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# Happy Thanksgiving



## Holiday Tradition

Each Thanksgiving, the West Haven Voice keeps the tradition of putting the West Haven and Notre Dame football teams on the front page. Thanksgiving football in the area has been a staple for nearly a century. Last night, the WHHS

Blue Devils hosted Fairfield Prep at Ken Strong Stadium, the first night-before-Thanksgiving home game ever. Today, the Green Knights play a tough Hamden Green Dragons in the Green Bowl at Hamden. A great tradition continues.

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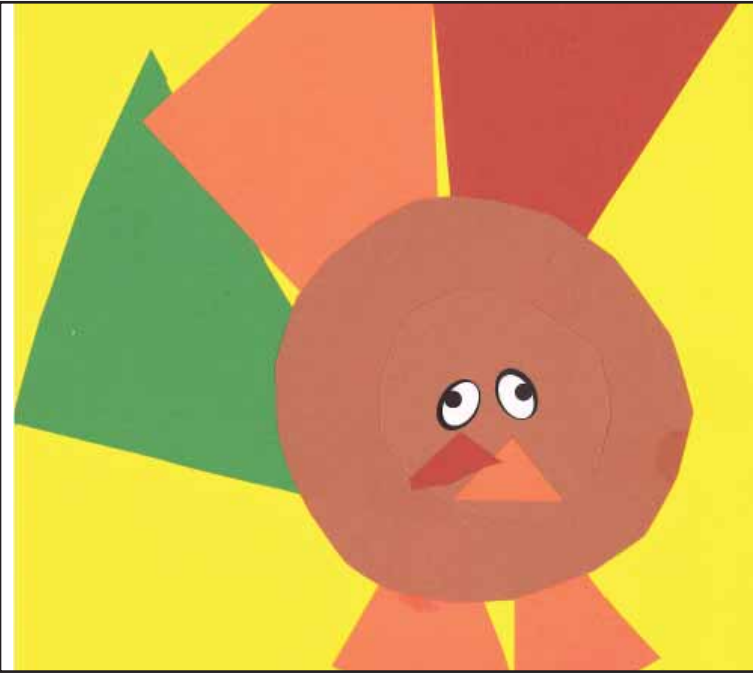
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Christopher Lozada, age 4, a student at the West Haven Child Development Center, Inc uses shapes to create his Thanksgiving turkey and is hoping for sunny weather.

### 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. In 1999, the United Nations General Assembly declared November 25 as the International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women.

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.

1950 -- "Storm of the century" hits eastern US. Also known as the Appalachian Storm, the storm reached blizzard conditions and dumped nearly 60 inches of snow in the Appalachian area. It brought unseasonal temperatures to the region.



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### Rings NYSE closing bell

West Haven's Snigtha Mohanraj, a 3M Young Scientist Challenge Runner-Up, rang the closing bell on New York Stock Exchange, Nov. 11.

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# Sandy Point residents start new association

A recently formed neighborhood group has put out an extensive list of goals and committees, and elected its first slate of officers.

The Sandy Point Neighborhood Association elected its first set of officers to oversee the group's activities for the coming year. It is also letting neighbors know there is still time to join the association, be part of its committees or participate in neighborhood activities and events.

"The Association was initially formed during a neighborhood-wide organizational meeting held earlier this year," a press release said this week. "The stated purpose of the association is to help build networks of volunteers to improve communications and the quality of life in this neighborhood, located in the southeastern corner of this city."

The association's boundar-

ies are: Washington Avenue on the west; First Avenue on the east; Beach Street on the south; and Brown Street on the north. Residents, property owners and businesses are welcome to join by visiting the Association's website, [www.SandyPointNeighbors.org](http://www.SandyPointNeighbors.org).

"I am very pleased to see the level of interest in improving our Sandy Point neighborhood and the willingness of so many neighbors to help build this organization," association President, Michelle Coletti said. "This is a waterfront neighborhood with great potential, and we are anxious to move forward in tapping and enhancing this potential. Working together, I believe we can make a huge difference."

The Board of Directors recently elected the following officers to lead its efforts:

President Michelle Colletti of Third Avenue Extension;

Vice-President Kathie Hebert of Blohm Street; Treasurer Peter O'Neill of Second Avenue; Secretary Dave Killeen of Second Avenue.

In order to involve as many residents as possible, organizers mailed postcard invitations to all households within the neighborhood boundaries to make them aware of a Sept. 18 organizational meeting. At the time, more than 40 interested neighbors showed up to support the formation of the association by endorsing its proposed Bylaws and voting to elect the seven members of its Board of Directors.

That Board, in addition to the officers noted above, include:

Georgianna Jette of Anderson Avenue; Thomas Green of Second Avenue; and Donna Spiegelman of Beach Street.

The Association is now in the process of forming various

committees to help improve the neighborhood in the following areas:

Addressing issues such as traffic hazards, block watches and illegal dumping; beautifying the neighborhood, planning events, increasing publicity and membership,

helping families in need, and focusing on the ecology of the area.

Anyone interested in getting involved in this organization, please contact any of the Board members listed above or visit the website at [www.sandypointneighbors.org](http://www.sandypointneighbors.org).



The new Sandy Point Neighborhood Association takes its name from the natural formation in New Haven Harbor. The point is considered one of the finest natural habitats in the city along with the tidal marsh.

## Happy Thanksgiving, neighbors.



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# Dear Felicia

Howdy, sweets, and Happy Thanksgiving! As is Cobina's custom over these many years, she is gonna give away her turkeys to the bright and best, and dimmest and worst of our fair city. Many people wanna git in on this list every year and are disappointed if they ain't. So, in the interest of brevity – Iyam the guru of same – we will begin.

**Mayor Nancy Rossi** – Our fearless leader gits a turkey with all the trimmings and few additions. Foist, she is gonna git a list o' things the Municipal Accountability Review Board (MARB) has told her to do, and haven't been fulfilled. It seems the members are reaching the end of their tether. Also, can we git an explanation as to why we spent money on a marching band?? That did beat all.

**Finance Director Frank Cieplinski** – He's gonna git

a bird with a fireproof poncho. Somethin' tells me a lotta the fire that's gonna come the city's concerning the recent scandals are gonna be put at his doorstep. We've seen these things before.

**City Council Chairman Ron Quagliani** – His bird is gonna come with a pair o' slippers on the drumsticks. He's might as well be comfortable for the online calls, meetings in Hartford, and possible visits from the feds over the next few months. This ain't gonna end soon.

**The City Council** – The fowls for these folks are gonna come with a barn door – the one that should've been closed before they passed a resolution saying all CARES money expenditures should go through the legislative body.

**City Clerk Pat Horvath** – Mizz Horvath's bird is gonna come with headache powder,

she's gonna have more than a few opportunities to need it over the next few days or weeks what with questions of absentees and chain of custody.

**Democratic Town Chairman Mike Last** – His turkey is gonna come with a shield. The slings and arrows that the other divisions in the party are gonna start tossing will be coming at a fierce rate. He'll need some protection.

**Republican Town Chairman Dave Riccio** – His bird is gonna come with a shovel. He's gonna hafta clean up mightily effen the party can build on the turnout of Nov. 2. Some people wanna go back to being a biennial door mat. It's comfortable.

**Former Republican Town Chairmen** – Their birds will come with sour grapes and door mats. See above. The letter they sent was about as ad hominem as they come and beneath the dignity o' people who held setch positions – or should have been.

**Former GOP Candidate Michele Gregorio** – Her bird comes with a hot, sweet sauce. Hot cuz she still has the fire to speak her mind, and sweet, cuz she's gone on to bigger and better things outside the bubble that is city politics.

**GOP Candidate Barry Lee Cohen** – His turkey comes

with whatever will keep up the chutzpah, some very tart turnips, maybe. Like him or hate him, people like a politico that speaks his mind and stays away from the clichés. Some in the party don't like that...and their being nice worked over the last 30 years?

**Attorney Vin Marino** – See Horvath.

**State Rep. Dorinda Borer** – Her bird comes with jest a few of the photos she finds herself in over the course of a year. Somehow, she gets in everything....

**Superintendent of Schools Neil Cavallaro** – His bird comes with a suggestion, and Italian-style stuffing. He likes that. Maybe McDonough Plaza, the place where the old main entrance was, could be expanded to include from the fence at Circle Street all the way to Educational Way. Remember, it was named after a guy who was instrumental in the "new" high school in the 1960s, and was supposed to have a school named after him...that never happened.

**Board of Education Jack of All Trades Ken Carney** – His bird comes with an added drumstick to represent all the different projects going on in the schools and elsewhere. The list seems to be growin'.

**Third District Congresswoman Rosa DeLauro Greenberg** – Her bird is tinted purple to match that awful hair dye she's been usin'. Let's hope by this time next year ole Rosa is a "retiring" member of Congress and that Red Wave hits the New Haven area. Rosa's never met a tax she didn't like.

**Current occupant of 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue** – His turkey comes with a clue writ in big letters so he can see it. Also, a list of decisions he's made to make us in the economic straits we're in. Yeah, he got 81 million votes....

**Gov. Ned Lamont** – His bird comes with a pair of scissors. It's time he cuts loose from the pandemic mentality and gets the state back to complete normality. Like many in his shoes, he likes the power. The General Assembly should take back its rightful control.

**Democratic Candidate for the 116 District Trenee McGee** – Her bird comes with advice: Lose the "intersectionality" and ID politics if you want to attract votes from everyone. Also, "equity" means equal results or outcomes. That depends on individuals, which makes it impossible, due to one's decisions. "Equality" means equal access, which is what we all want. The Dems have a problem with those two words...deliberately...don't be one o' them.

All-around Good Guy Pat-

**rick Morrissey** – Your turkey comes will all the fixin's for you and your family. Didn't forget this time, Patrick. Hope you and yours have a great holiday!

**Former GOP Councilman, businessman and now man of leisure Ed Granfield** – His turkey comes with a big ladle so he can keep stirring the pot for local politicians, who really hate it.

**The Members of the City's Planning Dept.** – They all git a turkey with a copy of the story that announced the Enterprise Zone over by the West River. That was almost a year ago. Wha' happened since? Not much I'll wager.

**Retired Real Estate Man and Carousel Committee Chairman Mike Mercuriano** – His turkey comes with a miniature merry-go-round. Anything happening on that front?

