Director of Brewing Operations Greg Radawich, Director of Business Development Marty Juliano and founder Rob Leonard; Councilman Gary Donovan, D-at large; state Sen. James J. Maroney, D-Milford; Councilman William X. Conlon, D-2; mayoral Executive Assistant Louis P. Esposito Jr.; Councilwoman Colleen O'Connor, R-at large; state Rep. Charles J. Ferraro, R-West Haven; and city Treasurer Michael P. Last.



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**Students of the Month**

St. Lawrence School recently celebrated its Students of the Month for September in a ceremony held at the school. The students were honored for their academics and achievements in the classroom. Each student was awarded a pin and certificate, and the students, along with their parents, were invited to have breakfast with Pastor Jose Mercado and Principal Paul DeFonzo. Pictured here from left to right are: Principal Paul DeFonzo; Neel Patel, Grade 6; Neriah Timone, Grade 2; Jordan Williams, Grade 1; James Hernandez, Kindergarten; Ishani Jackson, Grade 3; Nicholas Mantilia, Grade 5; Gabrielle Machado, Grade 4; Brooklynn Maher, Grade 7; Marco Blakeslee, Grade 8; and the Rev. Jose Mercado, Pastor.

## Local troupe celebrates return of live performance

FUSE Theatre of CT, Inc. announced that it will be joining thousands of theatrical organizations around the globe by producing its own local production of Music Theatre International's *All Together Now! A Global Event Celebrating Local Theatre*. Theatrical licensor Music Theatre International (MTI) created this revue for theatres across the globe to use as a local fundraising event performed over the same weekend of Nov. 12.

FUSE Theatre of CT's performances are scheduled for Nov. 12 at 7:30 p.m., and 13 at 3 and 7:30 p.m. at Gateway Christian Fellowship, 129 Bull Hill Lane. This space features brand new UV lighting and HVAC filtration systems, and the auditorium provides plenty of space for social distancing.

Audiences are asked to wear masks, follow the

staff's guidance for socially distanced seating between parties, and submit to temperature checks at the door. Audience members are kindly asked to please bring a donation of non-perishable holiday food items to contribute to Gateway Christian Fellowship's annual Thanksgiving Food Drive.

*All Together Now!* features songs from MTI's beloved catalogue of musicals including *Annie*, *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory*, *Come From Away*, *Fiddler on the Roof*, *Godspell*, *Guys and Dolls*, *Little Shop of Horrors*, *Matilda*, *Once on This Island*, *Sister Act* and many more! T

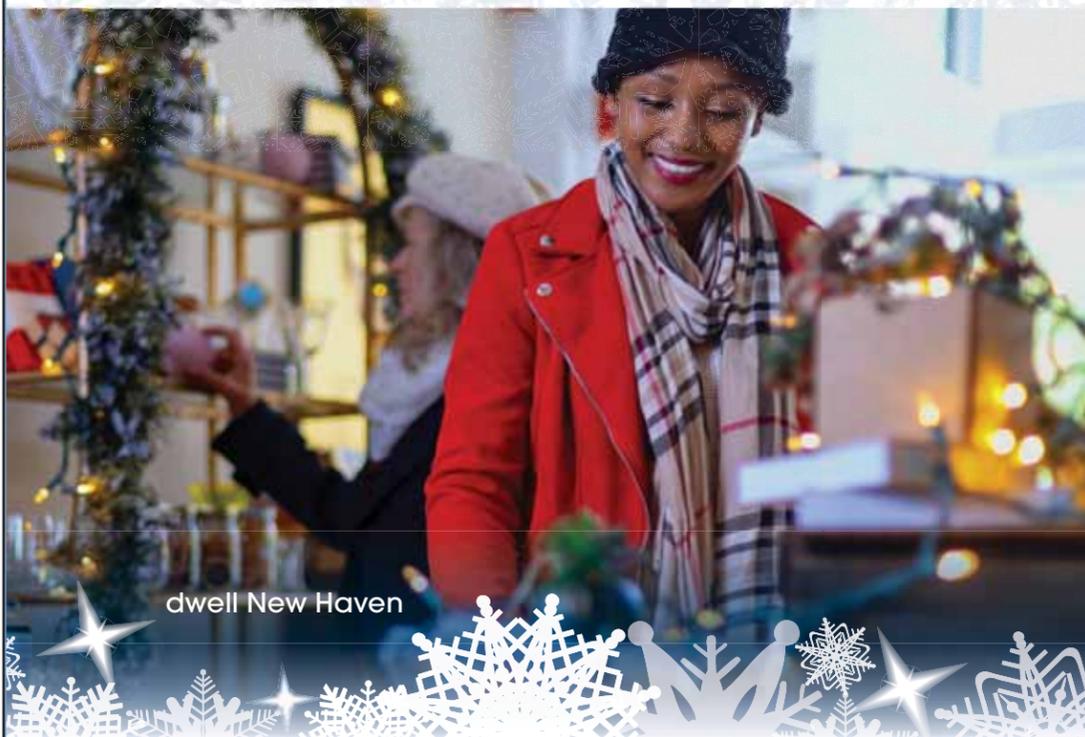
he FUSE production of 'All Together Now!' is produced by Lara Morton and Elizabeth Santaus, directed and choreographed by Debra MacDonald, with music direction by Lydia Arachne. Additional

direction support by Noah Golden, and supplemental choreography by Ryan Cyr and Angela Jackson. Anika Jonker and Sylvia Sonenstein are dance captains. Costume design is by Nightwing Whitehead.

The all ages cast of 19 includes Mollie Germain and Elvin Melendez of West Haven.

"FUSE was established in 2019, and due to cosmic timing, has yet to present a show in front of a live audience. 'All Together Now!' is a leap of faith for us, and we hope our audiences will experience the joy that we feel in live performance and want to get to know us better by supporting and attending future productions, said Lara Morton, FUSE President. Tickets are on sale now for \$10 general admission and \$25 VIP reserved seating and may be purchased at [www.fusetheatret.org](http://www.fusetheatret.org).

