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Firefighters HONORED

The Plainville Firemen were honored for the years of their volunteer service to the town.

Certificates were presented from the Town Council by Vice-chairman Scott Saunders.

State Senator Henri Martin and State Representative William Petit recognized the long-serving firefighters with citations from the General Assembly.

Details of the presentations and other Town Council News are on page 8.

Dennis Wynne 10 yrs., Thomas Borio 40 yrs., Mark Cahill 25 yrs., State Rep. Henri Martin, Jeffery Johnson 35 yrs., State Rep. William Petit, Fire Marshal Larry Sutherland 40 yrs., Keith Matteson 5 yrs., Lt. Michael Dietrick 15 yrs., Unable to attend Lt. William Gammon 15 yrs.

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The Bristol Republican Town Committee hosted the event on January 20th at The Lyceum in Plymouth. Members of the 31st District Bristol, Terryville, Plainville, Southington, Thomaston, Burlington, Harwinton and Wolcott came together to celebrate with their very own Inauguration Party.

Pictured with the "Honored Guest" from Plainville Left to Right are: Bill Davison, Pierce Schmidt, (President Trump poster), Louise Schmidt and Barbara Davison

**Petit Sworn In
Prepares for First Term as
State Representative Receives
Committee Assignments**



State Representative William A. Petit, Jr. (R-22) of Plainville was sworn in as state representative for the 22nd General Assembly District.

Petit was among 20 other Republican freshmen who took the oath of office and vowed to serve their districts over the upcoming two-year term. Petit states he is committed to fighting for common sense policies that help Connecticut businesses grow and thrive while reining in state spending and restoring fiscal health.

"I am thrilled to be officially starting my first term and I look

forward to working on behalf of the people of Plainville and New Britain and the state of Connecticut," Rep. Petit said. "There is much work to be done and I am ready to work with my colleagues on both sides of the aisle."

For the 2017-2018 legislative term, House Republican Leader Themis Klarides appointed Petit to serve on the General Assembly's Appropriations, Public Health, and Commerce Committees.

Rep. Petit took the oath of office and was sworn in by Secretary of State Denise Merrill on Wednesday January 4th in the State House Chamber. He then participated in a Joint Convention of both the House of Representatives and Senate as Gov. Dannel Malloy addressed lawmakers about the 2017 legislative session.

**LINCOLN'S BIRTHDAY &
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Details of the event on Page 9

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Carol Stauble, Secretary

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**Dates to Remember
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**Thurs. 2nd-Groundhog Day
 Sun. 12th-Lincoln's Birthday
 Tues. 14th-Valentine's Day
 Mon. 20th-President's Day
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 Catered by Pagliaccis Restaurant
 Friday, February 17th-VFW Post #574
 7 Northwest Drive- Details on Page 7

**P-l-a-i-n-v-i-l-l-e
 faves and raves**

Here are some of your favorite places, people or things around town to rave about this month!

{ Joe raves }

Did my Christmas shopping at DBK Family Jewelers. Am I glad I did, the service was wonderful. It truly was with peace of mind shopping. I know nothing about diamonds and got their true advice, which was really appreciated.

{ Pat faves }

Pagliaccis Restaurant is my favorite place to dine because the staff help take special care to remember your likes and dislikes. My special macroni, dressing for my salad and what wine I prefer. Also top self service.

{ Agnes raves }

If you have not yet visited Lessard Lanes on New Britain Ave. yet, you are missing the boat! We attended the Family Time Celebration, Bowling, Mini Golf, and Lunch. New owners, Great job and a special Good Luck!!

Email your "fave or rave" in today to be in the MARCH issue. Praise your contractor for doing a good job or tell us about your favorite restaurant, store, or service you received by a professional.
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Town Manager Robert E. Lee ~ Report to the Town Council

January 17, 2017

Clean Energy Communities Municipal Pledge

- In 2008, the Town of Plainville was the first Municipality in the State to sign onto the Clean Energy Communities Municipal Pledge to reduce municipal buildings energy consumption by 20% by the year 2018.
- At the Council of Small Towns Annual Meeting held last week in Rocky Hill, Eversource officials announced that Plainville was the first Town in the State to attain the goal and we accomplished it two years earlier than we pledged to do so.
- They also pointed out that the Plainville school system reduced their energy usage by more than 42% over the last eight years. Thanks go out to Steve Busel and Lynn Davis from the school administration for all of their efforts to attain this goal and to save the Plainville taxpayers a significant amount of money that would have otherwise been spent on energy costs.

Water Survey Feedback

- As of today I have received over 100 emails and letters from Plainville residents expressing dissatisfaction with the quality of the water being supplied by Valley Water of Plainville. Valley Water is a private water company that supplies water to most of the homes in Town.
- Later this week I will be meeting with Valley Water and State Department of Health (DPH) officials to discuss what can be done to address these concerns. Most of the complaints involve taste, smell and the negative impact that the water is having on fixtures and appliances in the homes. Valley Water has consistently maintained that their water meets or exceeds the standards required of them by DPH for safe and potable water.

Flood Ordinance Discussion

- In August the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) notified Plainville that they had revised several Flood Insurance Rate Map panels associated with the Quinnipiac River Watershed Restudy project for Hartford County. These revised panels will become effective on May 17, 2017.
- In order for Plainville to remain eligible to participate in the National Flood Insurance Program, the Town Council must adopt revised regulations that include the new date of these panels.
- The CT Department of Energy & Environmental Protection has reviewed Plainville's existing floodplain ordinance and has detailed the changes that need to be made in it.
- Town staff has incorporated these changes and is recommending that the Town Council revise the Ordinance accordingly. If the Town Council wishes to pursue the recommendation, a public hearing must first be held. There is an

item under New Business which would schedule this Public Hearing for the February 6th Town Council meeting.

Consultant for 2017 CDBG Small Cities Application

- The Town received two proposals to provide professional services related to the 2017 Small Cities Program. The Town is working with the Plainville Housing Authority to submit an application to make bathroom upgrades to 60 of their units.
- Proposals were received from L. Wagner & Associates and Lisa Low & Associates. Any services provided will be paid for with funds under the Small Cities Program if the Town is successful in securing a grant. Town staff is recommending that L. Wagner & Associates be chosen to provide the services relating to the 2017 Small Cities Program. L. Wagner has worked with the Town for many years and has done a very fine job in securing grant funds under this program and managing the projects.
- There is an item under New Business regarding this recommendation.

Financial Dashboard – December 2016

- The Financial Dashboard was included in the information package for this evening's meeting.

Happenings.....

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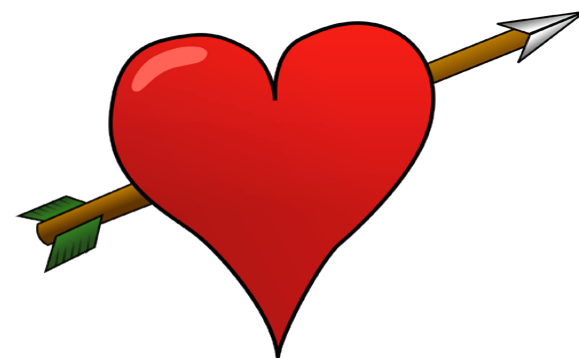
- **BOOKS AND BAGELS, WEDNESDAY, February 8, 9:30 A.M.:** The title of the book we will discuss will be THE WHIP. It is an amazing tale of the old West. Written by Karen Kondazian, it's the story of a young woman in Rhode Island whose destruction of her family drove her west to California tracking the man responsible. The program is free. Please call the Senior Center to register.
- **FITNESSCLASS DEMONSTRATIONS:** Fitness Instructor, Kristin Champagne, will be conducting free demonstrations of her fitness classes she will conduct at the Senior Center. The classes are: Beginner's Functional Fitness on THURSDAY, JANUARY 19, 11:30 A.M., Intermediate Functional Fitness on THURSDAY, JANUARY 19, 1:00 P.M., and Power Burst on MONDAY, JANUARY 23, 1:00 P.M. If you are a Plainville Senior Center member and these classes sound good to you, sign up for 8-week sessions at the Senior Center. New members always welcome!
- **QUESTIONS FOR THE SOCIAL WORKER, WAS HELD:** If you had questions about Medicare, Medicaid, Medicare Part D, Medicare Savings Program, Housing Options or maybe you have questions about where to find Alzheimer's help in the community, Caregiving, Home care, etc., just

stop by Stephanie's office at the Plainville Senior Center to have an individual chat with her. This program is for Plainville residents 60 and over only. No pre-registration necessary.

- **STAYING ON YOUR FEET IN THE SNOW, .:** There are a few basic safety measures and precautions we can all do when we are out in ice and snow to prevent falls and injuries. Mark Colello, Good Life Fitness Exercise Physiologist of the Southington Care Center discussed ways to keep yourself safe this winter. The program was free.
- **MOBILE MAMMOGRAPHY AT THE SENIOR CENTER PARKING LOT, TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 9:00 A.M. TO 1:45 P.M.:** Insurance is accepted. Free for women with no insurance. No one will be turned away for inability to pay. Open to women of any age. There are eligibility requirements for a Mammogram screening. Please inquire at the Senior Center. Call the Senior Center to register.
- **ENERGY ASSISTANCE:** The State of Connecticut Energy Assistance Program is available to income eligible residents. Information on income guidelines and more is explained in the Senior Center December Newsletter or call the Human Resources Agency formerly Bristol Community Organization at 860-582-7490.

PLAINVILLE TAX ASSESSORS

- Revaluation against the October 2016 Grand List is in full swing. Valuation notices have been mailed out to all taxable properties in town. Property owners who have questions about their valuation may contact the Revaluation Company directly at 1-800-497-6026. Hearings with Revaluation company employees will be beginning January 17 through January 31, in the lower level of the Municipal Center. If someone has not received their notice they can contact the Assessor's office where they will be provided with a one.
- Residents have till February 1, 2017 at 4:00pm to pay their second installment of the real estate and personal property plus the motor vehicle supplemental bills.
- Anyone with other questions or concern can contact the Assessor's office



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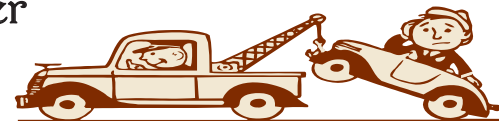
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161 Broad St: JSL Investments LLC of Plainville to Taylor R. Perun, \$200,000 on 11/29/2016
 85 E Broad St: Amy M. Lugo of Plainville to Melissa Perez and Nora A. Bahgat, \$229,000 on 12/01/2016
 23 Grant Ave: Justin C. McDermott of Plainville to Lynn Wrobel, \$156,000 on 11/28/2016
 23 Hart Pl Unit 10: Patricia A. Ferrier of Plainville to Christina Connelly, \$115,000 on 11/30/2016
 112 Northwest Dr: William Delfino and Martin Stein of Plainville to Ferguson Realty LLC, \$281,250 on 12/01/2016
 26 Overlook Dr: George L. and Carol O. Peterson of Plainville to Sophie and Jan Janowicz, \$220,000 on 11/29/2016
 33 Spring St Unit C4: Danielle Schnauffer and Wells Fargo Bank NA of Plainville to Wells Fargo Bank NA, \$58,704 on 12/01/2016
 28 Washington St: Casey Potthoff of Plainville to CCO Enterprises LLC and Christina Connelly, \$155,000 on 11/30/2016
 24 Rose Ct Unit 24: Gworek Maria T Est and Brent M. Stratton of Rocky Hill to Paul Cranick, \$165,500 on 12/01/2016
 20 Atwood St.: Kyle R. Curtis of Plainville to Christopher M. Szast, \$156,000 on 12/08/2016
 29 Beechwood Road: James J. and Patricia M. Corless of Plainville to David and Allison Ozga, \$259,900 on 12/05/2016
 242 Farmington Ave.: Wilmington Svngs Fund Tr of Plainville to Tyler J. Mikolajcic, \$109,725 on 12/09/2016
 198 Milford Street Ext.: Mark K. and Adriana A. Koncewicz of Plainville to Gerald P. and Kate P. Brasile, \$168,000 on 12/08/2016
 100 Northampton Lane, Unit 34: Eric Vachon of Plainville to Denzel Debrady, \$149,000 on 12/06/2016
 7 Terra Rosf: Robert J. and Mary A. Paradis of Plainville to Andrzej and Anna Szymczyk, \$230,000 on 12/09/2016
 190 Tomlinson Ave., Unit 13c: Patricia F. Nadoiny of Plainville to Leanna Gnazzo, \$150,000 on 12/09/2016
 22 Bradley St.: James P. Mallia of Plainville to 172 Audubon Corp, \$275,000 on 12/13/2016

582 Camp St.: Robert J. Anielak of Plainville to Thomas D. and Beverly A. Roche, \$185,500 on 12/14/2016
 32 Cassidy Drive, Unit 32: Julie A. Miller of Plainville to Stephen L. Corfiati, \$61,435 on 12/12/2016
 253 Cooke St., Unit A: Miguel Alonso of Plainville to Christie J. Buyse, \$67,000 on 12/12/2016
 236 East St., Unit C3: Michelle E. Campbell of Plainville to Adriano Deoliveira, \$110,000 on 12/15/2016
 46 Franklin Ave.: Thomas and Beverly Roche of Plainville to John and Noel Kilbert, \$151,700 on 12/12/2016
 120 Ledge Road: Oakland Developers LLC of Plainville to Paul A. Armstrong, \$420,000 on 12/14/2016
 9 Mckernan Drive: Alfredo Rivera of Plainville to Maurice D. White and Nellybel Rivera-White, \$160,000 on 12/12/2016
 150 Rockwell Ave.: Brenda Wells of Plainville to Joseph Brophy, \$232,000 on 12/12/2016
 153 Trumbull Ave.: Will Epperson FT and Will Epperson of Plainville to Ernesto Herrera-Ospitia and Laurie K. Herrera, \$174,900 on 12/15/2016
 12 Jester Pl: Noel and Stephanie Cortes of Plainville to Josh L. Pelletier, \$215,000 on 12/19/2016
 29 Kristin Ln: Peggy Marut of Plainville to Benjamin and Kimberely Kirby, \$330,000 on 12/20/2016
 125 Laurel Ct: USA HUD of Plainville to Scott Doyle, \$101,351 on 12/22/2016
 82 Linden St: Tyler J. Mikolajcic of Plainville to Vincent T. Pugliese and Brianne C. Bergenty, \$210,500 on 12/20/2016
 45 Maxine Rd: Victor Padolko and Izabela M. Rak of Plainville to Matt and Agnieszka Ratajczak, \$255,000 on 12/22/2016
 15 Pine St: Tracey Carol Est and Louis H. Wilcox of Plainville to Robert Poplawski and Diane Calvo-Poplawski, \$155,000 on 12/20/2016

3 Saw Mill Ln Unit 3: JNS Development LLC of Plainville to Julie E. Lindquist, \$348,122 on 12/22/2016
 76 Trumbull Ave: Michael J. and Johnnine Dominique of Plainville to Peter and Ellen Marks, \$184,900 on 12/21/2016
 181 Westwood Ave: Toi V. Nguyen and Lang T. Le of Plainville to Jade Property LLC, \$110,000 on 12/21/2016
 14 Adams Way: Soloman R. Anthonisamy and Sunitha Elango of Plainville to Wojciech Wojtak, \$275,000 on 12/29/2016
 7 Bradley St Unit 1: Elizabeth Manuele of Plainville to Paul A. Mayotte, \$300,000 on 12/27/2016
 31 Great Plain Dr Unit 31: JNS Development LLC of Plainville to Rose and Paul Conte, \$329,900 on 12/27/2016
 97 Northampton Ln: Deschesne Helen B Est and Edward Bichum of Plainville to Stanislaw and Grazyna Stachura, \$137,000 on 12/29/2016
 8 Testa Dr: Haberfeld Enterprises LLC of Plainville to Lindsey M. Britton, \$239,900 on 12/27/2016
 33 Tyler Farms Rd: Pramod Mohanta of Plainville to Kevin StPierre and Kristina Krupa, \$355,000 on 12/28/2016
 170 White Oak Ave: Leslie Johnson of Plainville to Sean P. Murphy, \$155,000 on 12/29/2016
 6 Bruce Ave: Gerald Tardif of Plainville to Tanya M. Cretella, \$176,000 on 01/04/2017
 124 Unionville Ave: William Delfino and Martin Stein of Plainville to Ducci Electrical Contract, \$744,485 on 01/05/2017
 124 Unionville Ave: Delfino Thomas Est and William P. Delfino of Plainville to Ducci Electrical Contract, \$248,161 on 01/05/2017
 61 Whiting St: Dadaman 1 LLC of Plainville to Whiting Street Partners, \$805,000 on 01/05/2017



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Police also reminded residents that they are responsible for removing any ice or snow on a sidewalk adjacent to their properties within 24 hours of the accumulation. Ice may be covered with sand or a comparable material if it cannot be removed. Violators will be fined \$25 each day they are found in violation. During snow removal, residents are prohibited from moving it into the road. This can also incur the violator a \$25 fine.

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Thomas A. Wurz, Esquire

LIVING WILLS

When preparing our estate planning package for clients the topic of living wills usually brings several questions. What does it do? Is it the same as an advanced directive? Do I need one if I execute a Power of Attorney (POA)? So with a new year upon us let's clear up some of these questions.

