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Soccer Donates to goPINK... Amber Kapoor of Middlesex Health (right) accepted a check Saturday, Oct. 29, from Chad Wilson, president of Portland Soccer Club. The club's players wore pink socks in October to raise awareness for breast cancer, and collected \$1,795 for the goPINK foundation. Donations to goPINK help cover the costs of therapy for cancer survivors served by Middlesex Health Cancer Center.

Osten Wins Sixth Senate Term

By Michael Sinkewicz

State Sen. Cathy Osten (D-19) won a sixth term in office with a victory over Republican Pietro "Rocky" Camardella on Tuesday.

Osten, of Sprague, retained her seat by a comfortable margin.

According to unofficial results released by the secretary of state's office, Osten received 19,547 votes across the 10-town district, while Camardella collected 15,431.

Just under 35,000 ballots were cast, a significant drop-off from the 2020 election when nearly 50,000 people came out to vote. However, turnout was more in-line with the 2018 midterm election.

The large district includes the Rivereast communities of Hebron and Marlborough, as well as Columbia, Franklin, Lebanon, Ledyard, Lisbon, Montville, Norwich and Sprague.

Osten, who won reelection by a similar margin in 2020, maintained her advantage in some of the larger towns in the district, including Ledyard.

She also recaptured both Rivereast towns that voted Republican in the last election.

Osten won Hebron by a 2,629-2,152 tally and narrowly edged Camardella in Marlborough by a 1,679-1,416 vote.

In addition, Osten secured Camardella's hometown of Norwich - another population center - by a wide 2,000-vote margin.

"It was a good election," Osten said during a phone call Wednesday morning. "It was an honor and awe-inspiring to be supported by the people of the 19th District."

Osten is the chairman of the Appropriations Committee and Vice Chair of the Public Safety and Security Committee. She was first elected to the senate chamber in 2012 and is a U.S.

Army veteran, serving four years of active duty. She was previously involved in the Correction Department for more than 20 years.

Osten said that now it's time for her to continue her work. She identified mental health as a top priority that needs to be addressed during her sixth term. She also stated that people have several individual issues that she hopes to address. There are a lot of issues, she said, with property tax reform that need to be examined further.

Ultimately, Osten said she believes her legislative experience was something that separated her from her opponent and that she has learned to navigate the committee system better.

She expressed that the district "isn't defined by one issue" and that she's "pleased to get back to work."

While the seat continues to be a Democratic stronghold, Osten said she represents all of her constituents, not just those who voted for her.

"I always work for everybody," she said, asserting that it was one of the reasons she's successfully won reelection so many times.

She stated that her sixth term is emblematic of "just working hard for people."

It was a tall order for Camardella - a self-identified political newcomer - to knock off the incumbent.

He ran on disrupting a system that had become too disconnected from its constituents, he said.

"It was impossible [to win]," Camardella said on Wednesday. "I was counting on a miracle. I'm not upset at all and I did my best."

Camardella is an Italian immigrant who came See Osten Wins, page 17

Needleman Wins Third Term in State Senate

By Jack Lakowsky

The 33rd state Senate District - a 12-town district that includes the Rivereast communities of Portland, East Hampton and Colchester - will feature a familiar face for at least the next two years, as voters Tuesday sent Democrat Norm Needleman to his third victory in as many races.

According to the secretary of the state's unofficial results, Needleman got about 22,000 votes, about 53% of all ballots cast, with around an additional 760 Independent votes.

First-time state candidate and East Hampton Republican Brandon Goff lost definitively, though he did gain just about 19,000, or close to 46% of the vote. Goff underperformed compared to Needleman's 2020 opponent, Brendan Saunders, who received close to 30,000 votes, according to Ballotpedia.

Town-by-town Goff did beat Needleman in

East Hampton by about 400 votes, but he lost in Colchester, the district's largest town, by about 360. Portland's results, according to the town's website, reported about 2,400 results for Needleman and about 2,100 for Goff.

In a statement, Needleman thanked supporters, saying, "the last two years have been challenging," and that he's done his best work to help the region and the state.

"We still have plenty of work to do together at the Capitol, including increased focus on our state's utility companies and bolstering our economy amid uncertain times nationally and globally," said Needleman. "The work will continue, and I am ready to rise to the challenge in support of us all."

Since first winning in 2018 by a razor-thin margin, Needleman's support has grown, win-

ning his last two races definitively. Though a small number of votes have yet to be counted as of this writing, it seems Needleman did accrue fewer votes this year than in 2020, when he got about 33,000.

Needleman's first two terms saw him serve as Senate Chair of the Energy & Technology Committee, seeking best outcomes for residents and ratepayers. Needleman serves in addition as Vice Chair of the Planning and Development Committee and a member of the Finance, Revenue and Bonding, Transportation and Commerce Committees.

Needleman founded and ran a manufacturing company, Tower Laboratories in Centerbrook, and is currently serving his sixth term as the first selectman of Essex.

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Needleman told the *Rivereast* he hopes to keep chairing the energy and tech committee, that he has plans to tighten his signature Take Back Our Grid act, a piece of utility reform passed in the wake of Eversource's botched response to a major 2020 storm.

Now with the state's trash-to-energy plant closed and towns having to ship their waste out of state, Needleman said he wants to focus on establishing a better waste management system.

Needleman tends to focus on state issues during his campaigns, like affordability, utility costs and climate resilience, often touting his accomplishments as a prominent Democrat in Hartford, saying he prefers working behind the scenes.

When the subject is broached, Needleman

doesn't shy away from stating his stance on national issues, like his belief in a woman's reproductive autonomy and openly denouncing former President Donald Trump, calling him a "crybaby" in a recent forum.

Through the season Goff accused Needleman of being an out-of-touch millionaire entrenched in Hartford politics, that "new blood" with a fresh perspective will move the state forward. Goff, 26, appeared to try toeing the line on divisive topics, saying he's pro-choice and believes Joe Biden won the 2020 election.

However, Goff's campaign slogan was the innuendo "Let's Go Brandon" – despite earlier telling the *Rivereast* this wouldn't happen.

Goff did not respond to request for comment for this story.



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The Tax-Aide program is looking for people

to join its volunteer team. You don't need to be an accountant or tax professional; volunteers come from a variety of backgrounds. Training and support are provided.

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# Standout Athletes of the Week

By Josh Howard

Here are the Rivereast Standouts of the Week for the week of Oct. 31 – Nov. 6

**Troy Miller – RHAM High School (Cross-Country):** Miller ran a 17:38 at the Wickham Invitational, cracking the program's Top-10 list of all-time championship times. Miller, a junior, now has the ninth fastest time in school history at a championship meet and then went on to finish 22nd overall at the Class MM meet at Wickham Park as the Raptors placed 7th overall as a team at the meet in Manchester.

**Aidan Fritz – Bacon Academy High School (Football):** Fritz had 27 carries for 127 yards and scored two touchdowns as the Bobcats knocked off New London 14-13 to pick up the team's first victory under head coach Bill Chaffin. It was also the programs first victory since Thanksgiving Day of 2019, snapping a 17-game losing streak. Bacon Academy (1-7) next hosts Waterford (4-4) in the team's home finale this Saturday, Nov. 12. Kickoff is at noon.

**Brennan Johnson – East Hampton High School (Soccer):** Johnson scored two goals as the Bellringers won the Shoreline Conference

(SLC) Championship, defeating Morgan 3-1 on Nov. 4 at Portland High School. The monumental victory marked the program's first conference championship in school history. Johnson and Oren Wilson, both senior captains, were named All-Shoreline First team, while senior David Castiblanco and sophomore Will Nafis were named All-Shoreline Second Team. Goalie Thomas Fenton was named the SLC Goalkeeper of the Year and head coach Rocco Christiana was named the SLC Boys Soccer Coach of the Year.

**Lily Tabellione – Portland High School (Cross-Country):** Tabellione wrapped up a fantastic season on the cross-country trails with a third-place finish at the Class S state meet, qualifying her for the State Open. Tabellione, a junior, ran a 20:15 to beat 118 other runners and help lead the Highlanders to a third-place finish overall as a team. Tabellione, who posted a personal-best time of 19:07 at the Shoreline Conference Championship on Oct. 20, and junior teammates Meaghan McPhee were both named to the Class S Cross-Country All-State team.



RHAM High School cross-country standout Troy Miller (right) etched his name on the school's Top-10 Championship Times with his performance at the Wickham Invitational. Miller is pictured with Raptors cross-country head coach Paul Steiner.

## GOP Holds On to 55th House Seat

By Jack Lakowsky

The 55th House District will remain in Republican hands.

Voters Tuesday elected Hebron resident Steve Weir to the seat, which represents Andover, Hebron and Marlborough, as well as parts of Bolton and Glastonbury.

Across the five towns, Weir collected 6,701 votes, while Democrat Wes Skorski of Marlborough won 6,053, according to unofficial results posted on the secretary of the state's website.

Weir takes over the seat of fellow Republican Robin Green, who didn't seek reelection this year, after three terms in office.

According to unofficial results Weir swept all the district's towns. His widest win was in Hebron, winning by a few hundred votes, and his narrowest was in the Glastonbury portion, getting just about 30 more.

Calls to Skorski, who is also chair of the Marlborough Board of Education, were sent to voicemail.

Weir sent a statement to the Rivereast.

"I'm humbled and grateful for the support of the people in Andover, Bolton, Glastonbury, Hebron and Marlborough. Meeting many people face to face and hearing what matters to them provided me with the inspiration to do what is best for all the people of this district," stated Weir.

The 55th District was recently redrawn to include a portion of Glastonbury and reduced the footprint in Bolton. Weir is a business-owner, former police officer and native of Glastonbury.

"My message of fiscal responsibility, economic growth, public safety and parental freedom resonated with the common-sense values of the district," Weir wrote. "Indeed, the unique qualities of our small towns deserve a strong voice in the legislature – I intend to give that to them. I will celebrate this win tonight with my supporters, team and my family. They are my north star – Family – Faith – Community."

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*From the Editor's Desk***Observations & Ruminations**

By Mike Thompson

On today, this Veterans Day, Nov. 11, why not share a story I was sent this week about a recent road race in Coventry that honored various area veterans – including a 100-year-old who served in World War II.

On Saturday, Nov. 5, Patriots Park in Coventry featured over 275 people take part in the Connecticut Veterans Day Race. Folks could choose three ways to participate – as a four-mile race, three-mile walk, or three-mile “ruck march.”

What is a ruck march, you ask? It’s a low-intensity exercise in which you add weight to your back while walking or hiking. To perform a rucking exercise, simply add weight to a backpack before walking or hiking. Race organizers said rucking can help you burn calories and build strength—more so than ordinary walks or hikes.

The race is a fundraiser to support various Veteran Service Organizations in Connecticut. Since the race was started in 2016, over \$70,000 has been donated to the VSOs.

In addition to raising money for a good cause, this year the race celebrated the 100th birthday of Willimantic resident Lyman Gibbs. Gibbs, who was in attendance at last Saturday’s race, is a World War II veteran and recipient of the Purple Heart.

Gibbs served with the 302nd Infantry Regiment, 94th Infantry Division, from 1943-1946. He fought under General Patton at the Battle of the Bulge.

Over 500 participants and spectators sung Gibbs a very loud and spirited “Happy Birthday” to celebrate his 100th birthday.

As time marches on, the number of World War II veterans still with us sadly continues to dwindle. Congrats and a most happy birthday indeed to Gibbs – and kudos to organizers of the Connecticut Veterans Day Race for honoring him.

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Gillette Castle State Park is often recognized as one of the most beautiful parts of this area of the state. And while the century-old

mansion of the late actor William Gillette is temporarily closed due to a restoration project, but outdoor activities continue to be available at the popular tourist destination nestled atop the “Seventh Sister” hill at 67 River Rd.

The house is the centerpiece of Gillette Castle State Park, situated in the towns of East Haddam and Lyme along the Connecticut River. The mansion is expected to re-open to the public over the Memorial Day weekend in 2023.

Meanwhile, visitors may stroll about the grounds from 8 a.m. until sunset daily year-round – and enjoy a festive holiday program on “Black Friday” and on Saturdays and Sundays between the two major holidays of Thanksgiving and Christmas Eve. Those dates are Nov. 25-27 and Dec. 3-4, 10-11 and 17-18.

At the Cider Station just off the main path to the Castle, hot cider, cocoa, and snacks will be available for purchase from noon until 4 p.m. on all those days, weather permitting. Visitors also will have a chance to congregate around the warmth of a nearby fire pit. Kids can enjoy a scavenger hunt and creating colored images of the historic castle.

Live performances by several regional musicians have been planned. The Flute Loops will engage visitors with fun flute concert on Nov. 27. The Chameleon Trio will charm guests with classic recorder music on Dec. 17, and Mystic Winds performs using a variety of woodwinds to the visitors center on Dec. 18. All performances start at 1 p.m. at the Visitor Center.

Volunteers Andrea and Ron Kowalsky will be leading interpretive hikes along William Gillette’s historic narrow-gauge train trails. The first hike will be at 2 p.m. on Black Friday, Nov. 25.

Special appearances by “William and Helen Gillette” will begin at 2 p.m. each Sunday afternoon inside the Visitor Center, presented by Harold “Tyke” and Theodora “Teddie”

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**Happy Halloween!!... Colchester Cooperative Nursery School recently celebrated Halloween with a parade and sing-along.**

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**Electric Car Show Thanks**

To the Editor:

On Saturday, Sept. 24, the Clean Energy Task Force of East Hampton held its fourth annual Electric Car Show at East Hampton High School. Thanks to Principal Verner for providing the venue. A special thanks to teacher Kristen Keska who organized a group of students that are members of the Rotary Interact Club who volunteered to help throughout the day. Their efforts contributed to the overall success of the car show.

**Sincerely,  
Lorry Belanger, Vice Chair  
Clean Energy Task Force  
East Hampton**

things that caused it and Mother Earth healed. Our nose won’t get burnt off on a day out in the sun. The point is science was right; the solution was simple. This is going to be a long slog; 500-1,000 year storms bi-annually, coastal flooding, rebuilding where we shouldn’t, repeat. Driving an electric car, solar panels on the house is not chasing wind. People already enjoy having no gas, oil and electric bills. We have the technology and it is not some liberal cabal with a sinister plot trying to make our air and water clean, and no one is going to make you, but coming near you soon, federal incentives to get the car rolling.

And if Trump did survive the election, blame it on the lunar eclipse.

**Tim Rinell – East Hampton****The Two Percent**

To the Editor:

Three hundred Republican candidates ran on a platform supported by the false narrative that the lumbering orangutan won the election; too bad for them. As the Republican Party has slid into home only to find out that the plate was sent back to the chef, Donald Trump, as the USA was not buying.

The blessed two percent has sent the lie packing. To all those hoping to wake up and take back the country, it didn’t go anywhere.

We still have an aggressive China and North Korea, and the Russian horses left the barn long ago. Climate change is real and it doesn’t matter the cause. Remember the righteous right going on about the ozone hole? We stopped using

**Kinney as Scenic Road**

To the Editor:

Hebron is blessed with this scenic road, its rural landscape, and its unique character. Kinney Road in its original beauty is a touchstone to the past and future. Its uniqueness is in its simplicity and natural landscape and its link to Hebron’s beginnings. Kinney Road along with Church and Main Street was the epicenter and heart of the young town. It is prominent on a 1744 map of Hebron.

The farmland at the west end of Kinney Road has been unchanged for more than three hundred years. Because of its rich soil indigenous people (Mohegans) first farmed here. As the colonists arrived, they prospered too in

**Bulletin Board**

A widely quoted maxim maintains that, “Age is just a state of mind.”

I don’t know who came up with this pearl of wisdom, but the guy was an idiot.

I mean really. If age is just a state of mind, who’s that old geezer looking back at me out of the mirror?

Or maybe it’s my state of mind and not my bladder that rouses me from my dreams in the middle of the night?

Years ago, when I still thought I was immortal and the possibility of finding liver spots on my hands was the furthest thing from my mind, I’d meet with buddies over chili dogs, onion rings and beer on a Friday night, then head off for some night spot where we’d carouse into the wee hours. Then, on Saturday, we’d do it all over again.

These days I have to ask myself: Who was that person?

I went out with friends the other night and we all ordered low fat, no salt meals (a glass of red wine, which is supposed to be good for you, being our only concession to wildness).

Instead of talking about girls or whatever, we compared notes to see who had endured the most colonoscopies (the winning number, if I remember correctly, was three)—a conversation replete with vivid descriptions of the preparation process (accompanied by much nodding and mutual sympathy) and considerable informed commentary on the sizes and types of polyps likely to be found in one’s intestinal tract.

Other topics of conversation included:

1) What medications we were taking; how many; the wide variety of afflictions they were supposed to address, and the various fascinating side effects (facial tics, constipation, dry eye and homicidal thoughts) that accompanied them.

2) Who had died since we last saw each other and who was likely to die before we met again (present company excepted, of course).

3) Crab grass. There was a time, in my younger, more reckless days, when grass was a commodity marketed for \$35 an ounce by the guy down the hall in my college dorm. Nowadays, when the subject of grass comes up among my circle of aging friends, it generally involves the thousands of dollars squandered in an effort to grow a lush lawn. (I’m inclined to think the \$35 may have been a more productive investment.)

4) The ad in the latest AARP magazine on how to grow giant tomatoes and if it really works.

5) What’s wrong with young people (bottom line: they’re young and we’re not).

6) The good old days when gas was 56 cents a gallon, you could indulge in gratuitous sex without being afraid of AIDS (hell, you were still capable of sex); your high draft number meant you probably wouldn’t be required to tour Vietnam at government expense; and cute young girls in convenience stores actually tried to strike up conversations with you instead of referring to you as “sir” and directing you to the adult diaper section before you can make clear that you’re actually there for their most powerful laxative.

7) Who now has the least hair.

We wrapped things up by 9:15 p.m. and I was in bed by quarter after 10.

So, I ask you, if age is just a state of mind, what’s senility?

**Jim Hallas****Rivereast Hours of Operation**

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using this land to grow crops. Today local farmers still use the fields for corn and hay. This land embraces the intrinsic natural beauty and offers a sense of history as one walks its fields, appreciates its stonewalls and stone laneways, and admires its two ancient oak "wolf" trees.

Directly across the street on the south side are more fields and it is home to one of Hebron's most picturesque and historic open space areas, Raymond Brook Preserve. Here you can explore firsthand a centuries-old stone laneway, original proprietor's fields, trees, plants, and flowers.

No matter what part of town you live in, come visit and enjoy the rural beauty of Kinney Road and Raymond Brook Preserve and help support this designation.

Kinney Road has met all the qualifications for Scenic Road designation under the Town Ordinance.

Please join town residents on Tuesday, Nov. 15, at the Planning & Zoning Commission online meeting to support the designation of Kinney Road. The meeting starts at 7 p.m. at <https://meet.goto.com/246813237> or dial in using your phone: 1-408-650-3123, access code: 246-813-237.

For more information, please visit Kinney Road Matters on Facebook and #Save17.

**Andrea Lattanzi – Amston**

plants burn the trash as a fuel to generate electricity. The resulting ash is buried in specially designed lined landfills. All of these plants have modern pollution controls to reduce air emissions produced from the combustion process." Hmm, reduce, not eliminate.

Don't they know voters are concerned about political positions on environmental issues? Apparently, one-upmanship on sign count matters more than the trash count. I say Hebron should take a stance and put limitations on the plastic political trash that is being displayed in town and will eventually be incinerated.

What waste!

**Michele Sinkez – Amston**

### Electric Power

To the Editor:

The representatives of Eversource are telling residents of Connecticut to brace for power blackouts and large rate hikes this winter due to the scarcity of propane, my question is why? Don't we have a nuclear power plant in Connecticut called Millstone Power Plant which produces electricity without being dependent on gas? So why are we going to have power shortages and huge rate increases above the high .12050 cents per KWH we were recently introduced to?

I would also like to question the push towards the Green New Deal that is being implemented because of a "climate crisis." But is there really? Recently almost 1,200 scientists, scholars said there's no climate emergency, it's political, CO2 has been constant for 12,000 years, it's not earth's thermostat the sun is. Also consider the 77,000 square miles of new Arctic ice and record cold at Antarctica. Don't get me wrong, I believe the climate changes, but I believe it always has. Eighty-three million years ago trees grew on Antarctica; the Arctic was warm all year 50 million years ago; and the year 1000, before industrialization, brought a warming that lasted 348 years, ending without human mitigation. Research shows the climate changes. The science is not settled.

Destruction of energy industries around the globe in the name of "climate crisis" is suspicious when all the predictions of "climate disaster" from freezing in an ice age (1960s and '70s) to global warming have never come to fruition. Sea levels are rising nine times slower

than 10,000-8,000 years ago and the rate of sea levels rising has been constant for decades. There are accusations of falsifying climate data by people in authority, Biden's climate advisor was sanctioned for it, and that 96% of NOAA temperature recording stations are corrupted with things like asphalt paving.

**C. Anne Johnson – Marlborough**

### Legislation to Sunset

To the Editor:

"It will be my objective to phase out Social Security, to pull it up by the roots and get rid of it. ... Medicare and Medicaid are of the same sort; they need to be pulled out" -Republican Senator Mike Lee

Congressional Republicans have proposed to cut federal funding for Social Security and Medicare, including: Raising the retirement age, moving towards privatizing Medicare, putting Social Security on the chopping block every five years. "Things like Social Security and Medicare... you just get it no matter what the cost... we ought to turn everything into discretionary spending." -Republican Senator Ron Johnson.

"All federal legislation sunsets in five years. If a law is worth keeping, Congress can pass it again," Republican Senator Rick Scott. Republican Senator Lindsey Graham falsely claimed, "We made promises we can't keep to Medicare, Social Security and Medicaid." Arizona MAGA Republican Senate candidate, Blake Masters, suggested, "We should privatize Social Security." North Carolina Senate candidate Ted Budd has said on the record that he will join the plan to cut 2.1M North Carolinians from Social Security.

Biden is increasing Social Security benefits. Republicans want to gut Social Security. Social Security does not contribute a single penny to the deficit and Americans have paid for these earned benefits over decades of hard work.