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# Cohen mulls court action over absentees

The potential of a court battle over the recount, Sunday, is closer to reality with the observations of an attorney, representing Republican Candidate Barry Lee Cohen. Cohen was reviewing absentee ballots for compliance with state law Tuesday morning, and a decision as to whether he will make a court challenge was unclear at press time.

In his report, Attorney Vincent Marino of Marino, Zabel and Schellenberg went through the process, Sunday, and red flagged several areas where he believed the process was defective during the absentee recount. He believes there are major concerns with the ballots and their compliance with state statute.

"Those not returned in compliance with state statute 'The return of ballots in a manner not substantially in compliance with the statutory mailing requirements will result in their invalidation, regardless of whether there is any proof or indication of fraud.'"

His concerns included:

The failure of the town clerk to endorse the ballot with the date, precise time and signature;

The failure of the voter to sign the statement on the inner envelope;

The failure of the voter to place the ballot in the inner envelope.

The report, which included pictures of ballots he believes are not in compliance, alleges that ballots were kept in manilla envelopes with a metal clasp, but no tape to secure them, and no "identifying serial number to ensure that the depository remained unchanged."

Time and date stamps not appearing on outer envelopes concerned Marino greatly.

"A number of outer envelopes that were not properly endorsed by the town clerk with the date of receipt, the precise time of receipt and his signature. Some of the outer envelopes lacked the date or time of when the ballot was received and most bear the initials of someone, but not the proper signature of the town clerk. It should be noted that the Court has held that a time stamped signature of the clerk substantially complies with the statute" Marino said.

Those concerns included:

The absentee ballot counters used standard Manila envelopes with a metal clasp. There was no tape securing the envelopes, and no identifying serial number to ensure that the depository remained unchanged;

Some of the ballots, Marino believes to be unverified by lack of time and date stamps,

no signatures on some ballots and ballots that were questioned were counted after a call to state officials at the Secretary of State's office.

"A number of ballots lacked the time stamp of the clerk, being different from the rest... According to a witness I interviewed that was present on election night, at around 7:30 p.m. the Democrat registrar walked into the counting room with several new ballots. None of these ballots had any endorsement on them. When advised that the ballots had to be rejected, the registrar responded that she would confer with the CTSOS office. I have no information on whether that conference took place, but around 8:15 p.m., the registrar reappeared stating that the ballots should be counted. Prior to proceeding, one of the counters suggested that the envelopes be endorsed. All agreed and the result is what is depicted in this photo (shown in the report). There is no way to verify the precise time that the ballot was received because at or around 8:30 p.m., the envelope was endorsed, with the date of Nov. 2, a notation of receipt with an initial of someone and a time of 3 p.m.," Marino said.

He has questions, too, about inner envelopes and chain of custody issues.

"The recanvas of the absentee ballots lasted only about two hours. There were 720 absentee ballots to inspect. The recanvas was supposed to verify that: a. the number

of outer and inner envelopes matched, b. each outer envelope was endorsed with the date of receipt, precise time of receipt and signature of the town clerk. c. the inner envelope was signed by the voter 8 d. and against the check list to verify i. postmarks, ii. addresses and iii. check list markings e. and to verify that

the number of outer and inner absentee ballot envelopes is the same as the number of persons checked as having voted by absentee ballot. The integrity of all the absentee ballots is brought into question because the statutory process was not followed. The chain of custody cannot be verified which brings the legitimacy

of the ballot into question. Ballots which are generated as a result of statutory violations should be invalidated. At press time it was unclear if has until next week to make that decision.

"The voters have a powerful interest in the integrity and accuracy of elections," He said finally.

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# Around Town

## Lions Club collects food items

The West Haven Lions Club will be collecting non-perishable food items for the holiday season at Physicians Physical Therapy on 544 Campbell Ave. Lions Club members will bring the items collected to WHEAT for distribution to our community. Non-perishable items include all canned and boxed goods. Thank you in advance for your support. If you have any questions regarding the Food Drive or would like to join the West Haven Lions, call Marianne (203) 795-3906 or Carolyn (203) 937-6150.

## Viet Veterans plan food drive

West Haven Vietnam Veterans Inc. is collecting nonperishable food items Saturday for the West Haven Emergency Assistance Task Force. The food drive will take place on the Green from 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. and benefit WHEAT's food pantry at 674 Washington Ave., which provides meals for residents in need.

## Jewelry sale, food drive at OLOV

BAUBLES, BANGLES & BEADS, A beautiful variety of gently used and new jewelry at basement prices will be on sale at Our Lady of Victory church hall, 300 Captain Thomas Blvd., on Saturday, Nov. 27 from 1:30 to 6 p.m., and on Sunday, Nov. 28 from 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. The sale benefits the Ursuline Sisters. Masks are required to enter.

A food drive will be held on Saturday, Nov. 13 at Our Lady of Victory Church, 300 Captain Thomas Blvd., from 9 a.m. to noon to benefit WHEAT.

Most needed food items are peanut butter, mac and cheese, tomato sauce, pasta, soup, hot and cold cereal, canned vegetables. Sponsored by the Social Justice Committee of Our Lady of Victory and St John XXIII parishes, this is a drive-thru event.

Alternatively, food donations can be picked up at your doorstep by calling Charlie at (203) 934-9740. Monetary donations (cash or checks made payable to WHEAT) are greatly appreciated and can be brought to the Food Drive or mailed to WHEAT, 674 Washington Ave, West Haven 06516.

## Eucharistic miracles display slated

St. Louis Church is hosting a Vatican International Exhibit of Eucharistic Miracles at the church, 89 Bull Hill Lane, on Saturday, Nov. 13, from 1-7 p.m., and Sunday, Nov.14, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. With an extensive assortment of photographs and historical descriptions, the exhibition presents some of the Eucharistic Church. For information, call Eva Cestari, (203) 933-7141, or Monica Pang, (203) 934-5240



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## Patriots' Hall of Fame guests

Former New England Patriots Cheerleader Dr. Patrice Farquharson and her daughter, Julia, were guests at the team's Hall of Fame induction ceremony recently. Richard Seymour and Tracey Sermante (Patriots' Cheerleading coach, who passed away in December 2020) were inducted. Farquharson is shown with Seymour and Julia.