A living will is also known as an advanced directive. It gives people the ability to tell health care providers what life assisting measures they want to be taken when a medical emergency arises. This differs from a Do Not Resuscitate (DNR) order as it empowers another to tell doctors what the patient would want. So if you want all medical care available, a living will empowers someone that you trust to tell the doctors what you want instead of a mere piece of paper that could never be as powerful. Furthermore, a problem with DNR's is that they get lost easily. When this happens the common scenario is that paramedics are obligated to resuscitate even though the patient may be severely ill leading to further physical and emotional pain for all involved. Additionally, living wills provide for anatomical gifts to be spelled out in the document. This is purely at the discretion of the individual and relieves family members from guessing.

A Power of Attorney is different from a Living Will. A POA grants power to another to handle financial affairs and other associated transactions. A living will is purely for life sustaining measures. The last thing anyone wants in a life threatening situation is for medical professionals to be forced to interpret legal documents. The new POA in Connecticut affords more flexibility than ever, but convoluting it with medical directives is not advisable. Sometimes incorporating everything into one document does not streamline things, nor will it be a good place to try and save a buck.

Ultimately, living wills are all about good planning for people, their families, their friends, and others who might just be doing their job. While nobody ever wants to think about the inevitable, good planning will surely be a relief for all tasked with end of life decisions for another. Consulting with a qualified attorney is a way to take the stress out of this process and make sure your wishes are protected.

Attorney Thomas A. Wurz

is an associate of his father Attorney Theodore J. Wurz, LLC in the law office of Attorney Richard Witt at 132 East Street. Attorney Wurz is a graduate of Avon Old Farms School in 2001, Providence College in May 2005 on the Dean's list and Juris Doctor Program at Western New England College School of Law in May 2009. He was admitted to the Connecticut Bar and U.S. Federal Court in 2010. His activities and interests are Secretary of Sports Entertainment Law Club at WNEC and is a Special Olympics Volunteer.

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By: David R. Edelson, D.M.D.



Tooth loss, or edentulism, is when one or more teeth fall out or are extracted due to injury or disease such as mouth trauma, tooth decay or gum disease.

Kids, adults and seniors are all at risk for tooth loss, especially if proper oral hygiene is not practiced. Although tooth loss is typically associated with the elderly, research suggests that nearly 27 percent of patients experience their first tooth loss between the ages of 21 and 30. Tooth loss is expected to increase with aging baby boomers, perpetuating a phenomenon among a generation of people that saw their parents fall victim to tooth loss due to lack of dental care.

Kids: As kids become more active, they are susceptible to two types of traumatic tooth loss – premature loss of a baby tooth or loss of a permanent tooth due to injury or neglect. Children should wear protective mouth guards when playing sports, and parents should consult a dentist immediately in the case of an injury.

Adults: Most people do not know that gum disease is the leading cause of tooth loss among adults. Tooth loss is also linked to smoking, heart disease and diabetes.

Seniors: As people age, plaque accumulates and becomes harder to eliminate. Gum recession, older fillings and dry mouth put seniors at a higher risk of losing their natural teeth.

WHAT CAUSES TOOTH LOSS?

- **Poor oral hygiene habits:** If you do not brush and floss daily, decay and gum disease can set in, making tooth loss more likely to happen.
- **Poor nutrition:** Foods and beverages that are high in sugar, carbohydrates and acid content can sometimes cause irreversible damage to the teeth and gums that lead to tooth loss. Other habits, such as smoking or chewing tobacco, can damage teeth to the point of tooth loss.
- **Lack of education about tooth loss:** Many people incorrectly assume that tooth loss is inevitable due to age, genetics or family history. A lack of education about the causes and consequences of tooth loss prevents people from taking preventative measures.
- **Fear:** Many people are afraid to visit the dentist, even if they know they have a problem. Not addressing decay or other serious conditions can prolong the problem and eventually lead to the loss of teeth.
- **Finances:** Some people place dentist visits low on their list of priorities because they assume that dental care is too expensive. Prolonging visits to the dentist can increase the chances that serious problems will develop.
- **Trauma:** Babies and young children are most susceptible to losing teeth prematurely due to trauma, mainly because their roots and gums are still developing. Not taking the proper steps to respond to the injury can affect the child's oral health permanently.

Educating yourself about the causes and consequences of tooth loss can prevent it from happening to you. Visiting the dentist for cleanings twice a year is an important step toward prevention. Improving oral hygiene habits at home by brushing and flossing daily is also key to preventing problems from developing. It is important to talk to your dentist about proper oral healthcare and other lifestyle changes that can improve the odds of keeping your natural teeth.

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**Plainville Public
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The Plainville Public Library will be open on Sundays through April 30th from 1-5pm. The library will be closed February 19th, and April 16th. For more information contact the library at 860-793-1446 or visit our website www.plainvillelibrary.org.

**POLICE OFFICER
RAISED FUNDS**

Plainville Police Officer Shane Dufresne recently raised \$2,000 for breast cancer awareness month by selling our department's patch in the pink motif to various people using local businesses and other means to assist with the sales. The proceeds were donated on January 5, 2017 at 4:30 p.m. to the Hartford HealthCare Cancer Institute at the Hospital of Central Connecticut located at 183 North Mountain Road, New Britain, CT. To assist Officer Dufresne's in his efforts and for more information feel free to contact Officer Dufresne at 203-808-7697. Thank you. Lieutenant Nicholas B. Mullins Plainville Police Department

**Town of Plainville Seeking
Input on Water Quality**

The Town Manager's Office is seeking citizens input regarding the quality of the water supplied by Valley Water Company. Valley Water Company is a private company that supplies water to the residents and businesses in Plainville.

Residents who have water quality issues are asked to submit them in writing to the Town Manager's Office. Please be sure to include your name, address and concern/issue. Letters can be sent to Robert Lee, Town Manager, 1 Central Square, Plainville, CT 06062. They can also be emailed to relee@plainville-ct.gov

"After the information is gathered, Town staff will meet with Valley Water and Department of Health officials to determine what can be done, if anything, to address issues brought forward", remarked Robert Lee. "I encourage anyone who has issues with their water to contact the Town Manager's Office as detailed in this press release".

**PLAINVILLE VETERANS
MEMORIAL WALL**

The following names have been added to the Plainville Veterans Memorial Wall.

- SGT Donald C Beltrame – U.S. Army
- PVT John A Bucchi – U.S. Army
- SGT Edward E Cassinari – U.S. Air Force
- Flight Officer Irving M Edelson – U.S. Air Force
- A1C Robert F Lang – U.S. Air Force
- S1C Chester Raducha – U.S. Navy
- MM2 John J Senaldi – U.S. Navy

The Memorial Wall is located on the main floor of the Plainville Municipal Center adjacent to the Town Clerk's Office. Visitors may view the Wall during normal business hours. If you are interested in adding a Veteran's name to the Wall, applications are located in the Municipal Center, Senior Center, American Legion Post 33, and VFW Post 534.

**Gold Star Memorial
Donation**

Representatives from American Legion Post 2 and the Sons of American Legion Post 2 of Bristol recently presented checks towards the proposed Gold Star Memorial being planned for Veterans Park in Plainville. Rick Schreiner, Commander of Post 2, and Patrick Kilby, Commander of the Sons of American Legion, met with Bob Doolittle and Dan Burgess at the Plainville Municipal Center to make the donation. Mr. Schreiner remarked "This is a very worthwhile project and Post 2 wanted to participate in some way towards making this memorial a reality. It is important to remember the mothers and families of those who gave the ultimate sacrifice for their country. We very much support and applaud this effort."

The plan is to have the Gold Star Memorial in place by this Memorial Day on May 29th. Donations can be made to the Town Manager's Office at 1 Central Square, Plainville, CT 06062 until March 1st. Any questions regarding the Gold Star Memorial effort can also be directed to the Town Manager's Office at 860-793-0221, ext. 201

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**American Exceptionalism and
the Wisdom of the Founder
Or How to Drain the Swamp**

Mentioning "American Exceptionalism" in the wrong crowd could yield everything from "the vapors" to cheers of agreement. The disparity stems from both a misunderstanding of the word "exceptional" and a lack of US historical knowledge. Let me address both.

Many folks think it means "better than". Not so. The first meaning in the 2016 edition of the American Heritage Dictionary is "uncommon", synonyms for which include "rare" and "singular".

In the history of governing mankind, our founding was absolutely rare. From the Declaration of Independence in 1776 to the ratification of our Constitution in 1788, no form of gov't like ours had ever existed. Founded on ideas (liberty and freedom), rather than geographic boundaries and not ruled by a sovereign but a representative body responsive to the people, we are truly that rare and singular exception to the rule, are we not?

As for our swamp problem, with the selection of a "disruptor-in-chief" as our national leader, it's clear he means what he says. However, may I offer a word of caution on the odds of success "draining the swamp"?

A recent article in Bill Bonner's Diary used the swamp analogy, saying the 2 lizards needing removal are Wall Street and the "military-industrial complex". I'd argue that the Founders warned us (see The Federalist Papers) that the problem is more basic, that it's rooted in human nature which thrives on power and that those possessing it are loath to relinquish it.

Therefore, I submit the 2 lizards...dare I say alligators...are actually the members of the US House of Representatives and the US Senate. While good citizens, to be sure, they are human and subject to all our weaknesses. Add the inertia of unelected bureaucrats and you have a recipe for the status quo. No leadership from the White House will trump (sorry, couldn't resist the pun) the ease with which our elected legislators spend other people's money!

There is, however, reason for hope, provided for us in 1788. The Constitution was written by very perceptive folks who not only anticipated those human weaknesses, they provided a mechanism for addressing them in the form of Article V of the Constitution, the "how to" for amending it.

It may have been 8th Grade Social Studies where we learned that Congress could propose amendments that, after ratification by 3/4 of the States, would become part of our Constitution and hence the law of the land. The Bill of Rights, our first 10 amendments, reflect the first of what grew to be 27 amendments.

What we weren't taught is that the States could propose amendments via the Convention of States process. Following the same ratification rules, the significant difference is that the Federal gov't can not block it, i.e., the Founders gave us a way to drain the swamp!

*For the details, simply go to:
<https://www.archives.gov/federal-register/constitution/article-v.html> or
<http://www.conventionofstates.com/solution>
or contact me david.lloyd@cosaction.com
Thanks for providing the venue for educating voters! Best regards, David Lloyd*

Lift off! Donald Trump becomes 45th president

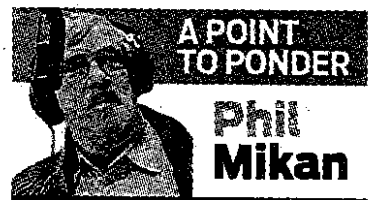
The president is in office. The American people are watching and hoping and waiting; we're waiting to see if the new players in the Emerald City will keep their promises to "We The People" —immigration, affordable health care, jobs and most importantly, unifying the country.

President Trump has to address the problems and try and heal a country that has undergone the greatest division among the people since the American Revolution.

We can be the land of plenty or the land of chaos — the distance between the two is inches. We will need the best and the

brightest to pull off the coming together of America.

President Trump would not have been my first choice for this



job, but he has been called by the times and the people to make a difference. It is an impossible job.

This is one of the greatest countries God has ever shined his grace on. Now the people of America — all the people — have

to pull together to bring the promise of this country back to the people.

The transfer of power, all the factions, all the people of power and grace turned the power of government to the other side who received it with grace and conviction.

So, my fellow Americans, it is your choice: Do we work as a country or do we willfully fight the compromises needed for the American people — all American people?

Please join me in a prayer for the new president, Donald John Trump, and for our America. God bless the president and may the Almighty help us find the

path to unity and the American way.

*God bless America, in the name of Christ I pray.
A point to ponder.*

Phil Mikan is the host of the Phil Mikan Show on WMRD 1150/

WLIS AM 1420 daily at 10 a.m. and the Weekend Corner Saturday from 9 to 11 a.m. You can reach him at phil@philmikan.com or write him at Phil Mikan, Central Connecticut Communications, One Herald Square, New Britain, CT 06051

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Outgoing councilor, long-time firefighters feted

By **BRIAN M. JOHNSON**
STAFF WRITER

PLAINVILLE — The Plainville Town Council unanimously appointed Robert Ciotto to replace retiring councilor Quinn Christopher and recognized long-serving firefighters at Tuesday's meeting.

Ciotto was appointed without argument as councilors bid farewell to Christopher and thanked her for her service to the town. She was also given a rocking chair as a parting thank you gift.

Council Chairwoman Kathy Pugliese noted that Christopher had served as the council liaison to the library, inland wetlands committee and parks and recreation.

"I understand what is required from public service, helping citizens with their concerns and solving problems to help the town," she said. "I wish you the best of luck in your new home."

"I'm sad to be leaving and excited for my new home," Christopher said. "I enjoyed the opportunity to give back to the community that gave so much to me. Good luck to Plainville."

for the town, but for me," said Councilor Chris Wazorko, Christopher's brother. "You fought for what you believed in and didn't always agree with me. I will always cherish the time you spent up here trying to make Plainville a better place to live in."

Councilor Scott Saunders thanked Christopher for bringing a different perspective to the council and Rosemary Morante thanked her for being a role model for young women who want to get involved in politics and government.

Prior to the meeting, councilors and local legislators state Sen. Henri Martin and state Rep. William Petit recognized long-serving firefighters with a citation from the general assembly.

Among those honored were Fire Marshal Larry Sutherland and Tom Borio, who had both served 40 years. Borio is set to retire next month and also received a chair. Other firefighters were recognized for 35, 25, 15, 10 and five years of service.

"People don't realize how many hours these guys put in and all the missed meals and missed sleep they have," said Saunders. "It is my pleasure to honor you

tonight."

"Dr. Petit and I are honored to be here as the council recognizes all of you for the service you have given to the community," said Martin. "If there is an emergency, you are the first ones to run toward it while many are running away. It takes a special, dedicated individual to be a firefighter."

"Firefighters are like anesthesiologists," said Petit. "It is hours of boredom punctuated by moments of terror. I offer you sincerest congratulations from the General Assembly. The community is a better place thanks to your valor and dedication. We salute your years of service and express hopes for your continued success."

Sutherland thanked his wife for her support.

"What she puts up with is phenomenal," he said. "Every day we are out on the street doing the best we can."

Surtherland also thanked Town Manager Robert E. Lee, the council and other town staff for their support.

Brian M. Johnson can be reached at 860-973-1806 or bjohnson@bristolpress.com.



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February (and coming) Events-Check here...

All Are Welcome

The Woman's Club of Plainville will meet on Tuesday, February 14th at 7 pm in the Community Room of the Plainville Library (lower level). Our program will be on the Veterans. All are welcome.

Women 18 years old to 102 years old. are welcome to all our meetings. The club meets on the second Tuesday of each month at the Plainville Library, 56 East Main Street. The Connecticut General Federation of Women's Clubs project for the next two years is focused on "*Getting women involved in town needs*" Examples: serving on the town Boards and Commissions, "Adopt a Street", Volunteer in the schools and etc.

To become a member or get more information about The Women's Club of Plainville contact Maria Wynkoop at 860-747-2236

Lincoln's Birthday & Trump Victory Dinner

Co-Chairs of the event are Kathy Pugliese, Chair of The Town Council and Gayle Dennehy, Vice-Chair of the Plainville Republican Town Committee they are pleased to announce the 8th Annual Lincoln's Birthday Dinner. The Annual Tri-Town Dinner is hosted by the Republican Town Committees of Plainville, Farmington and New Britain.

This year, the committee has added Trump's Victory to the celebration. **The event is Friday, February 17th, beginning at 6:00 pm with a social hour followed by dinner at 7:00 pm.** A Snow Date is scheduled for Sunday, February 19th at the V.F.W. Post #574, 7 Northwest Drive, Plainville. Food catered by Pagliacci's Restaurant and there will be a

Cash Bar and/or B.Y.O.B.

Social Media Chair: Nicole Palmieri.

Decoration & Set-up Chair: Cassandra Clark

Program Ad Book Co-Chairs:

Barbara Davison & Helen Bergenty

Basket Raffle Chair: Bill Brayne

Split-the-Pot Chairs:

Deborah Tompkins & Bob Pugliese

Ticket Co-Chairs: Deb Hardy & Laurie Peterson

Invited guests are J.R. Romano, Chairman of Connecticut Republicans, State Senator Henri Marin, State Representative Dr. Willam Petit, Mayor Erin Stewart, Linda McMahon, U.S. Small Business Commissioner, and President Donald Trump's New England Regional Political Coordinator, Matthew Kunkel with a message from the President.

**EVERYONE IS WELCOME,
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2nd Annual Wine & Beer Tasting Fundraiser

This fun filled evening will offer beverage tasting, light refreshments, music, door prizes, raffles, a 50/50 raffle and other exciting activities for all to enjoy!

Event is hosted by the

Woman's Club of Plainville, Inc.

Saturday, March 25, 2017 from

7:00 – 10:00 pm

At the Plainville VFW Hall on

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Tickets are \$22 per person

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From My Balcony

By Jeannette Hinkson

First, I would like to comment on an article I wrote in last month's issue. I never thought there would be even one person in the Town of Plainville that would condone the burning of our American flag or persons that feel it might be ok to march in the streets, destroy homes and businesses and call it a right to express them selves and a form of free speech.