**The Haven Group** – The group's individual turkeys will come with an updated plan of what the blazes is going on down there. Talk about a group that plays it close to the vest, nobody knows what or when things are really gonna git underway. Right now it looks like a quarry.

**Gripe Vine Columnist Eleanor Turkington** – El's turkey comes with no gripes, no complaints and will melt in the mouth. She deserves a break after a year of dealing with big and small pet peeves from the general public.

**City PR guru Mike Walsh** – His turkey comes with a green visor and old Underwood portable. Mike does a bang-up job with accentuating the positive in this burg. He gits a side o' mulled wine.

**Voice Historian Dan Shine** – His bird will come with a list of all the people who bought his centennial book. After years of toiling hard with his column, he's getting the recognition he deserves.

**WH Child Development Center Director Dr. Patrice Farquharson** -- Here turkey comes with a couple of free days at home, and best wishes for the holidays.

**UFO Cartoonist Tom Aschenbach** – His turkey comes with sweet breads and a dessert of pumpkin pie. He does a great job with his cartoon – though Cobina don't really understand it – but people like it, and that's what counts.

**Voice Ad Director Alan Olenick** – His turkey comes with about four or five different hats, cuz that's the number of some of the things he's got a hand into over the course of a week. Cobina can't keep up.

To all our readers – Happy Thanksgiving!

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**Dear Eleanore Turkington:**

The traffic light at the bottom of the Veteran's Hospital at the corner of Campbell and Lamson, which is supposed to be solid green during rush hour has been broken for at least three days. This makes it extremely dangerous for VA employees and visitors to leave the VA during rush hour because no one on Campbell Avenue wants to stop for them. I have witnessed several near accidents in the last three days. I have reported it to the West Haven Police, one of whom I spoke with rather than leaving a message and he didn't seem to care a whole lot. I also left a message with the mayor's office, and she was very nice. This has also happened multiple times in the past and everyone wants to shift blame to some another department. There has been a death on that corner, I believe, related to this phenomenon in the past. It needs to be fixed immediately.

WHR

**Dear Eleanore Turkington:**

Regarding the traffic light at Campbell Avenue and Lamson, near the Veteran's Hospital, the light has been broken several times since I reported it. It has now been broken for over a year. The West Haven's mayor's office and the police department give the same excuse they've always given "There is a broken part we've been waiting for." In the meantime, there are constant near accidents and since I worked from home for a year during COVID there has been actually more accidents, I don't know. All I know, is that everyone is back to work at the VA this continues to be a ma-

ior safety issue that no one in the West Haven government seems to care about.

JW

**Dear JW and WHR:**

I can sympathize with your complaints. In the past, I had regularly brought my husband to the VA hospital for medical care and have witnessed firsthand the safety concerns you provided with this particular traffic light. Many times, it was a "You go," "No, go ahead," and neither one of us didn't move. However, I wrote to Councilman Mitchell L. Galignano for his assistance with this malfunctioning traffic light. He promptly replied, "I have contacted the West Haven Police Department and they tell me this is a state issue. They also told me they have contacted the state and is now in their hands to get this corrected. If I do get more information about this issue. I can certainly keep everyone informed.

Sorry about the delay but dealing with the state can be cumbersome."

Gripe Vine Readers, as a sign of respect to our veterans and their families, I am anticipating, through the efforts of Councilman Galignano this traffic light will be resolved as soon as possible.

**Dear Eleanore Turkington:**

Last July I wrote about an abandoned white truck on Front Avenue. It also had out of state plates that has been there for years, not months and as usual, nothing was done, yet a damaged car that was parked on Westfield Street for two weeks gets tagged, just the typical run around in West Haven.

Curious



ELEANORE TURKINGTON

**Dear Curious:**

I asked Councilman Mitchell Galignano for some help in removing this truck. He replied, "The truck has been removed."

**Dear Eleanore Turkington:**

There is a small public beach across from Nashawena Avenue. The owner from the adjacent home trucked in a load of shells and a small excavator to level the shells. He now uses this area as a parking place. I may be wrong, but I think this is city property.

*Environmentally Concerned*

**Dear Concerned:**

Robert Bruneau, councilman for this district, replied to my quest for assistance with this concern with, "I went to the area of concern and was able to speak to the homeowner,

who stated parking is tight down there. However, he assured me he will no longer be parking on city owned property known as the beach."

**Dear Eleanore Turkington:**

The northbound lane of Kelsey Avenue has a large and growing pothole. Its length and location make it particularly dangerous for cyclists and for WHHS pedestrians trying to cross to go to school as cars are swerving right near the crosswalk on the busy icy hill to avoid it.

*Safety Observer*

**Dear Safety Observer:**

Councilwoman Bridgette J. Hoskie received my request to fill this pothole. Her reply, "I sent this to Public Works to

be filled." Please let me know if this pothole has been filled."

**Dear Gripe Vine Readers:**

I will begin forwarding copies of all stop signs, traffic lights and speeding complaints to your Councilmen/Women as well as directly to West Haven Police Chief, Joseph Perno. If any of these complaints are the state's responsibility, I am sure Chief Perno will notify the State's Traffic Division for safety compliance concerns.

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## Thanksgiving, 2021

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Their brand of Calvinism was "covenant" centered. Throughout the Old Testament, God had made a covenant with men. This "Covenant Theology" prompted them to bind themselves into a civil body under a covenant. That document, signed before they landed to form the Plymouth Colony, was given the name, "The Mayflower Compact." Under this document, the first colony in Massachusetts Bay was established, and was to be the prototype of other covenants and constitutions that were to follow.

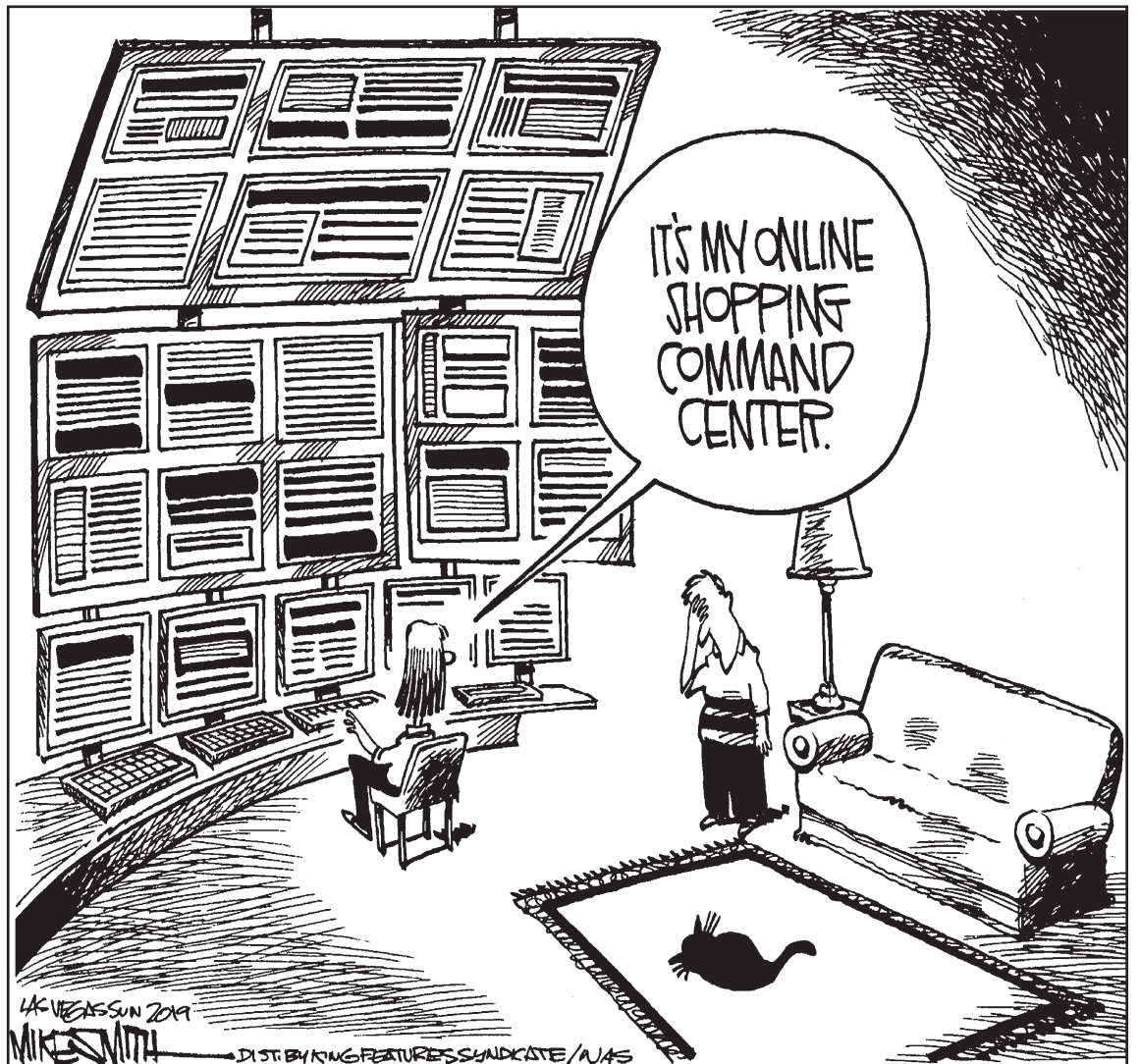
Later, decimated by exposure and famine, many of the signers never made it through the first winter. Those that did declared a day of Thanksgiving, which served as the point of origination for the New England holiday that was to follow well beyond 1620, into the 19th Century.

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**IN THE NAME OF GOD, AMEN.** We, whose names are underwritten, the Loyal Subjects of our dread Sovereign Lord King *James*, by the Grace of God, of *Great Britain, France, and Ireland, King, Defender of the Faith, &c.* Having undertaken for the Glory of God, and Advancement of the Christian Faith, and the Honour of our King and Country, a Voyage to plant the first Colony in the northern Parts of *Virginia*; Do by these Presents, solemnly and mutually, in the Presence of God and one another, covenant and combine ourselves together into a civil Body Politick, for our better Ordering and Preservation, and Furtherance of the Ends aforesaid: And by Virtue hereof do enact, constitute, and frame, such just and equal Laws, Ordinances, Acts, Constitutions, and Officers, from time to time, as shall be thought most meet and convenient for the general Good of the Colony; unto which we promise all due Submission and Obedience.