**Annie Steinbrecher – Marlborough**

### Hammer Is At It Again

To the Editor:

The Hammer, Annie Steinbrecher of Marlborough, is at it again! The entire in-depth intelligence gathering from those crack media sources she's done on The Pelosi attacker.

Funny though, she forgets to mention the NBC News *Today* show story which any history or mention of it was removed almost immediately after it was aired? Is it a conspiracy theory to wonder why? Was the story itself maybe mis- or disinformation?

All of what she just wrote in her last letter,

straight from those extremely reliable media sources that seem to quote first-hand knowledge of a story which for the most part is being censored for its content by that very same media. Doesn't this beg the question as to why? Could it be possible that the Pelosi's are trying to hide something, like they did during Paul's recent DWI arrest and their supporters in the media are happy to comply?

The Hammer cites only heightened threats from right domestic extremists. I assume she doesn't believe there are any left domestic extremists? Does she know anything of the history of the Democratic Party? The Confederacy, the KKK, those who were against the numerous Civil Rights Acts, were they from the right, or left? Those who were rioting, no, excuse me, peacefully demonstrating during the summer of 2020, all right-wing domestic extremists, right?

Only Fox, Newsmax and Breitbart are capable of spewing rhetoric, but the likes of CNN and MSNBC don't do that? You ever watch ReidOut, that's not rhetoric? She quotes Kevin McCarthy with the gavel, but not Nancy Pelosi punching the president of the United States or Chuck Schumer coming after Brett Kavanaugh or Neil Gorsuch or Maxine Waters, that's not violent rhetoric?

Annie, The Hammer, please give up your rhetoric. It's obvious where you get your information. Some things are better left unsaid.

**Michael Chotkowski – Marlborough**

### Bad Moon Rising

To the Editor:

During the early morning of Election Day, the moon went through a total lunar eclipse. Many right-leaning people pointed to this as a positive sign of the ensuing "Red Wave" to coincide with this "Blood Moon," and although it's good to be optimistic, there are other variables at play.

The media and government have been subtly seeding the idea of "Elections take time" and "We may not have the results for a few days," subconsciously priming you for more mail-in voting upsets. Pundits and pollsters, whose livings depends on stoking partisan division, are up to their usual tricks of over inflating interest in under-performing candidates and skewing the data. In Pennsylvania, a state with two horrible senatorial candidates, the media is playing along with the Fetterman campaign despite the fact that the man is visibly unfit for office with serious cognitive issues. Unbelievably, they even tapped Biden to stump for him across the state...Scranton Joe didn't disappoint! Even though his speeches were gaffe-filled he came

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Niver.

In short, it sounds like a lot of fun activities are coming up over the next two months

at this beautiful park. For a full schedule of free holiday events, go to [www.gillettecastlefriends.org](http://www.gillettecastlefriends.org).

### Enough Lawn Signs!!!

To the Editor:

What are campaign politicians thinking? The more signs the better chance of winning? Really? Don't they know voters watch TV and listen to radios and are assaulted with high-volume infomercial campaign ads? Do they think we don't know who's who and what their platform is by now? Newspapers, magazines, online news, podcasts, social media, flyers and local newspaper editorials are full of it. Enough! Trash and trash talk.

Don't they know human choices are the primary contributors to the climate crisis? Don't they know that hard plastic signs usually are made of corrugated plastic, which is a plastic #5 and these cannot be recycled and must go in the regular trash?

Don't they know that according to the Connecticut DEEP, "most of Connecticut's residentially-generated trash is sent to one of five Connecticut resource recovery facilities? These



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*P.S.* Be careful when using tooth-whitening products since overuse can actually cause permanent discoloration of teeth.

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across as a brilliant orator in comparisons to the Hooded Hulk.

While people looked to the dawn heavens for a reassuring sign, they fail to account for the fact that lately Jupiter (the largest planet) has been tracking along the moon's path and that Mars (Lord of War) has been brightly rising in opposition, foreboding future conflict. While many people hope our country to be on the verge of some sort of Republican salvation, our old friend Bill Gates is predicting "hung elections and a civil war." And he isn't the only one, CT's own, Ray Dalio is forecasting economic implosion and an ensuing civil war. What do these powerful billionaires know that you don't...or are they creating a self-fulfilling prophecy?

Regardless, I hope you got your things together...I see trouble on the way.

**Colin McNamara – Marlborough**

**'Bears on a Journey' Needs Help**

To the Editor:

October was Breast Cancer Month as well as Liver Cancer Awareness Month. And November is Lung and Pancreatic Cancer Awareness Month. I am sure each one of you knows someone afflicted by this disease. At the Waverly Center every Tuesday since the mid-1980s, a group of dedicated women make adorable stuffed teddy bears for those dealing with this disease. (Unfortunately our own founder passed away in 2016 from cancer). The bears are then distributed to various local cancer centers hop-

ing to lift the spirits of the patients. This project is totally funded with public donations. This is where you can help if you so wish.

If you would like to donate to this worthy cause, please consider making a donation of a check, or a gift card to Amazon or Joann Fabric and send it to "Bears on a Journey" c/o Waverly Center, 7 Waverly Ave., Portland, CT 06480. With this money we can purchase fleece, eyes, noses, stuffing, and ribbon for our huggable bears.

In conclusion, a very sincere thank you to those who have made donations in the past and a thank you in advance to those who will make a donation based on this letter.

**Myra Finkelstein -- Portland  
Co-chairperson of Bears on a Journey**

**Kinney Road Scenic Hearing**

To the Editor:

The residents of Hebron are encouraged to attend the public hearing on Kinney Road's designation as our town's second Scenic Road. On Tuesday, Nov. 15, at 7 p.m., the Planning and Zoning Commission will be hosting their online hearing to receive the public's input. Kinney Road has met all the qualifications described by town ordinance and is a perfect candidate for this distinguished designation. It is one of the oldest roads in Hebron and is shown on the first map of town, created in 1744 by Isaac Pinney. It is lined on both sides by stone walls and mature trees, crosses over clear running streams and has broad views of active 300-year-old farmland.

As stated in the submitted request, Kinney

Road actually exceeds the required Scenic Road criteria. A total of 17 out of 19 residents signed a statement of approval and together exceed the road frontage requirements. Other requirements fulfilled include creating a scale map measuring one inch to 200 feet and a written description of "the characteristics of the road." All required elements have been received by the town planner and provided to the Planning and Zoning Commission in advance. The information was also submitted to the town clerk for permanent record. I urge the people of Hebron to attend this important public hearing and support the Scenic Road designation for Kinney Road.

Please note the public hearing will be held on Goto Meeting and can be viewed on your computer, tablet or smartphone at <https://meet.goto.com/246813237> or dial in on your phone 1-408-650-3132. If you are using a computer or smart device you will need to download the free Goto Meeting App before logging in. It can be found at [www.goto.com/download#](http://www.goto.com/download#) or on the App Store. Thank you and hope to see you there!

Sincerely,

**Kevin J. Tulimieri – Amston**

**Mental Health**

To the Editor:

Mental health issues are more prevalent than ever in today's society, especially among children in middle and high school. According to Mental Health America's 2022 report, Connecticut is ranked 41st out of all 50 states when it comes to providing the youth population with access to mental health treatment. It is disheart-

ening how mental health does not seem to be a priority in our communities, given the great amount of teenagers suffering.

In a survey conducted of over 1,200 middle and high school students from Southington, 25% stated they are sad or depressed. Across the state of Connecticut, 15% of teenagers have experienced a minimum of one major depressive episode, and 8% have severe depression. Mental health diagnoses come in a variety of forms, such as anxiety, behavior, mood, personality, and eating disorders, along with substance abuse, trauma, and suicidal behavior. In our own towns and in our own communities, our own teens are struggling with their mental health; however, there are not nearly enough resources to provide them with the help they deserve and need.

Although teachers and educators can play a huge role in helping to notice the warning signs of various mental health disorders in a school or classroom environment, such as high anxiety for tests, disruptive behavior from a student with Attention Deficit Hyperactive Disorder (ADHD), or a student's common involvement in fights, it seems that schools in Connecticut could benefit from providing students with more access to mental health professionals and resources. After all, school is a constant in teenagers' lives; therefore, it seems the right place to have such resources available. It is essential that Connecticut residents use their voices to help schools acquire necessary mental health resources for all teenagers who need it.

Sincerely,

**Gabrielle Papale — Colchester**

*Note: Papale is a student at Bacon Academy in Colchester.*

**Support Your Local Library**

To the Editor:

The Richmond Memorial Library serves the greater Marlborough area with books, films, programs and ukuleles, just to name a few of our services. The library building is tight for space, which is why First Selectman Greg Lowrey designated STEAP grant funds toward renovating the library to add an elevator shaft, a second-floor ground exit, and a fully finished second floor, with the eventual goal of providing tutoring space, storage, and ADA accessibility for library programming, not to mention the much-needed expanded public meeting space for the community to use. Over the last two-plus years, the library and the town have worked hard to create plans for the proposed renovation, including last year's budget vote that earmarked town funds toward the renovation and the proposal which was just put out to bid. I would like to thank Greg and the current interim town manager, Amy Traversa, for all of their efforts toward this project.

However, the project is not final yet. Please join me at the next Board of Selectmen meeting, Nov. 15, and express your support for moving forward with the next phase of this program. Support your local library, and help move the Richmond Memorial Library toward even greater support to the Marlborough community.

Sincerely,

**Richard Storrs – Marlborough**

**Disgusted and Appalled**

Dear Residents of the East Hampton Housing Authority at Chatham Acres and Bellwood Court:

I am deeply sorry for the impacts my resignation may have on you all.

I am disgusted and appalled at the partisan action of the East Hampton Town Council. The East Hampton Housing Authority is regulated by State Statute 8, Zoning, Planning, Housing and Human Resources, Chapter 128 Section 8-40 to 8-44a. To be clear, it is not a town department.

On Oct. 11, as part of the regular Town Council meeting the Republican members of the TC voted, without warning, without a hearing, without explanation and without due process to terminate the existing board of directors and dissolve the existing East Hampton Housing Authority.

This action resulted in the appointment of a new board consisting of a chairperson who has a volatile negative history in town, and a vice chair who by her own admission has trespassed on authority property, violating residents' privacy thereby creating an unsafe environment which is evidenced in police record and in previous board meeting recordings. A third appointment to the board, also, has on record, harassment complaints from the previous board. These are the very people, in my role as resident

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# Inflation Putting Town Goals at Risk

By Jack Lakowsky

Last week, Portland fire chief Bob Shea told the town's Board of Selectmen buying a new fire engine will cost about \$850,000 and if it isn't bought fast, the price tag will only get scarier.

Shea told the board prices are rising monthly, and they show no signs of stopping.

First Selectman Ryan Curley hopes to use the town's allotment of American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) money to foot the bill. This would take the burden of taxpayers' shoulders.

The board set for its Nov. 16 a public hearing on the matter, Curley saying he wants to hear resident input. Also at that meeting will be talks to use a further \$120,000 in ARPA money to buy a new van for the senior center. The current one, procured in 2009, has seen better days, Curley told the board.

If both purchases move forward, the town would have about \$380,000 of ARPA money remaining, according to figures Curley reported.

Shea described a changing market, one not doing so favorably.

"It's a tough place to be in and it's everywhere," he said, "it's skyrocketing."

Shea said better to buy now and lock in a price before costs go up yet again, which he expects to happen by next July.

Years ago, Shea said, fire departments could specify their needs with truck makers, working out everything "from the frame up."

Now, he said, you pretty much take what you can get.

"You can't work out the specs on trucks anymore," said Shea. "Things have changed."

Building custom engines is an option, but an impractical one. Shea said it used to take about 6 months to get a truck built, now it's taking well over a year.

"There's a flat-out material shortage," said Shea. Shea said even basic materials like plastic water tanks are taking six months to come in.

Portland's rurality complicates the process a bit. Its hilly landscape and backroads necessitate larger engines with more horsepower, Shea said. Denser towns can use smaller engines, he said.

Shea predicted he'll have to scale back buying if costs continue rising.

The selectboard members all said they believe the town should use ARPA to buy the engine, along with the senior center van.

"This is a good use of the funds," said selectman Ralph Zampano.

Selectman Shaun Manning said whether you rent or own in Portland, using federal money for a local need will save them money.

Manning said this will buffer the upcoming costs facing the town and its stakeholders, like the ongoing new water source search and the incipient districtwide schools' renovation project, priced at more than \$30 million.

Also, selectboard member Robert Hetrick said with interest rates rising and rising, it's important to bond as little as possible.

In a follow-up call Monday, Curley told the *Rivereast* rising construction costs are also "on everyone's mind."

Curley said of funding projects generally, "If the cost of infrastructure upgrades outweighs the benefits, then it won't work."

Curley said he won't ask taxpayers to pay any bills of undue burden.

"We'll keep looking at our needs and finding the best ways to address them," he said.

Curley said while there's not information to make decisions now, if costs continue to rise freely the town may have to rework, or nix entirely, costly, but imperative, projects.

"It's all about prioritizing," the first selectman said.

As mentioned, one major project near at hand is the school district's facilities renovation, which could see some buildings closed and other redone. Right now, the work's priced at more than \$30 million. This figure was calculated be-

fore the current market and financial volatility.

Schools superintendent Charles Britton told the *Rivereast* the planning committee steering the project is working with town finance staff to determine some details like the town's current debt (a chunk of which, Britton said, will be paid off soon, with the town about done paying off debt the middle school/high school complex buildout), the town's bond rating (essentially its credit score), anything that will "help get a really good fiscal look at how much these things will cost."

Britton said should the committee need to change plans for inflationary costs or interest rate jumps or other price changes, he said he'll have that information in early December, after the facilities committee meets again.

Britton said, optimistically, a mix of state reimbursement and long-term savings from the facilities facelift will ease the cost to Portland taxpayers.

"If all those things line up, I think we can get us to cost-neutral," said Britton.

## Parks and Rec. News & Notes

Parks and Recreation is offering the following. To register or for full program descriptions, visit [portland.recdesk.com](http://portland.recdesk.com). For more information, call 860-342-6757 or email [adionne@portlandct.org](mailto:adionne@portlandct.org).

**Youth Programs: Skyhawks Basketball Clinics:** Saturdays, Jan. 7-Feb. 11, at Gildersleeve School. Designed for beginner to intermediate players. Kindergarten is 8-8:45 a.m., first grade is 9-9:50 a.m.; second grade boys is 10-10:50 a.m.; and second grade girls is 11-11:50 a.m.

**Recreation Youth Basketball Leagues:** Players should expect to have one practice per weeknight starting in early December and one game per week starting the week of Jan. 2. Depending on league size, some games will be played in surrounding towns. Parks and Rec. is accepting registrations for the leagues up until the day before player evaluations take place.

The date of player evaluations varies depending on the age group, but all player evaluations will be taking place during the week of Nov. 28. Age groups: Grades 3-4 Boys, Grades 3-4 Girls, Grades 5-6 Boys, Grades 5-6 Girls, Grades 7-8 Boys, and Grades 7-8 Girls.

**Adult Drop-In Programs: Tai Chi:** Wednesdays, 9:30-10:15 a.m., or Saturdays, 10:30-11:15 a.m. Site is either Portland Riverfront Park or the Buck-Foreman Community Center; call Parks and Rec. for exact location. Fee is \$40 for an eight-week session, or \$7 to drop-in.

**Volleyball:** Day: Wednesdays at Gildersleeve School. Non-competitive play is 5-6:30 p.m., and competitive play is 6:30-8 p.m.

**Basketball:** Tuesdays, 7:30-9 p.m., at Portland Middle School. Non-competitive play: 7:30-9 p.m. Watch for details on Women's Drop-In Basketball, coming soon.

## Vocal Chords Holiday Concert

The Middlesex Hospital Vocal Chords (MHVC) group will present its annual holiday concert, "Let's Have a Music Celebration," on Sunday, Dec. 11, at 2 p.m., at Portland High School, 95 High St.

All are invited to see this 80-member chorus and eight-piece band perform some holiday favorites.

Samuel Tucker, musical director, has arranged an eclectic program that showcases the talents of this chorus. In addition to some holiday favorites such as "O Come All Ye Faithful" and the classic "Please Come Home for Christmas," selections from Handel's "Messiah" for the classical lovers in the audience will round out the program.

Community outreach is an important part of MHVC's history. This year, members donated

1,107 pounds of food items and \$2,580 to the Amazing Grace Food Pantry in Middletown. They sing at the annual Hospice Memorial program and Veterans Day programs in the area. Over the years, the MHVC has awarded over \$80,000 in scholarships to graduating high school seniors in Middlesex County pursuing a career in nursing or music.

Tickets to the event are \$20 and can be purchased from any member or by calling Joyce at 860-342-3120 or Diane at 860-347-2787. For more information, go to [vocalchords20.org](http://vocalchords20.org) or look for the organization on Facebook.

## Library Friends Book Sale

The Friends of Portland Library group has fiction, romance and children's used books in the Second-Hand Prose Bookshop at the library, 20 Freestone Ave., during regular library hours. Books are 50 cents for paperbacks and children's books, \$1 for trade paperbacks and \$2 for hardcover.

FPL also has "I Love CT Libraries" reusable bags on sale for \$1 each. Purchase a bag to show your support for Connecticut Librar-

ies and reduce your use of plastic bags. See a sample at the front desk and purchase them from the library staff.

All proceeds benefit programs funded by the Friends, such as the library's Museum Pass Program, children and adult programs, and the library's DVD collection.

Visit [www.friendsofportlandlibrary.org](http://www.friendsofportlandlibrary.org) for more information or email questions to [friendsoftheportlandlibrary@gmail.com](mailto:friendsoftheportlandlibrary@gmail.com).

## YFS News & Notes

Portland Youth & Family Services has announced the following pieces of news. For more information, visit [www.portlandct.org/youth-services](http://www.portlandct.org/youth-services) or the YFS Facebook page at [www.facebook.com/PortlandCTYouth](http://www.facebook.com/PortlandCTYouth), or contact esse Revicki at [Jrevicki@portlandct.org](mailto:Jrevicki@portlandct.org), or 860-342-6758. To receive email updates about YFS programs and events, sign up at [eepurl.com/h5m35f](http://eepurl.com/h5m35f).

**Restorative Justice Team Members Sought:** YFS runs the town's Restorative Justice Team, also known as the Juvenile Review Board. When local youth are arrested, they are sometimes referred to the town's Restorative Justice Team. The team uses a restorative justice focus and work to get the youth and their family the resources they need to succeed, while holding the youth accountable and repairing harm that was done. YFS is looking for people interested in joining the team. Experience in related fields, such as education, social work, criminal justice, among others, is a plus, but not required. Anyone interested should contact Revicki.

**Prevention & Wellness Council:** Wednesday, Nov. 16, 6:30 p.m., in the Buck-Foreman

Community Center, 265 Main St. Help work on youth substance use prevention and positive mental health, and also help make Portland a recovery-friendly community.

**Little Hikers:** Friday, Dec. 9, at 10:30 a.m., at the Portland Rec Complex (weather permitting).

**Lighted Parade & Tree-Lighting:** Sunday, Dec. 4, at Brownstone Intermediate School. Details are still being finalized, but if you, your business, or your organization are interested in participating in the parade, reach out to Revicki.

**Drop-In & Draw:** Tuesday, Dec. 13, 1:30-4:30 p.m., in the Buck-Foreman Community Center, 265 Main St.

**Youth Wanted:** YFS invites youth to participate in the Youth Services Advisory Board, which allows youth a seat at the table in planning programs and events and helps guide YFS programming. Youth are also invited to join the Prevention & Wellness Council, which deals with substance use, mental health, and healthy choices. YFS is also looking for help at its events. All of these opportunities will earn community service hours.



**Silver Sandy...** At the annual luncheon of the Portland Garden Club held Oct. 5, Sandra Castelli was honored with the "Silver Bowl Award" for her outstanding contributions to the club. Castelli currently serves as the club's treasurer.

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# Once Again, Voters Entrust Carpino

By Jack Lakowsky

First elected in 2011, Republican state Rep. Christie Carpino once again won the 32nd House seat on Tuesday, in another definitive victory.

Unofficial results put Carpino at more than 3,800 votes in Cromwell and more than 2,700 in Portland. Aletta trailed in Cromwell around 2,400 and in Portland at a bit more than 1,800.

In a call with the *Rivereast*, Carpino thanked voters, saying “the people of Portland and Cromwell have been so supportive during my whole tenure. I’m forever grateful for the chance to serve them again for the next two years.”

Carpino said she looks forward to continuing to “help move the district forward.” As caucus chair, she is a top-ranking Republican in Hartford.

First winning her seat in 2010, Carpino has handily defeated her Democratic challengers in every election since. In 2020, the Democrats didn’t even run a candidate against her.

Throughout the campaign Aletta was highly critical of Carpino’s voting record, pointing out the Republicans’ frequent opposition to state budgets and her voting against an expansion of abortion rights following the overturning of *Roe v Wade*.

Carpino has said she disagreed with the legislation’s removing the requirement a person seeking abortion care meet with a medical

doctor. She previously told the *Rivereast* she’s strongly prochoice.

In a statement Aletta said receiving about 40% of votes as a first-time candidate running against an incumbent is “very good.”

“I am happy that Connecticut remains blue and [I’m] grateful for all my supporters that participated in the campaign and [voted] in my favor,” she went on, adding she plans to stay active in local politics.

Portland’s two registrars, Republican Pauline Neumann and Democrat Athene Neville, said turnout was like that of a presidential election, higher than your average midterm, which typically has a lower turnout.

“It was wonderful to see people there to do their job,” said Neumann, “just wonderful to see these people doing their responsibility as an American and voting. We’ve worked very hard to get this far.”

Neumann said foot traffic was constant. “The flow went really nicely,” said Neville, who after 10 years has decided to step down as Portland’s Democratic registrar. “We weren’t sure at first what the numbers would be, but they just kept coming. It was busy nonstop.”

Neville said she thinks in this round, voters were especially well-informed and engaged.

With this win and assuming she stays on the job until 2025, Carpino will be nearing two decades serving Cromwell and Portland.