For the lady that was so upset because a typo left out the "L" in salute here is the missing "L" you can put it where ever you want. Sorry our proof reader missed it.

I still feel anyone that doesn't like our laws and the way we do things in our country if you can find a better place then God Bless you go for it. I must note all those that said they were going to move if Donald Trump was elected are still in the United States of America.

Now on a happier note: After arriving at our home in Florida our home owners association, after holding an election of new officers, decided to retain a new attorney. I recommended we hire the firm that originally drew up the bylaws so as to save some money. After retaining the firm an attorney that specializes in HomeOwnersAssociation law was assigned to our group and he was asked to attend our next HOA meeting so he might meet the residence. You might ask why the people of Plainville would be interested in our Florida HOA.

Well after the meeting our new lawyer was introduced and as we were speaking I asked him where he was from originally. (Everyone in Florida is from somewhere else, it seems.) His answer was Connecticut and with that I told him I was from Connecticut also and I then asked where in Connecticut? You can imagine my surprise when he said, "A little town called Plainville." What are the chances of going from the little state of Connecticut to the big state of Florida only to retain an attorney from Plainville. Attorney Dan Rich is certainly an asset to the members of our HOA.

The next morning we spoke and he said he went on Google and checked up on me and I told him I did the same but I did one better than him, I called Helen Bergenty and he said he indeed knew Helen. I would like to tell his family what a nice young man Dan is and it is certainly a small world.

February Programs in the Children's Department of the Plainville Public Library

Call the Library 860 793-1450 to register for the following programs:

Preschool Storytime – Mondays at 10:30 a.m. – Ages 3 – 5 with a caregiver
Each week our preschool storytime will explore themes through books, songs, rhymes, educational activities, and crafts.

Baby & Toddler Storytime - Tuesdays 10:30 a.m. - Ages 0-23 months with caregiver

Perfect for little ones, this short storytime includes a story, fingerplays, songs, and a playtime for socializing and learning.

Two Much Fun - Thursdays 10:30 a.m. - Two-year-olds with caregiver
This storytime geared toward the terrific two's features stories, rhymes, and lots of movement and music.

PJ Storytime – Thursday, February 16, 6:30 p.m. - Ages 3 & up with caregiver
We'll share some cozy stories, snack on some animal crackers, and wish upon a star. Wear your PJs and bring a cozy blanket or stuffed friend to cuddle with.

Sign Language Storytime - Wednesdays Jan. 25-March 1 at 10:30 & 11:00 AM
Join Stacy from Einsign for a storytime that incorporates basic sign language for children ages 8-15 months (10:30) and 16-24 months (11:00). Come see what benefits adding sign language has for your child and have some fun!

An Elephant & Piggie Party!!! - Saturday, February 4, 1:30 p.m. - All Ages
You won't want to miss this - come and MEET Elephant & Piggie from Mo Willems' beloved books (bring your camera!) and participate in tons of fun and games.

Chill Out & Warm Up - Friday, February 17, 1:30 p.m. - All Ages
Our auditorium will be filled with paper-covered tables and tons of mandalas to color, as well as hot chocolate, coffee, and doughnuts to warm your bones!

Great LEGO® Build - Tuesday, February 21, 1:00 p.m. - All Ages
We have thousands of bricks, and they'll all be out for you to build with!

Stuffed Animal Picnic Saturday, February 25, 11:00 a.m. - Ages 8 and under
Bring your favorite stuffed friends for stories, crafts, a stuffed animal parade, and a picnic.

Flying Fingers" Knit & Crochet Group - (no registration required) - Wednesdays 3:00 p.m. - All Ages—Kids, Teens, & Adults

Come learn to knit or crochet, or bring your current project. Members of the group are here to help you!

Other Winter Programs:

Winter Reading Program - Through February 28

Pick up our winter reading log and color in a square every time you do an activity on our list. Complete the goal for your age group and earn a free book and raffle ticket for a prize!

Reading Club!

Are you just starting to learn to read? Join our Reading Club! Sign up and pick up your first paper book; practice the simple sentences and color the pages - it's yours to keep! Then, when you visit the library again, ask for the next book in the sequence. Slowly the books will progress in difficulty, and you'll end up with a collection of 57 mini-books.

Winter Scavenger Hunt - Through February 28

Warm up on these cold winter days by completing our new Winter Scavenger Hunt. We challenge you to find everything!



By: Sally Miller

Saying . . . I Love You – Happy Valentine's Day

How many of you remember the song "Who Wrote the book of love"? I think that each of us could indeed be the writer of such a song. When was the last time you told someone you loved them? When we were young, we would say that we loved our parents, our puppies and kittens. 'We would also say that we love ice cream, chicken, bubble gum and candy,

Now that I am older, I don't have the enthusiasm that I had as a child to love things. I have grown to appreciate the love of others. I try to remember to tell the people that I love, "I love you". How hard is it to say that as you end a telephone conversation? Sometimes people don't say it back but it feels so good to tell them how you feel. Try It. How often do we tell the people that are most important to us that we love them?

I had spent many a year thinking that my family and friends knew how much I loved them. I now realize how important it is to say the words.

The smile and reconnection individuals have as they say I love you to one another is priceless. It doesn't cost a penny but the investment is extraordinary and it is worth so much and is so very valuable. Saying I love you, leaves handprints on someone's heart.

When was the last time you woke up and said I love you to your spouse or a friend? When is the last time you said I love you to family and friends?

I know my friends know that I love them but I think it is important that I say it often. I recently visited a friend who was very very sick. I sat at the edge of his bed and said, "thank you for being my friend". He responded by saying, "You are welcome". When I left that day, I told him that I loved him. In his sickness, his eyes sparkled. Yesterday he passed away. You never know when you will have the opportunity to say those words again. Don't hesitate.

This month, celebrate Valentine's Day by telling family and friends how much you care. Don't hesitate to say that you love them. They know it but would probably like to hear it as well.

To My Family and Friends...

"I love you and Happy Valentine's Day"

Rob Crago /Executive Press Receives Business Award

The Plainville Economic Development Agency Business Award for Community Commitment is being presented this year to Executive Press at their NEW offices at 40 East Street on Wednesday, February 1, 2017 at 10:00 A.M.

Parking for Executive Press is within the Family Dollar Parking Lot in the specially designated spaces closest to the Executive Press Building

The Public is invited to celebrate with Mr. Crago as he receives this Business Award and to learn more about why the EDA has chosen Executive Press as a recipient of the Community Commitment Award.

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Plainville AARP Chapter #4146

STATE OF CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER PROTECTION



Commissioner of Consumer Protection Jonathan A. Harris was the guest speaker at the January meeting

Plainville AARP 4146 News

The Plainville AARP Chapter meets the third Wednesday of every month at Faith Bible Church, 168 Unionville Avenue, Plainville, Ct. at 1:00 p.m. All are welcome. Dues are \$7.00 a year but you must belong to the National AARP. For more information or reservation, contact Sally Miller 860-747-1732

FOXWOODS CASINO: Tuesday, February 7, 2017. The bus leaves Our Lady of Mercy Church at 8:00 a.m. and returns to Plainville around 5:30 pm. Please be in the parking lot at 19 South Canal St. by 7:30am. This is a direct trip. We do not make other stops.

Price \$25 and includes promotional pkg. from casino. To register call Sally at 860-747-1732.

2017 ACC Women's' Semi-Final Games, Mohegan Sun. Sunday, March 5 Two games and promotional package included for the cost of \$75.00

Outer Banks, North Carolina, Tuesday, April 18 - Tuesday, April 25 Includes Colonial Williamsburg, Virginia Beach, Oceanfront hotels, Norfolk Naval Base, The Lost Colony, Nags Head and Cape Hatteras, dolphin watch, Wright Brothers Memorial, Roanoke Island, The Inner Harbor in Baltimore and a dinner cruise. Cost \$1524 pp dbl occupancy.

"Follies" at the Warner Theater – Sunday May 7, 2017. Lunch is at San Marino's Restaurant in Waterbury and then off to the historic Warner Theater. \$98.00

Trip to Harlem, New York City – Wednesday May 24, 2017. Trip includes tour of the Apollo Theater, lunch at Sylvia's Soul Food Restaurant, tour of Harlem and sites of old Jazz Clubs, mansions and trip to the Garden Conservatory in Central Park. Minimum walking required. \$112.00 includes transportation, gratuities, and meal.

Trip to Twin River Casino - Thursday June 15 Trip includes Mid-afternoon Four by Four Event with tributes to BEE Gees Beatles, Motown and Beach Boys. \$98

Tall Ships in Boston – Tuesday June 20, 2017 Lunch at one of Boston's fine restaurants and then board a Boston Cruise ship to cruise among the Tall Ships \$133

Coins and Claws – Friday July 7 Depart to Abbotts Lobster in the Rough in Noank for lobster or chicken lunch and then off to Mohegan Sun (promo pkg included). Price to be determined.

Contact Sally at 860-747-1732 for info and reservations regarding all trips. IN CASE OF INCLEMENT WEATHER, WATCH CHANEL 3 WFSB FOR ANNOUNCEMENT THAT PLAINVILLE AARP EVENT IS CANCELLED. You will not be called.

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AARP Trips:

For information about trips to come call:
Sally Miller 860-1732

AARP meetings are on the 3rd Wednesday of each month at 1 pm at Faith Bible Church, Unionville Ave. & Northwest Drive Come Join Us!!

PLAINVILLE AARP SUPPORTS CAREGIVERS

The Plainville Chapter of AARP donated Gnazzo's gift cards to the Grandparents/Relatives Raising Grandchildren program. The gift cards will be distributed to 14 families who are part of the program. The chapter also contacted The Outlet of Southington grocery store. The store manager gave the chapter 11 boxes of cupcakes and nine cakes to be given to the Caregiver Program. Both programs are run by the Plainville Senior Center.



Left to right: Stephanie Soucy, social worker for Grandparents Raising Grandkids, Sally Miller, President, Plainville Chapter AARP, Shawn Cohen, Director, Plainville Senior Center

If you are a caregiver to an older adult or a grandparent/relative raising grandchildren and are interested in learning more about these support groups, please contact the Plainville Senior Center, 860-747-5728.

If you would like to join the Plainville AARP Chapter and help support various community organizations that focus on our senior citizen needs, please contact Elie Moranda the chapter membership chairperson at 860-833-7412

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Project Grad Announces Events

Dodgeball Tournament, Wed., Feb 1st, 6pm (snow date Feb 9) at PHS Kegel gym. Teams will be made up of 6 players. \$10 entry fee per player. Food and snacks available for sale. Non participant admission fee is \$2. To register your team, contact Inna Masco at 860-205-9911 or completed forms and payment to Mr. Farrell at PHS.

Comedy Night, Sat., March 18, doors open at 7pm, \$20 in advance or \$25 at the door at VFW in Plainville featuring Kevin Downey Jr. and Lori Plaminter. BYOB/snacks, 50/50 raffle, DJ Eric Wells. For tickets contact Inna Masco 860-205-9911 or masco6@sbcglobal.net. Our next meeting is Wed., Feb 2 at 7pm at YMCA. All levels of volunteers welcome."

PHS Unified Basketball Competes



Plainville High School's Unified Basketball team led by district faculty members Jeri Lynn Turkowitz, Cindy Birdsall, and Amy Tennant took on Newington High School for their first season game on January 5th. It was a very competitive game, which ended in a tie, and an overall great experience for the student athletes.

Plainville Police Union Donates to PHS



David Posadas from the Plainville Police Union presented a donation for \$1,000 to the Plainville High School Digital Devils Robotics program at the December 12th Plainville Board of Education Meeting.



"Everyday Hero" Recognizes Staff



Three Plainville Community Schools staff members were honored at the January 9th Plainville Board of Education meeting as part of a new program entitled "Everyday Hero" that recognizes staff members and students who have gone above and beyond for another student or colleague, showing resiliency, support and /or initiative to make the school district an even better place to be. The inaugural group of honorees included Middle School of Plainville staff members Justine Misseri and Ellen Nichols, nominated by parent Marcy Miller, and Linden Street School Principal Paula Eshoo, nominated by parent Jill Bright.



"Linden Runners Rock" Club Gets Going



The "Linden Runners Rock" running club began on December 1st as part of the wellness focus at Linden Street School. The group meets twice per week during the students' wellness time and Linden scholars are encouraged to walk, jog, and run at their own paces, keeping track of their distances each day. The first goal was 13.1 miles (a half-marathon distance), which 26 of the student participants have recently achieved, and received a Marathon Kids t-shirt for this milestone.

PLAINVILLE COMMUNITY SCHOOLS FEATURED IN CAPSS' TECHNOLOGY

The Connecticut Association of Public School Superintendents Technology Committee recently published a comprehensive report entitled "Tomorrow's Technology Today" focusing on technology transforming teaching and learning in Connecticut schools, together with the release of a video on the same topic.

Plainville Community Schools was featured in both the video and the report, highlighting best practices in the innovative use of technology district-wide.

The report, which was based on the results of a statewide survey conducted by the Technology Committee of the Connecticut Association of Public School Superintendents, identifies specific ways in which technology will change teaching and learning in the future and provides school district personnel with advice on how to use technology to transform learning. The report highlights Plainville's transformation toward 1:1 student access to technologies and a focus on teacher professional learning, noting that "as teachers demonstrated more proficiency in developing technology infused lessons, the district invested in technology purchased for student usage at school and at home, and teachers became Google certified to support school-wide transformation."



Wheeler Students

Visit CT

Science Center

Frank T. Wheeler Elementary School fourth grade students recently enjoyed a day of hands-on discovery about animal adaptations, problem solving, and the forces of gravity at the Connecticut Science Center in Hartford. During the field trip, the students learned how science is all around us with everything we do.

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I Pledge Allegiance to the Flag...



Community Fund Announces Grant Awards



The Plainville Community Fund at the Main Street Community Foundation awarded five grants to organizations serving Plainville residents totaling \$5,782. Grant recipients include: Linden Street School to purchase Four Square and Dolphin Hopscotch stencils for the school's playground; the Plainville Community Food Pantry to assist with the 2017 Holiday Basket program; Plainville Community Schools to fund Family STEM nights at the three elementary schools; Junior Achievement of Southwest New England, Inc., to provide assistance for the financial literacy program for third grade students at Louis Toffolon Elementary School; the Plainville High School's Interact Club to support the annual Senior Citizen Prom; and St. Philip House to support the basic needs component of the Supportive Housing program.

The Plainville Community Fund was established at the Main Street Community Foundation by a group of Plainville leaders in early 2006 to create an additional resource for charitable projects and programs that would enhance the lives of Plainville residents.

The Main Street Community Foundation is dedicated to enhancing the quality of life for both present and future generations in the communities served by encouraging and promoting gift planning, prudent stewardship of assets, effective grant making and community leadership. A nonprofit public charity, created by private citizens, the foundation works with donors in Bristol, Burlington, Plainville, Plymouth, Southington and Wolcott who wish to build permanent charitable endowments to support their communities.

If you are interested in making a donation to the Plainville Community Fund, please send it to: Main Street Community Foundation, P.O. Box 2702, Bristol, CT 06011-2702 for the benefit of the Plainville Community Fund.



Remember Your Sweetheart February 14th Valentine's Day!

Wheeler School Hosts Grandparents/Grandguest's Day



Frank T. Wheeler Elementary School recently held its first annual Grandparents / Grandguest's Day, which was a huge success! Over 100 Grandparents and "Grandguests" attended the event during which they enjoyed refreshments with grandchildren and the opportunity to visit the school's book fair.

Board of Education Receives Awards



The Plainville Board of Education was presented with the Connecticut Association of Boards of Education (CABE) Level Two Leadership Award during the annual CABE/ CAPSS (Connecticut Association of Public School Superintendents) Convention held in November. This is the eighth consecutive year the Plainville Board of Education has received this award.

Nearly all men can stand adversity, but if you want to test a man's character, give him power.

.....Abraham Lincoln

Linden Street Bell Refurbished



Superintendent of Schools Dr. Maureen Brummett and the Plainville Board of Education recognized Mr. Mike Chancey from Paint And Powder Works for their generous donation of resources and time for repairing, priming and painting of the original bell stand from Linden Street School.

48 Days to Spring



Wheeler Students Visit Nature Preserve



Frank T. Wheeler Elementary School third graders recently traveled to Indian Rock Nature Preserve as part of a social studies unit of study on Cultures across Connecticut. On the field trip students observed firsthand (and sampled) the various foods that were gathered and cultivated by the Native Americans. They traveled back in time and explored two authentic Native American wigwams where they discovered how the Native Americans lived in harmony with the natural world. Students participated in an investigation of materials used to create tools. A tractor drawn hayride through the preserve was also a part of this experience.

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The Electoral College and National Consensus

By Francis Rexford Cooley

Donald Trump's electoral college victory stunned pollsters, much of the media, and the Democrat Party. President Trump's election also reignited calls to get rid of the Electoral College by a number of Democrats and replace it by electing the President by popular vote. The immediate Democrat reaction to Hillary Clinton's failure to win the White House has been to blame the electoral system created by the Founding Fathers when they brought forth the Constitutional system that has served the American Republic well for over two and a quarter centuries. Lost in the din of post-election recrimination has been a discussion of the benefit of the Electoral College in providing each President elected some kind of national consensus behind their election.