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## Joe's shrinking presidency

By Rich Lowry  
Syndicated Columnist

Joe Biden was never exactly a colossus bestriding the Earth, but he's been getting smaller by the day.

A Washington Post poll over the weekend suggested that his presidency is, for now, a smoking political crater. It had him at a 41% approval rating, despite the passage of his long-sought infrastructure bill that was supposed to buoy him and his party.

Even more striking, the survey found that Republicans lead Democrats on the generic congressional ballot by 10 points, 51% to 41%, an unprecedentedly strong showing for the GOP that forecasts an earthquake, tsunami, and maybe a few more natural disasters for Democrats come next fall.

And who can be surprised? Biden is stumbling, out of touch, and weak. Two of his major initiatives, at the border and in Afghanistan, created completely avoidable catastrophes. He has given no sense of being in control of events or even his own party. He is an accidental president who is running smack into his own inadequacies and absurd pretensions.

No one in Washington over the last four decades ever said

that Joe Biden was just the man with the foresight, wisdom and deft political touch to lead the free world.

No, he was an average senatorial bloviator whose first two presidential campaigns flamed out in embarrassing fashion, before he hit the jackpot when Barack Obama choose him as his running mate in 2008.

Showing the advantage of hanging around for a very long time, Biden won both the 2020 Democratic nomination and the presidency by default. In the primaries, the former vice president looked good in comparison to Bernie Sanders, and he ran in the general on not being Donald Trump.

Now, Biden is allied with Bernie Sanders, who helped write the first version of his Build Back Better plan, and Donald Trump no longer looms as large as Biden's foil.

The best case for Biden's presidency was that he could be a kind of consensus caretaker -- restoring a sense of normality and maintaining a low profile while riding in the slipstream of improving economic conditions and a diminishing pandemic.

Instead, he's been carried along by the left-wing tide of his party and repeatedly engaged in unconstitutional

executive overreach. On top of it all, he's brought his own brand of incompetence, exemplified by the botched pull-out from Afghanistan.

His foremost mistake was overestimating an attenuated electoral mandate for pedestrian governance as a permission slip for passing nearly the entirety of the progressive agenda in the space of less than a year.

Not only has there been sticker shock over the price tag of the Biden agenda, but it has little connection to things people truly care about. The infrastructure bill polls well, but no one goes about their daily lives worried about the alleged crisis of crumbling bridges and tunnels.

Meanwhile, the Build Back Better bill started as a \$3.5 trillion grab bag of everything that progressives want but couldn't get in the infrastructure bill. Passing as much spending as you possibly can before you lose Congress a year from now, which is essentially the rationale behind Build Back Better, is not a compelling reason for a historic spate of federal spending.

That legislation has been pared down to largely a child-care and climate change bill. That's an unnatural pairing  
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# Cultural mapping project ends 1st phase

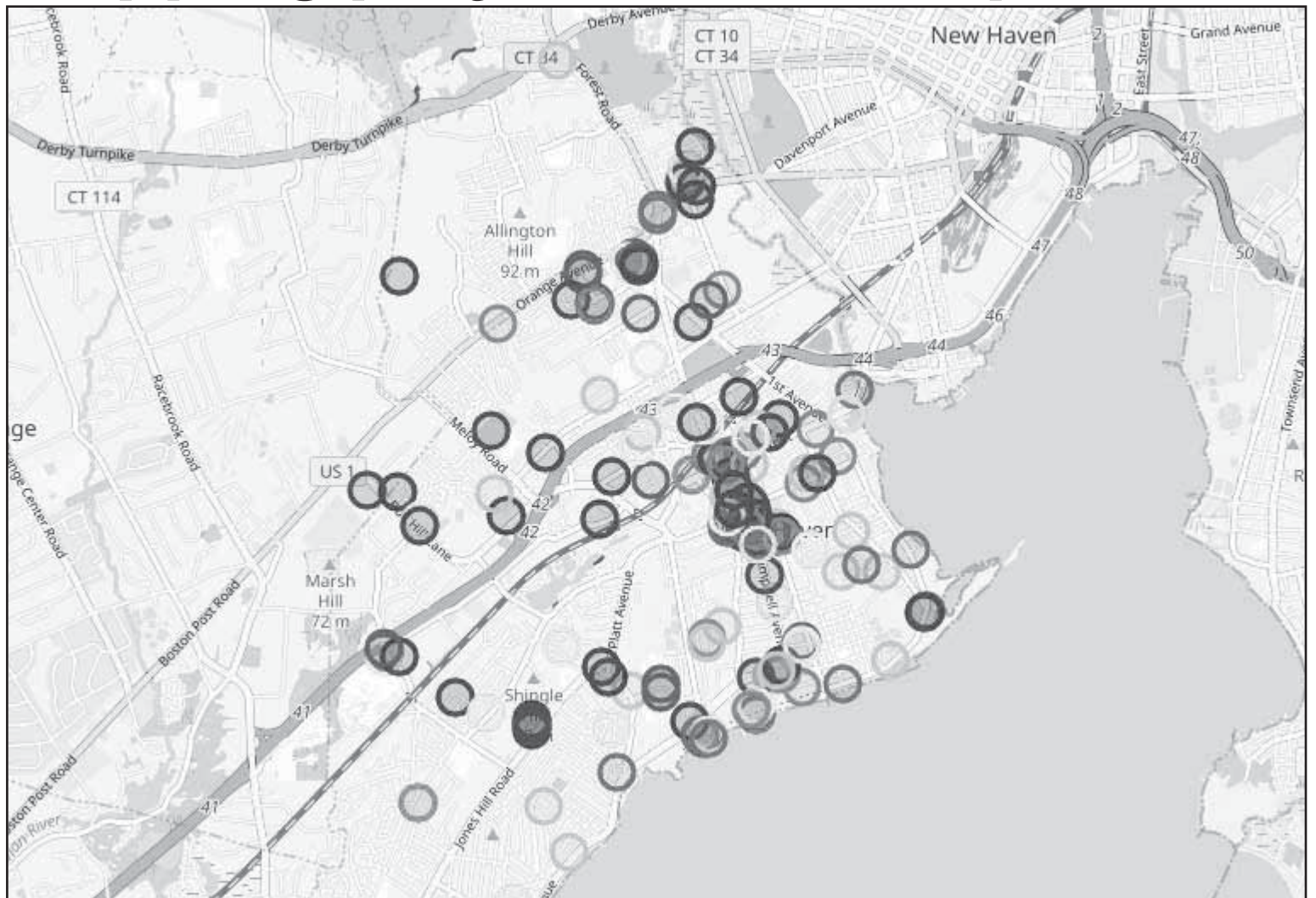
ArtsWestCT has finalized results of the first phase of a project identifying “Cultural Assets” in the city. The project was announced earlier this year, and “maps” the assets as they are found geographically throughout the city. The mapping project was undertaken this year with funding from the Community Foundation of Greater New Haven.

To collect data, the group used a model that has been used successfully in communities across the country, including Austin, Chicago, and Hamden. It is called the Cultural Assets Mapping Project Kit, or CAMP Kit for short.

Elinor Slomba, advisor to ArtsWestCT, said the project was begun to ask several questions about the cultural layout of West Haven.

“What we really want to get at are the answers to questions like: Who are the important culture keepers in your neighborhood? Where are the creative organizations? Who has made an impact in your life through theater, performance, and art? And What are the cultural programs, memories, and places you think are important to share? There’s still time to put yourself on the map, so to speak, and we hope many people will take advantage of the opportunity,” she said.

One hundred seventy-one cultural assets are listed on



the West Haven map to date. Approximately 19% so far fall into the category of visual and graphic arts, 16% more are in crafts, 14% in music, 10% literary arts, 13% culinary arts, 7% fashion/textiles, 7% theater arts, 6% dance, 5% architecture, and 3% technology, gaming and web design. Three-quarters of the total also

represent some form of culture, tradition and heritage.

The project is ongoing and will be part of future projects by the group.

“The input form will remain active for another month, and all West Haven residents are encouraged to add more items before the final, interactive

map goes live. At that time, all the locations and websites will be shown, with color-coding according to the type of asset,” according to the group’s Facebook page.

“Before the end of the year, the map will be presented to the West Haven Centennial Committee as a snapshot of

arts and culture in West Haven in 2021. It will be used, also, for placement on the city’s website, and made accessible on the West Haven page of the VisitCT website, ArtsWestCT’s social media, and other places.

“The results will help fuel further cultural planning efforts,” the page related.

## Lowry: *Biden on decline*

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that came about not because those are the top two things that the public wants from Washington, but because they happen to be what Democrats think they can pass.

Only now is the White House trying to argue that the infrastructure bill and Build Back Better will address real public concerns, namely the supply chain disruptions and the inflation that is outpacing wage growth. This is clearly a tendentious, after-the-fact argument.

The White House can hope that the supply chain bottlenecks ease and inflation declines, but Biden’s disastrous first year speaks to a more intractable problem with the lackluster occupant of the Oval Office himself.

*Rich Lowry is editor of the National Review.  
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## Campbell Ave. sites leased

Two Campbell Avenue locations were recently rented to new businesses. The announcement was made by Michael Richetelli, President and Designated Broker of Colonial Properties, Inc.

Tom Doyle represented the Landlord, York Business Center, LLC, in the leasing of 719 & 727 Campbell Ave.

The 719 Campbell Ave., site consists of more than 4,000 square feet of industrial/retail space. The location was leased to Jordan Greenstein for a two-year term.

The 727 Campbell Ave. location consists of office space of more than 330 square feet. It was leased to Inspired Occasion Party Rentals and Events for a one-year term.

Doyle also represented York Business Center, LLC, in the leasing of a 3,800 square foot industrial warehouse space located at 748 Washington Ave, Unit C to Lujo Bar for a three-year term. Lujo Bar was represented by Gary Bellard, CCIM, also with Colonial Properties.

“We are pleased to be able to consummate several lease transactions recently. Leasing activity for smaller retail and flex space, typically known as “mom and pop” type space, has been starting to come back slowly,” said Richetelli.

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# Centennial exhibit honors city veterans

By Michael P. Walsh  
*Special to the Voice*

The West Haven Veterans Museum & Learning Center on Sunday presented "A Salute to 100 Years of Veterans," a centennial exhibit honoring the community's service members.

The four-hour exhibit, held by the City of West Haven Centennial Celebration Committee, was part of a six-month series of free events marking 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.