**Creative Carvers...** The annual Pumpkin Carving at the Muskatallos recently took place. This year’s carvers included Jon, Alissa, Owen and Ben Ives; Matt, Cassie and Ethan Bystrek; Meghan, Evan, Tyler and Clara Guilmette; John and Carla Muskatallo; Andrew, Amy, and Jake Boudreau; Ray and Carolyn Larrivee, Robyn Wilmore, Luka Augeri, Jake Strong, Shanon Law, Walter and Nancy Squier.

## Portland Library News & Notes

Portland Library, 20 Freestone Ave., is open, with no appointments needed. Registration required for all programs unless noted. For more info, to register, and for full program descriptions, visit [www.portlandlibraryct.org](http://www.portlandlibraryct.org) or call 860-342-6770. The library is also on Facebook and Instagram.

**Hours:** Monday through Thursday, 10 a.m.-8 p.m.; Friday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.; Saturday, 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Curbside delivery of requested items continues; call the library or reserve items online and you will receive a notice or call when your materials are available.

**Youth Programs: Fall Storytimes: Preschool Storytime:** Tuesday, Nov. 15, 10:30 a.m.; **Storytime for Toddlers and Tots: Mother Goose on the Loose:** Wednesday, Nov. 16, 10:15 a.m. or 11:15 a.m.; this is an interactive session using rhymes, a story, songs, puppets, scarves and more.

**Thanksgiving Craft and Snackivity:** Tuesday, Nov. 22, at 1 p.m., for kids in grades K-5. Kids will create centerpieces for holiday tables, make a treat to enjoy, and play some games.

Registration is required and space is limited.

**Drop-In Playdates:** Tuesdays and Wednesdays at 10:30 a.m., Nov. 29, 30 and Dec. 6, 7, 13, 14, 20 and 21, for ages birth through 5 and their caregivers. This will be an hour of socialization and open play with story room toys. No registration is required.

**Teen Programs: November is Transgender Awareness Month:** Teens in grades six and up are welcome to drop by for a celebration of Transgender Awareness Month on Wednesday, Nov. 16, from 6:30-7:30 p.m. There will be snacks, and activities will include games and T-shirt and button-making. Registration is recommended, but not required.

**Adult Programs: Mystery Lovers Book Club:** Tuesday, Nov. 22, 1 p.m. *Ordinary Grace* by William Kent Krueger will be discussed.

**Knifty Knitters:** Saturdays 10 a.m.-12:30 p.m. This is a weekly knitting circle where people gather to knit while sharing ideas and tips. All are welcome – including beginners.



**Scout Leader Reunion...** Former leaders of Portland Boy Scout Troop 49 recently gathered for a reunion at Farrell’s Restaurant. Pictured are: Ray Bourret, Frank Schreier, Jeff Burgess, George Scheer, Jim Hallas, Don Bascom, Lon Pear, Al Rosenthal, Dave Porteous, Joe LaRosa, Ed Burgess, John Vecchitto and Tom Malecky. Also attending, but not pictured: John Dillon. The meal was a great improvement over typical campfire grub!

## Republicans Seek Volunteers

The Portland Republican Town Committee is seeking individuals to serve their community as members of one of the town’s various boards and commissions. In addition, the committee is seeking individuals who are interested in running for local elective positions.

If interested, email [GOPPortlandCT@gmail.com](mailto:GOPPortlandCT@gmail.com) or call Tim Lavoy at 860-212-3114.

The Portland RTC holds its regular meetings on the first Monday of each month at 7 p.m. at 7 Waverly Ave. Republicans interested in public service or in learning more about becoming a member of the RTC are welcome to attend.

## Turkey Shoots

The Portland Fish and Game Club will hold its annual Turkey Shoots Sundays, Nov. 13 and 20, from 11 a.m.-2 p.m. each week, across from the Exchange Club Fairgrounds.

Cost is \$3 for one shot or two for \$5. There is a Superbird every week.

Food and drink will be available. Families are welcome.

## Indigenous Music in the 21st Century

November is Native American Heritage Month, and Portland Library, 20 Freestone Ave., will host a program entitled Indigenous Music in the 21st Century on Wednesday, Nov. 16, at 6:30 p.m., for fifth grade through adult.

Combining research-based storytelling and archival audio/visual, this program by musician and educator Craig Harris celebrates the sounds and musicians creating today’s Indigenous music.

Registration is requested; do so through the library’s calendar at [www.portlandlibraryct.org](http://www.portlandlibraryct.org) or by calling 860-342-6770.

## United Methodist Church News

Portland United Methodist Church, located at 381 Main St., holds in-person worship Sundays at 9 a.m. All are invited. Masks required for those not fully vaccinated. Pastor is the Rev. Judith Johnson-Siebold.

A Fourth Sunday weekly Communion service at 1 p.m. replaces the regular 9 a.m. service on those Sundays.

## Knights of Columbus Raffle

Tickets are now available (\$5 per ticket) for the Knights of Columbus Freestone Council No. 7 annual raffle. Proceeds from the raffle helps the Freestone Council accomplish great work in the community. The prizes are:

Grand Prize: \$1,500; 2nd Prize: \$500; 3rd Prize: \$550 gift certificate to Malloves Jewelers in Middletown; 4th Prize: \$500 Gift Certificate at Adams Hometown Market, Connecticut stores; 5th Prize: green fees for four persons for 18 holes of golf, including use of carts at Portland West Golf Course;

6th Prize: Nintendo Switch console – with 12-month membership.

The drawing will be held Saturday, Dec. 3, at 7 p.m., at St. Mary Church Hall, 45 Freestone Ave. Winners do not need to be present.

## Holiday Craft and Vendor Fair

Portland High School Project Graduation will host a Holiday Craft and Vendor Fair Saturday, Nov. 19, from 10 a.m.-2 p.m., at the school, 95 High St.

This free event will showcase a variety of crafters and vendors. A teacup raffle will be held, with the drawing at 1:30 p.m.

All proceeds go to PHS Project Graduation, which provides a drug- and alcohol-free evening for the class of 2023 graduates.

## Community Drive to Benefit Streetfire Ministries

During November, the Grace Guild of Zion Lutheran Church will collect new men’s and women’s underwear in all sizes, as well as men’s T-shirts, and men’s and women’s socks and gloves for Steetfire Ministries.

Steetfire serves those in need and the homeless population of Middletown and surrounding communities. It provides food, clothing, housing and spiritual guidance.

All donations can be left in the “red box” located at the side entrance of the church located at 183 William St. in Portland.

For more information, call Donna at 860-262-1070.



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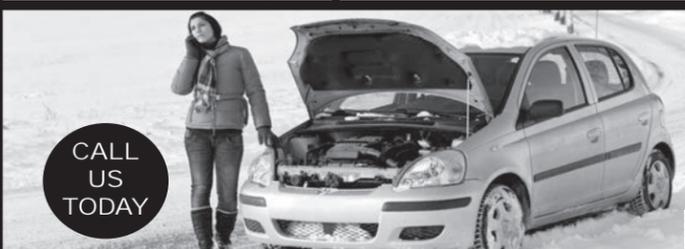




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### Plan Now for Festival of Wreaths

The Portland Historical Society is planning its 11th annual Festival of Wreaths, “Jingle & Mingle,” for the weekend of Dec. 3 and 4. The festival will be open both days from noon to 4 p.m. in the Carriage House at 329 Main St.

With holiday decorations already in the stores, members and friends of the society are encouraged to keep their eyes open for “trinkets” that could help decorate a wreath for this year’s festival. Last year, over 40 wreaths and tabletop decorations were donated. The wreaths, tabletop trees and centerpieces can range from traditional to innovative, from sophisticated to child-like.

Individuals, families, businesses, clubs and organizations are invited to donate a decorated wreath for this “tea cup”-style raffle. Wreaths can be real or artificial, can be a size and shape of your choice and can even be made from other materials – such as shells, pine cones, scrapbook papers, or candies. Wreaths can have

a theme, or be decorated to attract a particular audience (such as with Legos or Crayolas for younger boys and girls, or cookie cutters for the home baker). A gift card or certificate for a service can be attached as part of your decoration.

If you would like to participate but don’t have time to create a wreath, for a donation of \$30 a Historical Society “elf” will decorate one for you. Your name, business or organization will be listed as the donor. Email [PortlandCThistory@gmail.com](mailto:PortlandCThistory@gmail.com) to make arrangements.

The Festival of Wreaths coincides with Portland’s Parade of Lights and Tree-Lighting ceremony. All wreaths should be pre-registered by Thursday, December 1. Watch the *Rivereast* for more information.

All proceeds from this event will be used to further the society’s mission to preserve Portland’s history and to fund educational projects for the community. For more information, email [PortlandCThistory@gmail.com](mailto:PortlandCThistory@gmail.com).

### First Congregational Church News

The First Congregational Church of Portland, located at 554 Main St., is a member of the United Church of Christ. The church is an “open and affirming” congregation, welcoming everyone. Facial mask-wearing is optional. The worship service is livestreamed as well as available for later viewing on the church’s YouTube channel; search on YouTube for First Church of Portland CT.

**Nov. 13** is Generosity Sunday. The worship service will include a dedication of the financial pledges for 2023 and a celebration of all the gifts people offer for the ministry and mission of the church. The Rev. Jane Hawken’s sermon is titled, “The Leap of Faith.” Under Kasha Breau’s direction, the handbell ringers will play and the choir will sing the anthem “Give Thanks” by Henry Smith. Coffee hour and a

time of fellowship follows the service.

First Church Nursery School offers a program for 3-year-olds on Tuesday and Thursday, and one for 4-year-olds on Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Contact Amy Jahnke at 860-342-1111 or [1stchurchnurseryschool@gmail.com](mailto:1stchurchnurseryschool@gmail.com) for more information.

The church emails a weekly newsletter, *The Weekly Word*. To join church mailing lists (both email and regular mail), email [first.church.pct@sbcglobal.net](mailto:first.church.pct@sbcglobal.net) or call 860-342-3244. For more info, look for the church on Facebook at The First Congregational Church of Portland, or visit [www.firstchurchportlandct.org](http://www.firstchurchportlandct.org). Those who wish to follow the church on Facebook may do so at The First Congregational Church of Portland, CT.

### Senior Center News & Notes

The Waverly Senior Center, 7 Waverly Ave., is open Monday-Thursday, 9 a.m.-4 p.m., and Friday, 9 a.m.-noon. For more information or to register, call 860-342-6760.

**Food Bank Donations:** People donating for Portland Food Bank are asked to not leave Food Bank donations at the senior center unless the food bank is open. The food bank is open Mondays and Thursdays from 9 a.m.-noon. Also, the senior center does not need any donations directed toward the center; please only leave donations for the food bank, and only during food bank hours.

**Next Week’s Programs:** **Monday:** Light Aerobics, 9:30-10:30 a.m. **Tuesday:** Bears on a Journey, 9:30-11 a.m. – making fleece teddy bears for cancer patients; donations are sought of light fleece, one yard or more for making teddy bears for cancer patients throughout Connecticut. If you would like to donate, call 860-342-0809; Watercolor Lessons return Jan. 17, 2023, from 9:30 a.m.-noon (to register, email [bivenne@yahoo.com](mailto:bivenne@yahoo.com)); Stretch & Flex: 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.; Coupons for Troops, 11:30 a.m.-4 p.m.; setback, 1 p.m.; Exercise Tap Class, 1:30 p.m.; New Cardio Drumming, 6 p.m.; **Wednesday:** Light Aerobics, 9:30-10:30 a.m.; SyncoCize Exercise, 10:30-11:30 a.m.; Let That Stuff Go session, 11:30 a.m.; Social Duplicate Bridge, 12:30-4 p.m., multipurpose room; Tai Chi returns this month on Wednesdays at 1 p.m.; **Thursday:** SyncoCize II – Balance & Core, 9 a.m.; Knit & Stitch, 10 a.m.; Stretch Flex, 11:30 a.m.; Mahjong, 12:30-4 p.m.; Scrabble, 1-4 p.m. **Friday:** Light Aerobics, 9:30 a.m.

**Blood Pressure Clinic:** 10:30-11:30 a.m. on the first Monday of each month (unless the first Monday is a holiday; then the clinic is on the

### Police News

10/28: Robert Karpe, 66, of 1 Victoria Rd., was arrested and charged with second-degree criminal trespass, second-degree breach of peace and second-degree threatening, Portland Police said.



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### Town-Wide Winter Used Coat Drive

Winter coats are in great need for the Portland Food Bank closet. Director Ruth Maio has requested the local Knights of Columbus to again sponsor and run a town-wide coat drive this fall.

For donations, a large receptacle will be available in the Rosary Room at the Church of Saint Mary at 45 Freestone Ave.

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Once again, Portland resident Josh Abbott, 14, is looking for support for his wreath-laying program. Josh has participated in Wreaths Across America since 2015.

### Donations Sought for Joshua’s Mission

Joshua’s Mission has been participating with Wreaths Across America since 2015 and is looking for support again this year.

Josh Abbott, 14, son of Heidi and Al Abbott of Portland, is passionate about making sure veterans are always remembered. Every year wreaths are laid at veterans’ graves throughout the United States on a national wreath-laying day which this year is Dec. 17. Joshua’s Mission is looking for sponsors to purchase wreaths to be laid at the Connecticut State Veterans Cemetery in Middletown on that day.

Wreaths can be purchased for \$15 each or 2 for \$30 and get 3rd one free. Checks can be made out to Wreaths Across America and mailed to Joshua’s Mission, 50 Fairview St., Portland, CT 06480, before Nov. 30. People can also make donations by visiting Josh’s Facebook page at “Joshua’s Mission” and clicking on the link there to go directly to his Wreaths Across America website page to pay by credit card.

All are invited to participate in helping place the wreaths on Saturday, Dec. 17, at noon.

### New Winter Coats

The Portland Knights of Columbus, with the support of the parishioners of St. Mary Church, has purchased new winter coats for those in need for almost 10 years. This year, in addition to helping the Portland Food Bank obtain new coats, the Knights of Columbus Freestone Council will participate with area councils for a “Black Friday” distribution in Middletown.

The local council will take part in the Na-

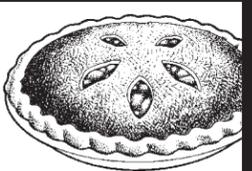
tional KofC “Coats for Kids” Drive to provide quality winter wear.

A special monetary donation box will be set up for the “Coats for Kids” drive in the Church of St. Mary Rosary Room, 45 Freestone Ave. Donations for New Coats for Kids can also be sent to Knight of Columbus Council 7, Box 7, Portland, CT 06480

Call Bill Caffrey, co-chair, at 860-342-4259 to arrange pick-up of donations.

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**This Sunday, Nov. 13, at the Ruth Callander House Museum of Portland History, local children's author Sarah Caratasios will read her book *The Adventures of Nibbles Munk-Munk*, a story of chipmunk who encounters characters from Portland's past.**

**Storytime at the Museum**

The Portland Historical Society's Ruth Callander House Museum of Portland History will host a storytime Sunday, Nov. 13, from 2-4 p.m. The museum is located at 492 Main St.

Local children's author Sarah Caratasios will read and sign her new book *The Adventures of Nibbles Munk Munk*. The story includes histori-

cal people and places from Portland's past, including Revolutionary War General Seth Overton, whose portrait is currently on display at the museum in the Overton Gallery.

The storytime is ideal for grades K-5, but it's open to the whole family.



**Remembering Jeff...** Portland's Memorial Day trumpeter, Bob McDougall of the Portland Historical Society, shared stories of Jeff Kelsey, and nine other notables from Portland's past, at the last installment of the Celebrating Cemeteries tour series on Sunday, Oct. 30, at Center Cemetery. Over 50 attendees listened as a recording of Taps was played in memory of Kelsey, who performed the piece for over 40 years every Memorial Day. *Photo by Martha Lutecki.*

**Leaf Pickup Starts Nov. 28**

The town Public Works Department will conduct its annual leaf pickup beginning Monday, Nov. 28.

Leaves must be placed in paper bags at the curb so as not to cause a sight line problem. Leaves must be out no later than Sunday, Nov. 27. Plastic bags will not be picked up.

Residents who do not place their leaves at the curb can bring them to the Transfer Station. Leaves not in paper bags must be emp-

tyed by the resident in an area at the Transfer Station designated by the attendant.

Homeowners are asked to refrain from blowing or raking leaves into the roadway, as blocking the storm drain inlets may cause flooding and create safety hazards, Public Works said.

For more information, call Public Works at 860-342-6733.

**St. Mary Church News**

St. Mary Roman Catholic Church is located at 45 Freestone Ave. The church office can be reached at 860-342-2328. Office hours are 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Monday-Friday. For more information, visit [www.stmaryportlandct.org](http://www.stmaryportlandct.org). Pastor is the Rev. John Antonelle. Masks are strongly recommended.

**Weekend Mass:** 5 p.m. Saturday and 8 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. Sunday. The 10:30 a.m. Sunday Mass is livestreamed each week; visit the parish

website for more information.

**Weekday Mass:** Monday and Tuesday at 8 a.m., and Friday at 12:10 p.m.

**Confession:** Saturday at 4-4:45 p.m., or call Antonelle for an appointment.

**Other Programs:** For information on faith formation programs, baptisms, blessings of marriages, Knights of Columbus, the St. Mary Ladies Guild and more, call the church office.

**Zion Lutheran Church News**

Zion Lutheran Church, located at 183 William St., offers in-person worship Sundays at 9 a.m. Masks may be removed when seated.

For those unable or reluctant to worship in person, a recording of the service is posted to YouTube on Mondays by 9 a.m. Bulletins for the service are posted each week on the church's website, [zionlutheranportland.org](http://zionlutheranportland.org).

Sunday School meets the first and third Sunday of the month at 10:15 a.m., following worship. Ages 3 to 16 are welcome. Attendance at worship is not required but is welcome and encouraged. Contact the church for information

about registering your child.

Adult Bible study takes place on the second and fourth Sunday of the month, following worship at 10:15 a.m. The focus is on season two of the television series *The Chosen*. Anyone may join at any time. Call the church for details.

The community is welcome to participate in all worship services and special events. For more information about any church activities, or if in need of pastoral assistance, call 860-342-2860, email [zion.lutheran@snet.net](mailto:zion.lutheran@snet.net) or visit [zionlutheranportland.org](http://zionlutheranportland.org). Sara Stall-Ryan is pastor.

**Trinity Episcopal Church News**

Trinity Episcopal Church, located at 345 Main St., invites the community to celebrate each week.

Bible Study starts at 8:30 a.m. each Sunday. Worship is at 9:30 a.m. Sunday School is in session and held during the service. Children ages 4-12, baptized and unbaptized, are welcome to attend Church School.

All who are vaccinated may remove their masks for the service. All who are not fully vac-

inated are asked to wear their masks.

The church is open for prayer and meditation on Fridays from 2-4 p.m., and there will also be a gathering in the church office at the same time, for Anglican Prayer beading at the same time. No prior beading experience is required. All are welcome.

Check out more information, the church's calendar of events, donate, or listen to past sermons at [www.trinitychurchportlandct.org](http://www.trinitychurchportlandct.org). If you have any other prayer requests to lift up, email the church office at [trinitychurchportlandct@gmail.com](mailto:trinitychurchportlandct@gmail.com).

For more information or to make an appointment with Burke, email [trinitychurchportlandct@gmail.com](mailto:trinitychurchportlandct@gmail.com) or call 860-342-0458.

**Grace and Mercy Church News**

Grace and Mercy Family Ministries Church, 13 Waverly Ave., has announced a modified Sunday worship service schedule. Through August, the Sunday morning worship service will begin at 10 a.m.

**Project Graduation Fundraiser**

All are invited to help support the Portland High School Class of 2023 Project Graduation by sending a "flock of flamingos" to your friends and neighbors located in Portland.

Project Graduation is a drug- and alcohol-free celebration for all 2023 graduating seniors. Email Kyle Walters at [kyle.walters1@outlook.com](mailto:kyle.walters1@outlook.com) and send a donation of \$25 payable via Venmo (@PHSCT-ProjectGrad) or check made out to PHS Project Graduation 2023.

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**Island Life...** The Rivereast recently visited Turks and Caicos, with Isabella and Jon Searles of East Hampton!

## Where in the World is the Rivereast?

Hey! Are you taking a vacation or a day trip soon? Bring the Rivereast along with you, snap a picture with it, and email the photo and your address to [bulletin@glcitizen.com](mailto:bulletin@glcitizen.com).



**Rivereast Visits the Finger Lakes...** Pam Balskus of Portland (right) and Donna Balskus (left) of Bolton are pictured at Otisco Lake in the Finger Lakes of New York, where they went for their annual cousins' weekend!



**A Canadian Visit...** Terrie and Nick Vetrano from Portland recently went to Nova Scotia, Canada, to visit their son Christopher. And they brought the Rivereast!



**Rivereast Does the Charleston!...** East Hampton resident Phillip Simmons and his wife Linda recently spent a week in Charleston, S.C., for their grandson's 5th birthday. Of course, they had to take the Rivereast along to visit the famous Pineapple Fountain. And we thank them for it!

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# 100-Unit Complex Eyed for South Main

By Jack Lakowsky

Last Thursday, the Marlborough Zoning Commission continued to its Dec. 1 meeting a public hearing discussing a special permit for two proposed 48-unit apartment buildings off of South Main Street.

According to project engineers that spoke to the zoning board last week, the two three-story multifamily buildings would sit on 12 acres of land just by the Village District at 25 South Main St., both at the end of a small access road.

If approved, it would have a sizable parking lot of about 145 spaces for the 96 total units.

Director of engineering for South Windsor-based Design Professionals Suzanna Choate and her colleague Daniel Jameson, project manager, said the project-located near the highway and Big Y- will help Marlborough meet the state's requirement that 10% of town housing stock be affordable.

"This will help meet the need for housing in Marlborough, and the need in Connecticut," said Choate.

Not all the units will be affordable based on the state's definition, but Peter Hughes, town building official, said a number of them can be.

If the special permit is approved, the new site will be called "The Village at Marlborough", according to the engineers.