Article II, Section I of the Constitution states, "Each State shall appoint,...., a Number of Electors, equal to the whole Number of Senators and Representatives to which the State may be entitled in the Congress:...." Thus the State of Connecticut has seven Electors, equal to the State's two Senators and five Representatives in the House. So Connecticut's numerical representation in the Federal Legislature is the same as its numerical vote via the Electors for the Federal position of the President of the United States. The number of Representatives in the House is based on Connecticut's population while each State is represented by two Senators in the U.S. Senate. This blending of proportional representation in the House and equal representation in the Senate was created by the Connecticut Compromise enabling the, then technically, sovereign States to agree to the creation of a constitutional republic. The Electoral College is the implementation of that compromise in the election of the President.

The purpose of the Connecticut Compromise

was to prevent a couple of large States (then Virginia and New York) from completely dominating the political process and making the interests of the smaller States basically irrelevant. As such the Compromise made it necessary for any legislation to have support from the majority of the States through their Senators in order to pass. Similarly the Electoral College fulfills a similar function for the election of a President. In order to win the Presidency 270 electoral votes are needed. The minimum number of States needed to achieve that total is currently eleven: CA, TX, FL, NY, IL, PA, OH, GA, MI, NC, and NJ. The remaining thirty-nine states and District of Columbia have the remaining 268 electoral votes. To achieve electoral victory, even with the fewest number of States possible, a Presidential candidate is required to win on the West Coast (CA), West (TX), South (GA, NC, FL), Great Lakes Region (IL, MI, OH), and Northeast (PA, NY, NJ). This means any victorious Presidential candidate must have at least a modicum of national support from the voters.

By contrast a Presidential election chosen merely by popular vote could easily reduce the choice of President to that of regional interests. The large cities of the Northeast Corridor combined with metro Los Angeles and the Bay Area of California could essentially select the President under a popular vote scenario, a President without any support in, what has been derisively referred to as, "fly over country." As the Founding Fathers understood the only way for the United States to survive as a republic was for a consensus of the States to be represented equally with that of the population rather than the provincial interests of large states to dominate. The election of the President via the Electoral College reflects the national consensus the Founding Fathers knew the American Republic would need to survive and is needed for its continual survival.

Francis Rexford Cooley teaches History at Paier College of Art in Hamden, Connecticut

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Plainville Adult and Continuing Education will offer programming, free of cost, this spring in the following areas: Adult Basic Education (Math and Reading/Writing), Adult High School Credit Diploma Program, Citizenship Preparation, English as a Second Language, GED Preparation, and PARC Adult Basic Education.

Plainville Adult and Continuing Education's spring enrichment course offerings (see class list) are held evenings and moderately priced. Pre-registration is required for all classes. The Spring 2017 Program Guide will be mailed to all Plainville residents, late-January. For further information, please call Plainville Adult and Continuing Education: (860)793-3209 or visit www.plainvilleschools.org/family/adulted

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"I.T. Jim's" ... Voice Controlled Personal Assistants and HomeAutomation

Smart people have been working on voice recognition for years. The concept of home automation has been a science fiction dream for decades. Movies and TV shows imagined what the future might be. Just ask a question and get an answer. Just speak and turn the lights on and off, change the channel on the TV, turn the thermostat up or down, unlock the front door.

Technology has advanced so far in recent years. So much so that much of this is now a reality. The "internet of things" is a new reality for us. Devices are now able to talk to each other and connect with each other and the internet. While still in it's infancy, the tools are there to build automation into your home.

Unfortunately, building this automated environment is non-trivial. Many different companies are developing this technology and with that there are many different standards and methods of communication between devices. What is out there is sometimes not quite reliable enough to count on. But it is improving.

There are two home personal assistant devices out there currently that are quite popular. Amazon's Echo (amazon.com/echo) devices have been out for several years now and the "Alexa" personal assistant is improving rapidly. Google recently released the Google Home (google.com/home) device built on their voice assistance technology in Android phones. Microsoft is working on technology based on their Cortana personal assistant in Windows 10.

I have been using the Amazon Echo for about two years. At first it was primarily used to answer simple questions, set timers, read news, and report the weather. The list of features grows weekly. You can order from Amazon, locate restaurants nearby, read your calendar, check your commute, control music, and use hundreds of skills which are added regularly. I can ask it to read bible verses, read horoscopes, order pizza, order flowers, play games. Google's Home personal assistant ties in nicely with Android phones and offers much of the same features as Echo. It still has some catching up to do, though.

In addition to all of this, it can control home automation hardware. Companies such as Philips Hue (white & multi-color LED bulbs), Wemo (Outlets, switches, cameras), nest (thermostats), ecobee (thermostat), Harmony (Home Theater Remote), and more have linked their hardware to Echo. As I mentioned, the setup process is not easy. It takes some work. Each of these devices run on their own communications systems which connect to the home Wi-Fi network through hubs. These hubs are programmed using smartphone apps. These apps give you control of the hubs from anywhere there is internet access. Once these are set up, they can be linked to Echo or Google Home. Adding to the functionality is a website called "If This, Then That" (ifttt.com) This adds a whole new level of control. For example, I have created a command for when I get home from work. I ask... "Alexa, trigger television" which turns the living room home theater and sets the input to TV. I can switch between TV, Roku, Game Console, etc. I can control TV volume. When I'm ready for bed, I ask "Alexa, trigger bedtime". When I speak this command, my living room home theater equipment (TV, Surround, etc) turns off, living room lights turn off, Bedroom light turns on, and bedroom television turns on.

If I wasn't living in an apartment, I'd have a thermostat connected as well. Nest and Ecobee make smart thermostats that learn your patterns and ideal temperatures and over time auto adjust. They also allow you to voice control your thermostat. For instance, say you wake up in bed and feel a chill in the air. Simply ask Alexa to raise the temperature right from under your comfy blanket. There are garage door openers, door locks, and more for the homeowners out there.

I feel it bears repeating that setting all of this up is not yet easy enough for me to recommend to the average person. Installing lights, hubs, connecting them with your smartphone, programming Echo to talk to them, and programming IFTTT to control them is very time consuming and at times frustrating. If you are technically savvy, go for it. Be patient, and you will build an amazing automated home environment. *As always, if you have any questions about this column or ideas for future columns, please send along an email to jim.phc@gmail.com.*

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There is a new Sheriff in town and he has a badge. All these Snowflakes (never Trump) should melt away and move to the countries they so desire Canada, Mexico, Iraq, North Korea, etc. The likes of Rosie O'Donnell, Cher, Celine Dion, Martin Sheen, Barbara Streisand, Leonardo DiCaprio, JZ, Michael Moore, Sally Field, Meryl Streep etc. And take their movies with them on a one-way trip that they acquired in the US and see how long it will last. MORE DUDES TO GITMO AND MORE WATER SPORTS!!

I am sure some people are very upset about the outcome of the election. Illegals are fearful they will be forced to leave our country. It does not matter that they broke the law in coming here or staying here. Will sanctuary cities be a thing of the past? The folks on entitlement (welfare) are fearful that the "gravy train" will end. It does not matter that they were "milking" the system for all they could get. Why work when the government will provide. And let's not forget our politicians in Washington. Will they finally have to be the voice of "The People" they represent? Will "Term Limits" end the silver spoon career of getting rich?"

Unfortunately, this election was NOT about the issues at all. It boiled down to one issue. Donald Trump was NOT part of the good old boys club; he was upsetting both Democrats as well as Republicans. Donald J. Trump was and IS a candidate/President of "We the People".

McCarran-Walter Act of 1952

Known as the McCarran-Walter Act, the immigration and Nationality Act of 1952 allows for the "suspension of entry or imposition of restrictions by the President, whenever the President finds that the entry of aliens or of any class of aliens into the United States would be detrimental to the interests of the United States. The President may, by proclamation, and for each a period as he shall deem necessary, may suspend the entry of all aliens or any class of aliens as immigrants or non-immigrants or impose any restrictions on the entry of aliens he may deem to be appropriate." Islamic distaste for unbelievers is a constant of Islamic history and persists today. "But whoever of you recants and dies an unbeliever, his works shall come to nothing in this world and the next, and they are the companions of the fire for ever" (Qur'an 2:217).

Electoral College - Why

We are a representative government REPUBLIC not a Democracy like many of the European countries are, Socialist, etc. Our forefathers had good foresight by protecting the States Rights through this Electoral College system. D.T. would have even won the popular vote if you take out New York City and the left coast Los Angeles county elites. As D.T. would say, "Yuge" (huge). It's hard to realize and to swallow for many Americans but no matter how many recounts, no matter how many attempts to eliminate the Electoral College and the winning of the Primaries, the results are the same. No matter what you think about D.T. politics, personality or plans, his election has sparked a bust of business spending across the country.

Excerpts for the Patriot Newsletter January, 2017 Volume 7, Issue 3
A far as the Governor Malloy of CT says, "We are attracting new business to our state creating hundreds of new jobs" - *so what if GE and Rogers Corp. sent thousands out of state with more threatening to leave.*
"Statewide agencies must be held accountable with proven results" - *I'm going to cut funding to towns and education so I can attempt to pay for ridiculous pet projects.*

"There must be shared sacrifice in this budget. We need a more fiscally sustainable state" - *Our credit card is maxed out.*

"We've accomplished many big things over the last six years" - *Since he's been Governor, we've had among the worst economic growth in the nation.*

(Hartford is the murder capital of New England)

There are two ways to be fooled. One is to believe it isn't true; the other is to refuse to believe what is true,

Soren Kierkegaard (1913-1855)

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THE RABBIT HOLE

**You Wouldn't Know
A Line Is Crooked....
Unless You Know What
A Straight Line Is**

Donna Ziccardi

I am witnessing several people saying, "OK, the elections are over, Trump won, we can stop talking about it and get on with our lives". And these statements are coming from Republicans. You can tell a lot about a person by listening to them speak, and these people are showing me they have no idea what is actually taking place in this fragile country. Or, what has taken place over the past few decades.

No, the election is NOT over. The War Against President Trump has just begun. As I write this article, the "Cry Babies" in Congress, on BOTH sides of the Isle, are drafting impeachment proceedings, with the help of the Mainstream Media (the Real Fake News), George Soros, Hillary Clinton, Obama, the CIA, many Muslim Groups and, yes, the American Educational System. These factions, just mentioned, are known as the Deep Government or the Shadow Government. This Deep Government will continue to do everything in its power to undermine and destroy the presidency of Donald Trump, to get him assassinated or to resign or impeached. AND, to take away our freedoms and enslave us in poverty. As I am writing this, Obama is heading back to DC to head this Shadow Government, funded by foreign interests, especially China. He already has his players in place with Hillary Clinton and most sitting congressmen from both parties. The Clinton plan was to become president and hand us over to China. Happy Communist Day to you!

The Deep Government did not spring up overnight. It has been here and gaining in power over many past administrations. Why have you not known this? Because, people, such as I, have been trying to inform you of facts that were hidden since the 1980's. But most of you had a wonderful time laughing at us and calling us "Conspiracy Theorists". Your life and liberties are at stake now. You have been brainwashed by the lies and propaganda from the mainstream media and the minds of your children and grandchildren have been hijacked by an educational system designed after Marxist Socialism. If you want to know what America will be like if our President is assassinated or impeached, look at what Venezuela is experiencing now. Do some research and educate yourselves.

The first plan to impeach President Trump failed with the attempted assassination of Roger Stone. (Yes! Our government kills people in their way. Look at Kennedy.) Congresswoman Maxine Waters of California headed impeachment proceedings against Trump, based on her "fantasy" that Putin interfered in the elections by telling

Trump to call Clinton "Crooked Hillary", and to say she was not physically or mentally fit to govern, by hacking into Hillary's emails and obtaining this information. For this to happen, Roger Stone would have to "pass away", so they poisoned him with Polonium, but by the grace of God, Stone survived. You can read all about that here, <http://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-4130926/Trump-loyalist-Roger-Stone-claims-POISONED.html>.

So now the Deep Government is rolling out Plan B. Hillary Clinton's "Best Bud", David Brock, is launching the largest, detailed, second-to-second scrutiny of every move President Trump will make or has ever made, in the attempts to collect whatever dirt they can manufacture, that will put together a plan for impeachment. David Brock alleges he will use his PAC, American Bridge, to set the wheels in motion. They are calling this investigation, the "Trump War Room". It will strive to "uncover details of Trump's affection for Russia and Putin." They are tracking Trump's foreign and domestic business partners, construction projects in foreign countries, and negotiations on potential future projects that he "could use to put personal profit ahead of our national security."

The American Bridge also plans to get involved in 16-20 of the most competitive senate races for the 2018 midterms. Therefore, if Brock's attempts for impeachment fail, his plans are to defeat Trump at the ballot box for 2020. As you can see, Trump won, but to keep him in office, it certainly is not business as usual. Whoever said "the election is over, Trump won" has a lot to learn about a lot of things.

But, Brock needs to be very careful because he has a LOT of skeletons in his closet. And I hope Trump and his advisers know of them. Because I, for one, have an awful lot of questions I would personally like to ask David Brock. I would like to ask Brock to explain his "relations" with James Alefantis, owner of Comet Ping Pong. I would like to ask Brock to explain his relationship to Lady Lyn Rothschild and Hillary Clinton; why his "Media Matters" and "Correct the Record" trolled the internet, spreading lies and propaganda about Trump in favor of Hillary; why is it that records show Brock's trolling operations were funded by George Soros, the Clinton Foundation and Lady Rothschild, owner of The Economist, the publication that joined the anti-Trump Campaign by spreading lies and causing hysteria, the same Lady Rothschild that hosted a \$100,000/plate fund raiser for Hillary. And if you research the WikiLeaks email id 1606, you will see that Lady Rothschild and Hillary are "dear" friends. VERY Dear Friends. And finally, what is the connection between Lady Rothschild and James Alefantis? I hope President Trump's people ask the same questions because Hillary Clinton would not want to make public the answers to these questions.

Soros organized and funded Riots on Inauguration Day and the day after, in hopes of creating anarchy in the streets to make it look like Trump is not America's choice. He went on the record at Davos, promising to "take down the Trump's Presidency". Why you ask? Because George Soros is the Puppet Master for the American Government

and Trump interfered with his psychotic plans to usher in the New World Order and it's Scientific Technocracy. Soros was so sure Trump would lose, he manipulated the stock market and lost about \$1 Billion because of Trump's win. Soros is so enraged over his loses, both political and financial, that Wall Street has nicknamed him the "wounded beast" and warned that he is "hell bent on revenge" after his candidate failed to win the election.

Human life means nothing to Soros and most of our elected officials, as long as they get what they want. James O'Keefe, of Project Veritas, saved a lot of lives by infiltrating the headquarters of DISRUPTJ20, with his undercover camera, exposing the efforts of Soros to use acid against the Trump Supporters attending the Inaugural Balls. DISRUPTJ20 promoted the intent to do bodily harm to Trump supporters by any means, including throat punching, throwing bags of urine, feces and bleach, disrupting traffic and railroads, starting fires, blocking people from entering the inauguration area, destroying property and yes, putting butyric acid in the ventilation systems of the buildings hosting the Inaugural Balls.

O'Keefe then took his film to the FBI and reported the intent for Domestic Terrorism. An investigation was made and members of DISRUPTJ20 were visited by FBI Agents. Agents examined the buildings in question and stayed until after the festive events were over, making sure all were safe, and the planned acid attacks were avoided. But nothing was done about the other terrorism that was planned by this Soros funded group.

Under the instructions of, then, President Obama, the DC police were ordered to STAND DOWN and allow the Trump Supporters to be bullied, beaten, assaulted, prevented from attending the Inauguration and for property to be destroyed. Obama is one special kind of Evil. And to my disgust, the DC police obeyed his heinous orders to stand down while women were being attacked and bloodied. You can read all about the Project Veritas investigation by going to <http://projectveritas.com/>.

As you can see, the Democrats cheated and schemed to get Hillary elected but all their diabolical efforts failed, and they are not taking it very well nor will they accept a Trump Presidency. With all the Soros based rioting and destruction of property that took place at Trump rallies, the Inauguration and the Pussy Hat March, why was Congress silent? I already know why Obama was Silent, but Blumenthal, Esty, Murphy...why were you silent? Do you approve of Domestic Terrorism? Are you told to be quiet by the Shadow Government? Or are you part of the Shadow Government?

*Yes, ladies and gentlemen, this is truly a
battle between Good and Evil.*

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Board of Education 2017 February Bulletin Board

Events from the January 2017 Board Meeting:

At the Board of Education meeting on January 9th we kicked off the Superintendent's new program called the "Everyday Hero". This program will acknowledge any staff or student who has gone above and beyond for another student or colleague. We were honored to recognize Justine Misseri and Ellen Nichols from MSP. They were nominated by Marcy Miller whose daughter Krystyna is a student at MSP. Krystyna is transitioning back to the Plainville schools and these 2 individuals have been instrumental in making that transition so successful. The third nominee is Paula Eshoo, the Principal at Linden Elementary School. Jill Bright on behalf of her children, Jordan and Nolan, nominated Paula for the smile she always has on her face and the way she looks for the good everyone. She makes Linden a wonderful place to be for our students and the parents really appreciate all that she does.