The public display included a "visual representation," or wall, of more than 300 names of West Haven men and women from the past 100 years who defended the liberty and integrity of the United States while serving in all branches of the armed forces, said Arlene DeGrand Painter, who manages the museum.

Frank Chasney, the president of the museum's board of directors, led the Pledge of Allegiance before introducing Russell Armstead, the deputy executive director of the West Haven VA Medical Center, who delivered remarks on the long history of the Veterans Affairs hospital at 950 Campbell Ave.

City Human Resources Commissioner Beth A. Sabo, the committee's chairwoman, talked about the patriotic memorials, monuments, and statues for veterans in West Haven and the annual ceremonies commemorating them.

Museum member Barry Josephs, an Army veteran of the Vietnam War, discussed the history of Veterans Day.

The event also included tours of the museum, a living history of America at war.

The 9,000-square-foot museum at 30 Hood Terrace shows collections from the 102nd Infantry Regiment and the New Haven Grays, a protective force formed after the War of 1812.

It also displays relics from each conflict since the U.S. fought for independence, allowing visitors to walk a timeline around the camouflage-clad warehouse off Sawmill Road.

The exhibit joined a long list of special events observing West Haven's secession from Orange a century ago, including the Centennial Boat Parade in June, the Centennial Savin Rock Festival in July, the Centennial Fireworks and the "Hubbard Farms" exhibit in September, and the Centennial Fire Expo on Saturday.

The rural and residential sections of Orange separated in 1921 when the residential part, West Haven, became the state's youngest town.

For centennial merchandise, visit the official online store at <https://merchwebstores.com/West-Haven-Centennial/shop/home>.

The store, hosted by West Haven vendor West Shore Associates, sells such centennial-branded merchandise as long- and short-sleeved T-shirts, hooded sweatshirts, stainless steel tumblers, stemless wine glasses, insulated beverage bottles, ceramic mugs, retro sunglasses, canvas and cotton tote bags, eco-performance face masks, and pigment-dyed twill and mesh trucker caps.

A portion of the vendor's merchandise proceeds will offset expenses and support the \$50,000 centennial budget approved by the City Council. For a complete list of centennial events, see the schedule at <https://www.cityofwesthaven.com/343/Centennial-Events>.

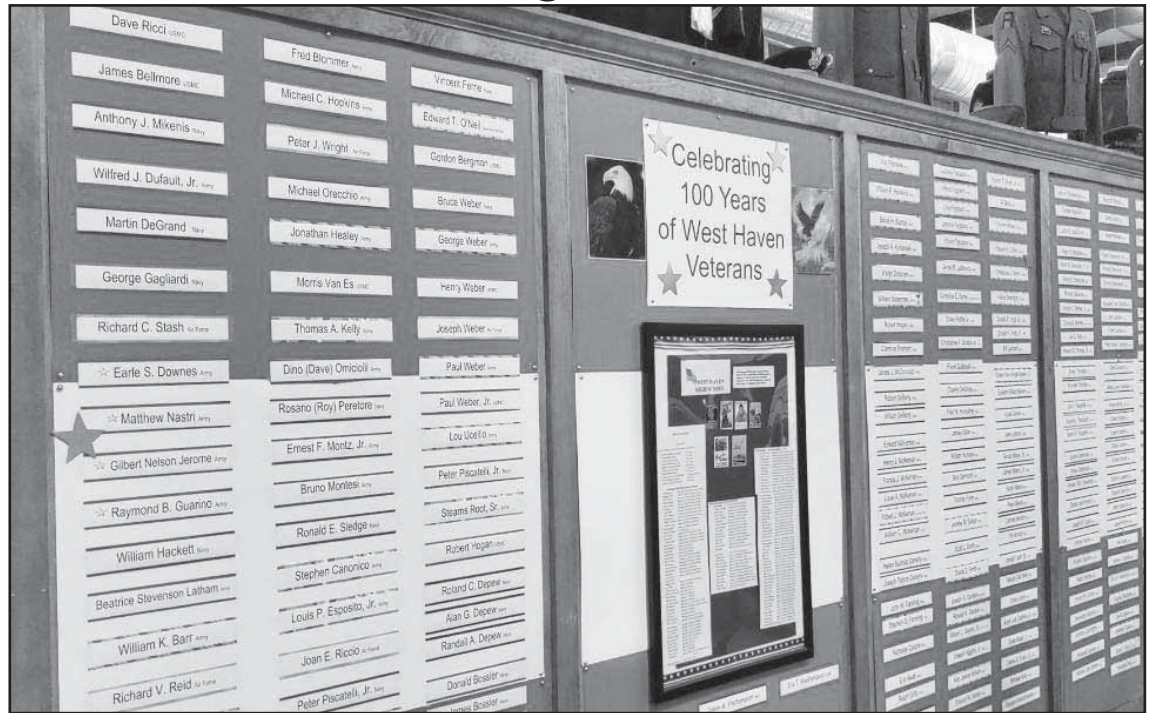


Photo by Andrew Kosarko

As part of the museum's centennial exhibit, a "visual representation," or wall, displays more than 300 names of West Haven men and women from the past 100 years who served in all branches of the U.S. armed forces.

## Rossi to host City Hall forum, Nov. 30

Mayor Nancy R. Rossi is inviting residents to participate in a town hall meeting in person at City Hall or virtually on Facebook Live at 6 p.m. Nov. 30.

The community event is aimed at fostering communication and transparency between City Hall and West Haven residents.

Residents can attend the town hall in the Harriet C. North Community Room of City Hall, 355 Main St., or they can participate in the meeting on the Facebook Live page called UNH Mayor's Advisory Commission. Face masks are required for City Hall attendees.

The town hall is sponsored by the mayor's office and the University of New Haven Mayor's Advisory Commission, a collaborative, student-driven task force founded in 2015 to strengthen town-gown

relations.

The UNH commission is led by Christyllis A. Douglas, a sophomore studying psychology, and adviser Chris Haynes, an associate professor of political science and national security.

All members of the community are encouraged to participate in the town hall and ask questions. The moderators are Haynes and Allison E. Mahr, a sophomore studying international affairs.

Participants can send questions before the meeting by email to [amahr2@unh.newhaven.edu](mailto:amahr2@unh.newhaven.edu) or [chaynes@newhaven.edu](mailto:chaynes@newhaven.edu). They can also

submit questions during the meeting in the "Comment" section on Facebook Live.

Participants are allowed one question with a one-minute time limit. At the beginning of the question, they must state their name and the subject of their question, with all comments related to the city or government of West Haven.

Participants must keep all dialogue courteous and respectful.

For more information, call the mayor's office at 203-937-3510, or send an email to [amahr2@unh.newhaven.edu](mailto:amahr2@unh.newhaven.edu) or [chaynes@newhaven.edu](mailto:chaynes@newhaven.edu).

### Vietnam Veterans hosting toy drive

West Haven Vietnam Veterans Inc. is collecting toys for children ages 4-12 on Dec. 11.

The toy drive will take place on the Green from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. and benefit the West Haven Community House at 227 Elm St.

Organizers will not accept stuffed animals or toy guns.



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## Wins SFA award

State Rep. Dorinda Borer (D-115) received an award from the Statewide Firefighters Association at its annual convention for her work on advocating and securing an additional \$5 million to fund the state's Fire Training Academies. From left of right: Rich Innamorato, John Carew, Phil Markey, and Borer.



# FDWH begins safety seat testing



Target of Orange donated eight carseats to aid in the CWHFD shown are: Capt. Stephen Panza, firefighter Chris Iadorola, Louis Siva, Target employee, Becky Berdmark, Target Employee, firefighter Michael Pastir, Unidentified Target employee, Ophelia Barnett Human Resources manager, firefighter Kevin Scanlon, Fire Chief Michael Terenzio, and firefighter Christopher DuBois.



Firefighter Thomas O'Toole, Fire Chief Michael Terenzio, Captain Jason Cameron, and Firefighter Michael DiMassa stand under the banner announcing the Child Seat Safety Program.

Every day in America, millions of parents and caregivers travel with children in their vehicles. While some children are buckled in properly in the correct car seats for their ages and sizes, many are not, if they are buckled up at all. According to the U.S. Department of Transportation's National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), 46% of car seats are misused.

The City of West Haven Fire Department - Allingtown announced its Child Passenger Safety Seat Inspection & Installation program, which is dedicated to helping parents and caregivers make sure their children ride as safely as possible — *every trip, every time*. The Child Passenger Safety Seat program involves clinics conducted by department staff, who have received certification as Child Safety Seat installation technicians. They will either inspect existing car seat installations, or install child safety car seats to those who wish to do so.

To help combat this issue, Target of Orange donated 8

brand new child safety car seats to be used in conjunction with the department's newly established program.

The clinics will be held twice a month primarily at the COWHFD Allingtown Minor Park station in West Haven at 318 Fairfax St., and occasionally at other sites around the West Haven area. Interested parents and caregivers, who wish to take advantage of this public service, should contact (203) 933-2541, or (203) 387-6623 to learn more. The number of car seat inspections and installations that can be effectively performed are limited for each event.

"Every 32 seconds in 2018, a child under 13 was involved in a passenger vehicle crash," and "Using car seats that are age- and size-appropriate is the best way to keep your children safe," according to NHTSA

"As parents and caregivers, we have a long list of things we do for our children to show our love. One of the simplest and most important things on the list should be to make sure

they are in the right car seat for their age and size," said Department Chief Michael-Terenzio.

NHTSA recommends keeping children rear-facing as long as possible, up to the top height and weight allowed by their particular seats. Once a child outgrows the rear-facing-only "infant" car seat, he/she should travel in a rear-facing "convertible" or all-in-one car seat. Once your child outgrows the rear-facing size limits, the child is ready to travel in a forward-facing car seat with a harness and tether. After outgrowing the forward-facing car seat with harness, children should be placed in booster seats until they're the right size to use seat belts safely.