While no decisions have been made, commissioners largely seemed open to the development, and the two engineers unquestioningly accepted all the commission's suggestions. Choate also said they've worked in past sugges-

tions from the public and the town, like moving the driveway entrance further away from the Route 66 intersection and reducing impact on nearby wetlands.

Choate said the buildings won't be prominent along the road, that natural slope and vegetation curtain much of the frontage.

"I don't think you'll even see these buildings," she said.

Though Choate said the firm's still polishing its plans up, she said to her knowledge the project has no significant impact on the town's natural, historical or archeological resources.

Choate said there are three residential floors, with another half floor in the basement.

Jameson said the buildings are slated to have 24 two-bedroom units, and 72 singles.

If the build goes ahead, Jameson said engineers will work to mitigate construction runoff. Also planned are multiple handicapped accessible units, in-unit washer/dryers, a gym and gathering space and a large vegetative buffer between the buildings and nearby neighborhoods.

Commissions members asked that plans include year-round vegetation, and for more details on erosion control and expected traffic volumes during construction.

Should the project get an OK, it will be yet another development growing the town's economy and tax base, alongside the ongoing Three Fellas Pizza expansion, the new salon Tousled and the now-not-so-new Big Y.

## Thanksgiving Dinner Drive to Benefit Local Food Banks

Since 2004, Liberty Bank Foundation has been partnering with local Rotary clubs to help families in the community enjoy a Thanksgiving dinner. All are asked to help the East Hampton Rotary Club (which includes Marlborough) take advantage of Liberty Bank's matching program.

For every dollar donated, the Liberty Bank Foundation will add 25 cents. All donations received from Marlborough residents will be donated to the Marlborough Food Bank, Inc.

Mail checks, made payable to CFMC (Community Foundation of Middlesex County), to 49 Main St., Middletown, CT 06457. Please include "East Hampton Rotary - Marlborough" in the memo line.

People can also donate by stopping into Marlborough Liberty Bank at 26 East Hampton Rd. to scan a QR code to donate via credit card. This annual Thanksgiving Drive is taking place through Nov. 14.

## 4th Friday @ the Arts Café

Marlborough Arts Center, located at 231 N. Main St., will host "Ramblin' Dan" Stevens for its 4th Friday @ the Arts Café on Friday, Nov. 18.

Stevens performs an eclectic mix of traditional finger-style blues, popular songs and originals, and has entertained audiences throughout the USA, Germany, UK, Canada and the Virgin Islands. He utilizes "bottleneck" slide-playing popularized by the early Mississippi Delta bluesmen, including his use of a homemade, three-stringed "Cigar Box Guitar" and one-stringed "Diddly Bow," both primitive blues instruments. As a fi-

nalist in the International Blues Challenge '08 on Beale Street in Memphis, Tenn., and protégé of Dave Van Ronk, Stevens has been lauded for his ability as a raconteur and for the authenticity of his approach gained by many years on the road as a traveling blues musician.

Admission is \$10/person at the door. Doors open at 7 p.m. The show starts at 7:30 p.m. in the Charles W. Hall Art Gallery. BYOWine. There is on-site parking and the Arts Center is fully accessible.

## Parks and Rec Programs

Marlborough Parks and Recreation has announced the following. For full descriptions or to register, visit marlboroughct.recdesk.com and click on "programs," stop by the office at Town Hall, 26 N. Main St., or call 860-295-6203.

**Youth Programs: Karate:** Saturdays, Nov. 19-Dec. 24, at Champions Karate in Colchester. **Little Champions Karate**, for ages 4-6, is 11:30 a.m.-12:15 p.m.; **Youth Champions Karate**, for ages 7-10, is 12:15-1 p.m., and **Teen/Adult Champions Karate**, for ages 11-99, is 1-1:45 p.m. Fee is \$50 per six-week program.

**Youth Programs: Watercolor:** Grades 3-6 at Elmer Thienes - Mary Hall Elementary School Art Room. Wednesdays, 3:30-5 p.m., from Nov. 30-Dec. 21, at Marlborough Elementary School, for grades 3-6. Students will learn watercolor techniques and apply these techniques to complete a watercolor painting. Fee: \$90/residents, \$95/non-residents.

**Horseback Riding Lessons:** For ages 5 and up; English- or Western-style instruction. Lessons are private and are an hour in length. Days and times are flexible. Fee is four lessons for \$175 residents/\$180 non-residents.

**Adult Programs: Pickleball:** Wednesdays, 9-11 a.m., at Blish Park tennis courts. The program is free.

**Adult Volleyball:** Thursdays, 8-10 p.m., at MES. Fee is \$5 per week to drop-in.

**Yoga:** Mondays through Nov. 28, 6:30-7:30 p.m., or Tuesdays through Nov. 29, 9:30-10:30 a.m. Class is either in person or virtual. Fee is \$60 for the full session (which started week of Nov. 7), or an \$18 drop-in fee.

**Yogalates:** Thursdays through Dec. 1 (started Nov. 3), 9:30-10:30 a.m. Yogalates combines yoga with Pilates. All levels welcome; bring a mat. Registration is \$60/resident or an \$18 drop-in fee.

**Pilates/Barre:** Wednesdays through Nov. 30 (started Nov. 2), 6-6:45 p.m. All levels welcome. Registration is \$75/resident or a \$15 drop-in fee. Class instruction is virtual.

**Zumba Class Fall Session:** Tuesdays through Nov. 29, 6:30-7:30 p.m., at MES. Drop-in fee is \$10/week. Register on the Parks and Rec. website.

**Trips: New York Giants vs. Washington Commanders:** Sunday, Dec. 4, 1 p.m., at Met Life Stadium. Trip includes charter bus, tickets to the game, breakfast before the game and cookout after the game. Registration fee is \$255 for upper level end zone seats. Bus leaves from Glastonbury park and ride.

**New York City For The Holidays:** Saturday, Dec. 10. Explore New York on your own, or take in a Broadway show. Bus will drop at Central Park, Times Square, Rockefeller Center, Bryant Park and Grand Central. Pick-up point is New York Public Library. Broadway show tickets available to *Come From Away* or *A Christmas Carol*. Showtime is 2 p.m. Registration fee is \$70 if no show or \$180 with the show. Bus leaves from Glastonbury park and ride.

**Driveway Reflective Number Signs:** Cost of the sign is \$35. Vertical sign is double-sided 8" x 24" with 4" numbers on blue highway reflective metal. Order forms are online and at Town Hall.

## Seniors/Veterans Thanksgiving Dinner

American Legion Post 197 will offer a full-service, sit-down Thanksgiving Dinner for seniors and veterans Sunday, Nov. 20, from 1-3 p.m., at the post, located at 128 East Hampton Rd. (Route 66) in Marlborough.

All veterans and seniors are welcome. RSVP is required by Thursday, Nov. 17, by calling 860-295-7810.

## Artisan and Crafts Sale

Marlborough Arts Center will hold an Artisan and Crafts Sale Nov. 12-Dec. 18, at the center, 231 N. Main St.

Featured will be local creations, all under \$100, from artists in the surrounding communities. These will include gifts such as pottery, paintings, sculptures and other forms of art, as well as small items.

The Arts Center will be open every Friday, Saturday and Sunday, 1-4 p.m. On Saturday, Dec. 3, refreshments will be served, and live artist demonstrations will be featured.

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## Second Blessings Holiday Extravaganza

Second Blessings Thrift Shop, located at Marlborough Congregational Church, 35 S. Main St., will hold its annual Holiday Extravaganza Thanksgiving weekend during regular shopping hours: Friday, Nov. 25, from noon-3 p.m., and Saturday, Nov. 26, from 9 a.m.-noon.

Light refreshments will be served, along with a free drawing. Everything Christmas and winter will fill tables and shelves. There will be something for all ages including jewelry, handbags, small furniture, children's books and toys, baking, decorating, gift-giving and more. Second Blessings gift certificates are also available.

The shop will be open through Saturday, Dec. 17, and will reopen Feb. 3, 2023. The shop accepts donations during shopping hours. Second Blessings also sells through eBay at bit.ly/MC-Cebay.

continue until that date.

## Lions to Raffle Generator

The Marlborough Lions Club is raffling off an 8,000-watt Generac portable generator with a retail value of \$1,150.

The generator has features such as a push-button electric start with trickle charger, hours counter and 120V/240V outlets. The winner of the raffle will also receive the services of an electrician to install a circuit breaker panel interlock and the cabling needed to hook up the generator, with a value not to exceed \$1,000.

Raffle tickets are \$20 each. The drawing will take place Saturday, Dec. 17. Ticket sales will

The Lions support local services such as the Marlborough Food and Fuel Banks and to provide services such as the recent vision screening of children at Marlborough's elementary school.

For tickets, call Lions Club Chairman Megan Lloyd at 413-687-5537, Lions Club Secretary Ken Hjulstrom at 860-490-9116 or Lions Club Treasurer Jean-Paul Bolduc at 860-798-2054. Tickets are also available at Marino Realty and The Sanctuary Hair Salon.

## Senior Center News and Notes

Marlborough Senior Center, 17 School Dr., is open for activities. Call 860-295-6209 for the center's hours and more information.

**Monday, Nov. 14:** Transportation, 8 a.m.-4 p.m.; Quilting, etc., 9 a.m.-1 p.m.; Problem-Solving, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.; 8-Ball Pool, 10 a.m.-noon; Congregate Meal, noon. Menu: apple juice, stuffed cabbage, white rice, yellow squash, rye bread, pudding cup.

**Tuesday, Nov. 15:** Transportation, 8 a.m.-4 p.m.; Quilting, 9 a.m.-noon; problem-solving, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.; Meals-on-Wheels, noon.

**Wednesday, Nov. 16:** Grocery Shopping, 8:30 a.m.-noon; Not Just Quilting, 9 a.m.-noon; Problem-Solving, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.; 8-Ball Pool, 10 a.m.-noon; Meals-on-Wheels, noon; Congregate Meal, noon. Menu: barbecue beef brisket, mac n cheese, chuck wagon-blend vegetables, whole-grain white bread, fresh fruit; cards, 1-3 p.m.; Sophisticated Ladies Tap Dancing, 5-6:30 p.m.

**Thursday, Nov. 17:** Transportation, 8 a.m.-4 p.m.; Problem-Solving, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.; Meals-on-Wheels, noon. Congregate Holiday Meal, noon. Menu: orange juice, roasted turkey w/

gravy, cornbread stuffing, cranberry sauce, honey butter biscuits, apple pie.

**Friday, Nov. 18:** Transportation, 8 a.m.-4 p.m.; Quilting, 9 a.m.-1 p.m.; Congregate Meal, noon. Menu: orange marmalade port, seasoned orzo, Brussels sprouts, Italian bread, fresh fruit.

**Congregate Meals:** All meals are served with milk, bread and margarine. Suggested donation: \$3 or what you can afford.

**Transportation:** Available Monday through Friday, 8 a.m.-4 p.m. Transportation available to the senior center, shopping, and medical and non-medical appointments. A 36-hour advance registration is required. Masks are also required, as well as appropriate distancing.

**Food Bank:** Located at 3 Wilhenger Drive (860-295-6008), the food bank is open every Tuesday from 10 a.m.-noon and 3:30-5:30 p.m. The food bank is open to qualified residents in need of food. Transportation for seniors and/or physically challenged individuals is available; call the senior center if you need a ride.

**Weather-Related Closings/Late Openings:** In instances of inclement weather, tune to WFSB-TV 3 or NBC Connecticut for the latest.

**TWOsdays:** For children 18-36 months and their caregivers on Tuesdays through Dec. 20. There will be songs, stories and hands-on-learning.

**Fall Storytime:** Wednesdays at 10 a.m., through Dec. 7 (no session Nov. 23), indoors in the Storytime Room.

**Lego Club:** For children age 5 and up. The library will offer STEM-based challenges involving Legos on the following Tuesdays at 4 p.m.: Nov. 15, Nov. 29 and Dec. 13.

**Kids Crafting Club:** Creative kids will learn new techniques and project ideas. The club will meet the following Tuesdays at 4 p.m.: Nov. 22, Dec. 6 and Dec. 20.

**Family Fun Night: Game Night:** Thursday, Nov. 17, 6:30 p.m., for families with children ages 3-15. Enjoy a classic board game or try something new – or get adventurous and design your own. Registration is not required.

## Richmond Library News & Notes

Richmond Memorial Library, located at 15 School Drive, has announced the following. Registration required unless noted; to do so, call the library at 860-295-6210 or email richmond-programs@gmail.com.

**Family Photo Days and Head Shots Fund-raiser:** To schedule your session (over Veterans Day weekend), go to www.FamilyPortraitSession.com and click on the day and time that works best. A nonrefundable deposit (your sitting fee) is required to book a session. For additional information, call or stop into the library. Appointments are made directly with the photographer, either online or by phone at 860-267-6620, and are not taken/arranged by library staff.

**Crepe Paper Poppy:** Wednesday, Nov. 16, 6:30 p.m. In this in-person, hands-on workshop, paper floral artist Susan Canavan will show how to make a red paper poppy flower. Canavan is an exhibiting member of the Granby Artists Association.

# After Centuries, Local Boy Comes Home

By Jack Lakowsky

Richard Henry Gelston died in 1844, at the age of 5.

Why are you reading about him nearly 200 years later? Why ever should you care?

Well, if you ask Romano Ghirlanda, president of the Marlborough Preservation Society, you should care because “no one deserves to be forgotten.”

He said, “especially not a 5-year-old boy. He played and had friends and had the same fun that 5-year-olds have now.

Ghirlanda said he imagines his own son forgotten in such a way. “That’s heartbreaking,” he said.

Now, in some way at least, Ghirlanda and the preservation society are trying to properly honor Richard’s memory, distant though it may be. To Ghirlanda’s knowledge he has no living local relatives. In fact, the boy’s parents, likely bereaved, left Marlborough soon after their son’s untimely death from scarlet fever and did not return.

Records of them after that proved hard to find, Ghirlanda said. Richard shares a last name with the family that founded the renowned Gelston House in East Haddam, and they appear to be related, Ghirlanda said.

Even sadder than the young boy’s early death was the loss of his headstone. Untold years ago, Richard’s marker vanished for reasons unknown, Ghirlanda said.

Recently, a fortuitous online encounter gave Richard a long overdue second chance at a proper resting place, in the only hometown he knew in his brief life.

The boy was originally interred at Fawn Brook Cemetery, in the south section of Marlborough, Ghirlanda said in an email.

“It was once known as the Carrier Burial Ground during the 18th and 19th century when it was part of Hebron. When Marlborough became incorporated in 1803, this section of Hebron became part of the new town,” he wrote.

In the 1880s, it was decided to move all the interments from the Carrier Burial Ground to either Marlboro Cemetery or Century Cem-

etery.

For this to be done, permission needed to be granted by a blood relative of the deceased. All but three were granted permission. Today, the three remaining headstones belong to Samuel Shephard, Age 77 – Peggy Dow, a schoolteacher aged 26, and Richard, whose marker went missing.

Earlier this year, Michael Carroll, the president of the nonprofit organization called Rediscovering History, Inc, which is a volunteer group committed to cleaning up cemeteries, was cleaning up a historic cemetery in Salem when he came across a buried headstone.

After cleaning it up, the name and date had become very clear – “Richard Henry Gelston, son of Richard D. and Carisle D. Gelston died February 8<sup>th</sup>, 1844, AE, 5yrs”.

Carroll found the name using FindAGrave.com and verified that it belonged to Marlborough. He posted his find on the website.

“As I was researching names for my cemetery tour in Marlborough, I came across Michael Carroll’s entry on FindAGrave.com and was amazed on what I was reading,” Ghirlanda continued. “I did a double check against Marlborough’s church records to make sure the dates match and found the church entry of Richard Henry Gelston’s death of Feb 8, 1844, which read ‘Boy of R.D.Gelston Esq, of the scarlett fever. 5’.”

The boy’s headstone will be refurbished, Ghirlanda said.

It’s likely Richard died during the periodic scarlet fever epidemics that, according to research from the University of Massachusetts, ravaged many countries during the 19th century.

The university says young children were most vulnerable to the malady, and one prominent case was Abraham Lincoln’s son Tad Lincoln, who survived. Nearly all, 95%, of the 2,100 scarlet fever deaths studied in a Massachusetts town were younger than 15.

Residents have a chance to see Richard restored to his resting place this Sunday, Nov. 13, at 11 a.m. at Fawn Brook Cemetery.

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# DeCaprio Captures 48th House Seat

By Michael Sinkewicz

The third time was the charm for Republican Mark DeCaprio in the 48th state House District.

After running unsuccessfully for the seat twice – first against the late Linda Orange in 2018 and then against Brian Smith in 2020 – DeCaprio defeated Democrat Chris Rivers by a 5,876-5,450 tally, according to numbers released by the secretary of state’s office.

The recently re-worked district now includes the Rivereast town of Colchester, as well as Bozrah, Franklin and Lebanon.

Rivers, a Colchester resident who serves on the town’s education board, was able to win his hometown by a 3,664-3,393 margin.

However, DeCaprio was able to collect more votes in the remaining three towns, including Lebanon, where he serves on Lebanon’s Board of Selectmen and Zoning Board of Appeals.

Independent candidate Lance Lusignan also picked up 143 votes throughout the district.

Nearly 11,500 ballots were cast – down from around 13,500 in 2020.

Smith is retiring at the end of his current term. Before Smith’s election in 2020, the 48th District had been represented for over 20 years by Orange.

DeCaprio, who is in his mid-60s, was well aware of the Democrats’ grip on the district.

“I’m pleased with the outcome and we worked hard this year,” DeCaprio said during a phone call, adding that flipping the seat was “pretty big.”

“The people spoke and this is a change,” he said.

On Wednesday, DeCaprio said one of the reasons he was able to break through this year was “familiarity” and that he was able to share his story with more people in the district. He’s also pointed to understanding government and hardships facing people.

“I have a better grasp on the issues,” he said during a previous *Rivereast* interview. “Having previous experience is definitely helpful and you understand where to spend your time.”

DeCaprio previously sat on the town’s school board for two years, after a long career in the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection as a field inspector and response coordinator. During the 1970s, he also served on a U.S. Navy submarine.

In January, DeCaprio will look to opportunities to cut regulations and “make the district more competitive.”

“It’s time to help the people the best we can,” he asserted.

Rivers was aiming to secure the Democrat stronghold while also launching his own political career at the same time.

He is a war veteran – deployed to Operation Iraqi Freedom and later Afghanistan – who then worked at the U.S State Department before moving to Colchester.

He graduated from West Point and Georgetown before deciding to run for public office.

Rivers said Wednesday he felt the difference in the race came down to the smaller towns, Bozrah and Franklin.

In Bozrah, DeCaprio won by a 664-498 tally and in Franklin, he won with a 535-379 vote.

Rivers said the margins in those areas were larger than he had anticipated.

“It’s tough to know,” Rivers said, regarding what the difference in the race was, adding that he was “feeling really good” leading up to election day.

He pointed to a few different factors, including re-districting, as possible explanations for the result.

Rivers suggested that “there were a lot of things” that played into the loss, and that many were “beyond his control.”

In Colchester, the district’s largest voting bloc, Rivers underperformed the mark set by Smith in 2020. Smith collected over 4,400 votes that year, more than either candidate received in the town this year.

But during a non-presidential year, when turnout is typically lower, the result is not too sur-

prising. River’s Colchester vote total is on-par with Orange’s 2018 midterm election.

“I’m certainly happy to win Colchester,” Rivers said. “We did what we expected.”

In the weeks leading up to the election, both Rivers and DeCaprio expressed that they wanted to run an attack-free campaign – something they both appreciated.

“I am happy with we both ran positive campaigns,” Rivers said.

DeCaprio agreed, saying they both were “honorable” and that “meant a lot” to them.

Moving forward, Rivers will continue serving on the Colchester Board of Education. He said he felt he “fought well” and that “other opportunities will come along.”

He also shared his thoughts on how he’ll approach politics in the future.

“People have anxiety and fear but there’s an opportunity to build a better future,” he said. “We have to keep engaging and having the conversation and getting better at talking about the issues.”

## Westchester Church News

Westchester Congregational Church, 98 Cemetery Rd., holds worship Sundays at 10 a.m. The services are also available on Zoom; visit [westchesterconchurch.org](http://westchesterconchurch.org) for login information.

Sunday School meets during the worship service.

**Meetings:** The church hosts several groups meeting weekly: Al-Anon, Mondays at 5 p.m.

and Wednesdays at 7 p.m.; AA, Friday at 7:30 p.m.; Scout BSA Troop 109, Tuesday at 7 p.m.

**Outreach:** The church has a white wooden Blessings Box in the lower parking lot with non-perishable food items and other useful items. Anyone in need or who wishes to donate may stop by and take or leave a few items.

For more information, email [westconchurch@gmail.com](mailto:westconchurch@gmail.com) or call 860-267-6711.

## Upcoming Senior Center Trips

The Colchester Senior Center is planning the following trips. Reservations should be made in person at the senior center, 95 Norwich Ave. Trips are available to senior center members and adult guests over the age of 18, and are on a first-come, first-served basis; space is limited. Call the senior center at 860-537-3911 for more information.

**A Christmas for Carol at Newport Playhouse:** Tuesday, Dec. 6, departing at 9:30 a.m. There will be a buffet lunch before the show and a cabaret show afterward. Proof of vaccina-

tion required. Cost is \$132/person and is non-refundable.

**Spain & Portugal: Costa Del Sol to the Portuguese Riviera:** Oct. 14-25, 2023. Taste some of the delicacies of this southern Spanish region. Includes 10 breakfasts, two lunches and four dinners. Cost is \$5,029 per person for double, if booked before March 15, 2023. You can come into the senior center to register in person or register online at [gateway.gocollette.com/link/1102385](http://gateway.gocollette.com/link/1102385).



**Remembering When...** The Colchester Commission on Aging in cooperation with Colchester Senior Center, recently presented Fire Marshal Sean Shoemaker’s program “Remembering When.” The Commission on Aging meets the second Monday of each month at 8:30 a.m., at the senior center, 95 Norwich Ave.