## The First Congregational Church of West Haven

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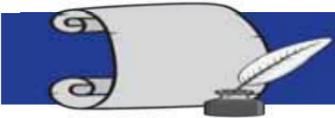
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# Historian's corner

By Dan Shine

Milton Cochran, USMC  
Part III

*It takes a special kind of woman to choose a man as broken in body and spirit as Milt Cochran: She must accept that the road ahead will be very hard, the days will be long and tiresome, and frustrations will be many. She must look beneath the deep scars and skin grafts and see someone with exceptional needs, and a special spark that makes him completely irresistible.*

*And then she must choose to make him her partner for life.*

*She will be his caretaker, and he will be her hero.*

The year was 1970: As her graduation from West Haven High School approached, Marguerite "Peggy" Mursko's mother began urging her to apply at the Veterans Administration hospital to become an X-Ray Technician.

Soon thereafter, she was a

VA Hospital trainee.

One day while she was in the hospital library studying medical textbooks, a dark-haired young man in a wheelchair approached her.

He stopped and asked her what she was reading about; "anatomy" was her answer. "That's my favorite subject," he replied.

They spoke for a couple of minutes, exchanged first names and pleasantries, and he went off to check out his books. Peggy wouldn't see him again for several weeks, but she waited and watched for his return.

Finally, by chance they met again. They began to spend time together on the fourth floor of the VA Hospital in the orthopedic ward where Milt was quartered. Milt had a transistor radio, and they'd listen to music on it while they looked out of the high window at the lighthouse across

the harbor and talked about life and love.

And the other guys in the ward would whistle and kid Milt about how the pretty girls always went to him.

Later on, Peggy would say, "It was in that ward that I fell in love with him, wheelchair and all."

What followed didn't take long: the young couple were married in 1972, and lived for a while in Seymour before moving to Arizona where the climate was more agreeable to Milt and his wounds.

And the years and the decades passed: Milt and Peggy became parents, and later, grandparents. And Peggy dutifully tended Milt's wounds and gave her support as Milt struggled with the nightmares and the PTSD that would haunt him forever. Milt called her his Angel.

In his final years, Milt Cochran contracted a rare form

of liver cancer which would take his life in 2015; finally, he was moved to hospice care. As the end neared, Milt told Peggy that he was ready to go, but he wished that he could have just one more year.

Through tears she asked him why he would want to suffer for another year. His answer was that it would be worth all that suffering, if he could just be with her for a little bit more.

Shortly thereafter Milt Cochran slipped away, escaped the suffering, and was at peace.

Decorated Combat Corpsman Milton C. Cochran died Sept. 11, 2015 and later was buried at Arlington National Cemetery.



Dan Shine is a columnist for the West Haven Voice, and local history buff



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## Devils continue roll with 2 wins

It was always going to come down to the last play. There was never a question.

When West Haven was stopped inches short of a first down with less than two minutes remaining, Cheshire had to march 85 yards to score the tying touchdown.

The Rams came up two yards short.

Behind the game-saving tackle between Connor Holy and Preston Denno to stop Cheshire quarterback Matthew Jeffery at the West Haven 2-yard line as time expired, West Haven hung on to defeat Cheshire 21-14 in a Southern Connecticut Conference interdivisional contest at Ken Strong Stadium in West Haven Friday evening.

The game-saving play came after the Westies failed to convert on 4th-and-2 when Amir Nakome was stopped inches short of the Cheshire 15 with 1:39 left in the fourth quarter.

Jeffery, who along with running back Christian Russo returned from injury to play this game, calmly drove the Rams down the field. The senior quarterback hit on passes of 13 and seven yards, before running for six yards to the Cheshire 40 on 4th-and-4.

Jeffery then hit Tristan Washington with a 50-yard connection to the West Haven 15 with under a minute to go. Russo ran to the 1-yard line three plays later, but an incompleteness, and a penalty drove Cheshire back to the 6, before Jeffery was stopped two yards short as time expired.

West Haven (7-1) took the lead for good with 7 minutes, 31 seconds remaining in the game as Nakome scored from 3 yards out to cap a 13-play, 78-yard drive. Nakome set up his go-ahead score with runs of 16 and 14 yards.

West Haven's defense was the key to the game as it held Cheshire senior Christian Russo to 99 yards on the ground after Russo opened with a 60-yard run to start the contest. Jeffery also marked his return to the Rams and finished 10-of-16 for 156 yards.

The first half saw its share of big plays and each team had its own. With Cheshire welcoming back Jeffery and Russo, the offense had a new look.

After stopping West Haven on its initial drive of the game, the Rams were marching down the field until West Haven's Chauncey Evans stepped in front of a Jeffery pass and raced 75 yards the other way for a touchdown and a 7-0 West Haven lead with 5:52 remaining in the opening quarter.

The Rams (4-4) wasted no time tying the contest as they used 11 plays to drive 59 yards for the equalizer. Jeffery connected with Washington for 17 yards, before Jeffery scampered in from 10 yards out with 32 seconds left in the quarter.

The Westies had another drive moving in the right direction, before Cheshire held. The Rams needed just two plays to take the lead when Jeffery found a wide-open Daniel Zawalich for a 46-yard score with 3:16 gone by in the second quarter.

Looking to slow down the Cheshire offense, the Westies went exclusively to the ground. West Haven ran 12 consecutive times and capped the 65-yard drive with a 6-yard touchdown run by Nakome with 2:07 remaining in the opening half.

West Haven gained only 25 yards in the opening quarter, but trailed the Rams just 165-103 in terms of first half yardage. Nakome finished with 98 yards rushing, while Robinson added 85 in the West Haven win.