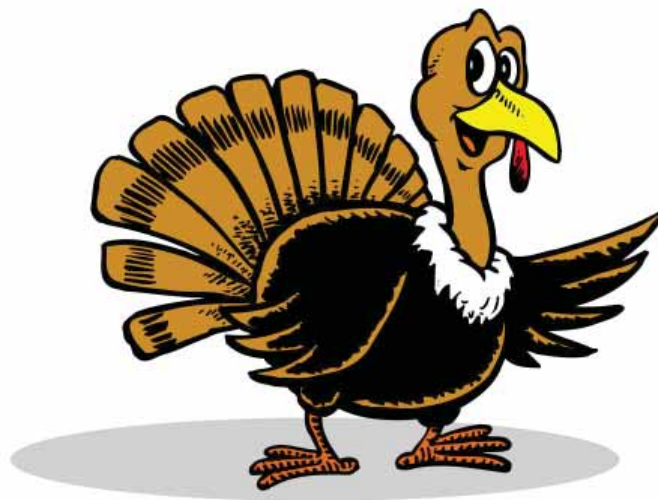
Always remember to register your car seat and booster seat with the car seat manufacturer so you can be notified in the event of a recall. Parents and caregivers can view more information on car seat safety and locate a certified technician at [www.nhtsa.gov/therightseat](http://www.nhtsa.gov/therightseat).

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# 'Read to Grow' visits WHCH students

In response to the ongoing effects of the pandemic, Read to Grow has distributed over 12,000 copies and counting of their new board book, *Hello Sometimes*, in both English and Spanish, to children and families across Connecticut. Read to Grow launched a storywalk for *Hello Sometimes*: a series of temporary outdoor installations of the book in large format for children and families to read and experience together. The author and illustrator recently visited the West Haven Community House as part of the kickoff.

*Hello Sometimes* follows a young child who leads us through the uncertainties of day to day life and shares the enduring message that life is about change. Written by Amy Vatner, an attorney with The Children's Community Programs of Connecticut, and illustrated by Gabriella Svenningsen, Tassej Walden award-winning artist, *Hello Sometimes* features simple rhymes and dynamic watercolor illustrations.

"Read to Grow has been supporting families develop healthy reading routines with their children for over 21 years," says Read to Grow Executive Director Suzannah Holsenbeck. "When the pandemic struck, we saw a unique

opportunity to provide a board book for the youngest learners amongst us and to provide parents and caregivers a tangible way to discuss ongoing challenges that can seem very abstract to children. We are thrilled to launch the storywalk in partnership with

the West Haven Family Resource Center."

West Haven Community House launched the new storywalk for *Hello Sometimes* for children and families on Nov. 10 with the author and illustrator present. Classrooms from Head Start and children

from the West Haven Family Resource Center were taken through the story walk and given a copy of the book to take home.

"The Family Resource Center is excited for the opportunity to bring the *Hello Sometimes* storywalk to life for the

families of the FRC and the West Haven Head Start program," says Jean Vitale, Director of the WHFRC. "This storywalk will be a shared outdoor reading experience, which will allow us to physically move from page to page. It gives children the opportunity to have fun while learning new words, learning how to follow a story in sequence, and even act out the story. In collaboration with Head Start teachers, we will be also reading the story aloud in Spanish, Arabic, and Turkish, celebrating the rich cultures here in West Haven as depicted in the story."

The *Hello Sometimes* storywalk is made possible by the generous vision and support of Anne Rash and Altrusa USA.

Read to Grow's publication and distribution of *Hello Sometimes* is made possible by funding from the Valley Community Foundation, Seedlings Foundation, Community Foundation of Greater New Haven, United Way of Greater New Haven, Citizens Bank, The Scripps Family Fund for Education and the Arts, 100 Women Who Care Fairfield County, The Children's Community Programs of Connecticut, and many generous donors.



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Jean Vitale, Director of the West Haven Family Resource Center explains *Hello Somtimes* to students at the West Haven Community House during the Nov. 10 presentation.

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# Saturday is 'Small Business Day' in city

By Michael P. Walsh  
*Special to the Voice*

Mayor Nancy R. Rossi has announced the city's participation in the 12th annual Small Business Saturday on Nov. 27.

Nov. 27 also marks the lighting of West Haven'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 support the small, independently owned businesses that help create jobs, boost the economy and keep communities thriving across the country.

"I encourage everyone to

patronize our local businesses on Small Business Saturday," Rossi said. "Small businesses are the backbone of our economy and need our support more than ever."

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 a record \$19.8 billion at independent retailers and restaurants on Small Business Saturday in 2020.

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 encourage local consumers to shop small on Nov. 27.

"Some of our small businesses are still trying to bounce back from the pandemic and now supply chain issues," Rossi said. "Please consider

doing your holiday shopping locally — and don't forget, gift certificates make some of the greatest gifts."

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

Read the proclamation

at <https://www.cityofwesthaven.com/DocumentCenter/View/3914/Proclamation-2021-Small-Business-Saturday-Electronic-PDF>.

Merchants and consumers can learn more about Small Business Saturday, including how to participate, at <https://www.americanexpress.com/us/small-business/shop-small/>.

## Cohen case in court; GOP rift out in open

While a case concerning alleged problems with absentee ballots had its opening hearing in Superior Court this week, fissures in the city's minority party came to the fore. At issue is the now 32-vote win of Mayor Nancy Rossi over her Republican opponent Barry Lee Cohen three weeks ago.

Following the recount, Nov. 7, Cohen's attorney, Vincent Marino listed what he believed to be several problems with absentee ballots in the recount. Those concerns included chain-of-custody issues, no signatures on inner envelopes, and other issues that should have disqualified the ballots, including an alleged Hamden resident voting.

Due to the narrowness of the vote totals, now giving Rossi a 4,275-4,243, Cohen had 14 days to determine if he would take it to court. That decision was made with the first hearing yesterday. The case was continued until after the holiday.

The issue has brought out some undercurrents in the Republican Party. Cohen has refused to concede the election, pending the outcome of the court case. That decision has incurred the ire of three former GOP Town Chairmen, Paul Frosolone, Pat Libero, and Colleen O'Connor.

A letter was sent to local press, including the *Voice*, none of which have chosen to print it because of its *ad hominem* nature, and possible slander. The letter called for Cohen to quit the race.

"As former WHRTC Town Committee Chair(men), we firmly believe that it is time for you to concede the election of Nov. 3, 2021," the letter said. We will quote no further.

The letter did lay bare the

rift that has opened between different parts of the party. Cohen was not popular with some members of the party, long-timers who didn't like his style or his directness. That directness, especially tackling the recent scandal with improprieties with CARES Act funds, gave Cohen the largest GOP vote count in more than three decades.

Marino, himself a former GOP chairman in Orange said the problem with the three former chairmen and Cohen is not policy, it's personalities.

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## Rotary gives dictionaries

West Haven Rotary Club recently conducted its annual giveaway of dictionaries to third grade students around the city. Dorinda Borer (first row, extreme right) conducted the distribution to the third-grade students at St. Lawrence School on behalf of the club. Pictured along with Borer are the students, Linda Smith, third grade teacher, and Principal Paul DeFonzo.



# Christmas tree lighting set Saturday

By Michael P. Walsh  
*Special to the Voice*

The ceremonial lighting of West Haven's Christmas tree on the Green will herald an evening of merriment Saturday.

The holiday festival will commence at 4 p.m. with the national anthem sung by Grace Kelly Nowak and Christmas favorites performed by instructors, students and a choir of 20 singers from The Rock

House School of Music.

The annual event is presented by the city, the First Congregational Church of West Haven and West Haven United, an organization aimed at bringing the city's volunteer groups together.

Although last year's public tree lighting was postponed because of the coronavirus, Mayor Nancy R. Rossi surprised residents with a virtual lighting just days after the an-

nouncement.

This year's event will feature costumed Christmas characters and Victorian-era carolers entertaining families around the Green.

The four-hour festival will also include an inflatable Santa's village and four craft stations on the Green, where children can make marshmallow reindeer ornaments, decorate wooden ornaments, write letters to Santa, and make cards for U.S. troops overseas and those at the West Haven VA Medical Center.

The festivities will continue at 5:30 p.m. with performances by the Top Hat Dance Academy.

At 6 p.m., Rossi will greet revelers from a portable stage on the Main Street side of the Green. The West Haven High School cheerleading team will then escort Santa and Mrs. Claus to the stage, where they will join Rossi and her special guests to set the tree aglow.

Santa and Mrs. Claus will arrive in the West Haven Fire Department's 1935 Mack pump firetruck.

Immediately after the lighting, The RumRunners will perform Yuletide classics until 8 p.m. Before the holiday concert, lead singer John Mamone will serve as the master of ceremonies.

West Haven's official Christmas tree is flanked by two smaller evergreen trees that will glow with fluorescent-colored lights.

Huge electric snowflakes will decorate The John C. Ire-

land Bandstand, and Victorian streetlamps bedecked with angels blowing on trumpets will illuminate the walkways.

The decorated Green will include an inflatable snow globe and other inflatable attractions that youngsters can go in and have pictures taken.

Before returning to the North Pole, Santa and Mrs. Claus will meet children and pose for snapshots until 8 p.m.

Just steps from Santa's workshop, boys and girls can drop off wish lists at St. Nick's official U.S. Postal Service mailbox.

Along with hayrides, kids can ride in a vintage firetruck from the West Shore Fire De-

partment. For a \$5 fee, they can also ride on the Roaming Railroad, a trackless train sponsored by West Haven United.

Most of the activities are free, but people are asked to bring nonperishable items for the West Haven Emergency Assistance Task Force, which provides food for residents in need.

Volunteers from the First Congregational Church will sell burgers, hot dogs, cookies and decorative chocolate bars, and volunteers from West Haven United will sell popcorn, hot chocolate and soda.

If it rains, the lighting will go on at 5 p.m. Monday.



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With West Haven's Christmas tree aglow in the background, The John C. Ireland Bandstand on the snow-covered Green is bedecked with huge electric snowflakes as Victorian-era streetlamps decorated with angels blowing on trumpets illuminate the walkways during a Yuletide celebration from yesteryear.



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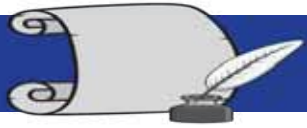
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## Historian's corner

By Dan Shine

### Pilgrim or Puritan?

We today often use the words Puritan and Pilgrim interchangeably, and yet the difference in the two is quite significant: those who came on the Mayflower to establish the starving colony of Plymouth in 1620 were the Pilgrims; the story of the first Thanksgiving is their story.

The Puritans were those who later fled the religious constraints of England and established the Massachusetts Bay Colony—and other colonies in the years following 1629.

Within the next ten years, more than 21,000 Puritans would flood across the hills and valleys of New England.

For those Plymouth Pilgrims enduring their first New England winter and spring, starvation was always near at hand. They had brought too little food; their crops grew poorly in the weak soil and their system of communal farming did not work efficiently.