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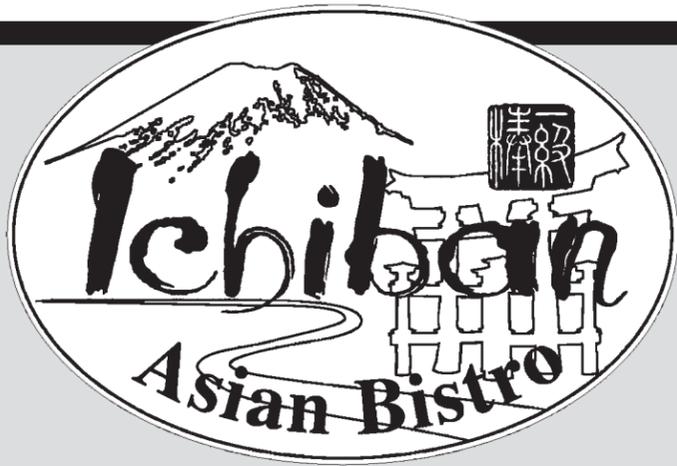
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### Military Honor Squads for Veterans

Members are sought to join the area's volunteer service organizations (VSOs), which render military honors for our departed veterans.

Military honor squads have been a tradition in the United States military since its earliest days. In most instances, a serviceperson's fellow soldiers will accompany the casket that is draped with the national flag; they will then fire a rifle salute, play Taps, and fold and present the United States flag to the family.

In Connecticut, VSOs step in for military honor squads. Honor guard services are coordinated through the funeral provider and the Connecticut Army National Guard Military Honors

Unit. A family need only provide proof of honorable service to the funeral home, in order for their deceased veteran to get the honor squad services they have already earned. The National Guard will contact one of the VSOs to provide the rifle salute and play Taps. Military honors are rendered at no cost to the family.

To join in this mission, veterans in New London County can contact Alphonse Letendre, deputy commander of the Colchester Volunteer Honor Guard, at 860-537-6516 or letendrej@sbcglobal.net, for more information and for referral to one of the two area VSOs.

### Senior Center News & Notes

Colchester Senior Center, 95 Norwich Ave., has announced the following. For full descriptions, call 860-537-3911, email csc@colchesterct.gov, or visit www.colchesterct.gov.senior-center.

**Monday, Nov. 14:** 8:30 a.m., Commission on Aging meeting; 9 a.m., Making Memories, Exercise with Anne; 10 a.m., Sittercize; 11 a.m., Learn to Sign; 12:30 p.m., Mahjong; 12:45 p.m., Setback; 1 p.m., Bridge, Souper Soup Demo.

**Tuesday, Nov. 15:** 9 a.m., Making Memories; 9:45 a.m., Tai Chi; 10:30 a.m., Book Club; 12:30 p.m., Pinochle; 1:30 p.m., Bingo.

**Wednesday, Nov. 16:** 9 a.m., Making Memories Program, Walking Group meet-up at the Air Line Trail in Amston; 10 a.m., Adult Coloring, Sit & Be Fit; 11 a.m., Thankful Table Thanksgiving Luncheon; 1:30 p.m., Line Dancing.

**Thursday, Nov. 17:** 9 a.m., Exercise w/ Anne; 9:30 a.m., Strategic Planning Meeting; 10 a.m., Sittercize, Wii Bowling; 11 a.m., Yoga; noon, chair massage; 12:30 p.m., dominoes; 1 p.m., Knit & Crochet.

**Friday, Nov. 18:** 9 a.m.-3 p.m., Medicare Open Enrollment; 10 a.m., Card-Making, Sit & Be Fit; 10:30 a.m., Choral Group; 11 a.m., Yoga; 1-3 p.m., Drop-In Holiday Card-Making; 1:30 p.m., Bingo.

**Upcoming Programs: Bloomin' 4 Good:** This is a program from Stop & Shop that works to fight hunger in local communities. For November, the senior center's Meals on Wheels Program has been selected to receive a \$1 donation for every \$10.99 Bloomin' 4 Good Bouquet sold at the Colchester Stop & Shop.

**Outhouse Americana:** Monday, Nov. 21, 11 a.m. Nov. 19 is National Toilet Day. Help cel-

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### Thanksgiving Dinner Drive Ends Sunday

Folks have until the end of the day Sunday, Nov. 13, to help the Colchester Rotary Foundation and Liberty Bank provide Thanksgiving dinners for neighbors in need.

Purchase paper turkey legs at Noel's and Westchester markets, or by going to middlesexcountycf.org, choosing the Thanksgiving Dinner Drive and choosing your local Rotary organization from the drop-down list. Liberty Bank's foundation will add 25 cents for every dollar donated.

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**Broadway Showtunes Choral Performance:** Tuesday, Nov. 22, 11 a.m. The senior center's choral group will offer some old and new Broadway showtunes. Broadway-inspired desserts will be served. Space is limited. Registration is required.

**Make, Take & Give Holiday Crafting Series:** Wednesdays, Nov. 23, 30 and Dec. 7, 1:30 p.m. Spend the afternoon creating holiday/winter decorations and ornaments. Each week has a different theme. You will be provided with material to create one for yourself, one to give to someone you know and some that will be donated to patients at a local nursing home. Cost is \$5 per session. Preregistration is required. Themes: Gnomes, Nov. 23; Snowmen, Nov. 30; Santa, Dec. 7. Preregistration is required.

**AARP Smart Driver Tek:** Wednesday, Nov. 30, 9:45-11:30 a.m. In this free 90-minute workshop, drivers will learn how to utilize the latest high-tech safety features in their current or future car. Open to all who are 50 years and older. Space is limited. Pre-register by calling the senior center.

### CDL Training Tuition Raffle

Colchester Federated Church is raffling off a chance to win free tuition to Affordable CDL Program Training School, worth \$4,355.

Only 100 tickets will be sold, with the drawing taking place on Nov. 27.

Tickets are \$50 each and can be purchased at the Affordable CDL Training School office, 532 New London Rd. (phone number is 860-537-8235), or the Colchester Federated Church office, 60 Main St. (phone number is 860-537-5189).

Enrollment is subject to Affordable CDL Training School requirements, and the program must be started within one year after the raffle drawing.

Raffle proceeds benefit Colchester Federated Church.



**Volunteer of the Year...** Stefanie Tracy-Calash was awarded Volunteer of the Year at the recent annual meeting of the Collaborative for Colchester's Children (C3). Tracy-Calash began attending everything from Baby & Me to Circle of Security classes with C3 and quickly answered the call for assistance. Even as a newcomer to the organization, she helped at Farmers Market booths and began attending C3 Leadership Work Group meetings. She is pictured here with her husband Kyle and sons Zeke and Van.

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**Soccer Champs...** The Colchester Soccer Club's U14 girls Panthers had a champion win at the 2022 MIST tournament. From left are, top row, Mary Smith, Madeline Ives, Hannah Ferrigno, Jess Ferrigno, Peyton Cook, Abby Daniewicz, Amalia Baird, Dimitri Koutsofavas; middle row, Evy Koutsofavas, Leah Butterfield, Delaney Walsh, Bridget Walsh, Alexa Smith, Reagan Beeler; bottom, Allison Field, Ashleen Walsh, Cadence Hlasyszyn, Kayleigh Engle.

### Colchester Federated Church News

Colchester Federated Church is an Open and Affirming church located at 60 Main St. Pastor is the Rev. Lauren Lorincz Ostrout. The church office is open Monday-Friday, 9 a.m.-1 p.m. The office can be reached at 860-537-5189 or cfc06415@gmail.com.

Worship services are Sundays at 9 a.m.; masks are optional. For those wishing to worship from home, the service will be broadcast via Facebook Live each Sunday at 9 a.m. Worship videos are at [www.colchesterfederatedchurch.org](http://www.colchesterfederatedchurch.org) under the Worship & Sermons tab. Updated information is also on the church's

Facebook page.

**Sunday School:** Sunday School is held during worship from September through June. Children in grades pre-K through 8 are welcome. The nursery is located just off the sanctuary. Visit the church website to register youth for Sunday School.

**Twelve-Step Meetings:** AA meets in the church library Monday-Wednesday and Friday at noon and Thursday at 10 a.m., and at 7:30 p.m. Mondays and Wednesdays. On Saturdays at 9:30 a.m., Al-Anon meets in the Jerusalem Room and AA meets in the Stage Room.

**Holly Fair:** Saturday, Nov. 12, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.  
**Boy Scout Troop 72:** Meetings are held in the Stage Room every Monday at 7 p.m.

### Ahavath Achim News

Congregation Ahavath Achim, 84 Lebanon Ave., has announced the following schedule:

Tuesday, Aggadatah class from the Talmud, 6 p.m.; Talmud class, 6:30 p.m.; Kabbalah class, 8 p.m., on Zoom; Friday night service, 6:30 p.m., hybrid in-person and on Zoom; Shabbat morning service, 10 a.m., hybrid in-person and via Zoom.

There are daily Facebook Live classes on Ken Alter's Facebook page.

For more information, call 860-537-2809. Office hours are: Wednesday, 9 a.m.-4 p.m.; and Friday, 11 a.m.-2 p.m.

### Collection for Operation Christmas Child

Christian Life Chapel (CLC) is collecting shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child this year.

National Collection Week is Nov. 14-21. If you live around the Colchester area, CLC is a drop-off location; find its drop-off times and hours at [www.samaritanspurse.org/operation-christmas-child/drop-off-locations](http://www.samaritanspurse.org/operation-christmas-child/drop-off-locations).

### Pet Photo Shoot Fundraiser

The Colchester Dog Park Committee will hold a fundraising pet photo shoot (children are welcome too) at the Colchester Fish & Game Club Saturday, Dec. 3, from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. The club is handicapped-accessible.

Cost is \$25 for five digital images, which will be emailed by Dec. 5. The committee will also sell 5x7 and 8x10 photo prints, Christmas cards, and ornaments. There is a new backdrop this year. All orders will be available for pickup at the Parks & Recreation office at Town Hall,

128 Norwich Ave., by Dec. 12.

Cash, check, Venmo and PayPal accepted. All proceeds will support the Colchester Dog Park. Sponsored by the Colchester Parks and Recreation Department. For more information, email [tagnobark@gmail.com](mailto:tagnobark@gmail.com).

Appointments are recommended and can be made by calling Janice 860-537-1944 and walk-ins will be accepted if time is available.

Dogs must be vaccinated. No retractable leashes allowed.

### Youth Football Recap

The Colchester Cougars youth football squads were in action last weekend. Here is how they fared:

**Seniors:** Finished the season off with a 42-6 win over Waterford. Big defensive plays were made by Josh Millington, Jordan Darvas and Jeneva Santiago. Robbie Corrado, Eddie Gignac and Elijah Anctil all scored touchdowns for the Cougars offense. Brevin Gonzales and Chance Markovitz both passed for touchdowns.

**Juniors:** Won, 24-0. The Cougars struck first on a long run play by Mason Howard and

again at the end of the second quarter with a big 4th down pass play from Howard to Gavin King. Quarterback Niko Ibrahim connected with Adam Bigelow in the third quarter for another score. Kicker Mason Howard was 3/3 for extra points. The Cougars defense held the Wolverines scoreless on two monster sacks by Gavin King, and the aggressive play of Charlie Gorman, Sam Collozo, Carter Hebert, Jacob Hashem, Adam Bigelow, Tj Garvie, Jamieson Grant, Vinny Arrigoni, Ryan Browning, Colton LaFlash, Cody O'Bryon and Alan Marshall.

### Scouting Adventure Day

All children age 5 and older are invited to be a part of "Colchester Scouting Adventure Day." Colchester Boy Scout Troops and Cub Scout Packs are hosting outdoor adventure skills day Saturday, Nov. 19, from 10 a.m.-3 p.m., at the Zagray Farm on Route 85 in Colchester.

All Scouting-aged boys and girls and siblings are invited to this free event.

Kids will be able to throw tomahawks, do archery with a certified instructor, learn skills, see camp cooking demonstrations, enjoy field games and see other demonstrations. You will learn what it takes to be a competent in outdoor

skills while having a lot of fun. There will be a Monkey Bridge for visitors to cross. There will also be a station where the kids can build their own air rockets and launch them from homemade rocket launchers. A Gaga Ball ring will be set up for visitors and Scouts. There will also be the ability to see antique construction equipment up close.

Boy Scouts and Cub Scouts will demonstrate several skills and games throughout the day. This will be a hands-on event for all participants.

For more details, contact Troop Chairman at [letendrej@sbcglobal.net](mailto:letendrej@sbcglobal.net).

### Girl Scouts Coat Drive

The Girl Scouts will hold their annual coat drive Sunday, Dec. 4, from 1-3 p.m., at St. Andrew Church, 128 Norwich Ave.

Coat donations will benefit various agencies in the area with some going directly those in need in the community. New or gently-used coats are welcome.

For more information, call Jennifer at 860-214-6619.

### Youth Soccer Winter Registration

Online registration for the Colchester Youth Soccer 2023 winter recreation division is now open. Register by Nov. 30. This program is available to players in pre-kindergarten through 12th grade.

The winter season will start Jan. 7 and go for eight weeks. Visit [www.colchestersoccer.org](http://www.colchestersoccer.org) to register.

### Frosty Firehouse Craft Fair

The Colchester Hayward Fire Company Auxiliary will hold its Frosty Firehouse Craft Fair Saturday, Nov. 12, from 9:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m., at the main firehouse, 52 Old Hartford Rd.

There will be the traditional Frosty Kitchen Menu, as well as home-baked goodies. Area artisans and crafters will also offer their wares, and there will also be Frosty's Prize Table.

Santa will be on site, starting at 11:30 a.m.

### Christmas Fair Nov. 12

St. Andrew Church will hold its Angels and Snowflakes Christmas Fair Saturday, Nov. 12, from 9 a.m.-3 p.m., at the church hall, 128 Norwich Ave.

Booths include: Bake shop, Baskets and More Raffle, Teacup auction, Little Gift Shop with handmade items, Quilters Corner, Christmas Treasures and Attic Treasures tag sales, Faith Corner of gently used religious items, and local crafters.

This year, there will be a Christmas Café, which will serve muffins in the morning, then soup, hot dogs, baked potatoes, and meatball subs at lunch.






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**Trunk or Treat...** The East Hampton Parks and Recreation Department thanked all 46 vehicle hosts who came out for the fifth annual Trunk or Treat event. This year was the largest turnout of vehicle hosts and people attending, as an estimated 1,200 people who came through. Parks and Rec. also thanked the downtown business community, for once again opening its doors to trick-or-treaters during this event, as well as the East Hampton police and fire departments. The Interact students chose the top three vehicle hosts.



### Helping Hands

Helping Hands, a ministry of Cornerstone Bible Church, is open every first and third Saturday of the month from 9-11 a.m., on the first floor at 27 Skinner St.

Helping Hands offers free clothing, household items, books, lines, toys, etc. to anyone in need. People are allowed to bring two shopping bags to fill, and they should limit their visit to a half an hour.

Donations are also needed for this ministry and you can drop them off every Thursday from 10 a.m.-noon, as well as the first and third Saturday of every month from 9-11 a.m.

For more information, contact Judy Holquist at judyhlm49@yahoo.com.

### Residents Sought for EHACC

The East Hampton Arts & Culture Commission (EHACC) is accepting applications from East Hampton residents to serve on the commission.

The commission meets the third Thursday of each month at 6:30 p.m. at the Joseph N. Goff House Museum, 2 Barton Hill Rd., and help support and promote arts and culture in East Hampton.

Applications to serve on the commission are available in the town manager's office at Town Hall, 1 Community Drive.

For more information on EHACC, visit [www.artsforeasthamptonct.org](http://www.artsforeasthamptonct.org) or email [arts@easthamptonct.org](mailto:arts@easthamptonct.org).

### CDHR Holiday Open House

All are invited Saturday, Dec. 3, from 11 a.m.-3 p.m., for the annual Holiday Open House at the Connecticut Draft Horse Rescue, 113 Chestnut Hill Rd. All are invited to meet the horses of CDHR, check out the raffle baskets, and take a photo with Santa and Mrs. Claus. Admission is free.

The CDHR horses have a holiday wishlist, at [www.ctdraftrescue.org/wish-list](http://www.ctdraftrescue.org/wish-list).

CDHR is a nonprofit organization dedicated to saving the lives of neglected or abused draft horses as well as draft horses headed to slaughter. For more information, volunteer opportunities or to donate, visit [www.ctdraftrescue.org](http://www.ctdraftrescue.org) or [www.facebook.com/ctdraftrescue](http://www.facebook.com/ctdraftrescue).

### EHACC Accepting Grant Applications

The East Hampton Arts & Culture Commission is accepting applications from East Hampton High School juniors and seniors for \$200 grants to support an annual East Hampton High School capstone project.

Deadline to apply is Feb. 1. Applications are available at [www.artsforeasthamptonct.org](http://www.artsforeasthamptonct.org) and can be submitted to [arts@easthamptonct.org](mailto:arts@easthamptonct.org) or can be mailed/dropped off at the town manager's office at the East Hampton Town Hall, 1 Community Drive, East Hampton, CT 06424.

### Haddam Neck Covenant Church News

Haddam Neck Covenant Church, located at 17 Haddam Neck Rd., invites all to Sunday Worship at 9 a.m. each week. Pastor is the Rev. Tom Cowger. Refreshments are served after the service.

**Puppet Ministry:** Each Sunday, the church's Puppet Ministry features Digger the Dog and friends from Farmer M's Red Barn to help ex-

plain the meaning of the message topic.

**Kids Church:** Kids Church, featuring music and hands-on interactive activities, is held in Fellowship Hall during the worship service. All are welcome.

**Adult Bible Study:** Sundays in the chapel at 10:30 a.m. The study traces God's covenant with his people.

**Zoom Bible Study:** Thursdays, 7-8 p.m. The study looks at various ways to approach Bible reading.

**Operation Christmas Child:** Operation Christmas Child, a project of Samaritan's Purse, delivers shoe boxes filled with school supplies, toys and hygiene items to children in America and around the world who live in difficult circumstances. Community participation is welcome. The boxes are available in the church office and need to be returned by Nov. 19.

**Office Info:** The office can be reached at 860-267-2336; hours are Monday-Friday, 12:30-4:30 p.m. The church website is at [www.hncovenantchurch.org](http://www.hncovenantchurch.org).

### Library Friends Wanted

The Friends of the East Hampton Public Library group is currently looking for more members.

The Friends support the library through sponsorship of programming, museum passes, summer reading and more. Members of the group can be involved as little or as much as they choose.

Forms for membership can be found at the library, 105 Main St.; at [facebook.com/friendsoftheeasthamptonpubliclibrary](http://facebook.com/friendsoftheeasthamptonpubliclibrary); or by scrolling to the Friends portion of the library website, [www.easthamptonpubliclibrary.org](http://www.easthamptonpubliclibrary.org). People can also email the Friends at [friendsofephpl@gmail.com](mailto:friendsofephpl@gmail.com).

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**Local Artist at Artopia...** On Sunday, Nov. 13, from 1-4 p.m., Epoch Arts will host its "Artopia" arts festival, at 27 Skinner St. This is a free community event for the entire family that includes a student and adult art show, live music, art demonstrations, kids' crafts, adult hands-on art, vendors, food and more. Tom Swimm, an East Hampton artist who paints in oil and acrylic, will have his artwork included, and will also give a painting demonstration from 1-3 p.m. His original oil painting "Main Street Morning" is pictured here. For more information on Artopia, visit epocharts.org.

**Congregational Church News & Notes**

The Congregational Church of East Hampton, UCC, located at 59 Main St., is open for in-person services with the Rev. Amie McCarthy every Sunday at 10 a.m. All services can also be accessed via Zoom by going to cc-eh.org. All are welcome.

Church school classes meet every Sunday. The Yarners meet every Thursday from 10:30 a.m.-noon in the Fellowship Hall. All knitters and crocheters are welcome.

**New England Chamber Choir Concert:** Sunday, Nov. 27, 4 p.m.

**Takeout Pulled Pork Sandwich with Mac and Cheese Dinner:** Friday, Dec. 2, 4:30-6:30 p.m.

For more information about CCEH and its activities, visit cc-eh.org or call the church office at 860-267-4959 during office hours: Tuesday-Friday, 8 a.m.-noon.

**Wreaths Across America**

East Hampton's Wreath Across America ceremony will take place at the Book of Names Memorial, located across the street from East Hampton VFW Post 5095 at 20 North Maple St., on Saturday, Dec. 19, at noon.

This will be the 15th year for the ceremony, which is open to the public.

Last year, at the State Veterans Cemetery in Middletown, where thousands of veterans have been buried, another eight soldiers were laid to rest. These soldiers had been forgotten, as no family or friend came forward to claim their ashes for burial.

In a solemn ceremony, veterans Victor Herbert Anderson, Orville K. Davis, Stephen Yoder, Joseph P. Galipeau, Lawrence W. Jordan, Bernard Joseph Lafleur, George Dalton Parker, and Lawrence Earl Tefft were memorialized with a full military funeral to ensure that they would no longer be forgotten. The cremated remains were later laid to rest in the cemetery's columbarium. Those being honored served during World Wars I and II, Korea and Vietnam. According to the Department of Veterans Affairs, the ceremony was part of the military's fundamental creed to never leave a soldier behind.

This year, these soldiers will once again be receiving individual wreaths in honor of their service. Their names will also be spoken aloud so they will not be forgotten as they have no family to do this for them.

Nine wreaths will also be laid to honor the eight divisions: Army, Marine Corps, Navy, Air Force, Space Force, Merchant Marines, Coast Guard and the MIA/POW. A wreath will also be laid in memory and honor of the late Governor William A. O'Neill, who passed away in 2007. An enlistee in the United States Air Force, he served his country during the Korean Conflict as a gunner, flying twelve combat missions on

**Library Annual Meeting**

Middle Haddam Public Library, 2 Knowles Rd., will hold its annual meeting Thursday, Nov. 17, at 6:30 p.m., at the library.

All are invited; bring questions and comments, learn how the library year has been, and learn what is on the horizon.