New recognitions will occur at the regular monthly Board of Education Meetings.

Under the Superintendent's report we reviewed the 2017-2018 Capital Plan, recapped the new Strategic Plan, had a report on the state of PHS and went over class size enrollment projections. Also, our art teacher Mr. Pires previewed a new PHS course offering called Illustration Concepts.

The Board is working on the 2017-2018 budget and will vote on it at the February 13th Board Meeting.

That's the news for now. See you next month!
Andrea Saunders, Chair of the B.O.E.

Life With Wanda



The year 2017 hasn't really shown me too much so far, and as we get older it seems the world of electronics has passed seniors by. Computers are still driving me crazy and anyone that can operate them is my idol.

Have you ever asked someone of the younger generation to show you something on a computer? They reach over your shoulder, hit a few keys with the speed of light and then say, "That all you have to do." You hate to ask them to show you again for fear of looking stupid so you just bumble on.

This week a notice popped up on my computer screen telling me I had to enter a new password. I called my granddaughter and she told me to just type in a word I would remember, so in the future when I needed access to my files all I had to do is type in that word. She also said if there were any other instructions, windows would ask them on screen. I felt silly asking about what seemed like such a simple task so I gave it a go. The first thing Windows asked was: Please enter your password. So, I typed: Sticks. Windows said: Sorry, the password must be more than 8 characters. So, I typed: Crooked sticks. Windows said: Sorry, the password must contain at least one numerical character. So, I typed: 20 crooked sticks. Windows said; Sorry, the password cannot have any blank spaces. So, I typed; 20crookedsticks. Windows said; Sorry, the password must contain at least one uppercase character.

So, I typed: 20CROOKEDSTICKSWITHTHORNS. Windows said; Sorry, the password cannot use more than one uppercase character consecutively.

By this time my blood was starting to boil so I typed; **20CrookedSticksWithThornsShovedWhereTheyWillNeverSeeTheLightofDayIfYouDon'tGiveMeAccessNow.**

Windows wrote back saying; Sorry, that password is already taken. *I really think there are a bunch of young people out there that are trying to drive us older folks crazy!*

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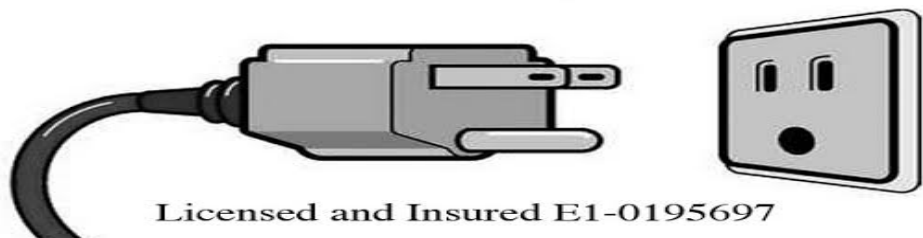
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Healthy-Behaviors

By: Linda Coveney, Integrative Nutrition Health Coach

Let's Do This!

The Care and Feeding of your Heart!

This is the 2nd of a 12-month "Let's Do This!" series. Each month's column will include tips to help you be your most vital self. On March 21, I'll be facilitating a healthy living workshop at the Plainville Public Library so we can discuss these topics in an interactive face to face format. Sign up through the Library's event calendar to reserve your spot!

Review of December/January tips

Because the holidays are so busy, you may have missed the kick off column.

- 1) Write down your 2017 health goals. Include why these goals are important to you.
- 2) Acknowledge obstacles that have prevented you from achieving these goals in the past. Take 3 deep breaths before you give in to these traps. Then make your better choice. It's important to keep moving in the right direction. Don't get hung up on perfection or derailed by "mistakes". A friend recently reminded me of a saying, "No one got healthy by eating one salad or sick by eating one cookie. 80% is okay."
- 3) Eat mindfully and slowly so you can recognize when you are getting full. Then stop eating.
- 4) Drink water upon waking and throughout the day.

Plan for February

February is distinguished for these 2 reasons:

- Wear Red Day - highlighting heart health for women.
- Valentine's Day - focused on heartfelt love and affection.

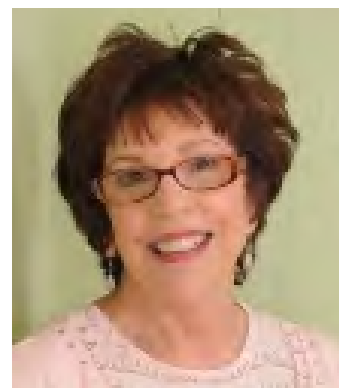
Clearly, we need to give this most important organ in our body the love, attention and care it deserves. It tirelessly pumps blood through our body to provide oxygen and nutrients and then helps to remove toxins.

Here are three ways you can protect your heart in February

- 1) **Enjoy more plant based foods in their natural form.**
 - Are you like 87% of Americans that don't eat enough vegetables? Eating just 3-5 servings of vegetables and 2-4 servings of fruit/day can lower your risk of heart disease. It's always better to eat seasonal, local food. Since this is more challenging in the winter season, you can substitute the frozen varieties.
 - Add in more winter veggies, such as Kale and Collard Greens, or Brussels Sprouts, Cabbage, Broccoli, Carrots or Turnips to your diet. Look for opportunities to increase the amount of greens that you eat each day.
 - In the winter, we are prone to gain weight because it is cold, we are more sedentary and we crave high carb, comfort foods.
 - Enjoy light, warm and nutritious meals. Root vegetables and legumes can easily be made into delicious soups. Just start with a base of olive or coconut oil, garlic, onions and go from there. Add water or stock, some spices (turmeric and ginger are especially warming) and vegetables. If you like a creamier soup, put all the cooked ingredients in a blender (a little at a time) and then add some pumpkin seeds to top it off.
 - Herbal teas, my favorites are lemon-ginger and chamomile, can warm your hands, your tummy and reduce stress. It can also reduce cravings for those sweet treats, which leads me to the second point.
- 2) **We just got through the most sugary time of the year – the holidays. Now faced with Valentine's Day, it's time to reduce the amount of white starchy foods that raise blood sugar levels and contribute to inflammation, a leading cause of heart disease.**
 - Reduce consumption of refined sugar. Instead, use moderate amounts of raw honey or pure maple syrup.
 - Replace white rice with brown rice for more fiber and magnesium.
 - Ditch the white bread, which is loaded with sugar and can contain trans fats, no matter what the label says. Consider trading up to whole grain bread.
- 3) **Find your Bliss - do something that makes you happy. Express more gratitude for what is good in your life and let go of negative self-talk. Studies indicate there is a connection between happiness and lowered risk of cardiovascular disease. A good sense of well-being makes it easier to maintain healthy behaviors such as eating a balanced diet, exercising and getting enough sleep. Spread Happiness.**

Your Health is in your Hands

The advice in this column is in no way intended as medical advice or as a substitute for medical counseling. The information should be used in conjunction with the guidance and care of your physician.



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Ask the Brayne...

Q. How many Used Car businesses in Plainville?

A. *There are 14 registered Used Car Dealers in town.*

Q. Why do people clink their glasses before drinking a toast?

A. *In earlier times it used to be common for someone to try to kill an enemy by offering a poisoned drink. To prove to a guest that a drink was safe, it became customary for a guest to pour a small amount of his drink into the glass of the host. Both men would drink it simultaneously. When a guest trusted his host, he would only touch or clink the host's glass with his own.*

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Thank you for this months questions. Please keep them coming!1

I am still looking for the answer to the purpose of that large ROCK at the Little League Park? Can anyone help me?

Happy Valentine's Day! Thanks, Bill Brayne

“It is the Soldier”

It is the Soldier, not the minister
Who has given us freedom of religion.

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Who has given us freedom of the press.

It is the Soldier, not the poet
Who has given us freedom of speech.

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It is the Soldier, not the politician
Who has given us the right to vote.

It is the Soldier who salutes the flag,
And whose coffin is draped by the flag.
Who allows the protester to burn the flag.

By:
Charles M. Province



Queen Ann Nzinga Center Held Open House for Children & Teens

NEW BRITAIN – The Queen Ann Nzinga Center, Inc., which provides arts enrichment activities for children and teens ages 5 to 17, is accepting new participants.

The Queen Ann Nzinga Center promotes positive youth development among children of all races and abilities throughout Connecticut, but primarily to children in the greater Plainville, Bristol, Berlin and New Britain area. The Center offers educational and performance-based programs to children and youth throughout the school year. The programs are designed to build self-esteem, enhance life skills and foster creativity in an environment that celebrates diversity and provides inter-generational mentoring.

The Open House, provided children, teens and their parents a chance to learn more about the Center and its programs, was held in January at Trinity-on-Main, 19 Chestnut St., New Britain. Children and teens got a sampling of the kinds of activities they can expect, including snacks, creative arts, games and fun. Parents attended the question and answer meeting at the same time, to learn about the program, its goals and accomplishments. Everyone was invited to meet current participants, teachers and mentors.

Tuition is modest and based on a sliding scale. No one is turned away because of inability to pay. Children and teens of all abilities are welcome. Center Programs include the Nzinga's Watoto, PRIDE and the Male Mentor Program, and participants meet on Saturday afternoons. Since 1990, the Watoto program has used the arts and an experiential program model based on the seven principles of Kwanzaa to foster a strong self-image in children and youth. Established in 2005, the PRIDE program works with girls and teens. With guidance from successful women mentors, the program encourages positive growth and development, through structured arts and humanities activities. The Male Mentor Program is a mirror image of the PRIDE program and is led by male mentors, placing emphasis on male gender-specific issues.

These programs and more are made possible with funding from American Savings Foundation, the Greater Hartford Arts Council, Friends of Jimmy Miller, J. Walton Bissell Foundation, Elizabeth H. Norton Trust Fund, Wells Fargo and the New Britain Commission on the Arts.

For more information on these programs, please see www.QANC.org The fall Performing Arts Program ran from Sept. 19 through to Dec. 27. The culmination of the program concluded with the performance of the Kwanzaa Celebration on Dec. 27.

About Queen Ann Nzinga Center, Inc.

QANC is named for a 15th Century African queen who protected her people from being sold into slavery. The name symbolizes the organization's aim to empower young people with life skills, academic support and experiences to thrive. QANC, in its 26th year, is a nonprofit 501(c)3 that serves a diverse, multi-racial and multi-cultural population of children and teens by providing arts and cultural enrichment in a multi-generational setting. The program uses the performing and creative arts to help participants achieve goals, build self-esteem, develop strong values, gain an appreciation of culture, learn about the rich African heritage and understand cultural diversity. These principles are then highlighted in the culmination of the year-long program in a multi-generational Kwanzaa performance held annually in late December. <http://www.qanc.org>

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Good Luck Linda



Introduced by the two senators who crushed her political hopes in Connecticut, Linda McMahon on Tuesday sailed through a confirmation hearing, placing her a step closer to becoming the next head of the Small

Business Administration.

Sens. Richard Blumenthal and Chris Murphy, who both ran against McMahon to win their seats in the Senate, praised McMahon, the founder with her husband Vincent of the World Wrestling Federation, now the WWE, as a savvy businesswoman who would bring good policy and judgment to the Trump administration.

At her hearing before the Senate Small Business and Entrepreneurship Committee, Murphy introduced McMahon as "a fellow Nutmegger."

"This visual is going to be a little amusing and surprising to folks in Connecticut, who saw the three of us duke it out during two long Senate campaigns, but politics can't work if political grudges never die," Murphy said.

Blumenthal said McMahon, who spent \$50 million on each of her self-funded Senate races, is known as "a very generous contributor to many charitable, philanthropic and educational causes" in Connecticut, including Sacred Heart University, where the nominee sits on the board.

"I think she will be an excellent fit for this agency," Blumenthal said.

A member of the Trump cabinet "billionaire's club," McMahon contributed about \$6 million to a political action committee supporting Trump.

The Small Business Administration backs loans

to qualified businesses that have had trouble getting credit at commercial banks. It has priority programs for women, minorities and the disabled.

The cordial treatment of McMahon by both Republicans and Democrats on the panel was in stark contrast with the tough grilling of most of the other nominees President Donald Trump has picked to fill out his Cabinet.

Some Democrats, including Sen. Heidi Heitcamp, D-N.D., actually gushed. Heitcamp said she had looked at McMahon's daughter, when the nominee spoke of some of the challenges she had faced in establishing the WWE. "I wish you could have turned around and seen the pride and affection on your daughter's face," Heitcamp said. "My mother's heart was warmed by that affection."

Many Democrats invited McMahon to visit their states as SBA administrator, an indication that they believed her confirmation by the full Senate was a fait accompli.

"We have a great beach community who I hope you'll come visit," said Sen. Ben Cardin, D-Del.

One of the toughest questions came from Sen. Jeanne Shaheen of New Hampshire, the highest-ranking Democrat on the panel, who asked McMahon if she backed a GOP plan to fold the SBA into the Commerce Department.

McMahon said during her last campaign for Senate she was a "strong advocate for reducing duplicative programs." But she said she was only "focused on the concept" of reducing federal programs and agencies, and never said the SBA should not be an independent agency.

"I am a firm believer that the SBA should remain a stand-alone agency," McMahon said.

Sen. Chris Murphy introducing McMahon.

She also said she was grateful Trump decided to keep the SBA's cabinet status. President Obama had elevated the agency to cabinet status.

McMahon repeatedly responded to questions by

recounting anecdotes about what she learned about the needs of small businesses during her Senate campaigns.

"I learned there wasn't so much a shortage of jobs, as people who were trained for those jobs," she said.

She also told the panel that she and her husband Vincent struggled in the early days of building their wrestling empire, so much so that the \$12-a-month rental of a typewriter posed a financial hardship.

"I remember the early days when every month I had to decide whether I should continue to lease that typewriter or buy it," she said.

She also told the panel that she and her husband once declared bankruptcy and lost their home.

"I know what it's like to take a hit," she said.

Sen. Mazie Hirono, D-Hawaii, asked if she would support and protect special SBA programs for women. "I definitely want to be a strong advocate for women..." McMahon replied.

Sen. Cory Booker, D-N. J., asked if McMahon would lift the cap off a certain small business loan program. McMahon said she will investigate whether the loans "are being made effectively," and if they are, she'd consider lifting the cap.

Mostly she assured the panel she is an enthusiastic candidate for the job.

"I've always been a defender of the little guy," McMahon said. "We need someone who can go to bat for our small businesses, and I'm just the girl to do that."

The Small Business Committee plans to vote on her confirmation next week.

"If Dick and I are supporting her, I think she'll get Democratic votes," Murphy said.

Blumenthal said the reason he's supporting McMahon is that the Trump administration "needs someone who is sane and has experience in job creation."

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After nineteen years in business, Confetti restaurant is closing its doors, but the minds and hands behind this Plainville staple are far from done. Not content to simply retire, Peter and Joan Lemnotis are instead launching three new and exciting companies, a taproom, focusing on craft beer and great food, a specialty coffee shop, serving everything from coffee and tasty snacks to artfully decorated lattes, and a take away concept offering readymade meals to go. They will be opening, in the same building that once housed Confetti, on Feb. 7th of this year. Their partners, Vanessa Champagne, Jerry Daniels and Harrison Poltorak are more than up to the task of upholding the Lemnotis' high standard of quality and look forward to bringing their unique brand of cuisine and coffee to the Plainville/Farmington area.

For more information (and maybe a laugh or two), read on.
Once upon a time, in a galaxy far, far away... wait, no. That's Star Wars. Let me start over.

Once upon a time, in a sleepy little burg known as Plainville, there was a place called Confetti...

Yeah, that's more like it. So, if we're going to talk about Confetti, I guess we have to mention the Lemnotis', Peter and Joan (you know, come to think of it, they're a bit Star Warsish themselves. Definite Han and Leah vibe going on there). So, they started this restaurant, a quirky little joint called Confetti, about nineteen years ago, specializing in Mediterranean and American cuisine. Over the years, they've seen a lot of twists and turns. They've watched their business grow, watched it face hard times and changing tastes with an unflinching determination, an unshakable faith, in itself and the mission it had been created to achieve. Through hard times and good, recessions and inflations and more than a few truly awful fads and fashions, they never lost sense of that initial inspiration. To bring good food and good vibes to everybody who chose to walk through their doors.

It's been nineteen years. Nineteen good—no—great years. Their employees, family, their customers, the best any restaurant could ever hope to ask for, but all journeys come to a close, all ships must find their final harbor, and so, on December 31st, 2016, Confetti had its Swan Song.

I know, dear readers, what you're thinking. This is terrible, unthinkable. What manner of monster would tell us such a tragic tale? But I ask you to bear with me, just a while longer, for this tale has a happy ending.