By 1623, Governor Bradford would turn portions of the common land over to each family in the colony; the families would plant and farm that land, and they would be allowed to keep whatever they grew.

This new policy would bring about a change in attitude, and farming at Plymouth would suddenly become much more successful.

Thus, the Pilgrims would stumble upon the principle of capitalism, and discover that it worked! But these events were still far off in the future, and more than half of their number would die during that first dreadful winter.

They had landed at Plymouth in December 1620. They were weak and sickly, entering this barren new world hungry, and with little food to sustain them. The deep and abiding courage that carried them through this bleakest of times, came from their unshakeable faith in God.

By the next September or

October (records are unclear), the Pilgrims met with the friendly Pokanoket Indians for a feast.

This feast was something new to the Pilgrims, but to their secular English counterparts at Plymouth, it was a pleasant reminder of the Harvest Home celebrations back in England. The feast must have taken place shortly after the Pilgrims harvested their first modest crop of corn, squash, beans, barley, and peas. Coincidentally at the harvest-time, Plymouth Harbor also played host to a tremendous number of migrating birds, particularly ducks and geese. Gov. William Bradford therefore ordered a detail of men to go out "fowling." It took only a few hours for the hunting party to kill enough ducks and geese to feed the settlement for a week.

The Pilgrims clasped hands together and gave thanks to God at a long table covered with a white linen cloth. Shortly thereafter, they were joined by more than one hundred Po-

kanokets, led by their sachem Massasoit. The Indians had brought along five deer to add to the feast.

There wasn't enough furniture to go around, so most had to stand or squat in happy anticipation, as the deer and birds turned on wooden spits over open fires.

It was a time of plenty, a time of harmony and rejoicing, and a brief time of brotherhood between the English and the Native Americans.

The name "Thanksgiving" would not be applied to this great feast until the 19th Century—but whatever the name, the warm memory of that day lives on today in our most American of holidays!



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



The first Thanksgiving thanked Providence for survival. The feast included invitations to local tribesmen.

## Anxiety treatments offered

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, such as excessive worrying, social anxiety, difficulties or refusal to speak to other children or adults outside the child's immediate family, etc..

The program is currently conducting two large clinical trials to treat childhood anxiety. One is for children 6-12 years old and includes two effective treatments for childhood anxiety – Cognitive Behavioral Therapy (CBT) and Supportive Parenting for Anxious Childhood Emotions (SPACE), a parent-based treatment. Families enrolled in this research are randomized to receive SPACE or Cognitive Behavioral Therapy (CBT) for 12 weekly sessions. Study participants receive evaluation and treatment at no cost and are compensated up to \$250. The second trial, for children 10-14, tests the effects of a brief computer-based training that targets attentional processes to reduce social anxiety in children. Participants will complete the computer program twice a week for four weeks. Study participants receive treatment at no cost and are compensated up to \$600.

If interested, please feel free to 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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## Gridder hope to extend; booters outsted



The West Haven football team took a step towards playing in the postseason with a 48-0 victory over Wilbur Cross two weeks ago at Bowen Field in New Haven. With the victory, West Haven improved to 8-1 on the year.

With several different scenarios for teams to qualify for postseason play, West Haven is in that mix.

A win over Fairfield Prep in the regular season finale would assure the Westies a spot without any help from other teams.

Avian Evans scored twice in the contest as the Westies scored six times on the ground.

Deven Robinson gave West Haven a 6-0 lead with a 3-yard touchdown run, before Paul Williams scored from one yard out followed by the 2-point conversion from Robinson.

West Haven's defense got into the act when Connor Holy returned an interception 34 yards for a touchdown and a 21-0 lead.

Evans scored the first of his two touchdowns with a 20-yard run, before Amir Nakome scored on a 38-yard run. Evans then scored on a 38-yard run of his own, before Savien Danley capped the scoring with a 21-yard score.

The season came to a sudden close for the West Haven boys soccer team.

Despite playing a solid defensive game, the 11th-seeded Westies were eliminated from the postseason by No. 22 Conard by a score of 1-0 at Ken Strong Stadium Tuesday afternoon.

After a 5-2 loss to Xavier in the opening round of the Southern Connecticut Conference tournament, the Westies were looking for a strong all-around game to start the state tournament.

In an evenly played contest, West Haven held a 9-8 shot advantage but Conard put in the only goal.

Luke Wadsworth's unassisted tally proved to be the difference in the game and was enough to end the season for the Westies.

As has been the case all season, Brian Carew played well in goal with two saves.

Despite the loss, the Westies received postseason honors as seniors Donald Yanez and Brian Rivadera each were named to the All-SCC First Team.

Junior Sebastian Navarro and sophomore Daniel Duarte placed on the Second Team.

Photo by Todd Dandelske

Goalkeeper Brian Carew and #13 Diego Soto go up for the ball on a corner kick against the Chieftains. Conard topped the Westies, 1-0, ousting them from tournament play.

Photo courtesy of Hamden Hall

### Scanlon signs with Merrimack

Hamden Hall Country Day School senior Christian Scanlon signed a national letter of intent to play Division I baseball at Merrimack College. He was joined at the ceremony by his parents, Paul and Kelly Scanlon, brother Jey Scanlon, grandmother Kazuko Yamaguchi, and friend Giuliana Discher.





# Seahawks head to regional title contest

The West Haven Seahawks 10U (9- & 10-year-olds) football team (11-0) will advance to the New England regional championship game this Saturday with a 39-0 win over the previously unbeaten Ansonia Coppers at Veterans Field on Saturday. West Haven represented the Southern Connecticut Conference and Ansonia was the champion from the Northern Connecticut Pop Warner Conference.

The offensive attack was led by Jacari Harris with three rushing touchdowns. Tristian Crawford, Treyvon Jaynes and Tremar Smith also scored for the Seahawks.

The offensive line dominated the line of scrimmage led by Jayden Potter, CJ Schlauder, and Chris Summers. The Hawk defense was physical and stingy. Chace Stanley and Jeremyah Thames recorded drive stopping interceptions. William Pastore, Majesty Whitaker, Mason Booker, Jermaine Gibbs, Jaden Spell and Kaden Lafountain excelled on the defensive side of the ball.

The New England Regional Championship is this Saturday in West Haven at Veterans Memorial Park. The 10U Seahawk team will play at noon vs the Wilmington Wildcats (11-0), the Massachusetts State Champion.

The winner will represent New England and advance to the Pop Warner National Championships in Orlando, Fla Dec. 4-11. For more information, please visit [www.westhavenseahawk.com](http://www.westhavenseahawk.com).

**Seahawk running back Tristian Crawford (#4) runs for daylight. The Seahawks advance to the regional championship game with a 39-0 win over Ansonia.**



## Peewees upend Seahawks in 11-4 romp

The West Haven Mite A hockey team played two games this weekend. On Saturday, the Mites hosted Northwest, winning the contest. Jax Guarino and Logan Minio both picked up hat tricks for the Westies, while Caden Minio scored a nice one-timer off of a Guarino assist.

Jameson Eid also scored, putting away a passing sequence which started when Ben Trenchard won the puck and started the breakout with a pass to Brady Salkins. Salkins set up Eid in front of the goal. Henry Seslar and Salkins rounded out the scoring.

On Sunday, the Blue Devils fell to a very skilled Wonderland Mite A team in Bridgeport. Jameson Schempp gave it his all in net, making several spectacular saves. Cooper Owens and Trenchard played hard on defense, and Salkins and Seslar scored for the Westies.

The West Haven Mite C hockey team had two games over the weekend. The first game was at home against CT Northern Lights on Saturday. Sarah Mastroni was in net for the Blue Devils, and Mastroni had several great saves during the game.

Multiple goals were scored by Landon Alling, JP Beebe and Carter Liston. Emmett Hemming and Caleb Ford each also had a goal for the Blue Devils. Other shots on goal were contributed by Abby Hemming and Jackson Ford.

The second match up for the Mite C's was against Northwestern CT at The Gunnery. Landon Alling, Beebe, Ford

and Emmett Hemming each scored multiple goals. In addition, Hemming and Mastroni each contributed a goal for the Blue Devils. Ford was the goalie during Sunday's match-up, making many excellent saves.

The West Haven Mite C hockey team took on the CT Northern Nights on Sunday. Abby Hemming was in goal for West Haven and she had an excellence performance during the game. Caleb and Ford each contributed a goal for the Blue Devils.

Additionally, multiple goals were scored by Liston, Emmett Hemming, Beebe and Alling. Shots on goal were made by Mastroni and Kiera Harrison, who also played great defense.

The West Haven Squirt AA travel hockey team split a pair of games this weekend.

The Westies traveled to New Canaan Saturday to play outside and fell to New Canaan A, 3-2. After falling behind, 3-0, Rocco Kelly set up Charlie Gunning to get on the scoreboard. AJ Farrell cut the lead to one as he went end to end from his defensive post, but the Westies could not get the equalizer.

On Sunday, Quinn Smith finished with nine saves to shut out the Wonderland Wizards AA 2-0.

Dylan Spreyer's wrist shot went top shelf to put the Westies up, 1-0. Spreyer continued his strong play, keeping a loose puck alive, allowing Jeremiah McGarth to bury the insurance goal.

Stella Porto, Cody Young and Owen Santos starred defensively for the Squirt AA.

The team played only one

game this weekend. The Westies got payback from an earlier loss as Smith had 16 saves in West Haven's shutout of the Connecticut Chiefs 7-0.

McGrath and Sophie Digioia each netted two goals, while Colby Cushing, Kelly and Santos tallied the other goals for the Westies.

The Westies received strong defensive games in front of Smith by Santos, Jaxon Troyer, AJ Farrell, Stella Porto and Cody Young.

Last Saturday's Peewee A tilt pitted the Blue Devils against the Southeastern Seahawks A1 team with West Haven posting an 11-4 victory. Mason LaCroix drew the start and cruised his way to 13 saves, an assist and the win.

The Westies were on fire from the drop of the puck, flying out to a 4-0 lead within the first five minutes. Sophia Locklear struck first, Rush Jaworski slammed home a rebound. Cameren Lipford took just 36 more seconds to net the first of his three, and Kyle Guarino. Lipford kept it going 47 seconds later that by going top corner for his second, with David D'Aiuto, once again, getting the assist.