B-29 aircraft. Wreaths Across America is an organization whose mission is to "Remember the fallen, Honor those that serve and Teach the next generation the value of freedom." This year, more than 3,000 participating locations are registered to take part in National Wreaths Across America Day, Saturday, Dec. 19. Each location will receive the now eight ceremonial wreaths for this event.

Wreaths Across America is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization founded to continue and expand the annual wreath-laying ceremony at Arlington National Cemetery begun by Maine businessman Morrill Worcester in 1992. The organization's mission is carried out in part each year by coordinating wreath-laying ceremonies in December at Arlington, as well as at thousands of veterans' cemeteries and other locations in all 50 states and beyond.

In East Hampton, in addition to the 17 wreaths that will be laid during the ceremony on Dec. 19, the VFW Auxiliary is asking the public to sponsor additional wreaths to be placed at various soldiers' gravesites in all 12 cemeteries in town. Sponsors are asked to donate \$15 per wreath to help provide as many wreaths as possible. As volunteers place a wreath on a soldier's grave, they repeat the soldier's name aloud so as not to forget what the life of that soldier meant to our freedom.

One can sponsor a wreath by sending a sponsorship form to the VFW Post 5095, North Maple St., East Hampton, CT 06424, c/o Linda Wallace, WAA East Hampton Leader. Checks should be made out to "VFW Auxiliary" with "WAA" on the memo line. Forms can be found at the Post, East Hampton Public Library, and at Town Hall.

In lieu of a form, people can mail their name, address, phone, email, the number of sponsored wreaths at \$15 each, along with a check, to VFW Post 5095. Donations are also being accepted for the Veterans WAA Fund to help defray the costs of the auxiliary's monthly Bingo at the Rocky Hill Veterans Hospital sponsored by the Post 5095 Auxiliary and for educational materials.



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### First Responders Team Up for Food Bank

East Hampton's first responders are joining forces to support the East Hampton Food Bank with their annual pre-holidays "Stuff-A-Truck"/"Stuff-A-Cruiser" events at Stop & Shop, 11 East High St.

On Saturday, Nov. 12, from 9 a.m.-3 p.m., East Hampton police officers and volunteer firefighters will collect donations of non-perishable food items of all varieties as well as toiletries and other suitable items that can help the Food Bank serve its clients through the cold months ahead. Some suggested food items would include peanut butter and jellies/jams, different kinds of pasta and sauces, a

wide variety of soups, cold and hot breakfast selections, and macaroni and cheese.

Personal care and household goods such as toothbrushes, deodorants, shampoos are needed, as well as tissues, toilet paper and paper towels. Cash and gift card donations are also welcomed, as staff members utilize those resources to purchase items for the Food Bank that are not typically stocked through tangible donations.

On Sunday, Nov. 13, members of the East Hampton Ambulance Association and CERT team will collect the same types of items, and both events will be held from 9 a.m.-3 p.m.

### Christ Episcopal Church News

Christ Episcopal Church, 66 Middle Haddam Rd., Middle Haddam, holds in-person and Zoom services at 10 a.m. each Sunday. To connect electronically, go to [www.christchurch-middlehaddam.com](http://www.christchurch-middlehaddam.com) for directions. Holy Eucharist will be conducted by the Rev. Joan Phelps.

**Sunday School:** Will meet at 9:55 a.m.

**Donations:** Place donations of returnable bottles in the designated barrels near the shed. Food items for the local food bank may be placed in the black totes near the church rear door.

**Pledge Drive:** Return your pledge envelope prior to Nov. 20.

**Covenant to Care:** Thanksgiving food items are needed for four families on the church social worker's case load. There are still openings on the sign-up sheet in the Parish Hall. All food items are due at church on Nov. 20.

**Bible Study:** For more information about Wednesday evening's Zoom class, email [bo-bette@khan.com](mailto:bo-bette@khan.com).

**Coffee Hour:** Hosts are needed for refreshments after the worship service.

For more information or if in need of assistance, call the church office at 860-267-0287 or Donna Hryb, senior warden, at 860-633-0472.

### Senior Center News & Notes

East Hampton Senior Center, 105 Main St., is open. Registration required for all programs unless noted; register at [myactivecenter.com](http://myactivecenter.com) or by contacting the center at 860-267-4426 or [senior-center@easthamptonct.gov](mailto:senior-center@easthamptonct.gov). Senior center hours are Monday-Thursday, 8:30 a.m.-4 p.m.; Friday, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Masks are encouraged, but not required. Visit the senior center online at [www.easthamptonct.gov/east-hampton-senior-center](http://www.easthamptonct.gov/east-hampton-senior-center).

**Lunches:** Served at the center Monday through Friday, to ages 60 and up. Call the center to reserve a meal or sign up online. Reservations for the next day's meal are due by 11 a.m. the day before. Meals are free, though a \$3 donation is requested.

**Weekly Activities:** **Quilting Group:** Mondays, 9 a.m. **Mexican Train Dominoes:** Mondays, 9:30 a.m. **Setback:** Mondays, 1 p.m., and Thursdays, 1:15 p.m. **Bible Study:** Tuesdays, 1 p.m. **Bingo:** Tuesdays, 1-2 p.m., in person and via Zoom. **Game Day:** Fridays, 10 a.m.-noon - space will be available and open to Mahjongg, cribbage, Mexican Train and setback players. Registration required. **Textile Group:** Fridays at 1:30 p.m.

**Writing Our Lives to Open Our Hearts:** There are two groups; one meets Thursdays, 10-11 a.m., and one meets every other Thursday, 11:15 a.m.-12:15 p.m. The group will meet outdoors, weather permitting; otherwise it will be indoors or via Zoom.

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**Mighty Magnificent Men's Group:** Monday, Nov. 14, 10:30 a.m. This is a social hour of facts, activities and snacks. The group will meet monthly.

**Floral Arranging for the Holiday:** Wednesday, Nov. 16, 1 p.m. Shirley Cavanaugh returns to guide people in making a holiday arrangement. Ten people are asked to volunteer to leave their arrangements at the center, to be enjoyed at the CRT Thanksgiving meal the following day. They then can be picked up the next day, to take home. Event is free but space is limited.

**Chair Yoga with Kitch:** Wednesdays through Jan. 18 (started Nov. 9), 11:40 a.m.-12:40 p.m., in the community room at Town Hall, as well as virtual via Zoom. Register online at [MyActiveCenter.com](http://MyActiveCenter.com). The 10-week session is \$20. Payment may be mailed or dropped off to the East Hampton Senior Center, check payable to the Town of East Hampton.

**Senior Center Tap Troupe:** Will share two dances on Thursday, Nov. 17, at 11 a.m.

**Wonderfully Wicked Women's Group (WWW):** Monday, Nov. 21, 10 a.m. There will be discussion of current events, holistic medicine, entertainment, support systems, etc. Snacks will be offered. The group will meet twice a month.

**Trip: In the Christmas Mood:** See the Glenn Miller Orchestra Wednesday, Dec. 7, at the Aqua Turf Club in Plantsville. Lunch will be served. Cost is \$114 per person. Call for more information.

**Volunteer Shopping:** The center has a program where a volunteer will shop for you. Call in your list to 860-267-4426 or email it to [Jewing@easthampton.gov](mailto:Jewing@easthampton.gov). The shopper will call you before the drop-off to let you know the cost of the groceries. You can write out a check for the amount, payable to the Town of East Hampton. The volunteer will drop off the groceries at your door and pick up the check in a pre-arranged designated spot.

### Bethlehem Lutheran Church News

Bethlehem Evangelical Lutheran Church holds live in-person services Sundays at 10:30 a.m. All are welcome. Enter via the front door and ushers will assist you. The church is located at 1 East High St.

There is also a livestream link at the church's Facebook page, [www.facebook.com/BethlehemEH](http://www.facebook.com/BethlehemEH).



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### Portrait Photography Fundraiser

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Portraits will be taken in the Parish Hall by appointment on each Friday, Saturday and Sunday this month, at no charge. Proofs will be made available online for viewing and ordering.

The sittings are open to members of the community; all are invited.

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# Once Again, Haines Claims the 34th

By Jack Lakowsky

State Rep. Irene Haines (R-34) is set to serve another two years in Hartford, which represents East Hampton, East Haddam and – after recent redistricting – part of Salem.

Haines carried the day with more than 6,000 votes or about 53%, with Olin claiming 5,300, just over 45% of ballots cast. Olin also received about 200 minor party votes.

For Haines this is a narrower victory than in 2020, when she got almost 56% of the vote.

Locally, Haines won decisively according to state information, with nearly 3,300 Belltown voters casting her name; Olin had about 2,800.

When reached by the *Rivereast*, Olin was at the East Hampton Stop & Shop thanking voters for their support.

Olin is beaten for now, but said he isn't out. He said he and his campaign staff were soon meeting to "plan our future."

"We certainly are not gonna abandon all those voters that put their trust in us," said Olin.

Compared to Haines, Olin was far more willing to speak on national (and international) issues, particularly climate change. Olin often touted his work helping clean up the Chesapeake Bay when he lived in Baltimore.

Olin has said he's pro-choice and, had he

been elected would've striven to protect vulnerable populations, like the elderly and marginalized.

"These issues are still on the table," said Olin.

Olin said he learned far more about issues specific to East Hampton, particularly the water quality of Lake Pocotopaug and the number of inert, polluted brownfield properties.

Olin said in two years, he hopes "we'll have a candidate to run in the election for state rep once again." Whether this person would be him, Olin didn't say.

Though he didn't mention Haines directly, Olin said he does "firmly believe those people involved in the [state elections] on both sides have the best interests of the people at heart. With good faith, and faith in one another, we can solve the problems before us."

In a statement to the *Rivereast* Haines thanked voters and "everyone who supported me in my re-election campaign [and] who played such a big part in this victory."

"I look forward to continuing to serve East Haddam and East Hampton and for the newest part of the 34th District in Salem," Haines went on. "I'm both honored and thrilled to continue sharing your voice in Hartford."



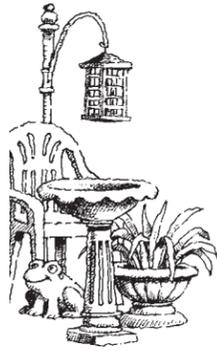
**Lake-Smart Award...** Pam Rinaldi of West Street recently received the Lake-Smart Award from the East Hampton Conservation & Lake Commission (C&LC) for managing her lake and watershed property to benefit Lake Pocotopaug. She maintains a garden along West Street that acts as a buffer zone preventing nutrients from flowing into the street and eventually going into the lake. She and her husband Joe do not use fertilizers or pesticides on their lawn and use a mulching blade when they mow their lawn. Also, the rainwater from their house roofs goes into an underground tank and is filtered in the soil and does not go directly into the street and lake. Those who wish to be evaluated for the award should contact Jeremy Hall of the Parks & Recreation Department (860-267-7300 or [jhall@easthamptonct.gov](mailto:jhall@easthamptonct.gov)), Jeremy DeCarli of the Planning and Zoning Department (860-267-7450 or [jdecarli@easthamptonct.gov](mailto:jdecarli@easthamptonct.gov)), or any members of the C&LC. *Photo by Marty Podskoch.*

## 'Easy as Pie' Sale

Haddam Neck Congregational Church Ladies Aid will hold an "Easy as Pie" sale Sunday, Nov. 20, the Sunday before Thanksgiving, at the Haddam Neck Congregational Church parish house, 408 Quarry Hill Rd., Haddam Neck, from noon-2 p.m.

Pre-orders for homemade pumpkin, apple, pecan and mincemeat pies are due Monday, Nov. 14, by calling Melissa at 860-993-5311 or Franky

at 860-267-4513. Cost for each pie is \$12. Visit [www.haddamneckcongregationalchurch.org](http://www.haddamneckcongregationalchurch.org) for directions to the church.



## Veterans Day Breakfast

East Hampton's Boy Scout Troop 8 is hosting a Veterans Day breakfast Sunday, Nov. 13, at VFW Post 5095, located at 20 North Maple St. Hot breakfast will be available to veterans from 7-10:30 a.m.

Donations to help the Scouts continue this yearly tradition would be appreciated.

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# Bellringers Volleyball Capture Conference Crown

By Josh Howard

East Hampton girls' volleyball won the Shoreline Conference (SLC) Championship, defeating Hale Ray last Saturday at Haddam-Killingworth High School.

It was the program's first conference title since 2018.

In order to reach the title game, the Bellringers needed to hold off Coginchaug in four sets (25-18, 25-27, 25-13, 25-19) at East Hampton High School in the SLC semifinals on Nov. 3.

Twin sisters Jordan and Jenna Murphy combined for 29 kills and junior setter Chelsea Woods had a season-high 41 assists in the semifinal victory.

"We brought a lot of energy, we were all psyched to play," said Jordan Murphy, who finished with a team-high 16 kills. "We just had to come out here and work hard as a team."

In the first set, East Hampton used a 10-0 run highlighted by a pair of aces from Mackenzie Player and consecutive kills by Jordan Murphy. Player polished off the first set with a kill after getting a fantastic feed from libero Olivia DeMartino.

After falling behind in the second set, East Hampton rallied to take a 25-24 lead before the visiting Blue Devils reeled off the final three points to steal the set.

Prior to dropping the set, East Hampton had won the previous 21 sets.

Grabowski said she didn't use any special motivational tactics between the second and third sets – instead she let her team figure it out on the fly.

"They just weren't playing like themselves and they weren't playing their game. They needed to get back to what they know," added Grabowski. "This is a mentally strong team, so when they are down they are not out. They saw what was happening and they decided to work together a little more."

Jenna Murphy, who finished with a team-high nine blocks, said that the players couldn't wait to get back on the court following the disappointment of the second set.

"[Coach] told us to play smart and we had to play with energy," she added. "We had to want to win."

East Hampton responded by jumping out to a 4-0 lead in the third set and never looked back.

Junior Amber Murphy, the younger sister of Jordan and Jenna, closed the third set by tapping the ball over the net for the final point.

Between the three Murphy sisters, Grabowski has plenty of height and power near the net. The team combined for 13 blocks in the win.

"They all have strength and they are a presence. They are tough to get around," said Grabowski. "I wouldn't want to go up against them."

It was more of the same in the fourth set as Jenna Murphy had consecutive kills to give the Bellringers a 10-9 lead and Delaney Russell had five straight service points as home team pulled away during the decisive set.

Player, who finished the match with nine kills and three aces, ended the set and match with a thunderous spike.

"Mackenzie has been outstanding for us; she came to play tonight," said Grabowski. "She is a great athlete and a tough competitor."

Captaining the team with the Murphy twins is Reagan Burt, who Grabowski called "a great leader."

"She brings the team together," added Grabowski. "I can't say enough good things about her."

Burt recalled the disappointment of last year when the team fell short, losing to Hale Ray in the semifinals of 2021 SLC tourney.

"Last year we had the same chance, but we didn't have the outcome we wanted. So it was good to have the chance to redeem ourselves," said Burt.

As luck would have it, the Bellringers got the ultimate revenge by beating the Moodus-based Noises of Hale Ray in this year's title match (25-12, 19-25, 25-17, 25-17).

The title match was a mirror image of the semifinal match with East Hampton winning the first set before dropping the second set and



East Hampton's volleyball senior captains, from left, Jordan Murphy, Reagan Burt, and Jenna Murphy helped lead the Bellringers to their first conference title since 2018.

winning the final two.

Five aces from sophomore Sonja Venetainer and 34 more assists from Woods highlighted the championship triumph, which not only captured the conference crown but it was also the team's 14th straight victory, dating back to Sept. 28.

Grabowski said it's the team's "mental toughness" that allowed the team to string together 14 wins in a row and take 42 of the last 45 sets.

"They have been playing hard consistently and for longer periods of time," added Grabowski. "That has been really helpful for us."

Burt added that the team's chemistry on and off the court has been the difference maker.

"We are a very close team," added Burt. "Our bond is great and I think we can take it very far."

Along with conquering the conference as a team, the Bellringers also had plenty of indi-

vidual conference recognition.

The Murphy twins and Woods were named to the All-Shoreline Conference first-team and Amber Murphy was named Honorable Mention.

Grabowski was awarded with the SLC Conference Coach of the Year

Between the regular season and the conference tourney, the Bellringers won 18 of 20 games. It's the team's most wins since 2018 when they last won the conference tournament and advanced to the semifinals in the Class S state tournament.

This year the Bellringers are the No. 4 ranked team in the state tourney. For a complete list of tournament results and schedules, visit [ciacsports.com](http://ciacsports.com).

## Parks and Rec. News & Notes

East Hampton Parks and Recreation has announced the following pieces of news. For more information, call 860-267-7300 or visit [easthamptonct.myrec.com](http://easthamptonct.myrec.com).

**Air Line Trail Maintenance Day:** Saturday, Nov. 19, 8:30 a.m.-noon. Maintenance will be at Bishop Cut, Cranberry Bog, Forest Street, and the viaducts. Register at one of those locations online.

**Thanksgiving Bingo and Craft:** Wednesday, Nov. 23, 3:30-4:30 p.m., at Memorial School, for grades K-3. Cost is \$20.

**Basketball Clinic:** For grades 4-6. Nov. 28, 29, Dec. 5 and Dec. 6, from 3:30-4:30 p.m., at Center School. Cost is \$75.

**Adult Paint Night with Amy Ordonez:** Wednesday, Nov. 30, 6:30-8:30 p.m., at Town Hall. Cost is \$37.

**Paint Class:** Tuesday, Dec. 6, 3:30-4:30 p.m., at Center School.

**Holiday Cookie Decorating:** Wednesday, Dec. 7, 3:30-4:30 p.m., at Center School, for

grades four and five. Cost is \$25.

**Jingle Bell Parade:** Friday, Dec. 9, at East Hampton Public Library. At 3 p.m. there will be a craft and refreshments, and at 4 p.m. Santa will arrive to lead the parade to the gazebo for the tree-lighting.

**New York on Your Own – Bus Trip to NYC:** Saturday, Dec. 10. The bus leaves East Hampton Town Hall at 7:30 a.m. and will depart NYC at 6 p.m. Cost is \$70/person.

**Holiday Bingo and Craft:** Wednesday, Dec. 14, 3:30-4:30 p.m., at Center School, for grades four and five. Cost is \$20.

**Girls Volleyball Clinic:** Wednesdays, Jan. 4-25, 6:45-8 p.m., at the East Hampton Middle School gym, for grades 6-8. Cost is \$125.

**American Red Cross Babysitting Course:** Friday, Jan. 20, 8 a.m.-4 p.m., at the Town Hall community room. Cost is \$100.

**Wolf Pack Game:** Friday, Jan. 20, 7 p.m. Lower-level seats are \$20 per ticket.

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# Students Help Clean Up the River

The students at East Hampton High School who are involved in the science club led by teacher Roger Abraham completed floating islands and placed them in the Christopher Brook stream last Thursday, Nov. 3. These floating islands will absorb nutrients with their root systems, allowing for less nutrient loads going into Lake Pocotopaug.

The club is working directly with the Lake Commission and the Friends of Lake Pocotopaug to coordinate efforts to help clean up the watershed of nutrients.

In September, Parks and Recreation Director Jeremy Hall got approval from the East Hampton Town Council to proceed with a handful of many projects planned to improve watershed health.

Hall told the council a grant funds the

## East Hampton Library News & Notes

East Hampton Public Library, 105 Main St., has announced the following. Registration required unless noted; to register, or for full program descriptions, call 860-267-6621 or visit easthamptonpubliclibrary.org.

**Library Hours:** The library is open Monday-Wednesday, 10 a.m.-8 p.m.; Thursday-Saturday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

**Children's Programs: Toddler Time:** Wednesdays, 10:15 a.m., for children ages 18 months to 3 years. **Stories & Songs:** Wednesdays, 11:15 a.m., for ages 3-5.

**Mindful Movements:** Mondays, 10:30 a.m., for ages 18 months and up; siblings welcome.

**Baby Rhyme Time:** Thursdays, 10:15 a.m., in the library community room.

**Kids Comic Creators: The Bad Guys:** Wednesday, Nov. 16, 4:30 p.m., for grades 2-5. This program includes read-alouds, drawing, games, prizes and more.

**DIY Days – Fish in a Bag Slime:** Saturday, Nov. 19, 11 a.m.-4 p.m. For ages 5-14, and their families. Create a different toy, game, or treat together. Activities available while supplies last. No registration required; just drop in.

**Teen Programs: Fall Into Creative Writing:** Thursdays, 3:30 p.m., through Dec. 1, for grades 6-12. Explore creative writing in all forms – poetry, journaling, reporting, blogging,

\$232,000 work, with a little more from town funds, paid mostly to a landscaping company helping the town.

First, the town's going to improve nutrient retention at Paul's and Sandy's Too. Algal blooms in the lake, toxic at high levels, tinting the water an unattractive green, have been an issue for years, largely attributed to nutrient runoff.

Another effort at Spellman Point Road, Hall told the *Rivereast*, will turn a faulty culvert into a "large vegetative swale," catching water and discharge from a nearby apartment complex.

More nutrient-absorbing plants are going in at Bay Road. New swales will collect water running off Route 66, stopping flow into the lake.

Most important in this phase, Hall said, is restoration at Sears Park.

Hall said the town's putting in a riprap at the

storytelling and more. All materials provided. There will be no program Nov. 24.

**Nintendo Switch Tournament:** Saturday, Nov. 12, 2-3:30 p.m., for grades 6-12. All skill levels welcome.

**Mega-TAB:** Tuesday, Nov. 15, 4:30 p.m. The Teen Advisory Board and Pre-Teen Advisory Board are always welcoming new members who want to help improve the library's teen space, collections and programs. The boards are currently planning a bake sale fundraiser.

**Teen Friday!:** Friday, Nov. 18, 3:30-4:30 p.m., for grades 6-12. Start the weekend off with fun, crafts, games and more.

**Adult Programs: Author Event! Unique Eats and Eateries of Connecticut:** Tuesday, Nov. 22, 6:30 p.m. The book's author, Mike Urban, will discuss some of the state's dining options.

**Artist Demonstration – Bivenne Staiger:** Tuesday, Nov. 29, 6 p.m. Watercolor artist and author Staiger will demonstrate her techniques.