The next arch of our story begins with a conversation, an exercise in what if, as in, what if we opened a taproom? Not just any taproom, but a supremely awesome, blow your mind sort of taproom, with delicious wood-fired pizza, amazing steaks and burgers, and an eclectic array of salads, sandwiches and starters to sate any appetite? Oh, and let's not forget the booze. Fourteen beers and six wines on draft, as well as a generous selection of craft cans and bottles...and hey, why don't we do breakfast on the weekends, just for kicks? Breakfast? Heck, yeah. Saturdays and Sundays, 8-1, with homemade French toast and pancakes and coffees and lattes and geez, well pretty much everything else about breakfast that makes it awesome. Sounds brilliant.

What's that? A glimmer of hope on the horizon? A glimpse of something grand? Oh, I'm not done yet. Trust me, it gets better.

What if it wasn't just one business, one concept, but three? Three new companies in one convenient location. J.V.'s Taproom, Rebel Dog Coffee Co. and Take Away Gourmet (TAG). I know, crazy, right? Now, all we need is three intrepid, young souls, filled with the fire required to take a dream and turn into a reality.



**Pictured Left to Right:
Jerry Daniels, Vanessa Champagne and Harrison Poltorak**

Enter the heroes of this piece....

Vanessa Champagne (she puts the 'V' in JV's), our Ace for all things 'Front of the House', Harrison Poltorak, the King of Coffee (seriously, if it's about coffee and he doesn't know it, it ain't worth knowing), and of course, me, your humble narrator, Jerry Daniels, Pizza Wizard and all-around culinary Jack of All Trades. Vanessa and I would handle the Taproom, showering you with tasty pizzas, mouth-watering steaks and all the beer you could ever hope to drink. Harrison (did I mention he knows his coffee?) would provide you with pastries, ready to go paninis, desserts and all the artfully conceived, caffeinated beverages your little hearts might desire.

Now, dear readers, you might be saying to yourselves, but Jerry, that only accounts for two of the totally awesome companies you promised us just two paragraphs earlier!

What is Take Away Gourmet? What does it mean, and who will bring us this obviously ingenious concept? Glad you asked. Take Away Gourmet will consist of a selection of readymade meals to go, available for purchase at JV's and Rebel Dog. They will include some of your old Confetti favorites, as well as a few new creations brought to you by the Lemnotis'. In addition to TAG, Peter and Joan will continue to offer on and off site catering, in conjunction with Stephen Grace as Artisan Caterers (Okay, so I guess that's four companies. My math sucks. Sue me).

In summation, while Confetti may have seen the end of its journey, the minds and the hands behind its success are by no means 'done'. This is no ending, rather, a new page, the next chapter in a tale twenty years in the making. We look forward to another twenty years of good food and great company.

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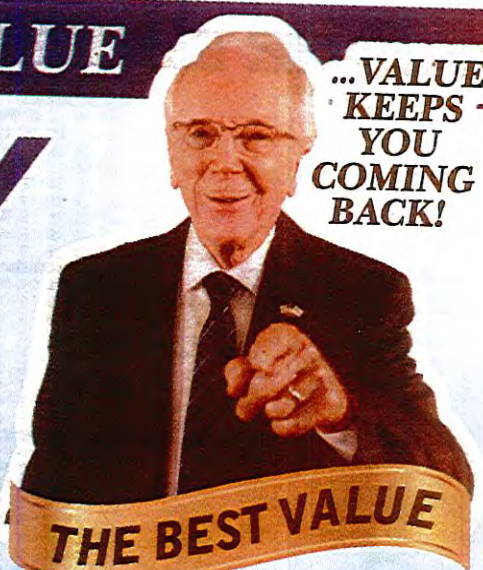
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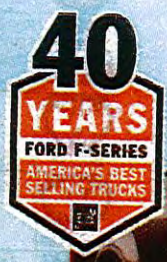
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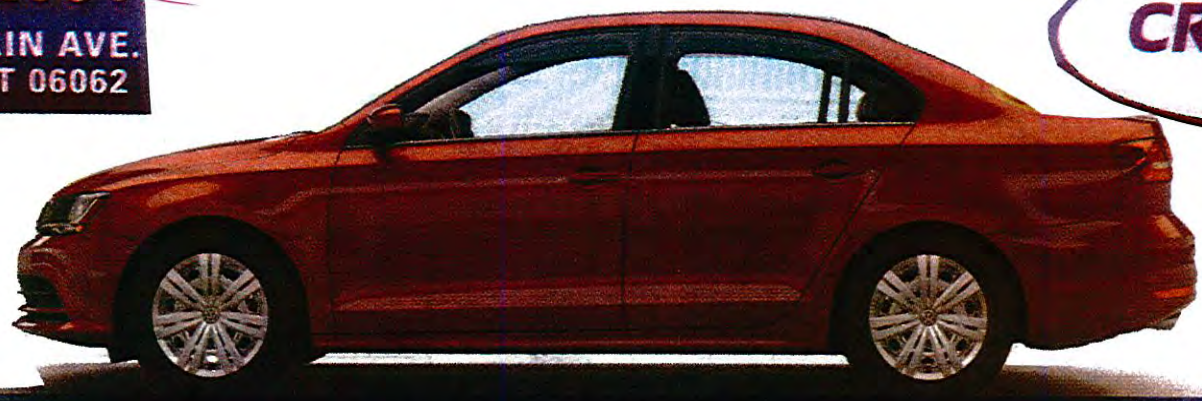


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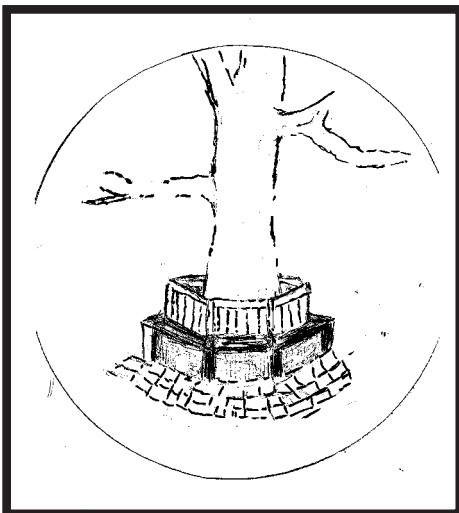
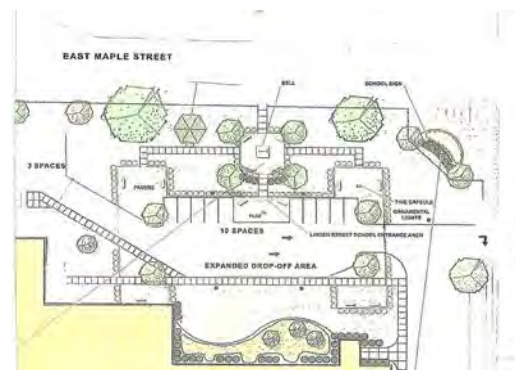
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The safe private vehicle area and the preserved footprint of the old Linden building are complete and in use by Linden families. Neighbors report that vehicles still clog E. Maple St., and it appears that school personnel use the few parking spaces intended for short term visitors.

The Linden tree survives. A circular bench designed to protect the tree trunk has been proposed by a volunteer. The Conservation Commission has expressed its concern about its vulnerability to extreme weather conditions, now

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that it is not protected by the building, and apparently some of its roots were cut where they encroached on the paving. They recommend a wait-and-see period to assess its health, but approve of the bench idea. We appreciate their considered input. The Coughlin tree was successfully moved.

A 2nd phase plot plan has been agreed upon by the newly expanded committee of school representatives and town staff, in addition to our citizen committee. It provides for replacement sidewalks along E. Maple and Linden St. where they were destroyed during the demolition and an attractive decorative fence designed for the safety of the children. 3 sidewalks within the plot leading from E. Maple St toward the footprint area are planned. One provides a concrete base for the replaced Christopher Auer gazebo, another accommodates the arch saved from the original building, and there is a walkway leading to the Mary Rose Faith DiMinno sundial on the northeast section of the footprint. Funding for this phase has been secured from excess project grant money and released by the Town Council. We anticipate spring completion—this spring.

The arch is a significant challenge and there is no budget or timeline for this. The committee plans a children's garden behind it, featuring the Beth Altieri birdbath. This would be a good area for an engraved brick walk.

The armillary sundial has been ordered by the DiMinno family in memory of their daughter Mary and is being fabricated in London as I write this. It will arrive in Plainville in the spring, calibrated to the global coordinates of the site, so that it will reflect the correct sun time. Kevin DiMinno is making the arrangements. This special gift from the DiMinno family will be enjoyed by generations of Plainville citizens.

The cradle for the 1874 Broad St School bell (for the record, there is no Linden St School bell) has been restored by the Paint & Powder Works of New Britain. Our thanks to them and to Plainville parent, Mike Chauncey. The bell is a Plainville heirloom.

There is so much yet to do. A few benches will be placed. One, with a memorial plaque, has been subscribed for from the beginning. Many of the plaques need to be refurbished or replaced. The originals will have a place at the Historic Center. Landscaping will happen. There are some "wish list" items, to include an outside water source and some electrical outlets.

Historic bricks from the building are still available at the Plainville Historic Center shop for \$10. The funds from this effort will be used at the site.

Marge Burris Chair of the Conservation Commission, a guest at our January meeting, suggested a name for the site—Old Linden St School Site. Her thought was that there will, no doubt, come a time in the future when Plainville may not recall that there ever was a prior, and beloved, Linden St School building on this property, nor will they remember what the paved footprint represents. The citizen committee liked it.

She also suggested that this will be a perfect setting for Plainville's popular Earth Day Festival.

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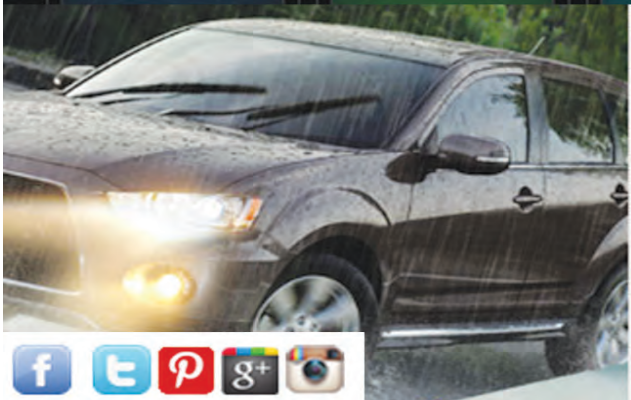
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On December 23, 2016 the United Nations Security Council passed Resolution 2334 14-0, the United States abstaining. This resolution states that the Israeli settlements in the West Bank and eastern Jerusalem are illegal and this occupied territory belongs to the Palestinians. Really? Let me remind you of what God's Word says about this. Genesis 13:14-15,

"And the LORD said unto Abram...Lift up now thine eyes, and look from the place where thou art northward, and southward, and eastward, and westward, for all the land which thou seest, to thee will I give it, and to thy seed forever." The boundaries of the land God gave to Israel is found in Genesis 15:18 and a more detailed boundary is found in Numbers 34:1-12. God has promised Israel ALL of the land of ancient Canaan. This is called the Abrahamic Covenant and it is unconditional meaning that God made all the promises with no conditions attached. This means that the fulfillment of these promises depend upon God's faithfulness to His Word. Will God be faithful. You can bank on it!

This UN Resolution is only going to cause more problems in the Middle East. This will not bring peace to the Israeli-Palestinian issue. The UN passed a partition plan for the land of Palestine on November 29, 1947 and it ended in war. Since the Israel was declared a state on May 14, 1948 they been attacked over and over again by Islamic countries. The day after Israel declared themselves a nation state Five Islamic countries (Egypt, Jordan, Syria, Lebanon and Iraq) attacked Israel. In June 1967 three Islamic countries (Egypt, Jordan and Syria) attacked Israel. In October 1973 two Islamic countries (Egypt and Syria) attacked Israel.

Is there going to be another attack on Israel in the near future? Bible prophecy tells us that Jerusalem is going to become a burdensome stone to the world (Zechariah 12:2-3). And a grave warning is given to those who mess with that city.

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- Ash Wednesday - March 1st
- Palm Sunday - April 9th
- Good Friday - March 14th
- Passover Begins - April 11th
- Easter Sunday - April 16th
- Orthodox Easter - April 16th



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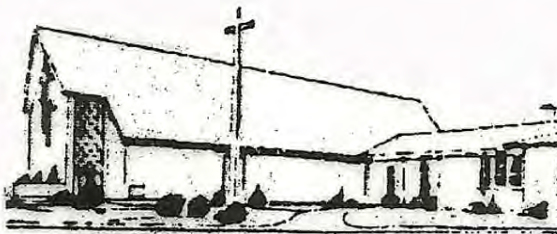
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Senior Ushers (1st Sat before 1st Sun) 11:00 a.m.
 Gladys Floyd Missionary Society
 (2nd Sun after service)

Deaconess Board (3rd Sun)

Lay Council (1st & 3rd Sat) 9:30 a.m.

Christian Education (3rd Tues) 7:00 p.m.

Men's Meeting (2nd/4th Sat) 9:30 a.m.

PEP (Every Sat) 1:00-4:00 p.m.

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Feb. & Apr. at 9:30 a.m. and 2nd Mon. of

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Senior (Sat before 1st Sun) 5:00 p.m.

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"Ah, England !" says the bartender. "Wonderful country, the history, the beer, the culture..."
"Nah, we don't like all that British stuff," says John. "Hamburgers and Molson's beer, that's us, eh Jim?"
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State of Connecticut Department of Banking

2017 State Holidays

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 - Lincoln's Birthday-Monday, February 13
 - Washington's Birthday-Monday, February 20
 - Good Friday- Friday, April 14
 - Memorial Day- Monday, May 29
 - Independence Day-Tuesday, July 4
 - Labor Day-Monday, September 4
 - Columbus Day-Monday, October 9
 - Veteran's Day- Friday, November 10
 - Thanksgiving Day-Thursday, November 23
 - Christmas Day-Monday, December 25.
- The first holiday for 2018 is New Year's Day which will be observed on Monday January 1, 2018

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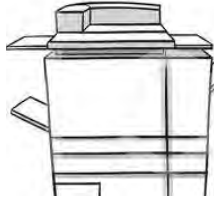
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2017 State of the Town



Presenters for the 2017 State of the Town are shown (left - right)

Mark Devoe, - Economic Development Director/Town Planner, John Bossi, - Technical Services Director, Maureen Brumett - Superintendent of Schools, Kathy Pugliese - Town Council Chair, Robert Lee - Town Manager, Richard Williams - Chamber of Commerce.

The Annual State of the Town presentation was Thursday, January 26th at the Plainville Public Library. This event is sponsored by the Plainville Chamber of Commerce has usually occurred in the morning. This year the event was in the evening with the hope of increasing attendance by the community. This was a successful change in the forum as many were on hand to listen to the program. Presentations from various town leaders included topics such as the Tilcon quarry expansion operation, park improvements, debt refinancing, outlooking state revenues, grand list expectations and completion of the Old Linden Street School demolition. From the schools various programs were highlighted including Pre-K enrollments, an additional STEM lab at the Middle School, increased use of Chrome Books at the elementary level and an anticipated referendum on improvements to Wheeler Elementary School. Economic Development in the Town is progressing nicely.

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OBITUARIES

~ Raymond L. Albert ~



85, of Plainville passed away surrounded by his loving family on January 15, 2017 at the Hospital of Central CT in New Britain. He was the beloved husband of Estella (Harding) Albert for 63 years.

Raymond was born on November 10, 1931 in Madawaska, Maine son to the late Hector and Mamie (Marquis)

Albert. He grew up in Maine and moved to CT in 1964 with his wife, Estella, where they raised their family. They were residents of Plainville for many years. Raymond worked for New Britain Machine for 20 years and later worked for and retired from Fenn in Newington. Raymond enjoyed taking trips camping with his family to Millinocket Lake, Maine. In his former years, he was an avid guitar player. He loved watching horse racing.

In addition to his wife, Estella, Raymond is survived by his children: Reynold Albert and his wife, Diane, of Waterbury; Allan Albert, of New Britain; Marilyn Renaud, of Plainville; Theresa Regan and her husband, Francis, of Florida; Linda Duquette and her husband, Louis, of Wolcott; his sister, Noella Boscarino and her husband, John, of New Britain; and many, many grandchildren, great-grandchildren, nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by his son, Scott Albert and his brother, Maurice Albert.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated on Thursday, January 19, 2017 at 10 AM at Our Lady of Mercy Church, 94 Broad St., Plainville. Friends and family are asked to meet directly at the church. Burial will be held on Saturday, January 21 at 10 AM at Saint Joseph Cemetery, 151 Farmington Ave., Plainville. In lieu of flowers, please consider making a donation in memory of Raymond to the Wounded Warrior Project, PO Box 758517, Topeka, Kansas 66675-8517.

~ Elizabeth A. "Betty" (Castiola) Boukus ~



73, of Plainville passed away on December 2, 2016 in the comfort of her home surrounded by her loving family. She was the beloved wife of Gary Boukus, Sr. Together they shared fifty years of marriage.

Betty was born on April 16, 1943 in New Britain, daughter to the late Salvatore and Helen (McCooley)

Castiola. She grew up in Plainville and attended local schools, graduating from Plainville High School in 1961. After graduation, she went on to attend Mount St. Mary College and CCSU where she obtained her bachelor's degree in science. She furthered her education and attended University of Hartford where she earned her master's degree. Betty began her teaching career at the local elementary schools, Wheeler and Toffolon. She left teaching to become a mother. Betty also established a career in the real estate business and in the insurance company, working for Cigna as executive handling claims. She had a profound love for trips to the family home in New Hampshire. Most people know Betty as a legislator, but above all, Betty was a wife, mother, and grandmother who will be missed dearly by her loving family.