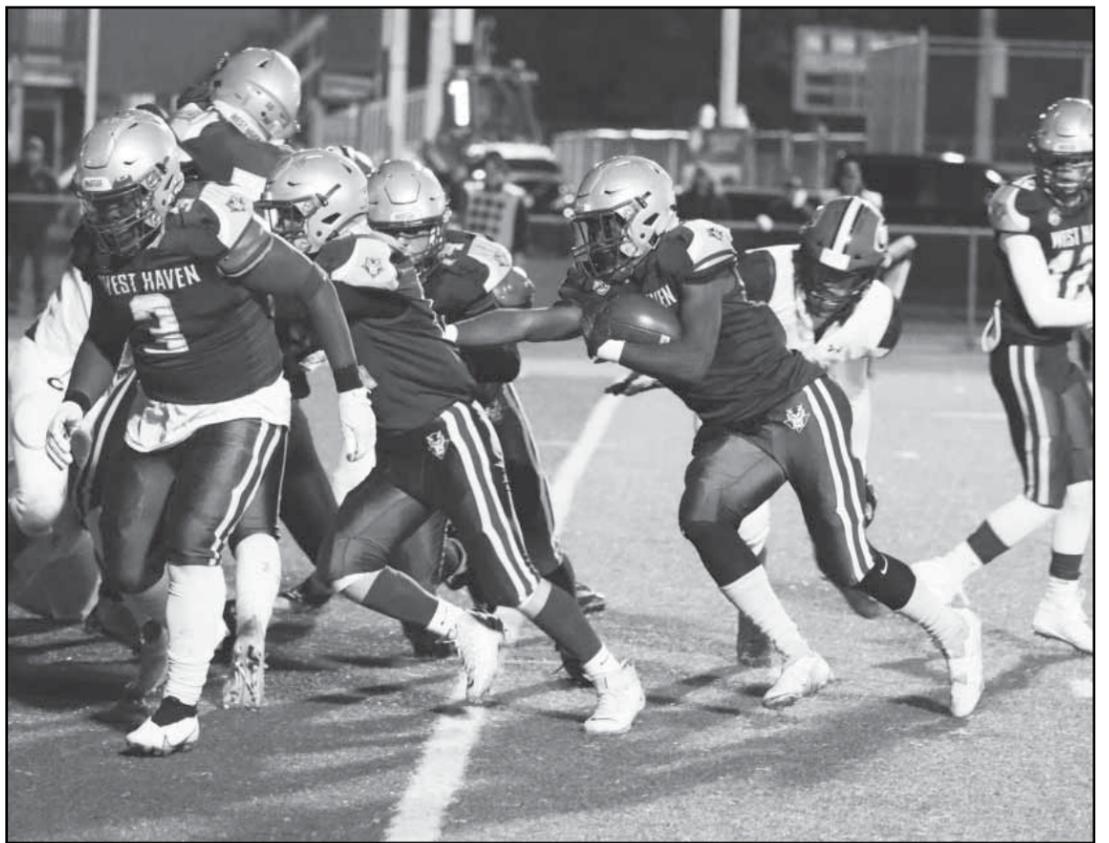
Behind a bruising line, Nakome ran for 135 yards and two touchdowns to lead West Haven to a 27-20 victory over cross-town rival Notre Dame in a Southern Connecticut Conference interdivisional contest at Ken Strong Stadium in West Haven last Friday evening.

West Haven's victory brought the Soderman Bowl title to the campus of West Haven High following a two-year absence (Notre Dame won in 2019 and no game in 2020). The victory was West Haven's third in four games for West Haven against the Green Knights.

Leading 13-6 at the half, West Haven wasted no time extending the margin when it needed just six plays to march 70 yards.

Robinson and Nakome were at the center of it all as Robinson opened with a 16-yard run and Nakome ran for 20 more. Robin

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Above -- Amir Nakome follows his blockers for the go ahead score in the Westies 21-14 win over Cheshire Left -- Chauncey Evans races back with a pick six to put the Blue Devils ahead early. The play halted a Ram drive. Below -- Joe Hawkins chased down the Rams' quarterback.



# Seahawks' 10U wins league title

The West Haven Seahawks 10U football team (9-0) defeated the Manchester Sentinels, 37-13, in the Southern Connecticut Pop Warner semi-finals and now advance to the conference championship game this Saturday at Veterans Field in West Haven at 12:30.

The Seahawks will play the Naugatuck Hounds in the championship game. Tristian Crawford scored four touchdowns in the Seahawks win against Manchester including a 42-yard touchdown pass from quarterback Jeremyah Thames. Majesty Whitaker added two scores.

The Seahawks' defense was led by Jacari Harris who had six tackles for losses and 10 tackles on the day. Jermaine Gibbs, Jayden Spell and Jaydon Potter also played great on defense.

The West Haven Seahawks 8U team also played in the conference semifinals this past weekend and fell short to an undefeated Manchester team, 26-7. Jackson Gabriel and Jackson Boynton led the offense effort. The defense played well and was led by Colin Watson who forced two fumbles and Cam Davis.

The flag football teams ended their seasons on Thursday night with football games under the lights at Veterans Field against the Stratford Renegades. West Haven will host all the conference championship games this weekend. The 10U football team will advance to the regional playoffs with a win Saturday.

The Seahawk cheerleaders competed and were successful in the New England Pop Warner Cheerleading championships this past weekend. The Seahawk Junior Peewee, Peewee and Varsity squads qualified and will advance to the Pop Warner National Championships at Universal Studios in December.

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Above --West Haven Seahawks' running back Tristian Crawford (4) runs away from Manchester Sentinel defenders for one of his four scores. The Seahawks advance to the conference championship with a 37-13 win. Below-- Seahawks' 10U quarterback Jeremyah Thames runs the ball. The Seahawks won and remained unbeaten at 9-0.



## Westies: Booters head into CIAC tourney

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son closed the drive with a 19-yard score for a 20-6 lead with 2 minutes, 32 seconds gone by in the third quarter.

Notre Dame, playing without starting quarterback Matthew Piechota who was injured in the opening quarter and did not return, tried to mount a comeback. The Green Knights could not convert, watching as their first two possessions of the second half ended on downs.

With the Green Knights looking to hang around, West Haven came up with another big play. That play came from junior Avian Evans who turned a third-and-2 into an 82-yard touchdown run for a 27-6 lead with 5:37 to go in the game.

While the score by Evans looked to be insurance, it turned out to be the winning score as Notre Dame mounted a late comeback.