## Lions Seek Nominations

For the past 13 years, the Lions of eastern Connecticut have hosted a Humanitarian Banquet, where local Lions clubs honor town residents. The East Hampton Lions are asking the public to submit a one-page nomination letter on whom they would like the Lions to consider for this year's hero.

The nominee has to be a non-Lion, must either live or work in East Hampton and be available to attend the banquet on Jan. 22, 2023.

The letters should be sent to: East Hampton Lions, P.O. Box 153, East Hampton, CT 06424.

Nominations should be submitted by Nov. 20.

Contact Lion President Mary Krogh at 860-977-5760 or govmary23c@aol.com for more information.

## Senior Thanksgiving Dinner

East Hampton VFW Post 5095 will hold a Thanksgiving Dinner for seniors on Saturday, Nov. 19, at 2 p.m., at the post, located at 20 N. Maple St.

Served will be a traditional turkey dinner with all the fixings, including dessert.

For more information, call 860-267-8837.



Last week, East Hampton High School students completed floating islands and placed them in the Christopher Brook stream.

end of the park's trail, to prevent future washouts, adding drains that'll feed a rain garden and a berm to mitigate beach flooding, as well as some reseeding and aesthetically pleasing planting.

Abraham said the environmental club built the artificial wetlands this fall, and will monitor

their effects over the next year, eventually adding 6 more, he said in an email.

The idea is for the plants to pull nitrogen and phosphorus out of the water before it enters the lake. They are also a great habitat for a variety of beneficial organisms that can compete with the blue-green algae.

## Middle Haddam Public Library News

Middle Haddam Public Library, 2 Knowles Rd., Middle Haddam, has announced the following. To register or more information on any program, email middlehaddamlibrary@gmail.com, visit middlehaddamlibrary.com or call 860-267-9093.

**Library Hours:** Monday and Thursday, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.; Tuesday and Friday, 3-6 p.m. Masks are optional.

**Yoga:** Tuesdays at 7 p.m. and Saturdays at 9 a.m., with Erin Day of Ten Summit Yoga. In October, there will also be an additional day, Mondays at 9 a.m. Cost is a \$15 drop-in fee. Register at tensummitst@gmail.com.

**Mahjong:** Mondays at 11:30 a.m. All players welcome.

## Crafters Sought for Fair

VFW Post 5095 will hold a Christmas Craft Fair Saturday, Dec. 3, from 8 a.m.-3 p.m. – and crafters are wanted.

The fair will take place at the post, located at 20 N. Maple St. If interested in participating, email amandascherpovfw5095@gmail.com with details about your handmade items.

## Church Seeks Singers

The Second Congregational Church in Middle Haddam is calling for local singers interested in joining a small choir. Ability to read music is a plus.

The choir would participate in services twice a month at 9:30 a.m.; the service lasts approximately one hour. Rehearsals would be after church on Sunday.

An organizational meeting will be held in January at the church, which is located at 52 Middle Haddam Rd. (Route 151), in Middle Haddam.

To inquire, email Toni Leland at tonileland@gmail.com.

## Donations Sought for Concert Series

All are invited to make a tax-deductible donation to the 2023 Joseph N. Goff House Gazebo Concert Series.

Donation levels include Maestro Sponsor - \$250; Soprano Sponsor - \$150; Alto Sponsor - \$75; Tenor Sponsor - \$50; Bass Sponsor - \$25; or any amount you wish to contribute. Donations help pay for the musical entertainment and publicity for the concerts, which will be held Thursdays at 6:30 p.m. at the Center School gazebo during the summer of 2023.

Tax-deductible checks, made payable to The Joseph N. Goff House Inc., can be mailed to: The Joseph N. Goff House Inc., P.O. Box 337, East Hampton, CT 06424. Tax ID is 06-1494507.

Call 860-918-4400 or 860-993-5311 for more information.

## Christmas Fair

On Saturday, Dec. 3, from 9 a.m.-2 p.m., there will be a Christmas Fair at the Second Congregational Church of Middle Haddam, at 52 Middle Haddam Rd.

The items for sale include the famous peanuts, baked goods, Rada cutlery, seasonal baskets on a silent auction, Christmas tag sale items, hand-painted glass ornaments and special hand-painted bottles with mini lightbulbs.

A light lunch is being served of sandwiches, desserts, coffee, tea and punch.

Handicapped-accessibility is available.

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**Turkey Shoot**  
Belltown Sportsman's Club will hold a Turkey Shoot Sunday, Nov. 20, from 10 a.m.-2 p.m., on the club grounds off of Tartia Road, which is off of Route 16. (Follow the signs.)  
Bring your own shotgun or one will be provided. Gauge is 20 and 12. The club will supply the shells. Cost is \$4 a shot.  
Refreshments will be available. For more information, call Kurly at 860-638-7221.

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## Rahman Tops Crespan in Fourth District

By Michael Sinkewicz

Democrat MD Rahman will represent the Fourth Senate District in Hartford, with a landslide victory over Republican Jacqueline Crespan.

Rahman, of Manchester, defeated Crespan, also of Manchester, by a convincing 22,739-15,554 tally – a margin of over 7,000 votes – according to unofficial results released by the secretary of state's office.

The 4th Senate district includes the Rivereast town of Andover, as well as Bolton, Glastonbury and Manchester.

Rahman lost in Andover, collecting 773 votes to Crespan's 861. Crespan also edged him in Bolton, with 1,283 votes to his 1,240. But Rahman won 9,841-6,847 in Glastonbury and, in Manchester, dominated by an 11,776-6,563 tally. The wins in those two towns were more than enough to overcome the losses and send him to an easy victory.

Overall, just over 38,000 ballots were cast in the district, falling well short of the 2020 election when over 54,000 people came out to vote.

In recent memory, the district has been a Democratic stronghold. Steven Cassano has represented the district since 2011 and is retiring at the end of his term. His departure opened up an opportunity for two political newcomers to capture the seat.

Rahman is a Bangladeshi immigrant who owns several businesses. He serves on the Gov-

ernor's Hate Crime Advisory Council, the Manchester Charter Revision Commission and the Property Maintenance Board of Appeals.

In addition, Rahman is the co-chair of the Asian American and Pacific Island Democrat Caucus and is the founder of the Bangladesh Bhaban Community Center.

During a phone call Wednesday morning, Rahman called his victory "historic," expressing that he is the first Bangladesh immigrant to serve in the state.

"We ran a really good campaign and the team worked hard," he said. "It was an historic moment."

Rahman stated that while he has government experience, this race represented a new challenge for him, saying that he "did a really great job as a first-time candidate."

He said he was disappointed with losing in Andover, expressing that he "worked hard there," but that overall, the voters "spoke loudly" everywhere else.

His message to the district was one of gratitude.

"I'm very grateful and I'm ready to serve."

Specifically, to the people of Andover and others who didn't vote for him, Rahman said he will still represent their views.

"I promise I will earn their support," he said.

Rahman described himself as the "grassroots candidate" and ran on his community service

record.

One of his main objectives in running was to create more opportunities to provide those services. He distributed masks and other items for the community during the pandemic and ran COVID-19 vaccination clinics.

"I can help more," Rahman said, regarding his continued efforts.

In January, Rahman said he wants to address healthcare, education and the economy.

He's previously stated that affordability is a top issue facing the state and that many people who want to attend college cannot afford to pay. He also pointed to other groups, including mothers who struggle to put food on the table and senior citizens who need to be taken care of.

Some of his solutions include suspending the gas tax and securing more grant money for the district.

"I'm putting everything together," Rahman said, adding that he plans on meeting with

Democrat leaders in the weeks ahead. "I'm ready to work."

Rahman described a chaotic and long election night where he was swarmed by supporters who wanted to share in his victory. While he wasn't surprised with the results, it's still somewhat surreal waking up to the new reality.

"I was overwhelmed. People believed and trusted in me," he expressed. "From the bottom of my heart, thank you to all my supporters and those who volunteered."

Rahman thanked Crespan for her "hard work" during the race and asserted that she ran a "good campaign."

Crespan is a naturalized citizen born in Uganda and is the minority party leader on the Manchester Board of Directors. She also served on the town's Charter Revision Commission.

Her background is in real estate and she owns several apartment complexes in Manchester.

Crespan did not return a request for comment before press time.

### Senior Citizen News & Notes

The following have been announced for Andover seniors, veterans and disabled. To attend any event, call senior coordinator Cathy Palazzi at 860-916-6122 to register. Visit the senior page at [andoverct.org](http://andoverct.org) for all senior events and information. A new events calendar will soon be posted for November and December.

**Rides to Food Pantry:** The bus is now available for the Food Pantry on Mondays at 5 p.m. and for the Wednesday Foodshare or food pantry – all of which take place at Andover Congregational Church.

**Rides** to all town events, town meetings, referendums or board meetings, and all medical

appointments, are available by calling Palazzi. All seniors, veterans and disabled are welcome. If you have a caregiver, they may come with you.

**New Seniors Welcome:** New seniors are welcome to all events. Call Palazzi for all luncheon reservations and transportation needs including medicals, Foodshare, food pantry, weekly shopping, movie rides, Farmers Market, and town meetings and scheduled voting dates. Call Judy Knox at 860-643-6824 to join Young at Heart, call Georgia O'Brien at 860-742-9947 for all trip information, and call Sue Schmidt at 860-604-1057 for all movie information.

## Residents Approve Several Charter Revisions

By Michael Sinkewicz

Andover voters approved three charter revisions that were on the ballot Tuesday while rejecting one potential change.

The town clerk's office and town administrator confirmed the results on Wednesday morning.

The one charter revision voters rejected was a question regarding Board of Selectmen authority. Basically, it centered around increasing the power of the Board of Selectmen to hire and fire people employed for the town or applying to work for the town.

By an 843-719 tally, voters nixed that revision.

"That one read the toughest," Town Administrator Eric Anderson said. "The verbiage didn't accurately reflect the intention. It turned people off."

He suggested that in the future, a revised question may potentially be added to the ballot to help generate town support.

The town charter mandates that the town employs specific positions, but in reality, those positions are not always filled. Sometimes, the town covers the position through shared services rather than its own town employee.

If the question were approved, the selectmen would have the ability to hire a town employee or do shared services, something it already does. The charter is ambiguous, Anderson said, on whether that practice is allowed and the revision would've updated the charter with what is commonplace.

"It makes sense," Anderson said, regarding the merit of the revision.

Now, he'll be reaching out to the town attorney for clarity on how the town should be proceeding.

"We have to start thinking on how we technically and legally do it," he explained.

Anderson reiterated that the revision would not have impacted the board's ability to fire people.

A question asking whether the town should split the municipal spending plan and education budget at the referendum was approved by a 927-631 vote.

Now, if the joint budget fails at the first referendum or for a second time at town meeting, the budgets will be separated.

Anderson said that at first, he was "ambivalent" about that question. However, he was in favor of the solution the Charter Revision Commission composed and called the revision a "common sense way to approach" the budget.

Previously the selectmen sent a non-binding question to the town, asking if residents would prefer to see the local education and town budgets separated and the response was "overwhelmingly" in favor of splitting the budgets.

The next question asked, "if any budget fails to gain final approval of the voters before the start of the applicable new fiscal year, the town shall timely implement a temporary substitute for any such budget in the manner required

by state law, and if the Board of Selectman is thereby required to set any mill rate, it may do so only after considering the timely advice of the Board of Finance?"

This revision was approved 907-651. The noteworthy change is that the selectmen *must* consult with the finance board if they need to set the mill rate under specific circumstances. Anderson said this decision "codifies what happens already."

He indicated that "nobody wants to approve a mill rate without a budget passed, but you don't have a choice." This will make that process slightly easier, he said.

The final question approved involves replacing the requirement of a "bachelor's degree or an equivalent combination of education, training and experience" for the town administrator.

Anderson indicated that the change is "a combination of factors" being the benchmark for hiring a town administrator, instead of a degree.

This passed by a 977-604 vote.

Town Clerk Carol Lee explained that, under the old charter, the town would have to pass on qualified applicants who may have years of experience but did not have a degree.

Anderson had also indicated that the town had a challenging time finding and retaining employees, which this revision may help with by providing more "flexibility."

He said the changes approved by the voters were apart of "ongoing maintenance of the charter," and nothing "revolutionary."

"Basically, the charter is a living document," he said. "We have to make it keep up with modern times. This was not a super-sweeping review of the charter."

### Reflective Address Markers

Reflective address markers will be available Saturday, Nov. 12, from 10 a.m.-1 p.m., at the Andover Volunteer Fire Department, 11 School Rd. There is no charge to Andover residents.

### Board of Finance Vacancy

Any Andover elector interested in serving on the Board of Finance for a term ending June 30 should send a letter of interest by Dec. 7 to: Town of Andover, Board of Finance Vacancy, 17 School Rd., Andover, CT 06232.

Letters can also be emailed to [andovertown-clerk@sbcglobal.net](mailto:andovertown-clerk@sbcglobal.net).

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### Thanksgiving Food Drive

The Andover Volunteer Fire Department will host a Thanksgiving food drive Saturday, Nov. 12, between 10 a.m. and 1 p.m., at the fire department, 11 School Rd., to benefit the Andover Food Pantry.

Thanksgiving dinner items needed: stuffing, gravy, cranberry sauce, biscuit and bread mixes and dessert mixes such as cake, cookie and brownie.

Monetary contributions are also welcome; make checks payable to Andover Food Pantry.

### Bingo & Baskets

Andover Congregational Church, 359 Route 6, will hold a Bingo & Baskets night Friday, Nov. 18, starting with dinner at 5:30 p.m. The game starts at 6:30 p.m.

Admission is \$10 and includes dinner, drink, dessert and bingo. No reservations required.

Leave a message at the church at 860-742-7696 for more information.

### Members Sought for EDC

The Andover Economic Development Commission is need of new members. Contact Elaine Bucharth at 860-202-4619 or email [AndoverCTEDC@gmail.com](mailto:AndoverCTEDC@gmail.com) for more information.

### Library Friends to Meet

On Monday, Nov. 14, at 5:30 p.m., in the children's room of Andover Public Library, 355 Route 6, the Andover Friends of the Library executive board will meet. The board will discuss what it has done since May, and decide how to generate funds in the upcoming year to support the library.

All are welcome to attend. Those who can't attend but have ideas for purchases, programs or enhancements should email [andoverfol@gmail.com](mailto:andoverfol@gmail.com).

### Congregational Church News

Andover Congregational Church, UCC, located at 359 Route 6, invites all ages to worship Sundays at 10 a.m. The service also streams live on the church's Facebook page (First Congregational Church, Andover, CT). For more information, call the church office at 860-742-7696, email [andoverctchurch@gmail.com](mailto:andoverctchurch@gmail.com) or visit [www.andoverctchurch.org](http://www.andoverctchurch.org).

**Children's Church:** Sunday school is provided.

**Food Pantry:** Mondays from 5-7 p.m. Bring your own bags. The **Foodshare Van** comes to the church every other Wednesday from 9-9:30

a.m.; next date is Nov. 9. The senior food pantry is open the opposite Wednesdays, also from 9-9:30 a.m.; next date is Nov. 16.

**AA Meetings:** Saturdays and Mondays, 7 p.m.

**Sonshine Stampers:** All are invited to join this group, which meets Thursdays at 9:30 a.m. to make greeting cards.

**Faith Sharing with the Movies:** Tuesdays at 11:30 a.m.

**Thanksgiving Meal:** Thanksgiving Day, Nov. 24, at 3 p.m. All are invited for a potluck meal. Please RSVP.

### Autumn Afternoon Tea

Andover Congregational Church, 359 Route 6, will hold an Autumn Afternoon Tea Saturday, Nov. 12, from 1-3 p.m.

The tea will include an assortment of teas, a basket raffle and homemade items.

Admission is \$10, and reservations are required. Leave a message at the church office, 860-742-7696, to reserve seats.

### Senior Holiday Trip

Andover Senior Transportation will visit Rentschler Field in East Hartford on Wednesday, Nov. 30, to see the Magic of Lights holiday light display.

Over a million lights, featuring all-new holiday displays, dazzle along the mile-plus magical pathway. This festive drive-thru adventure is free for any Andover senior. Pickup is at 4:30 p.m.

Seating is on a first-come, first-served basis. Call Georgia O'Brien at 860 742-9947 to sign up.

### Andover Seniors Christmas Party

Andover seniors will hold their annual Christmas party at Georgina's Restaurant in Bolton on Tuesday, Dec. 6, from noon-4 p.m. Door prizes will be raffled, with proceeds to benefit local charities.

Attendees are encouraged to each bring a wrapped gift for the raffle table. Entertainment will be provided by Tony Susi.

Cost is \$15 for any Andover senior, and is due Nov. 15. Call Georgia O'Brien at 860 742-9947 to sign up and make your menu choice with your payment. Entrée choices are: Chicken Francaise, Baked Salmon with Creamy Dill Sauce, or Sliced Sirloin with Mushroom Brown Sauce. All entrees include honey-glazed carrots and rice pilaf, salad with Italian or ranch dressing, coffee or tea, and marble sheet cake for dessert. There is a cash bar.

For any senior needing a ride, senior transportation pickup will be at 11 a.m. Return is approximately 4:30 p.m. This event is open to any Andover senior.







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services coordinator, I tried to protect you from. You have the right to feel safe in your community, and my role was to advocate for that right. East Hampton Town Council has failed you all.

I can only hope that the Connecticut Housing Finance Authority and the State Department of Housing recognize the grave errors of the town council and the future staff at the newly established East Hampton Housing Authority will be your advocates in the same way I truly desired to be.

Sincerely,  
**Sheryl Dougherty – East Hampton**

**Report Cards**

To the Editor:  
Some report cards on recent letters.  
\*Student: Colin McNamara, Subject: Rhetoric, Grade: C-.\*

Colin improved substantially this quarter. He uses actual facts and figures. While some of them are suspect, they might serve as the basis for an actual argument. However, he never gets around to making his argument; his essays are unconvincing innuendo. He doesn't dig any further than the headlines. He has a long way to go.

\*Student: Ed Kozlowski, Subject: Remedial Writing, Grade B-.\*

We're all so proud of Eddie. After his struggles with persuasive writing, his confusion between cause and effect, and his inability to grasp basic logic, Eddie was actually able to write a parody! This is a big step, only slightly diminished by the fact that while the original was mostly names of people bringing a stain to the Republican Party, his list was much more random, with few parallels. Still, this is a genuine parody. We're hoping that with a few months of intensive work, he can make one that's actually funny.

\*Student: C. Anne Johnson, Subject: Current Affairs, Grade: F.\*

We recently discussed limiting Annie's exposure to propaganda such as Breitbart, Daily Caller and Fox News. This clearly hasn't happened yet. She is still repeating their claptrap, with misinformation about global warming, sea ice, terrorism, the FBI, Jan. 6, censorship, and much more. Please, parents, you need to give her a diet of actual news. And she needs to review the fact-checking unit.

\*Student: Aravis Pasha, Subject: History, Grade: C.\*

Aravis' recent project started out well, including facts about human migration to the Americas. But it quickly became muddled, showing no understanding of the distinction between history and prehistory or of the actual objections to Columbus Day. If Aravis wants to resubmit after doing some serious research, we will reconsider this grade.

Sincerely,  
**Scott Sauyet – Andover**

**Water**

To the Editor  
In the foothills of the Sierra Nevadas, friends live with "go bags," permanently, by their back doors. They regularly rely on a supply of bottled water. Drought and forest fires are big concerns

that go hand in hand.

Land in Unity, Maine, recently changed hands. The new owners had hoped to start an organic farm. But after a local deer tested positive for forever chemicals, they had their soils retested and their hopes were dashed. (January 26, 2022 – centralmaine.com)

Meanwhile, in Pennsylvania, a horse breeder, with a sister farm in New York, was having problems of their own. Foals on the PA farm were being born with dysphagia not found on the NY farm. Same hay, stallions, mares, feed, veterinary care, but different water supplies. Turns out, the water, on the PA farm, has been contaminated by fracking. The unhealthy water had travelled underground before contaminating their well. While the lawsuit was being filed, an entirely new water system had to be installed to keep their operation going. (Sept. 18, 2020 – COTH)

Here is an exercise. On a large sheet of paper draw out the USA and all her states. With colored pins, mark out water problems you know of or learn about locally and nationally. Chose different colors for each of the following: flooding, drought, fracking, coal, chemical, nuclear, agricultural, local dumps and road salts. Research and mark the map as you go, how will the map of our country look after six months? After a year?

Hebron BOS, reconsider being part of the problem and be part of the solution. A 36-year CT DEEP hydrogeologist reports, even under best management, development of the Raymond Brook Watershed puts roughly two dozen private wells at high risk of industrial pollution and road salt contamination. #Save17

**Jean Tulimieri – Amston**

**Strong Women**

To the Editor:  
There have always been men that could not stand the existence of strong women. Saint Cyril, during Christianity's early years, instigated his parishioners to attack, strip and murder Hypatia, the last head librarian of the esteemed, ancient Library of Alexandria Egypt. Many historians mark this event as the beginning of the Dark Ages when priests and kings, for over a thousand years, suppressed science and progress. More to date, we had the anti-government psycho that shot Congresswoman Gabby Gifford in the head, wounded 12 others and killed six, including a 9-year-old girl. Gifford resigned from Congress with a permanent brain injury.

Today we have the conservative Fox News cretin who went to kidnap and cripple House Speaker Nancy Pelosi, third in line for the Presidency. He had to satisfy his anti-Democratic hate with a hammer attack on her husband. Consider well the writings of Don Denley and other conservative *Rivereast* writers who frequently write contemptuous and hateful things about Kamala Harris and Hillary Clinton. These men are the troglodytes among us whose ignorance motivates them to attack our press, our government and our most accomplished and progressive men and women in particular.

On another note, driving past Walmart on Saturday I encountered a herd of Trumpists, with their American and 'Biden Sucks' flags fluttering side by side. Well done conserva-

tives – proudly displaying your lack of civility and education in one fell swoop. At least their "F—k Biden" flags were in storage.