In addition to her husband, Gary, Betty is survived by her son, Gary Boukus Jr., of Plainville; her daughter, Helen Santini and her husband, Jason, of Plainville; her four grandchildren, Zachary and Alexander Santini and Logan and Maddison Boukus, all of Plainville; her brother, Steven Castiola, of Plainville; and her sister, Teresa Czak, of Southington.

A Mass of Christian Burial in celebration of Betty's life was held at Our Lady of Mercy Church, 94 Broad Street in Plainville. Burial followed in Saint Joseph Cemetery in Plainville. Bailey Funeral Home, 48 Broad Street in Plainville assisted the family with arrangements. In lieu of flowers, donations in memory of Betty can be made to Our Lady of Mercy Church, 94 Broad Street, Plainville, or to the VA Connecticut Healthcare System, 555 Willard Avenue, Newington, CT 06111, or to the charity of the donor's choice.

~ Helen A. Coveleskie ~



87, of Plainville, passed away Wednesday December 21, 2016 at the Hospital of Central Connecticut in New Britain.

Helen was born December 24, 1928 in New Britain, the daughter of the late Stanley E. and Nellie H. (Cwikla) Coveleskie and has been a Plainville resident since 1946. She was employed by Marlin Rockwell in Plainville, retiring after 37 years

of service. Helen was a Communicant of Our Lady of Mercy Church. Helen leaves her cousins and many dear friends.

A Mass of Christian Burial in celebration of Helen's life was held at Our Lady of Mercy Church 94 Broad Street in Plainville. Burial followed in Saint Joseph Cemetery in Plainville. The Bailey Funeral Home 48 Broad Street in Plainville assisted the family with arrangements.

~ Barbara Joanne Edge ~



71, of Avon, passed away peacefully in her home on Sunday, January 1, 2017. She is now reunited with her loving husband of 44 years, Bruce Fox Edge, who predeceased her in 2012.

Barbara was born on September 19, 1945, in Thomaston, ME, daughter to the late Lawrence and Julia (Battersby) Hill. Barbara and her husband established a home in

Plainville where they raised their family. A natural at caring for and helping others, she worked as a registered nurse at Avery Heights for 15 years. Her selflessness further proves true knowing that she was a donor for the American Red Cross for many years. She was an active member of the Congregational Church of Plainville, UCC for over 45 years.

Barbara is survived by her sons, Christopher Edge and his wife, Renee, and Brian Edge and his wife, Melissa; her grandchildren, Bryce, Lauren, Nicolet, Lily, and Logan Edge; her sister, Judy Collins; and her niece and nephew, Rae-Ann Lemons and Gary Collins.

A memorial service in celebration of Barbara's life was held at the Congregational Church of Plainville, UCC, 130 West Main Street, Plainville. Burial was held privately. In lieu of flowers, donations in memory of Barbara can be made to the Congregational Church of Plainville.

~ James 'Jim' M. Fabrizio ~



68, of Plainville, passed away peacefully on December 20, 2016 at the Hospital of Central CT in New Britain after a courageous battle with cancer, his memory and fighting spirit will forever be remembered by those closest to him. He was the beloved husband

of Beverly (Duntz) Fabrizio for 13 years.

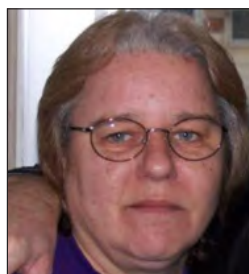
Jim was born in Bristol on March 8, 1948, and was the son to the late Tolstoi and Mary (Giblin) Fabrizio. He was a veteran of the United States Army, serving our country during the Vietnam War. He was a dedicated worker and spent most of his years working for Trumbull Restoration as a mason. Jim enjoyed fishing, golfing, taking trips to the casino, but above all he enjoyed spending time with his grandchildren. He couldn't resist telling jokes and making those around him laugh until it hurt.

In addition to his wife, Beverly, Jim is survived by his daughter, Jennifer (Fabrizio) Greco and her husband, Nicholas, of Southington; his daughter, Rae Lynn Fabrizio, of Myrtle Beach, SC; his step-daughter, Chris (Lewis) Akerley, of Bristol; his sister, Jean Canter, of West Simsbury; his half-brother, Richard Hutchins, of Florida; his grandchildren, Connor Akerley, Gianna Greco, and Lorenzo Greco, and several nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by his brother, Joseph Fabrizio.

A service in celebration of Jim's life was held at Bailey Funeral Home, 48 Broad Street, Plainville. Burial will be private and at the convenience of the family. In lieu of flowers, a donation can be made in his name at Free To Breathe, 1 Point Place, Suite 200, Madison, WI 53719.

For more information or to leave online expressions of sympathy, please visit: www.BAILEY-FUNERALHOME.com

~ Brenda M. (Dumais) Godin ~



59, of Plainville, unexpectedly passed away Wednesday, December 21, 2016.

Brenda was born on April 14, 1957, in Southington, raised in New Britain and graduated from New Britain High School in 1975. She was the only child of Romeo and Amanda (Michaud) Dumais of Plainville. She had worked in the insurance industry at Aetna and Community

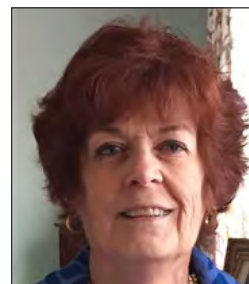
Health for many years. Brenda enjoyed scrapbooking, card games and spending the summer at her camper on the lake. She loved spending time with her family, especially her three precious grandchildren.

She is survived by her husband of 41 years, James (Allen) Godin. She is also survived by and will be dearly missed by her two children Jennifer Vitone and her husband Steven, of Oakville; Justin Godin and his wife Leny, of Rocky Hill; and her grandchildren Anthony Vitone, Sofia Rose Vitone and Asia Godin; as well as many nieces and nephews.

Bailey Funeral Home 48 Broad Street in Plainville assisted the family with a service in celebration of Brenda's life. Burial will be held privately.



~ Susan B. (Barth) Jones ~



68 of Clinton, formerly of Plainville, passed away Wednesday December 14, 2016 at her home surrounded by her loving family.

Susan was born September 8, 1948 in Bristol a daughter of Alma (Sager) Barth and the late John "Lefty" Barth. She was a 1967 graduate of Plainville High School and had worked as a computer programmer at the Wheeler Clinic

in Plainville retiring after many years of service. Susan enjoyed sewing, baking, counter cross stitching and collecting dishes and Depression glass. She loved flowers, sunrises and sunsets and had a true Bohemian spirit. Susan loved spending time with her family, especially her grandchildren, who were the love of her life. She was a devoted and selfless mother, grandmother, sister, aunt and friend and always put these people first in her life. She will be truly missed.

Besides her mother Alma, she leaves her daughters, Kristin Cacciapaglia and her husband Rick of Ridgefield and Kelly Gordon and her husband Glenn of Clinton, her sister Kate Milton and her husband Rick of Wethersfield, her grandchildren, Liam and Abby Gordon and Alex and Tishy Cacciapaglia, her niece Summer Milton, her nephew Rick Milton, Jr., and her beloved canine companion Belle.

Bailey Funeral Home 48 Broad Street in Plainville assisted the family with a service in celebration of Susan's life. Burial followed Plainville West Cemetery. In lieu of flowers memorial donations may be made to the Multiple Myeloma Research Foundation 383 Main Avenue 5th Floor Norwalk, CT 06851.

~ Carl J. "John" Lozefski ~



71, of Plainville passed away peacefully on January 5, 2017 after a lengthy battle with cancer surrounded by his family. He was the loving husband of Linda (Silva) Lozefski for 50 wonderful years.

John was born on June 13, 1945 in New Britain, son to the late Carl and Josephine (Vasile) Lozefski. He proudly served our country in the United States Navy, three tours

in Vietnam. John was a self-employed electrician by trade and owner of John's Electric. He enjoyed riding his motorcycle, hanging out at his "home away from home" Robertson Airport and walking his beloved Dobermans, Thor and Max.

In addition to his wife, Linda, John is survived by his son, John Lozefski and his wife, Marisol, of Plainville; his daughter, Dawn Lozefski, of Plainville; his three grandchildren, Arielle, Isabel, and Samantha; his three sisters, Catherine, MaryLou, and JoAnn; and many other caring family members.

A Memorial Service in Celebration of John's life was held at Bailey Funeral Home, 48 Broad St., Plainville. In lieu of flowers, a donation may be made to a charity of your choice in John's name.

~ George L. Main, Jr. ~



83, of New Britain, passed away Saturday January 14, 2017 at the Hospital of Central Connecticut in New Britain. He was the husband of the late Marion (Mays) Main with whom he shared 55 years of marriage.



George was born October 8, 1933 in New Britain, the son of the

late George L. and Taby (Elia) Main Sr. He was a graduate of New Britain High School a proudly served his country in the United States Air Force during the Korean War. Along with his wife Marion, he was an active volunteer at St. Francis Church in New Britain. George was a lifelong Boston Red Sox and Dallas Cowboys fan and also enjoyed following the UCONN Women's Basketball Team, but mostly enjoyed attending his grandchildren's sporting events.

He leaves his son, David Main and his wife Kim of Georgia, his daughters, Nancy Main of New Britain and Karen Cox and her husband Phil of Plainville, his grandchildren, Bobby and Marisa Main, Ty and Christopher Cox and Evan and Amanda Main, his great granddaughter Malina Main, his brother Philip Main and his wife Patricia of Granby, his aunt Katherine Mercugliano and her husband Lawrence and several nieces, nephews and cousins.

Bailey Funeral home 48 Broad Street in Plainville assisted the family with a service in celebration of George's life. Burial will be held privately.

OBITUARIES

~ Robert J. May ~



50, of Farmington passed away Saturday January 14, 2017 at the University of Connecticut Medical Center surrounded by his loving family.

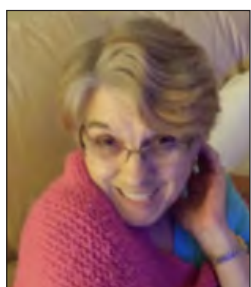
Robert was born March 20, 1966 in New Britain the son of William May of Plainville and Helen (Pelletier) (May) Corriveau of Farmington. He attended schools in Plainville and Bristol and was a graduate of

New England Technical Institute studying Auto Body Repair. He was employed at Walmart in Southington in the maintenance department for many years. Robert proudly served his country in the US Army. He was an avid reader and enjoyed movies, trivia and animals, but mostly he loved spending time with family and friends.

Besides his parents he leaves his sisters, Lori May of Southington, Donna Petrafassi of Cheshire and Therian May of California, his nieces Nichole and Bianca Petrafassi and Michele Cyr, his aunt and uncle Elaine and John Cyr, his step mother, June May of Plainville, his step brother Justin Kimble and many other family members and close friends.

Bailey Funeral home 48 Broad Street in Plainville assisted the family with arrangements. Burial was held privately. In lieu of flowers contributions in Roberts name may be made to the Animal rescue Foundation 366 Main Street Terryville, CT 06786.

~ Dorothy E. (Bernier) Morneault ~



72, of Plainville passed away Saturday December 3, 2016 at her home surrounded by her loving family. She was the wife of Louis A. Morneault, with whom she shared 52 years of marriage.

Dorothy was born November 1, 1944 in Biddeford, Maine a daughter of the late Emile and Yrabelle (Lariviere) Bernier and was a longtime Plainville resident.

She attended Biddeford schools and had worked as a clerk at the Orion Group in Farmington, Stanley Works and Fafnir Bearing where she had also served as a machine operator. Dorothy was a kind hearted person who would help anyone who needed it. She gave blood throughout her life and was a big supporter of the American Red Cross. Dorothy was also a firm believer in a person's right to vote and was a supporter of voter's rights, especially for women. She enjoyed crocheting, knitting, reading and motorcycle rides, but mostly she loved spending time with her family. Dorothy was a Communicant of Our Lady of Mercy Church in Plainville.

Besides her husband Louis, she leaves her children, Donna Dupuis of East Haven, Donald A. Morneault and his wife Karin of Bristol, Lisa Catt and her husband John of Houston, TX and Louis A. Morneault, Jr. and his wife Catherine of Bristol, her grandchildren, Kevin, Lili, Samantha and Justin Morneault, Adam Catt and his wife Jasmine, Shaina Catt and Jamie Aaron and her great grandchildren, Avery Catt and Yrabelle Aaron.

Bailey Funeral Home 48 Broad Street in Plainville assisted the family with a prayer service in celebration of Dorothy's life. Burial will be held privately.

~ Elizabeth M. "Betty" (Kelly) Salamon ~



89, of Plainville passed away peacefully on December 8, 2016 at Apple Rehab of Farmington Valley in Plainville. She was the beloved wife of Walter Salamon for 66 years.

Betty was born on May 7, 1927 in Mt. Vernon, New York, daughter to the late John and Helen (Grogan) Kelly. She grew up in New Britain and attended local schools. Betty was a longtime resident of Plainville and a communicant of Our Lady of Mercy Church. She worked as a telephone operator in New Britain and at GE. She left the work force to become a homemaker.

In addition to her husband, Walter, Betty is survived by her daughter, Wendy Caruso and her husband, James, of Plainville; her son, Walter Salamon, Jr. and his companion, Patricia Ferrier, of Pennsylvania; her grandchildren, Kimberly Jones, Pamela Caruso, David Caruso, and Nicole Caruso; and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services in celebration of Betty's life were at Bailey Funeral Home, 48 Broad Street, Plainville then for a Mass of Christian Burial at Our Lady of Mercy Church, 94 Broad Street, Plainville. Burial will follow in Saint Joseph Cemetery in Plainville. In lieu of flowers, donations in memory of Betty can be made to Seasons Hospice & Palliative Care, 1579 Straits Tpke Ste 1e, Middlebury, CT 06762.

~ Stanley J. Nadolny ~



81, of Plainville, passed away peacefully on December 28, 2016 at Touchpoints At Farmington. He was the loving husband of Kristine (Kulak) Nadolny.

Stanley was born on May 23, 1935, son to the late Stanley and Rose (Danek) Nadolny.

He proudly served our country in the U.S. Army. He worked for Gallagher Buick GMC as an automotive mechanic for many, many years.

In addition to his wife, Kristine, Stanley is survived by his son, Stanley J. Nadolny III; his daughter, Donna Klimkoski and her husband, Bruce; his grandchildren, Ashley, Lori, Jennifer, Jeffrey Nadolny, and Zakary Klimkoski; his nephews, Richard, Stephen, Bruce, and Michael; his brother-in-law, Leonard Kulak and his wife, Michelina; and his brother-in-law, Arthur Rentz. He was preceded in death recently by his sister, Rosalie Rentz.

The family wishes to express their heartfelt gratitude to the nurses and staff of Touchpoints At Farmington for their compassionate care and kindness during their time of need.

A service in celebration of Stanley's life was held at Bailey Funeral Home, 48 Broad Street, Plainville. Military honors followed the service. Burial was held privately at the convenience of the family. In lieu of flowers, please consider making a donation in memory of Stanley to the Lewy Body Dementia Association, Inc., 912 Killian Hill Road S.W., Lilburn, GA 30047.

~ Pierrette Plourde ~



of Plainville passed away peacefully at home on December 13, 2016, after a valiant battle with cancer, surrounded by her loving family and friends. She was the beloved wife and soulmate of her husband Roger for more than 38 years.

Pierrette was born on October 20, 1957 in St. Aurelie, Quebec, Canada to the late Cyrille and Antoinette (Gagne) Beaudoin. She was the shining light of

her family and will be dearly missed. Besides her love for her husband Roger, her love of children and being outdoors were the delights of her life. Her sweet smile will always remain in our memory.

In addition to her loving husband Roger, she is survived by her siblings, Jean Pierre Beaudoin and his wife Gisele, Paul Andre Beaudoin and his wife Louane, Francine Beaulieu and her late husband Giles and Richard Beaudoin and his wife Gloria. She is also survived by her in-laws Joseph and Rose Plourde and sister-in-law Diane Plourde. She also leaves several nieces and nephews as well as many friends.

Bailey Funeral Home 48 Broad Street in Plainville assisted the family with arrangements. Funeral services for Pierrette were held from the funeral home and proceed to Our Lady of Mercy Church 94 Broad Street in Plainville for a Mass of Christian Burial. Burial followed in Saint Joseph Cemetery in Plainville. Memorial donations may be made to St. Francis Cancer Center Patient Assistance Fund 114 Woodland Street Hartford, CT 06105.

~ Joan A. Porter ~



83, of Bristol, passed away peacefully after a brief illness with family at her side on January 3, 2017 at Bristol Hospital. She was born on August 28, 1933, daughter of Orville A. and Emma (Stehr) Porter.