Young found Matteo Petruzzello for a 6-yard score with 1:44 remaining to get the Green Knights within 27-14, before West Haven turned the ball over on downs with less than a minute to go. Jacob Staton took a lateral 55 yards for a score to get Notre Dame within 27-20 with 26 seconds to go.

The Green Knights then looked to recover the onside

kick, but the furious run in the final two minutes fell short.

The first half saw its share of miscues as the two teams combined for four fumbles, with three going in the direction of the opposing team. West Haven was the beneficiary as the Green Knights' first fumble came while driving in for a potential score.

Notre Dame's second fumble was again recovered by West Javen's Jamaine Galloway, his second recovery of the game. Galloway's recovery at the Notre Dame eight, led to a two-play drive which was capped by a 3-yard score by Nakome with 4:45 left in the opening quarter.

The Green Knights, who lost starting quarterback Piechota in the first half and running back Jacob Staton for a portion of the opening half, rebounded with a long 79-yard drive to tie the score at six with 9:09 left in the opening half.

The 17-play drive of the Green Knights was capped by a 5-yard scoring run by Young, who replaced Piechota behind center.

Young completed a pair of passes for 38 yards on the drive, with a big 25-yard connection to Austin Granata and a 13-yard strike to Petruzzello.

West Haven answered

quickly on offense after being off the field for seven minutes. The Westies had a long drive of their own as an 81-yard march in 13 plays ended when Nakome scored his second touchdown of the game, this one from six yards out for a 13-6 lead with 1:38 remaining in the opening half.

Freshman quarterback Nick Conlan had a key completion of 14 yards to Denno, before 12 runs produced 67 yards. Nakome finished the opening half with 70 yards and two touchdowns on 12 carries.

The West Haven volleyball team fell in its home finale Monday evening with a 3-0 decision against Lyman Hall., The 27-25, 28-26, 25-13 loss was West Haven's second in a row and dropped the Westies to 2-17 on the year.

Dulcemaria Castillo led the West Haven defense with 14 digs. Jenna Johnson had 10 digs and eight assists, McKayla Fowler and Jordyn Johnson each had seven digs, while Tanasia Fidalgo added seven kills and two digs. Branyelis Brito chipped in five digs in the loss, while Asia Ford had three kills, three blocks, and two digs.

Despite playing increasingly better down the stretch, West Haven concluded the regular season with three straight

losses. The Westies closed the regular season with a 25-19, 25-20, 25-18 loss at North Haven and fell to 2-18 on the year.

Jordyn Johnson led the West Haven defense with 10 digs, while Ford and Castillo each had eight digs, and Brito and Fowler each had four digs.

Offensively, the Westies were led by Jenna Johnson with 10 assists, four aces, and two kills. Ford and Fidalgo each had seven kills.

After losing to Foran, 4-0, two days earlier, the West Haven girls soccer team was looking to bounce back quickly. The Westies did exactly that. Behind a strong defensive effort and six saves from Cassidy Carrano, West Haven topped North Haven 2-0 at Ken Strong Stadium in West Haven Monday evening.

After a scoreless first half against North Haven, the Westies got on the board early in the second half with the only goal they would need. Julia Tsakonas scored 5:42 into the second half and the defense and Carrano did the rest.

Carrano made six saves, before West Haven iced the contest when Ariana izzo scored at 75:12.

West Haven had 12 shots in the win.

The West Haven boys soccer team is peaking at the right

time. With the postseason around the corner, the Westies are headed in the right direction.

Behind three goals from Mubarak Issa, West Haven defeated Amity, 4-3, on the road Thursday evening. The win was the fourth in a row and fifth in six games for West Haven.

Issa got the Westies going early when he scored an unassisted tally at the 17:37 mark. After Amity evened the contest less than a minute later, West Haven took the lead for good.

Issa scored his second of the game, off an assist from Donald Yanez, for a 2-1 lead with 4:23 remaining in the opening half.

Brian Rivadera gave West Haven a 3-1 lead off an assist from Alan Hernandez 19:42 into the second half, before Amity scored on a penalty kick with 16:30 remaining.

Issa countered that goal by the Spartans with his third of the game, off an assist from John Portillo, with 10:57 remaining. Amity added a late goal, but West Haven hung on for its fourth consecutive victory.

Brian Carew made seven saves in the win for West Haven. The Westies held a 12-10 shot advantage in the contest.

# Squirt AA takes 4-1 win over Central squad

The West Haven Mite A hockey team was back in action this weekend, fresh off winning the championship at the Haunted Shootout the weekend of Oct. 23.

The Westies hosted the Southern Connecticut Stars Saturday morning. The Mite A's found themselves down 3-0 in the first period. They started to claw their way back after a fabulous glove save by Jameson Schempp. The save spurred his teammates on, and Logan Minio got a goal back before the end of the first period.

In the second period, Jax Guarino scored to bring the score to 3-3, but then the Westies again found themselves down, 4-3. Brady Salkins finally had a puck bounce his way and he put it in the back of the net to level the score once again.

As the game wound down, the Westies scored again and

were able to hold on for the 5-4 win.

The Mite C team took on the CT Chiefs Saturday. Two goals were scored by JP Beebe and Jackson Ford played well in goal. Shots on goal from the Blue Devils included Landon Alling, Sarah Mastroni, Caleb Ford, Emmett Hemming and Kiera Harrison. Jackson Ford made many great saves during the matchup.

The Squirt AA had two wins last weekend.

Saturday, the Westies traveled to Newington and left with a 4-1 win over the Central Squirt AA.

Andrew Lacasse started the scoring and Cody Young's wrist shot found the back of net from the point to make it 2-0. Sophie Digioia and Jaxon Troyer closed out the scoring. Quinn Smith finished with nine saves on the day for the win.

Sunday, the Westies re-

turned home and rallied in the third period to down Mid-Fairfield, 2-1. After a scoreless first, Mid-Fairfield buried a loose puck to take the lead.

The equalizer came a few minutes into the third off the stick of Peyton Berlepsch. Andrew Lacasse notched the game winner as he broke free and buried a back hand.