Michael D'Aiuto then scored his first of the game, from Lipford and Gavin Coady. Aedan Guarino finished off the frenzy of first period goals by cruising coast to coast, with LaCroix picking up the assist after a save.

West Haven only gave up three shots on LaCroix and entered the third up 6-1.

The Westies came storming out with a dominating shift by Alessandra Picard, Locklear and Ty Silva, with Picard

getting a goal. She picked up her second goal three minutes later off a smooth pass from Ryan Walsh and Locklear's third point of the game.

The Seahawks crept back to within 8-4 after the brief Westie scoring reprieve, but the D'Aiuto brothers scored consecutive goals, David D'Aiuto scored off a solo effort and Michael D'Aiuto followed with a goal from Lipford 11 seconds later on a give-and-go.

Brendan Silva got the call in between the pipes to close out the final few minutes and continued his perfect season in net.

Lipford capped off his five-point night with less than a minute to go, assisted by a Michael D'Aiuto faceoff win.

The Westies found more success on Sunday, battling their way past the Enfield Eagles A1 team, 5-2. Kai Lupa got the start and was busy, making 32 stops for the win.

Lipford followed up Saturday's hat trick with yet another one, bringing his tally total to six.

A tightly contested and scoreless first saw superb defensive play. Lipford got the Westies on the board with a power play goal from Michael D'Aiuto and Coady at 7:43 of the second.

The Eagles found an answer with 2:21 to go in the frame, but Sophia Locklear responded 9 seconds later from Walsh to put the Blue Devils up 2-1 at the end of two, and the Westies never looked back.

Rush Jaworski chipped the puck to Walsh, who flew coast to coast to score a short-handed goal, bringing the lead to 3-1. Lipford got his second a

few minutes later, stealing a pass and scoring unassisted.

After a quick Eagles response made it 4-2, Lipford's short-handed marker off a sensational Michael D'Aiuto effort finished off the scoring.

West Haven posted a pair of victories this weekend, before losing in the finale

The first game of the weekend saw the Westies face off in a heated rivalry rematch against the Hamden Dragons A team at Quinnipiac University and take home a 4-2 victory.

David D'Aiuto set up Lipford for a 1-0 lead in the middle of the first period. Despite the hard work up and down the lineup, including the solid all-around efforts of Brooklyn Maher, Ryan Walsh and Dhruva Garani, that would be all the Westies could muster in the early going.

After Mason LaCroix stopped all seven shots he faced, Lupa took over in goal.

Michael D'Aiuto swiped a puck with help from Lipford and scored on a breakaway, putting the Devils up 2-1. Just one minute later, Michael D'Aiuto's wraparound attempt was kicked out to Lipford, who buried his second of the night and put the Westies up 3-1 with 4:17 to go.

Ahead 3-2, Lipford finished his third straight hat trick.

LaCroix and Lupa combined for 28 saves for the victory.

The Blue Devils then blitzed the visiting New Canaan B team, 9-0, on Saturday. LaCroix was phenomenal in net, stopping 19 New Canaan attempts, including a breakaway in the final seconds for

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# Hockey: *Westies blitz New Canaan sextet*

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his first peewee shutout.

Coady got the goal-scoring started less than two minutes in, firing off a goal from Grillo. Garani almost added another after his blocked shot sent him off to the races on a breakaway. The D'Aiuto brothers then combined on the power play as David scored from Michael, sending the Devils into the intermission up 2-0.

Aedan Guarino gave the Westies a 3-0. Ayden Troyer sparked the first of three consecutive assisted goals, setting up Lipford all alone with a stretch pass. Lipford tallied his second with a backhand one minute later from Michael D'Aiuto and Troyer for a 5-0 lead.

Troyer then completed the playmaking early in the third, tipping the puck to Lipford who set up Michael D'Aiuto for his third point of the contest.

Picard piled more points onto the Blue Devil offensive surge, scoring from Locklear and aided by Ty Silva's play. Lipford capped off his fourth consecutive hat trick from David D'Aiuto to close out the scoring.

On Sunday the Blue Devils went to Stamford to face off against a powerful Darien A1 squad and lost a tough game, 8-0. Lupa had 32 saves and Mason made four more in relief.

West Haven overcame third period deficits in both games this weekend to earn two grit-

ty ties in come-from-behind fashion. The Blue Devils are now 17-4-4 overall on the season and 14-2-4 in CHC play. On Saturday afternoon at Edward L. Bennett Rink, the Westies took a 1-0 lead over Southeastern when Bowery skated the puck into the zone. He slid it to Price who roofed it. The Seahawks tied it at 1-1 later in the period.

The visitors then took over the game with a flurry of goals to begin the second period. They scored four times in a span of 2:31 and led 5-1 heading to the third period.

Price stopped the bleeding just 14 seconds in when he weaved through the zone and ripped a rising wrist shot to make it 5-2. With seven minutes remaining in the game,

Studley pounced on a rebound to make it 5-3.

Two minutes later, Cam Levy fired from the blue line and Price neatly redirected it in to cut it to 5-4. Finally, with 2:27 left, Price dropped a pass to Studley, who came down the slot and buried it to give the Westies a 5-5 tie.

On Sunday evening at the Northford Ice Pavilion, the Blue Devils faced Yale 2008 AA, playing to a 3-3 tie. After Yale scored early in the second the Westies finally got on the board for a 2-0 lead. Bowery got a shot off, before Price swooped in and jammed in the rebound.

Yale made it 3-1 in the third with another power play goal, but midway through the period the Westies seized the

momentum. Studley took the puck behind the net and tried a wraparound.

It trickled out front where Bowery tapped it through the five-hole.

With 3:36 left in the game, Mike Page carried the puck into the zone and split two defensemen.

He fed it back to Guarineri flying down the slot, who rammed it home to tie the game at three. Kennedy and Cathey split the game in goal and both were solid.

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## Letters, we get letters

### Curb enthusiasm

After recently reading an article in the New Haven Register entitled, "NEBCO hotel target West Haven's Savin Rock with \$20M to \$35M plans," I've come to the conclusion that our elected officials see the glass as half empty, take the attitude that whatever can go wrong, will, and most notably have no vision for the development of the shoreline or the future of this city.

Why it is that Mayor Rossi and the members of the City Council simply see their job as having to choose between a hotel or a brewery? Why isn't the mayor demanding from her staff to see a comprehensive plan that may include a first class hotel, a brewery, several shops, restaurants, and other reasons to bring tourism

and much needed revenue into the poorest city in the State of Connecticut?

In fact, has the mayor thought of calling both developers into her office and negotiating a viable proposition that would benefit both ventures?

Before the hotel has even been vetted never mind constructed, Council members have already expressed concerns about the project going "belly-up." Mayor Rossi is worried about the height, and Council Chairman wants it relocated to the train station where it will have a breathtaking view of the Armstrong Rubber Company! It seems to me that, while I'm not against a brewery, our leaders see this as the easy choice.

I believe, that a first class destination hotel on the water,

has the potential to be the start of something big.

One only needs to look nearby in Madison and Old Saybrook as examples of success.

While many residents of West Haven may be getting excited at the prospects of finally getting something at the Savin Rock Conference Center, I want to warn you not to get too excited.

The defeatist attitude will ultimately not lead to much if anything at all.

Remember, this is a city that still clings to the glory days of the Savin Rock Amusement Park, something that hasn't been in existence for almost 60 years.

We are doing our best to save our shore, but from what I'm not exactly sure. I believe that with the right plan, oversight, and vision, West Haveners, can have access to the shoreline, a better quality of life, and lower taxes. The shoreline has often been called the city's crown-jewel, and it is now time to put a plan in place that will revitalize the

community, and give hope to future generations.

With the group in charge now, I will leave you with one warning, "Curb Your Enthusiasm!"

Nathan Hayes

### Why concede?

With only 32 votes separating mayoral candidates Nancy Rossi and Barry Lee Cohen, why are three former Republican Town Committee Chairmen urging Mr. Cohen to immediately concede the election? That's very odd indeed. Are they still Republicans?

Moreover, why is the current Republican Town Committee Chairman Dave Riccio adopting a "hands-off approach" to such a super-close mayoral election? Mr. Riccio recently stated: "It's in the hands of Cohen and his attorney."

The recent election was a stunning success for Mr. Cohen; especially in a town where registered Democrats have an 11,000-voter registra-

tion advantage over registered Republicans. This is by far the closest mayoral election in West Haven in decades, and one would think that the Republican Town Committee and every Republican would be wholeheartedly behind endorsed-candidate Barry Cohen!

With that kind of laissez-faire attitude by the Republican Town Committee toward their candidate in a razor-thin mayoral electoral margin, it is no wonder why Republicans never mount a viable challenge to Democrats, who routinely steamroll their Republican challengers.

Kudos to Mr. Cohen for retaining an attorney and mounting a legal challenge to the election results, especially since he won the machine vote count and the 32 votes which swung the election to Mrs. Rossi were absentee ballots, which historically require careful accounting and analysis.

The tiny plurality of votes for Mrs. Rossi makes the election results ripe for judicial review. All residents of West Haven should thank Barry Lee Cohen for ensuring judicial examination and oversight to ensure that democracy prevails in West Haven.

John Grottole

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## Around Town

# Nutmeg Orchestra plans concert

### Lions Club collecting food for WHEAT

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.

We have many people in need, especially during the holiday season and this service project will hopefully help some of our residents. The Lions Clubs throughout the country and world have continuously promoted "FEED HUNGER" events. 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.

### Jewelry sale benefits Ursulines

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.

### Do-Wop Dance returns to IA club

Do-Wop dancing is back! The West Haven Italian-American Civic Association is sponsoring a Do-Wop Dance on Saturday, Dec. 11 at the club hall 85 Chase Lane, from 7 to midnight. The price is \$20 per person and includes beer, wine and soda. Bring your own munchies.

For reservations, call Lou, (203) 934-3339.

### New Haven Stamp Club schedule

The New Haven Stamp Club meets every Tuesday evening at 7:30 p.m. at 62 Clark Road, North Haven. Also, there is a stamp and coin show on the fourth Sunday of each month. Hours are 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at 554 Woodward Ave., East Haven.

### Christmas on the Green, Dec. 5

Christmas Fest on the Green is set for Saturday, Dec 4, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. The festival will have craft and candy vendors, a lunch, bake sale, and a kids' activity table and surprise tree. Decorated trees, wreaths, and other items will be raffled off. Have your picture taken with Santa between 11 and 1. Please bring food for WHEAT.

