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Questions Asked? Here are some Answers!

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To All Hometown Readers & Friends:

The paper is run by ALL VOLUNTEERS, many of them have full time employment and do this as a hobby. We don't have reporters, all articles are submitted by people that like or want to share news of interest. You are welcome to submit stories of interest by submitting it before the 15th of the month for the following month issue.

The paper is made possible by our advertisers. Because after 27 years of the businesses making the paper successful we can no longer just depend on them. The cost of printing the paper and the postage to mail them have both gone up. All other expenses are provided by the volunteers. The computers, paper, telephone, office and etc., etc, & etc. expenses are covered by the volunteers. We would love to have some sponsors and/or benefactors to help us keep the paper in existence for another 27 years. As the world turns, we may never see a newspaper in the next 10 or 20 years. We know we have to keep up with the times but it is frightening of what is happening to America and the world.

Dates to Remember in...

JULY

Independence Day.....Tues.4th
Armistice Day..... Thu.27th

August

V-J Day.....Tues. 15th
Hot Air Balloon Festival...Fri.25th & Sat.26th

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PARC Plans Flapjack Fundraiser for July 2

A full breakfast will be served on Sunday, July 2

to benefit PARC, Inc., the local nonprofit which offers programming, inclusion and advocacy for people with developmental disabilities. The event will be held from

8 to 10 a.m. at Applebee's Restaurant, 270 New Britain Ave.

Breakfast includes pancakes, bacon, orange juice & coffee. Tickets are \$8 per person and can be purchased at the door.

For more information about the event or PARC, call 860-747-0316 or email edonovan@parcdisabilities.org. PARC - which was founded more than 65 years ago - is a 501(c)(3) organization. Visit www.parcdisabilitiesct.org.

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Office Hours: Monday - Friday 10:00 am to 5:00 pm

MICHAEL PAULHUS, TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT TO TOWN COUNCIL

JUNE 5, 2023 & JUNE 19, 2023



Town Manager Report

June 5, 2023 Town Council

Revenue Collector's Suspense List

- The Revenue Collector has submitted a proposed Suspense List to the Town Council totaling \$173,367.66. The list is prepared in accordance with the CT State Statute Section 12-165, listing those taxes that the Revenue Collector believes to be uncollectable.
- Motor Vehicle totals \$58,795.20, Personal Property totals \$66,949.05, Real Estate totals \$41,957.94 and deceased persons who previously owned motor vehicles and/or personal property totals \$5,665.47.
- The suspense list may still be collected and will be turned over to either a collection agency, the town attorney, or Town constables. The deceased file will not be turned over. Collections from last year's suspense list total approximately \$52,000.
- There is an item under New Business regarding the Suspense List.

High School Masonry Restoration

- Using a combination of ARPA (\$150k) and Capital funding (\$20k), the Board of Education (BOE) is proposing to restore exterior masonry on the 1954 section of Plainville High School (PHS).
- The oldest section of the school will have certain sections re pointed. There has been some mortar deterioration over the years that must be addressed in order to maintain the integrity of the building but also to prevent water infiltration behind the bricks which would lead to larger problems inside the building. This would include sections around the old Kegel gymnasium and 100/200s section of the building.
- The project would include materials, cleaning, repairs, waterproofing, painting/staining, and inspection.
- The scope of work is estimated to be approximately \$170,000 and will be utilizing the eZIQC contracting program through the Capital Region Purchasing Council.
- There is an item under New Business to

Charter Revision Commission Recommendation-Final Draft Report

- The Charter Revision Commission has submitted the final draft report for your review. Items in bold red font are proposed changes made by the Charter Revision Commission. Additions are underlined; Deletions have strikethroughs.
- Proposed changes to the Town Charter include the following:
- Changes that allow for a waiver of the Town Manager Residency Requirement.
- Language changes to clarify allowing the Assistant TM to act on behalf of the Town Manager.
- Language to clarify participation in the Regional Health District.
- Language changes to clarify the all-day budget vote.
- Language changes to clarify gender references.
- There is an item under New Business to establish a public hearing. There is a flow chart that indicates two options. I am recommending option #1 (green path).

4th Quarter Transfers and Additional Appropriation

- There are two items under New Business that would schedule Public Hearings at the June 19th Town Council meeting on the recommended 4th Quarter Transfers and an Additional Appropriation for FY23.
- Details on the transfers and additional appropriation will be available next week from the Finance Department.

Summer Schedule

- The Town Council has historically held only one regular meeting during the months of July, August, and September. Town staff is suggesting that regular meetings be held on July 17th, August 21st, and September 18th.
- There is an item under New Business regarding the suggested dates.