Quinn Smith was again stellar in net, turning away 13 shots.

The Westies won two of three games this weekend. On Saturday, the Westies travelled to Ridgefield and came away with a 7-1 win over the Ridgefield.

Berlepsch and Digioia made it 2-0. Santos and Jeremiah McGrath also hammered home goals for the Westies. Rocco Kelly set up with a goal with a cross-ice pass to Cushing for the final goal. Dylan Spreyer played well defensively, and Smith finished with 12 saves

on the day for the win.

Sunday, the short-handed Westies returned home and rallied in the third period to down Yale 2011 team, 2-1.

Trailing 1-0, Jeremiah McGrath hustled to knock home a loose puck to knot the score. With four minutes left, Digioia notched the game-winner as she broke free and buried a back-hand.

The Westies dropped the final game of the weekend by losing to top-ranked CT Whalers, 6-3. Smith kept the game close by notching 26 saves including a few spectacular ones. Kelly scored twice for the Westies and Digioia added the other.

Halloween weekend saw the WH Peewee A take on Yale A. The Westies battled but fell, 3-2. Kai Lupa played well in goal and was tested early with a breakaway save. Gavin Coady's shot blocking thwarting the Yale pressure.

Cameron Lipford took a pass from Kyle Guarino and dangled his way to a back-hand goal, tying the score.

Yale went up 3-1 in the third. A Lipford laser lit the lamp with 3:41 left, assisted by Michael D'Aiuto, and despite a furious final rally, West Haven came up short in the end, losing 3-2. Lupa finished his night in net with 27 saves.

Sunday's game with Central A saw an incredible comeback.

Central took a 4-0 lead, before Ty Silva played got West Haven on the board with assists from Locklear and Walsh.

The Devils scored a power play goal from David D'Aiuto. Kyle Guarino then brought the Devils within one. Michael D'Aiuto finished with the tying goal from Aeden Guarino.

The Westies split a pair of games this weekend. On Saturday, the West Haven Peewee A team came up short

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## Youth Soccer teams end fall season

The West Haven U10 girls gravel team was home against Guilford this past weekend to finish out the season. The game ended, 4-1, in favor of West Haven. West Haven came out ready to play with an early goal by Juliana Aviles. The best moment of the game was Ariel Titus making a great pass to the open space to find Lehanna Philogene for an easy tap in goal. West Haven ended the season on a six-game winning streak.

The U11 girls ended the season on the road against Hamden, falling short, 4-2. Annabelle Fiorillo played solid defense for West Haven, with

Celeste DiNallo and Olivia Petrie making some strong moves up and down the field. Luciana Cappetta put two in the net for West Haven.

The U10 boys team finished out the season with a pair of games. On Friday, the boys traveled to Naugatuck to play under the lights for the first time. Even though the Westies passed and moved the ball well, the older and more experienced Naugatuck team eventually pulled away with a 4-0 win. Jaxon Cruz played a strong game in goal, stopping a number of shots. Jax Guarino and Colin Gibbons played well on defense. The midfield

was anchored by Davonte King and Matteo D'Elia, who both opened the Naugatuck defense with their dribbling skills. Jesus Rangel made some great passes, and Ryan Abekah kept up the pressure on the Naugatuck goal, forcing their goalie to make several great saves.

The U10's were back in action Sunday morning, traveling to Madison. The field conditions hurt the Westies as they fell, 2-0.

Roland Green created some solid chances on goal, and was foiled on a few breakaways by a puddle on the field. Luca DeCrescenzo also had several shots on the Madison goal, but just could not find the back of the net. Seth Empric, Jimmy Clark, and Nathan Powell all worked hard in the center of the field, getting up and down the pitch to contribute to the

attack and the defense. Tonye Isaac and Ben Trenchard kept up the defensive pressure, making a few big plays in the defensive third of the field. Russell Rambo showed a lot of hustle in the game for the Westies.

The Gunning Law Firm Rhinos defeated #DAVILATRIBE, 6-0, to close out an incredible season. The Rhinos took an early lead and never looked back with great goals from Valentina Massa and Julissa Oliveras. Emma Routh showed great foot skills and tackling on defense. Lehanna Philogene made incredible diving saves to keep the shut out.

The Cornell Scott Hill Health Center Golden Ninjas finished the season strong with another great game against Vio's Sports Plus. Alexios Billis, Aristides Billis, and Tylan

Thompson had a great season and improved each week. The Stars Ice Cream Gold Stars defeated Stowes Seafood, 6-2. The Stars were led by Chelsea Hernabdez Fortin with four goals, and Bellarose Ramirez and Jada Avila with one goal apiece. Yousra Moussa and Fourela Dembele played great in goal. The entire team played a great game on the final day of the season.

On Saturday, the R. Mark Pappas Navy Bluebirds played Cappetta's Italian Imports in a very competitive, back-and-forth game before giving up a last minute goal and losing, 4-3. On offense, the Bluebirds were led by Winter Valdivieso, Phoebe DiNuzzo and Isabella Celentano, each notching a goal.

The defense was led by Brooklyn Yekinni, Brooklyn O'Meara and Amelia Rambo in net, who made several key saves.

The Seacrest Retirement Center FC finished the season with a strong team effort to win 3-0 against the Top Hat Dance Academy. Excellent ball movement helped provide shots on goal, with the goals scored by Anthony DiMeglio and Charles Jeffrey. Well-rounded play from Joshua Vernon and Johnathan Alvarez helped control the game, while Caden Craven and the rest of the team provided the defense.

The Elite Soccer Camps Golden Wolves finished the season in a tough loss to Sports Sanitizing of CT, 3-2. Matteo D'Elia and Mason Dixon controlled the midfield, and Ryan Abekah sparked the attack.

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# Hockey: *Bantams win, 6-3; Peewees get 'W'*

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losing, 8-3, to a speedy Avon A squad. Lupa stood on his head, denying 46 shots, some in spectacular fashion.

The Blue Devils were down 3-0 at the end of two.

Both teams combined for seven more goals in the third.