Donation boxes will be near the festival entrance. We hope you come have a festive day at our festival! Questions? Contact First Congregational Church (203) 933-6291.

After Covid canceled all planned concert events for the last couple of years, Dr. Dino Ciaburri announced that the Nutmeg Symphonic Pops Orchestra and Chorale is resuming its programming with a special Christmas Concert. The concert will be held at St. Lawrence Church, 207 Main St., Sunday, Dec. 5 at 2 p.m.

The performance will begin with a wonderful overture for bagpipe and organ, "Highland Cathedral", on the wonderful turn-of-the-century Hall organ, built right here in West Haven. That will be followed by traditional Christmas music with a small segment of the orchestra, chorus and soloists, a Jewish favorite with Meri Harary, the "Hallelujah

Chorus" from the *Messiah* (audience is encouraged to bring their scores and sing with the chorale) and Nutmeg's traditional ending "Let There Be Peace on Earth".

Of special note is Connecticut's famed tenor, Daniel Juarez singing "O Holy Night," West Haven's Maestro Paul Scanlon conducting the

chorale and Maestro Dino Ciaburri conducting the orchestra.

This concert is presented by the Four Havens Music Society, Inc. a 501C3 nonprofit organization.

It will accept and appreciate donations from the audience with the proceeds going to WHEAT.

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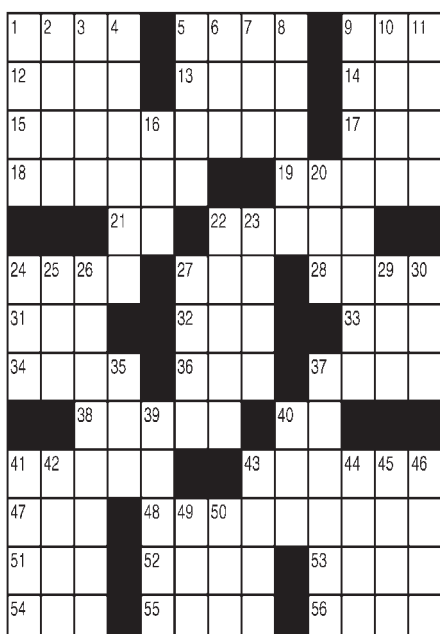
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## King Crossword

- ACROSS**  
1 Greet the villain  
5 Bummer  
9 Wd. from Roget  
12 Incite  
13 Writer Rice  
14 Scot's refusal  
15 Time of youthful innocence  
17 World Cup cheer  
18 Jacket part  
19 Cut wood  
21 Hectic hosp. area  
22 Sun block?  
24 Satirist Mort  
27 "Exodus" hero  
28 Infatuated  
31 Acapulco gold  
32 Impose brand  
33 "Delicious!"  
34 Lugosi of film  
36 Observe  
37 Nick and Nora's pet  
38 Cove  
40 Room cooler, for short  
41 Pal  
43 Geronimo, for one  
47 Mound stat  
48 1987 Woody Allen movie  
51 Hobbyist's abbr.



- 52 Apple product  
53 Pet-food brand  
54 Snake's warning  
55 Mediocre grades  
56 Part of A.D.  
**DOWN**  
1 Smooch  
2 Spoken  
3 Leer at  
4 Sargasso wriggler  
5 Florida county  
6 Genetic let- ters  
7 Whatever  
8 Bas-relief medium  
9 Winter "no school" times  
10 Harvard rival  
11 Grant basis, at times  
16 Tivo, for example  
20 Calendar abbr.  
22 Vinegar bottle  
23 Low-calorie  
24 Weep  
25 "Right you -!"  
26 Work breaks  
27 Church sec- tion  
29 Belly  
30 "I - Rock"  
35 Moreover  
37 National park in Maine  
39 Ira Gershwin's contribution  
40 Gil's address  
41 Hotel furniture  
42 "Topaz" author  
43 Helps  
44 "Misery" star James  
45 Church song  
46 Old U.S. gas brand  
49 Gorilla  
50 Fawn's mom

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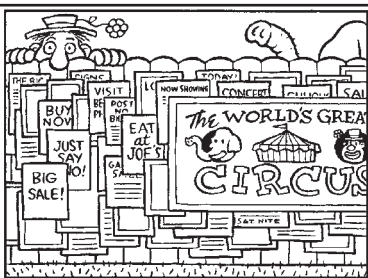
## MAGIC MAZE • PHONY WORDS

X F C A X V S C M Q S O L J C  
H E C E A X A C E V I T R E I  
P N L J N R H E G F P D B N T  
E N O H P O L L A Y H X V O E  
T R P H O M H L P K O I G H N  
E D O B P A Y P H O N E Z P O  
X N S A X O P H O N E W U P H  
E N O H P I D O N R D T R I P  
Q O N L J I G N E F C D C L O  
E M E N O H P E L E T I A F E  
Y G A T E N O H P T R A M S G

Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions forward, backward, up, down and diagonally  
Unlisted clue hint: CLAMSHELL-STYLE PHONE

- Allophone Geophone Phone tag Siphoned  
Car phone Megaphone Phoneme Smartphone  
Cellphone Microphone Phonetic Telephone  
Diphone Pay phone Saxophone

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**THE ABOVE CIRCUS POSTER** is the latest advertisement posted here. How many other posters do you see on the fence? We found 35.

**DON'T LOSE YOUR MARBLES!** The challenge here is to arrange four marbles so that they are of equal distance from one another. The secret: Place three marbles in a right triangle. Next, place the fourth marble on top in the center. All of the mar- bles are now equidistant from each other.

**CHAIN REACTION!** Take the seven letters printed below the diagram and place them in the circles so that eight four-letter words can be read top to bottom along the connecting lines. All the words will begin with the letter in the top circle.

## Junior Whirl

by Charles Barry Townsend

1. A \_ A  
2. A \_ \_ A  
3. A \_ \_ \_ A  
4. A \_ \_ \_ \_ A  
5. A \_ \_ \_ \_ A  
6. A \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ A

**THE A-TO-A STEPWORD!**  
HERE'S your chance to become an "A" student. To the left you'll find six words that begin and end with the letter A. The following hints should help you fill in the missing letters:

1. Expression of surprise.
2. Operatic solo.
3. Hawaiian farewell.
4. A fleet of warships.
5. A radio needs one.
6. Greek food of the gods.

Five or more correct will earn you an "A." You have two minutes to finish the test.

1. Aha 2. Aria 3. Aloha  
4. Armada 5. Arlena  
6. Ambrosia.

## Answers to last week's puzzles

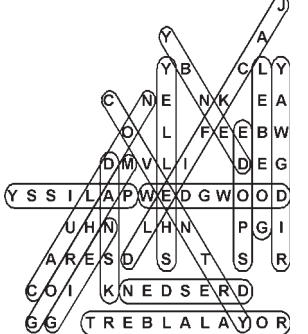
### King Crossword

Answers

**Solution time: 24 mins.**

|   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| A | L | I | T | C | O | G | A | B | I | T |
| L | E | N | A | A | R | E | V | A | N | E |
| M | A | R | T | I | N | E | T | E | S | T |
| S | P | E | E | D | Y | T | O | R | S | O |
| Z | E | E | R | E | O | Y | U | R | I |   |
| A | R | T | S | A | N | D | T | E | N | S |
| P | S | H | A | W | E | N | D | T | O | E |
| E | R | O | S | G | O | T |   |   |   |   |
| S | T | R | O | K | E | L | O | W | E | R |
| T | E | N | N | C | L | A | R | I | N | E |
| O | L | E | G | T | I | N | N | I | N | A |
| P | E | T | S | S | T | D | E | D | Y |   |

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### Weekly SUDOKU

Answer

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



# HIDDEN GEMS

Cooperative Effort between the Voice and Economic Development



It's that time of year, West Haven - that time when the jingle bells start echoing in your head and you realize that you need to - well, *shop* - and this year, along with those metallic bells there's the echo of rumours of emptier shelves. There's one way to bypass that aggravation, however... buy from local producers. Items that are manufactured here are definitely not sitting in a container somewhere on a forlorn California dock (and what's more, they're something different, and of very good quality).

**From the Holiday Pop Up Shop: Samantha Violante, organizer, with Surfin' Santa.**

Where can you find such treasures in town? For a start, there's the Holiday Pop Up Shop at the Savin Rock Surf Shop on Captain Thomas Boulevard.

"They've been instrumental in partnering with us," explains organizer Samantha Violante.

As a result, you can choose from all of Savin Rock Surf Shop's items - local artist Lily-bridge totes and bags, as well as local sea glass art and Savin Rock memorabilia. And for several weekends between November 4 and December 18, the Surf Shop becomes quite the marketplace with

five or six different artisans, crafters and merchants offering various and sundry wares.

Violante points out that there is something for everyone - "men, women, kids, grandparents, dogs..." A quick perusal of the participating crafters proves her more than right. Stop by on Saturday between 12 and 5 or Sunday between 11 and 4, and delight in the available goods: handtooled leatherwork, sea glass jewelry, natural bath and body products, and jewelry, jewelry and more jewelry of many styles and types. Add to that wreaths, aprons and totes from recycled fabrics, art work and photography, resin work, Indian scarves, ornaments and knitwear for the family pup.. Not to mention acrylic pour paintings, Color Street nailwear, candles and custom drinkware.

Violante says that choosing West Haven for the shop was important. As a West Haven native, she wants to give to the town.

"We have no gift shops, no arts center," she lamented, indicating that promotion and support of the arts in town has been less than optimal. "I want to spotlight local vendors and have a place for them to sell."

Violante hopes to continue the tradition with more Pop-Up Shops at different times of year, e.g., on the green. Judging by the folks squeezing into the Surf Shop to make their purchases, this seems like a fine idea. Most items are one-of-a-kind, and all items have proven to be very well received.

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## Cohen: *Case bares a rift*

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"The letter writers do not speak for all Republicans, nor should they be too concerned about Barry not being in line with their Republican ideas. History proves they are not winning ideals," he said. "The WHRTC has not had a mayoral candidate come this close to winning in 32 years. They could have changed that, but personalities prevailed over politics."

Cohen has indicated he is going to let the case play itself out to see if his concerns are of merit in the eyes of the court. A decision is hoped for before Dec. 5 as, under the charter, the new administration is sworn in on the first Sunday in December.



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