Happenings

Reported at Town Council Meeting on June 5th

By: Andy Cirioli, Assistant Town Manager

BULK PICKUP – PUBLIC WORKS

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RETIRE WORN AMERICAN FLAGS

State Representative Francis Cooley and State Senator Henri Martin encourage residents to retire their worn American flags. Flags may be donated in designated bins at the Plainville Municipal Center and the Plainville Public Library.

DOG LICENSING REMINDER – TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE

The Town Clerk's Office is reminding dog owners that all dogs over 6 months old must be licensed by June 30 for the 2023-2024 year.

Renewals may be done in person, by mail, or online if the rabies vaccination is current. If the rabies information is not current, owners must submit the updated rabies certificate for the license to be processed. The cost of a dog license is \$8 for a neutered or spayed dog and \$19 for non-altered dogs. After June 30, a penalty charge will be imposed of \$1 per month for each month that the dog is not licensed. For more information, call the Town Clerk's Office at (860) 793-0221 x7153.

JUNETEENTH CELEBRATION YOUTH SERVICES

The Plainville Anti-Racism Task Force will be hosting the 1st Juneteenth Celebration on June 19, 2023. The Celebration will take place at Memorial Park from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm. Learn about the history behind Juneteenth and celebrate with residents and local officials. This is free event, and will also feature music and performances.

SUMMER CONCERT SERIES – RECREATION

The 2023 Plainville Recreation Summer Concert Series kicks off on Thursday, June 22, 2023 at 6:30 PM. There will be six concerts throughout the summer, all taking place at Norton Park. The event is free to attend. For more information, follow the Town of Plainville on Facebook and Instagram or call the Recreation Department at 860-747-6022.

PUBLIC LIBRARY

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Summer Library Adventures 2023 Summer Reading Program

- Begins on Monday, June 19, 2023 and is open for children and teens. The program including crafts, cooking, science experiments, and more!
- Visit the Library to pick up a brochure or plainvillect.com/library for more information.

Drop-In Graduation Cap Decorating

- Saturday, June 10th from 10:00 AM – 3:00 PM.
- High School Seniors are welcome to visit the Library to use the provided supplies to decorate their graduation cap and celebrate their big day.
- No registration needed.

Volunteers from Tails of Joy

- Friday, June 9 from 1:00 PM – 3:00 PM & Wednesday, June 21 from 5:00 PM – 7:00 PM
- Volunteers from Tails of Joy, a nonprofit organization, will visit with their companion dogs for some one-on-one social time.
- All ages welcome. Individuals and family groups may sign up for a 15-minute visit at the Reference Desk or by calling 860-793-1446 x.4.

Representation Matters

- Thursday, June 15 at 6:00 PM
- Educator and LGBTQ+ advocate Clare McCarthy will discuss why cultural portrayals of transgender and nonbinary folks matter.

- Register through the online calendar at plainvillect.com/library.

SENIOR CENTER

For information on Senior Center programs, call the Plainville Senior Center at 860-747-5728. All programs are free and open to the public unless otherwise indicated.

Grandparents Raising Grandchildren

- Tuesday, June 6, 2023 at 10:30 AM
- Share resources, ideas, struggles, joys and more with others who are raising their grandchildren.

Caregiving Connections

- Tuesday, June 13, 2023 at 10:00 AM
- Connect with other caregivers at the Senior Center to support one another on our journeys and recognize the challenges and frustrations of 24/7 caregiving.

Trip Meeting – Viking River Cruise

- Wednesday, June 14, 2023 at 2:30 PM
- Germany to Hungary, April 27 – May 5, 2024; Includes Passau, Germany; Vienna, Austria; Bratislava, Slovakia; Budapest, Hungary and other destinations. Optional Pre and Post extensions to Munich and Salzburg or Prague.

Snappy Seniors Photography

- Thursday, June 15, 2023 at 10:00 AM
- Join this event where participants will share photos of their favorite events or activities.
- Thursday, June 15, 2023 from 12:30 PM to 4:30 PM
- \$20 FOR AARP members & \$25 FOR NON-AARP members.
- The course teaches valuable defensive driving strategies and provides a refresher for the road rules. You may qualify for a multi-year automobile insurance discount by completing the course.

Memory Café at the Senior Center

- Thursday, June 15, 2023 at 2:00 PM
- Memory Café is a warm & welcoming program for individuals with memory loss. Anyone experiencing memory loss is welcome to attend with their loved ones or caregivers.