Avon countered with two quick goals, putting the Westies in a 5-0 hole, but Michael D'Aiuto won the ensuing faceoff and sent David D'Aiuto on a solo rush to make it 5-1. Lipford kept the Westies hopes alive with a breakaway goal just 40 seconds later, but two more Avon goals in just over a minute squashed the Westie's comeback. Lipford potted his second of the game off a rebound with just 38 seconds left.

The Westies played on the road Sunday against the Wallingford Hawks A team and posted a 5-4 victory.

Mason LaCroix played well in goal, leading the Westies in the first two periods of play as the Blue Devils rolled to a 4-0 lead.

Michael D'Aiuto started the scoring with an unassisted goal in the first. A slick finish by Locklear, from Picard and Ty Silva, started the second, and Lipford put the Westies up 4-0 with two goals.

The Hawks battled back in the third. Ahead 4-1, West Haven's Ryan Walsh used his resilient play to record the eventual game-winner from Locklear and Troyer.

The Hawks did not go away and quickly responded

with two goals in 19 seconds, then added another power play marker with just 1:06 to go. Facing pressure and an extra attacker, the Westies held on for the 5-4 win. LaCroix finished with 26 saves for the win.

The West Haven Bantam A hockey team defeated ECHO A, 6-3, on Saturday afternoon at Edward L. Bennett Rink in its only game of last weekend. The Blue Devils are now 13-3-2 overall and 10-1-2 in CHC league play.

The ECHO Stars went up 1-0 with a power play goal early in the first period before the Westies tied the contest. Skating 4-on-4, Tanner Walsh won a faceoff back to Joey DiGioia. DiGioia whipped a pass to Brody Elam, who hit the back of the net.

The Stars went up, 2-1, in the second period, before the Westies took control of the game. Cam Levy fed Alex Bowery for a shot and the rebound came into the slot where Sean Studley drilled it home.

Just over two minutes later, Walsh spun and fired the puck on net where Gio Ferrucci deflected it in. Studley then hustled to the puck and tapped it ahead to Bowery for a breakaway that he converted.

With 39 seconds left in the period, DiGioia kept the puck in and slid it in front where Studley tipped it through the goalie's five hole.

Early in the third period, Brady Price fed Elam for another blast from just inside

the blue line. The Stars scored a late goal to make the final score 6-3. Johnny Kennedy was solid in between the pipes for the Westies, making 13 saves.

On Saturday at the Edward L. Bennett Rink, the Westies hosted the Junior Bulldogs and won, 6-1. Despite yielding a goal after just 19 seconds, John Kennedy was strong in net in the back-and-forth first period.

Dylan Bosworth tied the game just over a minute later with a laser from the blue line with Tanner Walsh and Matt Molnar assisting. Price then gave West Haven a 2-1 lead midway through the period with assists to Alex Bowery and Cam Levy. Price then picked off a pass and depos-

ited the breakaway for a 3-1 lead after one period.

Kennedy remained strong into the second period and Trevor Cathey picked up where he left off in goal once he entered the game halfway through the period. Price earned a hat trick and made the score 4-1 with a goal from Mike Page. Ferrucci and Bowery capped the scoring.

On Sunday evening at Choate, the Westies topped Wallingford. The home team opened the scoring 1:09 into the second, before the West Haven offense responded 23 seconds later when Price took the puck off the boards and snapped in a wrister from the slot.

Price then fed ahead to

Page who pushed the puck through a defender's legs, then grabbed it and poked it home. Page then scored again when he came off the boards and roofed a shot into the upper corner to make it 3-1 after two periods.

The Westies continued to dominate into the third period. Price passed to Studley, who one-timed a pass to Bowery for a 4-1 lead. Page then earned a hat trick when he sniped a shot with Ferrucci assisting for the 5-1 final. Kennedy and Cathey again combined for the win in between the pipes.

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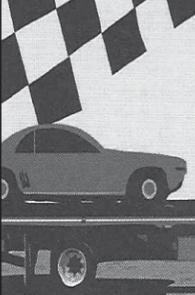
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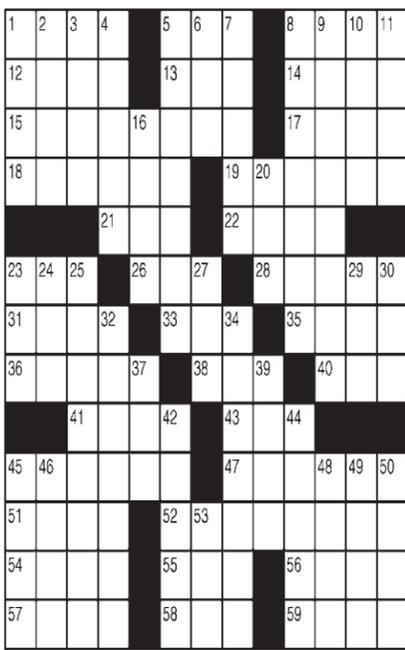
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**King Crossword**

**ACROSS**

- 1 Landed
- 5 Gearwheel tooth
- 8 Slightly
- 12 Sultry Home
- 13 "— you serious?"
- 14 Barn roof spinner
- 15 Strict disciplinarian
- 17 Noble Italian family
- 18 Swift
- 19 Sculpted trunks
- 21 Old Olds
- 22 Doctor Zhivago
- 23 Wye follower
- 26 Moreover



- 28 On edge
- 31 Sciences' partner
- 33 Observe
- 35 Campus VIP
- 36 "Hogwash!"
- 38 Finale
- 40 Water tester
- 41 Love god
- 43 Inherited
- 45 Painter's motion
- 47 Reduces
- 51 Nashville's st.
- 52 Instrument in a Dixieland band

- 54 Couturier Paul — WSW
- 8 Declared
- 9 Baby's bed
- 10 Division word domain
- 11 Casual tops
- 16 Notion
- 20 Ump's call
- 23 Hit with a ray gun
- 24 Triage ctrs.
- 25 System for linking computers
- 32 Island wraps
- 34 Queen's domain
- 37 Stir-fry pan
- 39 Entryway
- 42 Factions
- 44 Packing string
- 45 Halt
- 46 Far (Pref.)
- 48 Author Bagnold
- 49 Tear
- 50 Remain
- 53 Torched
- 30 Away from

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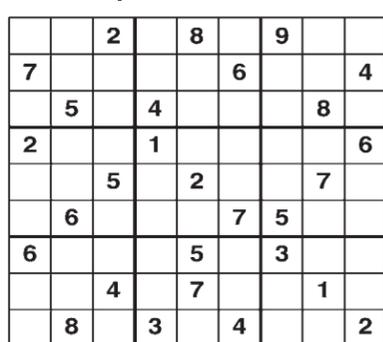
Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions forward, backward, up, down and diagonally  
Unlisted clue hint: SAME NAME AS 2ND PRESIDENT

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**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 ♦♦ Challenging  
♦♦♦ HOO BOY!