American democracy is already dead. Al Gore had 543,895 more votes than Republican George Bush. Hillary Clinton had almost three million more votes than Trump. President Biden had over seven million more votes than Trump, and conservatives still scream the election was stolen from them.

Another 'Dark Age' looms, fomented and ruled over by conservative Republicans.

**Edmund Smith – Andover**

**Butter Shortage**

To the Editor:  
Last month the shortage of butter created an increase in the price of butter. With the holiday and baking season approaching, butter is a key ingredient in baking and cooking that adds flavor and texture to meals. However, with the increase in the price of butter, meals will become more costly. The government should be doing more about the inflation of butter to make it more affordable for Americans.

The causes of the butter shortage include inflation in the goods needed to make butter, labor shortages, and increased demand. Higher costs to feed and upkeep cows makes the dairy production more expensive than it was in the past. Additionally, extreme weather like storms, floods, and droughts have also contributed to the higher cost of butter. This weather can lead to negative effects on the availability and quality of feed for the cows.

Currently the cheapest place to buy butter is Trader Joe's for a price of \$3.69 per pound, compared to other places like Target, Walmart, and Whole Foods where their butter cost about \$4.40. Compared to January average price of \$3.67 for the national price of butter, when in September the national average price was \$4.72. There is no need to stock up on butter in massive quantities as that would make matters worse.

Of course, there are alternatives to use instead of butter such as margarine, shortening, applesauce, tofu, and beans (depending on the taste and texture desired). Although, nothing can compare to butter's deliciously rich and creamy taste.

Americans should have access to affordable

butter as it is a necessity for cooking and baking. It is the government's responsibility to help reduce inflation for the better of the American people.

Sincerely,  
**Jillian Filloramo – Colchester**

**'I Hear Ya'**

To the Editor:  
With the advent of the recent warm November nights, I had the brilliant idea of opening the bedroom windows allowing some of the fresh cool air inside. Lo, I had forgotten about how much the closed window blocks street noise from entering the nighttime environs. This was truly how I define as a "Rude Awakening."

The noises coming from vehicles racing down 196 and nearby town roads was overwhelming and an "eye-opening" affair at nearly all hours of the night. The motorcycles were deafening as they accelerated up the slight incline and straightaway in front of the house. Noisy off-road tires wound their way down the road. An occasional highly modified car screamed up the hills and could be heard for literally miles both coming and going.

Do these drivers/operators realize how much noise their vehicles produce and how far the noise extends outwardly from their steel cocoons? Do they care about how their noise affects others? Do they have any regard for anyone but themselves? Are they so predisposed with their "testosterone-fired" vehicles to take a moment and realize their inconsideration for others is wide-reaching?

I realize this problem is not one that is easy to solve. Civility, common sense, consideration and respect for others should not have to be in the form of laws. These attributes should be taught to a child and honed as one matures. A ticket or citation will not ever be written for the lack of courtesy or common sense. We know that to be true.

Maybe these actions by a few will make me rethink my love for Winter when the windows are shut tightly, motorcycles and noisy tires are bedded down in some garage for the season and we can finally get some uninterrupted much needed rest.

But why do I have to wait for winter to enjoy this privilege of a good night's sleep?

Sincerely,  
**Alison Walck – East Hampton**

**LEGALS**

**TOWN OF PORTLAND  
INLAND WETLANDS COMMISSION  
LEGAL NOTICE OF DECISION**

At the November 1, 2022 regular meeting, the Inland Wetlands Commission took the following action:  
Approved Application #22-01: 40 Great Hill Pond Road. Request for in ground pool and patios with 2 ft retaining wall on south side and fence surrounding pool in the upland review area. Application and property of Mark and Sandra Sokoloff. Assessor's Map 26, Lot 80-2. Zone RR.  
Dated in Portland, CT, this 7th day of November 2022  
Richard Morin, Chairman  
Inland Wetlands Commission

1TB 11/11

**TOWN OF EAST HAMPTON  
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS  
NOTICE OF HEARING**

Notice is hereby given that the Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a Regular Meeting at 7:00 pm on November 14, 2022 at the East Hampton Town Hall - 1 Community Drive and via Zoom meeting (see Town website for details) to consider the following:  
Application ZBA-22-012: Alexandria Simonelli, 23 Wopowog Road, Reduce side setback from 25' to 12' for 12 x 24 shed. Map 21/ Block 52/ Lot 17-2.  
Application ZBA-22-013: Middle Haddam Public Library, 2 Knowles Road, Reduce front setbacks for Construction of 220 Square Foot Covered Porch and Accessible Entry Ramp. Map 2C/ Block 18A/ Lot 2.

2TB 11/4, 11/11

**TOWN OF COLCHESTER  
LEGAL NOTICE**

At its meeting of November 2, 2022, the Planning and Zoning Commission made the following decisions:  
1. **Niantic Bay Group LLC – Wall St. near "0" Rutka Ln - Special Permit (2022-007)** – The commission **APPROVED** the proposed 20 unit multi-family residential project on approximately 6 acres in the Town Center Village district and Aquifer Protection Zone.  
2. **Gano's Power Equipment – 120 Linwood Ave – Site Plan Modification 2022-012** – The commission **DENIED** the request for a modification to a previously approved site plan application to keep existing parking spaces and not install sidewalks.  
A copy of this notice has been filed in the Town Clerk's office.  
Planning and Zoning Commission  
Joseph Mathieu, Chair

1TB 11/11

**LIQUOR PERMIT  
Notice of Application**

This is to give notice that I,  
**GARY CRUMP**  
49 N MOODUS RD  
MOODUS, CT 06469-1144  
Have filed an application placarded 11/10/2022 with the Department of Consumer Protection for a CONNECTICUT CRAFT CAFE LIQUOR PERMIT for the sale of alcoholic liquor on the premises at  
303 S MAIN ST  
MARLBOROUGH CT 06447-1242  
The business will be owned by:  
**FAWN BROOK LLC**  
Entertainment will consist of: No Live Entertainment  
Objections must be filed by: 12-22-2022  
GARY CRUMP

2TB 11/11, 11/18

**LEGAL NOTICE  
PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION  
HEBRON, CONNECTICUT**

The Hebron Planning and Zoning Commission will hold a Public Hearing at a Regular Meeting scheduled for Tuesday, November 15, 2022, at 7:00 P.M., to be held virtually through the GoToMeeting Platform, on the following:  
1. **Petition 2022-8** – Petition of the Hebron Planning and Zoning Commission to amend the Hebron Zoning Regulations pertaining to the definition of Affordable Housing and opportunities for the Commission to provide relief of certain provisions of the PRD Zone when affordable housing is proposed. Application to amend Sections 2.F.4.3.2, 2.F.4.4, 2.F.4.5.1.e, 2.F.4.5.3.1, 2.F.4.5.3.c and d, 2.F.4.7.4 and Section 9.C.  
2. Request for Designation of Kinney Road as a Scenic Road pursuant to the authority of General Statutes Section 7-149a and Hebron Code of Ordinances Chapter 313 Streets and Sidewalks.  
Dated at Hebron, Connecticut, this 31st day of October 2022.  
Natalie Wood, Chair  
Planning and Zoning Commission  
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## Obituaries

### Portland

#### Gary R. Nichisti Jr.

Gary R. Nichisti Jr. 61, of Portland, beloved husband of Leslie (Mason) Nichisti, passed away peacefully on Monday, Nov. 7, at his home. Born July 19, 1961, in New Britain, he was the son of Gary R. Nichisti Sr. and predeceased by Edith Nichisti.



Gary graduated from East Hampton High School in 1980 and went on to be a meat-cutter at Cobalt Market. He continued his career at Shaw's and Stop & Shop of East Hampton as a butcher. He was also a longtime Union Shop Steward for local 371 of the United Food and Commercial Workers. Gary was a family man who enjoyed entertaining his friends and family at his home. He loved spending time on the Connecticut river in his Stingray boat with a Bud in hand. He will be remembered as someone who saw the best in people and always was willing to lend a hand to someone in need.

Besides his wife and father, he is survived by his sister, Darlene Dubowsky and her husband Alan Dubowsky; his daughters, Jenna Bazelian, Julie Magowan and husband John Magowan; nephew Scott Guinazu and fiancée Andrea Adam; niece Lisa Varni and husband Mike Varni; nephew Jason Dubowsky, grandchildren Sydnee, Brycen and Tristan; a great niece Olivia and great nephews Logan, Kolton and Braxton.

A private memorial service will be held Saturday, Nov. 12.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (ASPCA).

### Hebron

#### Jane S. Johnson

Jane S. Johnson, 71, of Amston, passed away peacefully, surrounded by her loving family, on Wednesday, Nov. 2. After being diagnosed in March, Jane courageously battled ALS.



Jane was born in Meriden Nov. 3, 1950, the daughter of the late Lloyd Slavin and Mary (Shannah) Slavin. She was a loving daughter, mother, aunt, grandmother and friend to many.

She is survived by her four children, Matthew Johnson and wife Juvellita, of Maynard, Mass.; Amanda Johnson of Niantic; Michael Johnson of Middletown; Sara Knowlton and her husband, Robert, of Portland. Other survivors include her former husband and lifelong friend, Mark Johnson of Glastonbury; her brother-in-law, Wayne Johnson and his wife Rosanne of Berlin; nieces, Emma Johnson of Tampa, Fla., and Cara Johnson of Brighton, Mass.; her cousins, Alison Bowers of Cypress, Calif., and Elizabeth Frederick of Nice, France, whom she considered sisters; as well as many other cousins and dear friends. She is also survived by her loving four-legged companion, Ollie.

The light of Jane's life was her four grand-

children, Jay, Keira, Caroline and Lorenzo. Being their "Gommy," as they called her, brought her endless joy and happiness. She spent as much time as she could being the best grandmother to them.

After graduating from Maloney High School in Meriden, Jane attended Harcum College in Bryn Mawr, Pass., where she studied early childhood education and earned an associate's degree.

Prior to retiring, Jane worked for the Hartford Public Schools as a CDA (child development associate) in a pre-kindergarten classroom for nearly 20 years. Jane adored the children and families she had the pleasure of working with. She served as union president of the CDA branch of the Hartford Federation of Teachers for many years.

Jane's greatest achievement is her children. She was a very proud mother and it showed in everything she did. Jane was once an active member of LAPA (Latin American Parents Association). She created lifelong friendships with other adoptive parents. Jane was an integral part of many LAPA families' adoption stories. She helped to create several families by assisting parents with the adoption process.

The family would like to express their sincerest gratitude to Charlene, Samantha, Tina, and Jayline for their compassionate care of Jane during her illness. The family also thanks Middlesex Hospice for helping to make Jane comfortable during her final days.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated Monday, Nov. 14, at 11 a.m., at St. Mary Church in Portland. Interment will follow at Sacred Heart Cemetery in Meriden.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Association AGAPE de El Salvador by sending a check to Province of the Immaculate Conception, 125 Thompson St., New York, NY 10012. Memo line must specify donation is for AGAPE of El Salvador.

### East Hampton

#### Suzanne LePage

Suzanne (Golembieski) LePage, 74, of East Hampton, passed away Tuesday, Nov. 1, after a brief battle with cancer.

She lived her life like a well-loved novel, with great characters, beautiful settings, and a few plot twists. Chapter one was mostly spent reading and playing at a friend's farm in the Westfield section of Middletown. She was adored by her great Uncle Mack who called her Suzu, and she made her first lifelong friend in her cousin Dianne Fairchild, who she talked to nearly every day. She spent every summer in Old Saybrook with her parents, grandparents, and many extended family members. She attended Woodrow Wilson High School, where she met David Smigel, her first husband. His parents, Joe and Lee Smigel, adored her.

Chapter two was spent in East Hampton working at IGA. Townies will remember Sue in the courtesy booth. During these years Sue met her lifelong friend Mickey Zoldak, who was her confidant, caretaker, and champion at the end. After raising her children and divorcing her husband, chapter three was spent with her second husband, Gerry LePage. They spent most of their time antiquing, dining out, and enjoying martinis. Sue honed her decorating skills during these years.

The beginning of chapter four was challenging for Sue, as she was widowed and had to start fresh, but she was once again working with the public at Liberty Bank, getting involved in community organizations, and making new friends.



Some of you may have seen her working the hot dog wagon for the East Hampton Lions Club, getting her hands dirty with the Belltown Garden Club, or making her friends laugh at her art and book clubs.

She thoroughly enjoyed spending time with all of her friends these last several years, these last pages of her novel. Her best times were spent in her home decorating and entertaining, especially with her fireside friends. She was well-known for her Halloween parties, lavish Christmas Eve celebrations, bountiful floral gardens, and adoration of her fur babies. She still loved reading, and nothing gave her more pleasure than a book in one hand, a cup of tea in the other, and a cat in her lap.

She is predeceased by her parents, Peg and John Golembieski; her husband, Gerry LePage; and many cats; her favorites were Boo, Larry, Luna, and Mookie.

She leaves behind her Uncle Bill (Joan) Fitzpatrick; her brother, John (Suzanne) Golembieski; her brother, Greg Golembieski; and her sister, Joyce (Tom) Denman, nephew David (Christina) Kosciuk, and niece Laura Kosciuk. She will be missed by her children, Bill Smigel and his cat-loving wife Martha; Peggy Smigel and her cat-loving fiancé Pat Griffing; as well as her grandchildren, Matthew Smigel and his cat-loving wife Kaitlin, cat-lover Leo Harbec, and dog-lover Lance Harbec.

### Portland

#### Robert C. Benashski

Robert C. Benashski, 84, of Portland, passed away peacefully at home Sunday, Nov. 6, with his family by his side. Robert was born July 14, 1938, on the second floor of Max Growers grocery store (Anderson Feed) in Portland, to the late John J. Benashski and Carol (Lepak). He was a long-time resident of Portland.



Robert attended Saint Michael's College in Vermont, obtaining a bachelor's degree in biochemistry. Robert began his career as an industrial hygienist engineer with the State of New York Health Department and later moved back to Connecticut to take a job with Travelers Insurance Company where he spent over 30 years before his retirement. He was a member of the Board of Education, founding member of the Portland High Sideliners, and member of the American Academy of Industrial Hygiene to name a few accomplishments. He was an avid New York Giants and UConn Huskies women's basketball fan.

Robert is survived by his wife, his best friend and the love of his life of 61 years, Barbara (Sullivan). Besides his wife, Robert is survived by his four children, Karen Huntley of Stafford Springs, Lynn B. Coleman of Portland, Curtis Benashski and wife Karen of South Windsor, and Sharon DiMauro and husband John of Hadam.

Robert was blessed with eight grandchildren and one great grandchild, whom he adored. Jena, Patrick, Kelly, Jake, Luke, Jordan, Grace, Kyle and Mason. Robert was extremely proud of all his grandchildren and couldn't wait to cheer them on whether it was basketball, baseball, softball, track, cross country, soccer or their academic achievements. Every time the grandchildren would see him, they wanted him to wiggle his ears. They will miss him dearly.

Robert also leaves his brother, Richard Benashski and wife Kathryn. He also leaves behind several nieces and a nephew. Robert was predeceased by his brother John.

A graveside service will be held on Saturday, Nov. 12, at 10 a.m., at the Swedish Cemetery, 184 Williams St., Portland.

In lieu of flowers a donation can be made to St. Jude Hospital at [stjude.org](http://stjude.org) or Protectors of Animals at [poainc.org](http://poainc.org).

### Colchester

#### Paige Dest

Paige Dest of Colchester passed away at Hartford Hospital Thursday, Nov. 3, due to a sudden illness. Paige was 57 years old. Born July 23, 1965, in Newport News, Va., she was a daughter of the late Lynton Burr and Christine (Olsson) Burr.

Paige married Dean Dest on Sept. 6, 1997. The couple made their home in Colchester for 25 years. In recent years, they were also foster parents for children in care.

Paige attended college in Virginia and North Carolina where she majored in Christian counseling, a vocation that influenced the arc of her entire career path. In the first part of her career, Paige worked in banking for nearly 30 years, starting as a teller and eventually attaining the level of vice president. She managed the loan servicing department and then became the bank compliance officer. Paige then began a labor of love as an entrepreneur starting both a for-profit and a non-profit business, focused on coaching, supporting and celebrating the skills of emotional intelligence (EQ) and social emotional learning (SEL). Paige was also a former member of the Colchester Rotary and was a volunteer counselor for SCORE.

Paige will be lovingly remembered for her lighthearted manner, warm sense of humor and for her dedication to family, friends and colleagues. She will be mourned by many, but her loss will be felt most keenly by her beloved husband of 25 years, Dean; her sister and brother-in-law, Victoria and Paul Evans of Virginia; her cousin, Caroline Lucas of California; and many extended family members and friends.

Funeral services will be held today, Friday, Nov. 11, beginning with calling hours from 9 to 10:30 a.m., at the Aurora-McCarthy Funeral Home, 167 Old Hartford Rd., Colchester. A graveside burial service will follow in the Westchester Center Cemetery, Cemetery Road, Colchester.

Donations in Paige's memory may be made to The Flutter Foundation (<https://www.theflutterfoundation.org/>) or the Choose Love Movement (<https://chooselovemovement.org/>).

For online condolences, please visit [www.auroramccarthyfuneralhome.com](http://www.auroramccarthyfuneralhome.com).

### East Hampton

#### Arnold 'Jay' C. Baker Jr.

Jay Baker of East Hampton went on to be with our Lord Wednesday, Oct. 19. He was 64 years old. Born in Meriden on Sept. 14, 1958, he was the son of the late Arnold C. Baker Sr. and the late Dianne Marie Deschamps Baker.

He is survived by his beloved wife, Jina Bustamante Baker. He will be missed by his five loving children, Chuck Curtis of Killingworth; Tyler Baker and wife Brooke, their two children, Mackenzie and Callie of Berlin; Jamie Curtis and her partner Mark Miller, their daughter, Ella of Killingworth; Nicole McDonald and husband Michael, their three children, Aden Newell, Aubrey and Olivia of Berlin; and Arnold (Jayson) Baker III of East Hampton. He is survived by his two sisters, Darlene Hardy and husband John, Lois Villa and her husband Peter, along with many nieces and nephews in Connecticut.

Jay loved his dog Rosie, was a diehard Red Sox fan and a Revolutionary War reenactor. Jay loved hunting and fishing, participated in missionary work and evangelized all over Connecticut as well as the Philippines. Jay loved spending time with his family at the beach in Westbrook. He worked as an alarm technician at Sonitrol for 37 years. Jay loved spending weekends with his granddaughter Ella, baking cupcakes and painting; he also enjoyed watching Mackenzie and Callie participate in cheerleading. He loved taking his grandson Aden to ball games. Jay adored his two newest grandchildren, Aubrey & Olivia.

A celebration of life services will be held at



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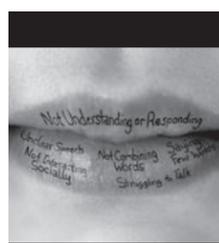
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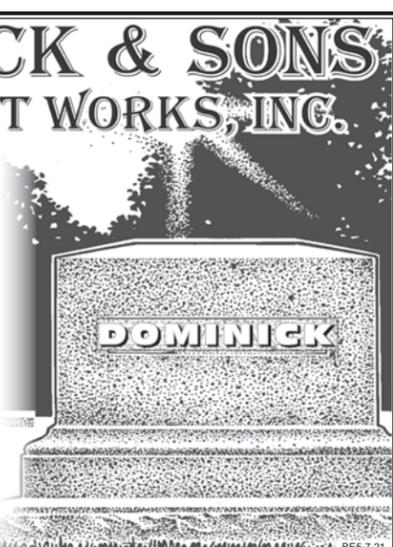
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## Obituaries cont.

Saint Patrick's Rectory at 47 West High St. in East Hampton, on Thursday, Nov. 17, at 10:30 a.m., with a celebration to follow.

In lieu of memorial contributions, the family is requesting flower donations to be sent to 17 South Main St., East Hampton, CT 06424.

### Marlborough

#### Alexander Douglas Ayers

On Tuesday, Nov. 1, Alexander Douglas Ayers, 30, was sent home to sit alongside Christ.

Alex was born in Manchester on Valentine's Day, Feb. 14, 1992, and was the beloved son of his mother Robin Odum, father Douglas Ayers, stepfather Lee Odum, and stepmother Shelley Deskus-Renaud. Alex is survived by his sister, Emily McLain and her husband Ian McLain; his nephew, Silas McLain; his step-siblings, Tyler and Ashley Fauxbel, Haylee and Zachary Renaud, Jennifer



Odum-Ryan, and Leanne Odum; and many loving aunts, uncles, and cousins. He was the cherished grandson of Roger Boober, Joyce Ward and Shirley Ayers.

Alex grew up in Eastford and Marlborough, and was in the class of 2010 at RHAM High School. He was an incredibly empathetic and helpful young man. He often dropped everything to prioritize his friends and family. Alex was a skilled craftsman and will be fondly remembered by the stone walls he built and houses he renovated. There wasn't much Alex wasn't capable of. He always enhanced every gathering with his confident and fun-loving demeanor. As a child he was known for his epically constructed treehouses and love for nature and animals. His favorite places on Earth were Harkness Memorial State Park, Salmon River and Lake Terramuggus.

Alex will be lovingly embraced forever in our hearts, our memories, and our prayers.

Alex's memorial service was celebrated Tuesday, Nov. 8, at Spencer Funeral Home, 112 Main St., East Hampton.

To leave online condolences, please visit [www.spencerfuneralhomeinc.com](http://www.spencerfuneralhomeinc.com).

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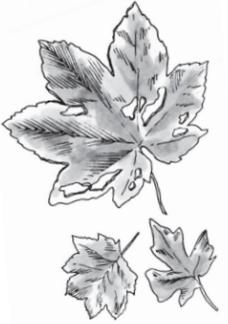
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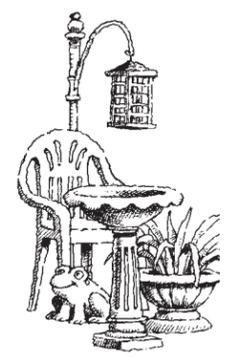
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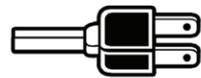
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