She lived a number of years in Terryville and graduated from Terryville High School. She moved to a new home in Bristol with her mother where she decorated beautifully for every season and the holidays. Joan enjoyed building doll houses and furnishing them with the appropriate décor per each style home. In addition, with a keen eye for things she was an excellent artist and painted many scenic pictures. She enjoyed planting and maintaining seasonal flowers in her yard, loved shopping, watching movies and collecting many DVD's. Due to her love of nature she became an avid bird watcher and had bird feeders in her back yard, which she maintained year round.

Joan worked at Aetna for over 30 years and retired in 1998, and was a caregiver to her mom for over 25 years. Several years ago Joan made a decision to sell her home and moved to Komanetsky Estates in Bristol. She loved her new surroundings and loved the people and staff at this location.

Joan is survived by her brother, Ralph Porter and his wife, Gloria, of Plainville, and her sister, Nancy McCampbell and her husband, Gene, of Missouri; her nephews, Jeffrey Porter, of Bristol, Shawn Porter and his wife, Paula, of Texas; her niece Brenda Shaw, of Missouri; a great niece, Daniella Porter and a great nephew, Kyle Porter, both of Texas. She was predeceased by her nephew, Christopher Porter.

The family would like to thank the Bristol Hospital staff and Komanetsky staff for their help and care they showed Joan during this difficult time.

A Memorial Service in Celebration of Joan's life was held at the Grace Lutheran Church, 222 Farmington Ave, Plainville. Burial will follow in Saint Joseph Cemetery in Plainville. In lieu of flowers, please consider donating to your favorite charity in memory of Joan.

~ Robert R. Sanford ~



78, formerly of Plainville, passed away on December 1, 2016 at Arden Courts of Farmington. He is now reunited with his loving wife of over 50 years, Lorraine (Atwood) Sanford, who predeceased him in 2011.



Robert was born on April 16, 1938 in his Broad Street home in Plainville, son to

the late Weston and Frances (Schwab) Sanford. He grew up in Plainville and was a resident of the town for the majority of his life. He was a member of the last graduating class of Plainville High School who attended classes in the old High School building located on East Street in town. As a young man he enjoyed participation with the Plainville Fife and Drum Corp as a drummer. Shortly after graduation, Robert joined the U.S. Navy where he proudly served our country in a tour of duty throughout the Mediterranean Sea aboard the USS Des Moines. During his service Robert was awarded a Good Conduct Medal and after over three years of service, he was honorably discharged. While briefly working as a steeplejack in Massachusetts, he met and married Lorraine, and shortly afterward returned to Plainville to raise his family. He established a career as a machinist, working for various companies and retired from Elkins Screw Products, Inc. in 2003. He was well known and respected in his trade. As a former member of Church of the Bible in Plainville, he served as a trustee and Sunday school teacher for many years and most recently enjoyed membership with Emmanuel Baptist Church of Newington. He was a simple, quiet man who enjoyed trips to Maine with his loving wife. His family wishes to thank the many wonderful caregivers who attended to him over the past several months, especially the staff of Arden Courts and his private aide Mohamed.

Robert is survived by his daughter, Holly Colantonio and her husband, Gastone, of Wethersfield; his brother, Weston Sanford and his wife, Clara, of South Windsor; his sister, Lois Nilson and her husband, Dwight, of Bristol; his three grandchildren, Armando, Melinda, and Angela; and several nieces and nephews. In addition to his wife, he was predeceased by his daughter, Jeanne Pittman.

A service in celebration of Robert's life was at Bailey Funeral Home, 48 Broad Street, Plainville. Burial with full military honors will be held in West Cemetery in Plainville.

~ June (Stewart) Sokolinski ~



78, of Plainville, passed away on Sunday January 15, 2017 at her home surrounded by her loving family. She was the wife of the late Richard Sokolinski.

June was born June 6, 1938 in Bristol the daughter of the late Wesley M. and Lena M. (Henne) Stewart and was a longtime Plainville resident. She attended Bristol schools and had worked at

General Electric in Plainville, retiring after many years of service. She was an avid reader and enjoyed drives and vacationing with her husband Richard.

She leaves her daughter, Karen Healy and her husband Tim of Plainville, her son, Ronald Sokolinski of New Britain, her grandchildren, Gabriel and Gwen, her brother Peter Stewart and his wife Betty of Southington, her niece Lisa and her nephews Jeremiah and Jonathan. June was predeceased by her grandson, James Ballon.

Bailey Funeral Home 48 Broad Street in Plainville assisted the family with a prayer service in celebration of June's life. Burial will be held privately.

~ Leon L. Stefanski ~



78, loving husband of Shirley (Gagnon) Stefanski for 58 years, passed away peacefully on January 1, 2017 at the Hospital of Central CT in New Britain.

Leon was born on January 28, 1938 in New Britain, son to the late Joseph and Sophie (Grzyb) Stefanski. He worked at Parsons Buick in Plainville as an auto mechanic for over 35 years. Leon proudly served our country aboard ship in the United States Navy.

In addition to his wife, Shirley, Leon is survived by his sons: Robert Stefanski and his wife, Mary, of Avon, and David Stefanski and his wife, Penny, of Burlington; his brothers: Joseph Stefanski, of Terryville and Robert Stefanski, of Vermont; his grandchildren: Leon Stefanski, of Plainville, and Joshua and Zachery Stefanski, of Burlington; and many nieces and nephews.

A graveside service with military honors will be held privately at the convenience of the family. In memory of Leon, please consider donating to the Palliative Care Program at The Hospital of Central CT, 100 Grand Street, New Britain.

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~ Martha "Marty" (Cyr) Soucie ~

79, of Plainville, passed away Saturday December 24, 2016 at Amberwoods of Farmington. She was the loving wife of Malcolm Soucie.

Martha was born January 10, 1937 in Madawaska, Maine a daughter of the late Levite and Annette (Lagasse) Cyr and was a longtime Plainville resident. She had worked at Connecticut Spring and Peck Spring for many years and had also worked at Main Street Diner in Plainville, where she had received a Proclamation from the late state representative Betty Boukus for being Employee of the Year. Martha enjoyed trips to the casinos, but mostly loved spending time with her family. Martha was a Communicant of Our Lady of Mercy Church in Plainville.

Besides her husband Malcolm, she leaves her son Bruce Soucie of Plainville, her brothers, Lionel Cyr and his wife Norma of Madawaska, Roland Cyr and his wife Terri also of Madawaska, Don Cyr and his wife Denise of Edmundston, New Brunswick, Canada, Ronald Cyr and his girlfriend Sharon Roberts of Old Orchard Beach, Maine, his sister, Joan Ayotte and her husband Richard of Kensington, her grandchildren, Justin, Melissa, Hanna and Lyvia, her great grandson, Jayden, her daughter-in-law Lisa Soucie of Plainville, her sisters-in-law, Joan Soucie of Bangor, Maine and Jeannine Soucie of Enfield, and many nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by her sons, Gary and Wayne Soucie, her brothers, Fern, Bert and Gilman Cyr and her sister Theresa Plourde and her dear friend Dora Ouellette.

Martha's family would like to thank the staff of Amberwoods of Farmington and the Hospice staff for their care and support during her illness.

Funeral services for Martha were celebrated from the Bailey Funeral Home 48 Broad Street in Plainville to Our Lady of Mercy Church 94 Broad Street in Plainville for a Mass of Christian Burial. Burial in Saint Joseph Cemetery in Plainville will be held privately.

~ Dorothea H. (Roberts) (Stenner) Wasserman ~

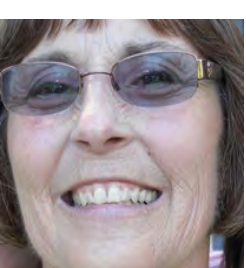
93, formerly of Plainville, passed away Sunday January 1, 2017 at Ledgecrest Health Care Center in Kensington. She was the loving wife of the late Robert Stenner and the late Sidney Wasserman.

Dorothea was born August 29, 1923 in Plainville a daughter of the late Louis R. and Dorothea P. (Farina) Roberts. She was a graduate of Plainville High School and had worked as an Inspector and Assembler at Fafnir Bearing, retiring with over 30 years of service. Dorothea was also a member of a local choral group.

She leaves her son, Jeffrey Stenner of Windsor, her daughters, Christine Barbarian and Robin Anderson both of Vermont, her brother Richard J. Roberts of Kensington, her grandchildren, great grandchildren and many nieces and nephews.

Funeral services for Dorothea will be celebrated privately. The Bailey Funeral Home 48 Broad Street in Plainville has care of arrangements.

~ Judith Sheldon-Valencis ~



73, of Plainville, passed away peacefully on December 12, 2016 after a lengthy, courageous battle with cancer, surrounded by her loving family and friends. She was the beloved wife of Stanley Valencis.

Judith was born on August 19, 1943 in New Britain daughter to the late Edmond and Florence (Rogorzewski) Sims. She graduated from Newington High School and went on to obtain her bachelor's degree in library science. She began her career in early child care as a teacher, helping kids with developmental skills. She was an avid antique collector and a talented artist, being part of local art groups and producing beautiful pieces of art work. Judith was strong in her Christian faith and was a communicant of the Faith Bible Church in Plainville for many years. She enjoyed taking trips, especially to her favorite states of Vermont, Cape Cod, and Florida. Judith will be deeply missed by her entire family and they will always cherish the memories they share together.

In addition to her husband, Stan, Judith is survived by her son, Keith Sheldon, of Plainville; her daughter, Susan Sheldon, of Plainville; her brother, Fred Sims and his wife, Peggy, of Cromwell; her sister, Joan Robinson, of New Britain; her sister, Kate Forbes and her husband, Malcolm, of East Hartford; her sister, Marilyn D'Avanzo, of Newington; her step-daughter, Wendy Valencis; her step-grandson, Jack Goralski; and several nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by her former husband and father to her children, Donald Sheldon.

Judith's family would like to extend their heartfelt gratitude to the staff of Masonicare Hospice and Hebrew Hospital for the excellent care Judith received. They will forever be grateful for all the support, love, and compassion provided to Judith and the family at the time of need.

Bailey Funeral Home, 48 Broad Street, Plainville assisted the family with arrangements. A Service in Celebration of Judith's life was held at the Faith Bible Church, 168 Unionville Ave, Plainville, CT 06062. Burial followed in West Cemetery in Plainville. In lieu of flowers, donations in memory of Judith can be made to Heifer International, 1 World Avenue, Little Rock, AR, 72202 or to the American Cancer Society, 825 Brook St, I-91 Tech Ctr, Rocky Hill, CT, 06067.

~ James E. Tufts ~



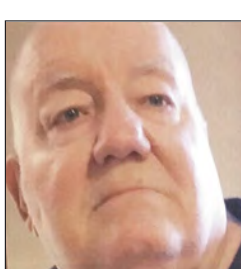
75, of Southington, passed away on December 18, 2016 at Hartford Hospital surrounded by his loving family and friends. He was the beloved husband of Laurene (Vivari) Tufts for 22 years.

James was born on January 9, 1941 in New Britain, son to the late James and Victoria (Dagenais) Tufts. James attended local schools, graduating from Plainville High School. He was an outstanding athlete, especially in the areas of basketball and baseball, and that statement holds true knowing that he was a member of the state championship basketball team of 1959. He furthered his education and attended CCSU where he obtained his bachelor's degree in industrial arts. He began his teaching career at Platt High School, where he taught for three years then went on to work at Plainville High School, where he retired from. His profound love and dedication to the sports guided him to be an honorable coach for multiple boys and girls teams. His expertise in coaching and as an athlete led him to be inducted into the Plainville Sports Hall of Fame. James was an avid Yankees and UCONN fan. He was a volunteer firefighter with the Plainville Fire Department for 15 years. He enjoyed his summers at the family cottage in Bailey Island, Maine and the quality time he spent with his family and friends. He was a humble, well-respected dignified man, who will be missed dearly by his family and friends, but they will always cherish the memories they share together.

In addition to his wife, Laurene, James is survived by his daughter, Jerrilyn Tufts and her partner, Robert Ciotto; his son, James Tufts and his wife, Christina; his grandson, Mack Litke and his girlfriend, Lyndsey Johnson; his grandson, Brett Litke and his girlfriend, Caitlyn Shaw; his sister, Patricia Olmstead and her husband, Bruce; his twin-sister, Judith Sunbury and her husband, Herb; his brother, Charles Tufts and his wife, Marie; and several nieces and nephews. In addition, he leaves behind his loving companion, Rylie.

Funeral Services in celebration of James' life were from Bailey Funeral Home, 48 Broad Street, Plainville for a Mass of Christian Burial at Mary Our Queen, 248 Savage St, Plantsville. Burial followed in Sacred Heart Cemetery in Meriden. In lieu of flowers, donations in memory of James can be made to the Plainville Fire Department, 77 W Main St, Plainville, CT 06062 or to Saint Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105.

~ Louis Salmoiraghi, Jr. ~



72, of Bristol, formerly of Plainville, passed away on January 20, 2017 at Bristol Hospital.

Louis was born on September 29, 1944, son to the late Louis Salmoiraghi, Sr. and the late Alice Dalpe. He was a life-long resident of Plainville, but has been residing at the Pines at Bristol for the past few years. He attended local Plainville schools and was a parishioner of Our Lady of Mercy Church. Louis was an avid clock collector and enjoyed fixing them.

He is survived by his nieces, Alice LeBron, Angela Beebe, and Annette Sbona. In addition, he leaves behind many cousins in the Plainville/Southington/ Bristol area. He was predeceased by his sisters, Alice Beebe and Louise Salmoiraghi.

The family would like to thank the Bristol Hospital staff and The Pines at Bristol staff for their compassionate help and care they provided to Louis during this difficult time. The family would also like to thank the employees at the Department of Developmental Services for all they have done for Louis.

A Graveside Service in Celebration of Louis' life was held on Friday, January 27, 2017 at 11 AM at Saint Joseph Cemetery, 151 Farmington Avenue, Plainville. There are no calling hours.

~ Elizabeth Zebrowski ~



of Plainville ("The Queen"), passed away on December 15, 2016 surrounded by her loving family. A native of Nova Scotia, Canada, Elizabeth became a Registered Nurse and worked in Halifax, NS, Rochester, NY, Hanover, NH and San Francisco, CA before settling in Plainville in 1955 with her husband. She became the manager of her husband's medical practice while

raising three children and taking care of a farm full of cattle, horses, dogs, cats, chickens and ducks. She also found time to volunteer for and eventually become president of the Plainville Visiting Nurse Association.

She enjoyed being active in local politics, and her practical Canadian sensibility, intuition and perspicacity guided her well as the first woman to win an election in her own right to become Chairwoman of the Plainville Town Council in the early 1970s. During her council terms she contributed significantly to town projects including the construction of the current town hall, safety improvements to Interstate 84 and the construction of Northwest Drive. She also ran for Connecticut State Senate and campaigned with Paul Newman for Connecticut's first female governor Ella Grasso.

She was a passionate sports fan, always rooting for her native Canadian teams. She is predeceased by her beloved sisters Joyce and Cynthia and five brothers whose creative teasing inspired her sense of humor and infectious laugh. She is survived by her husband of 63 years, Dr. Edward Zebrowski, her children Stephen, Jane and Edward Zebrowski, along with numerous nieces, nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews.

Mom, may you forever enjoy the special places in all of our hearts and the sapphire-blue skies and diamond-white clouds of Nova Scotia!

Memorial services will be private. In lieu of flowers, please make donations to the Connecticut Nurses Foundation.

~ Eugene L. McLellan ~



90, of Plainville, passed away on January 23, 2017 at the Hospital of Central CT in New Britain. He is now reunited with his loving wife of 55 years, Marie McLellan.

Eugene was born on December 20, 1926 in New Brunswick, Canada, son to the late George and Alma (Crabtree) McLellan. In 1937, his family relocated to Maine up until 1940 when they relocated and established a home in CT. Eugene proudly served our country in the United States Army during World War II and was honorably discharged. He worked at Ferndale Dairy in Kensington and later as a truck driver for Guida's, where he retired after 32 years of service.

Eugene enjoyed family trips to the cabin in Maine, taking walks, hunting, fishing, and auto racing.

Eugene is survived by his son, Keith McLellan and his daughter, Lynelle Maj and her husband, Stanley; his grandson, Christopher Maj; his brothers, Robert, Murray, Ivan, and Daryl McLellan; his sister, Audrey Bergenty; and several nieces, nephews, cousins, and extended family. He was predeceased by his brothers, Russell, Louie, Lawrence, and Arnold McLellan and his sister, Jane McLellan.

Friends and family are welcome to gather at the Bailey Funeral Home, 48 Broad St., Plainville on Wednesday, February 1, 2017 from 9 to 11 AM. Burial with full military honors will be held at Saint Joseph Cemetery, 151 Farmington Ave., Plainville following the visitation period. In lieu of flowers, please consider making a donation to a charity of your choice.

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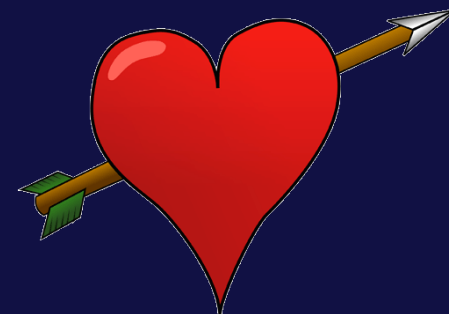


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