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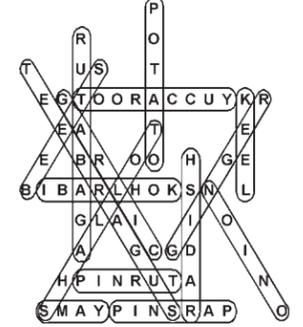
**Answers to last week's puzzles**

**King Crossword — Answers**

Solution time: 25 mins.



**ROOT VEGETABLES**

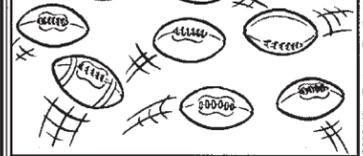


**Weekly SUDOKU — Answer**

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7	3	9	8	6	2	1	5	4
2	5	6	4	1	9	7	8	3
4	1	8	5	7	3	6	9	2
6	9	3	2	8	4	5	1	7
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**Junior Whirl**

by Charles Barry Townsend

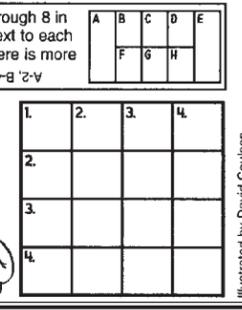
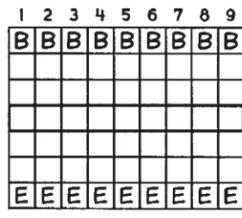


**FLYING PIGS!** There's a lot of kicking and passing going on here! Can you pick out two balls that look exactly alike? It's up to you to decide.

**WHERE DO THEY GO?** Try placing the digits 1 through 8 in the grid so that no two consecutive numbers are next to each other either horizontally, vertically or diagonally. There is more than one solution.

**A WORD SQUARE!** When filling in the grid at right, the same four-letter words are used both across and down. These hints should help you solve this one in under 60 seconds:

- Lacking a covering.
- From a distance.
- Melted rock.
- Dull or dreary.



**BUZZ WORDS!**  
Can you figure out what the nine words in our puzzle grid are? We give you the first and last letter of each word plus a hint to its meaning. Also, if you get them all correct, the middle letters, read across, spell out a hidden word.

- Type of scale.
- Prickly shrub.
- To leave desolate.
- Heavy artillery fire.
- A type of printing for the blind.
- Heavy fabric.
- A clam is one.
- Dagwood's wife.
- Short prickly hair.

1. Balance 2. Bramble 3. Berave 4. Barage 5. Bralle 6. Brocade 7. Bivave 8. Biondie 9. Brisle. Middle word is Americans.

# City fire brigades celebrate storied history

By Michael P. Walsh  
Special to the Voice

West Haven's three fire departments saluted the community's 100th anniversary while celebrating their storied fire service at the Centennial Fire Expo on Saturday.

The five-hour exposition, presented by the City of West Haven Centennial Celebration Committee, was part of a six-month series of free events commemorating the community's 1921 birth and its incorporation by the General Assembly as Connecticut's youngest municipality, said Mayor Nancy R. Rossi, the committee's honorary chairwoman.

Families, fire service enthusiasts, and paid and volunteer firefighters from across the state turned out to see the array of engines and trucks, including antique fire apparatus, on display in the parking lot of the Savin Rock Conference Center, along with a fire service exhibit in the center's Savin Rock Museum featuring West Haven Engine & Hose Company 1.

The colorful fleet included apparatus from West Haven's three fire departments and the Orange Volunteer Fire Department.

The large public exhibition, also held in front of Savin Rock, was organized by West Haven Fire Department Chief James P. O'Brien, West Shore Fire Department Chief Stephen Scafariello, City of West Haven Fire Department Allingtown Chief Michael R. Terenzio and committee Chairwoman Beth A. Sabo.

West Haven's fire service includes the independent West Haven Fire Department, which serves the First Fire Taxation, or Center, District,

and the independent West Shore Fire Department, which serves the Shore's 2nd District. It also includes the 3rd District's formerly independent Allingtown Fire Department, which was taken over by the city in July 2012 and is now known as the City of West Haven Fire Department Allingtown.

Together, the departments have been in operation for 350 years — West Haven since 1888, Allingtown since 1907 and West Shore since 1918.

The expo included a hazmat trailer, rides in West Haven's 1935 Mack pump firetruck, fire merchandise vendors, and the Lucky Dog and Franco's Fried Dough-Licious food trucks, as well as the departments' rescue boats, including West Shore's amphibious marine unit.

It also included educational demonstrations on smoke and carbon monoxide detectors, drone technology, fire sprinkler systems, first aid, and fire code and investigation.

Sparky the Fire Dog interacted with children, and musical duo Acoustic Mafia played Top 40 hits.

West Haven firefighters, led by Fire Marshal Keith T. Flood, demonstrated the departments' 35-foot smoke trailer and showed children what to do in the event of a fire.

West Haven firefighters also demonstrated the Jaws of Life tool by prying open parts of a vehicle to free those trapped inside.

For a complete list of centennial events, see the schedule at <https://www.cityofwesthaven.com/343/Centennial-Events>.



Photo by Michael P. Walsh

Sparky the Fire Dog interacts with Ivory Urban, of Orange, and her sons, from left, Ashton, 1, Bryson, 6, and Conrad, 8.

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