Help for Veterans - Important New Information

- Tuesday, June 20, 2023 at 10:00 AM by appointment – 203-805-6340
- Call Jason Coppola, Veterans Service Officer, to find out your status, needs and paperwork required to prepare for a face-to-face appointment at the Senior Center.
- Serving residents of the 5th Congressional District only.

Hoopskirts to Flappers – CT Historical Society

- Tuesday, June 20, 2023 at 2:00 PM
- Society's Costume and Textile Collection - Learn how women's clothing transitioned from the iron

Town Manager Report: June 19th

Town Council

Paderewski Park Pond Discussion

- On December 15, 2022, the Conservation Commission made recommendations to the Plainville Park and Recreation Advisory Board regarding management and access to Paderewski Park Pond.
- There were five recommendations listed for consideration, limit the fishing season, set new hours for fishing, prohibit ice fishing, prohibit boats, and eliminate the boat launch and close the parking spot.
- Although the Park and Recreation Advisory Board agreed in part to these recommendations, it is up to the Town Council to approve any proposed changes.
- The elimination of ice fishing and boating are in conflict with town ordinances that permit these two activities.
- Should the Town Council agree with the recommendations then I would suggest that you take the item up at your next meeting and start by amending the ordinances.

White Oak Redevelopment Project Update

- The Town closed on the White Oak property on Monday, June 12th and executed DECD (see page 5)

- executed DECD Financial Assistance Agreement documents which have been sent to the proper State The Town and Tighe & Bond completed a site walkthrough on Wednesday, June 14th. There has been no spread of contamination from leaking water that would require revisions to the HBMI RFP scope of work.
- DECD also attended Wednesday's walkthrough. In conversations with the Town and Tighe & Bond, they reaffirmed the ability to pursue top-per grants, asking that the requested additional funds come in a single request, are based off quotes of service, and insure the request cover all actions through end of remediation.
- The Town and Tighe & Bond have received DECD comments on drafted HBMI RFP and incorporated them into the document. The goal is to have final DECD approval and be in place to publish by the end of next week.
- Kratzert Jones & Associates were on site this Monday and Tuesday to begin the A2 topo survey. They'll return next Tuesday and Wednesday to complete. Results will be shared with Tighe & Bond and MNR to allow for master site plan and building elevation drafting to begin.

Middle School Update

- The Town and BOE staff have met with Kate Jessup of Kaestle Boos Associates, Inc., and Mike Zuma of SLAM. I am also in conversation with Rusty Malik of QA+M Architecture to determine if the services they provide match the town's goals.
- At this point in time, the consensus among staff is that SLAM has a good understanding of enrollment projections and school facility planning process. I have included a proposal from SLAM for your review as a starting point for discussion.
- QA+M may also be of help and assistance, and I am reviewing potential services from their firm with respect to the direction the town takes.
- A discussion on the scope and timing of a study would be an appropriate item for a future work session.

Taxing Fixing Agreement -Americold

- At their February 20, 2020, meeting, the Plainville Economic Development Agency recommended the Town Council approve a tax abatement for the Americold.
- The initial abatement offering, a 50% abatement for a period of 10 years, after further negotiations, the full abatement, as detailed in the MOU, was executed by former Town Manager, Robert Lee, on August 10, 2021.
- Conditions of the MOU included: Construction and Improvements consisting of 229,000 square feet at an estimated cost of \$10,480,000 but in no event less than 85% thereof.
- Americold agreeing to make good faith efforts to hire a minimum of 30 Plainville residents.
- Real Estate and Personal Property taxes shall be capped at \$850,000 for a period of 10 years unless Americold secures additional personal property or completes additional expansion of the building from original design. In no event will Real Estate and Personal Property taxes be less than \$850,000 during the Fixed Tax Period.
- A Certificate of Occupancy was issued by the Building Department on March 30, 2023, invoices have been reviewed to ensure that minimum improvement costs have been met, and the attached Tax Fixing Agreement has been reviewed and approved by Attorney Mastrianni's office.
- There is an item under New Business regarding the agreement.

Vehicle Purchase – Building & Grounds

- In the FY 2024 Capital Improvement Plan (CIP),

- the Town Council approved \$55,000 for the purchase of a new, 4WD pickup truck with plow for the Buildings and Grounds Department.
- The Buildings and Grounds Department received a quote from Gengras Ford, LLC ("Gengras") for a total of \$45,961.10 for an in stock, Ford 2022 model year F-250 Regular Cab 4x4 with the specifications as required by the Town.
- Purchasing the quoted vehicle from Gengras would save the Town a budgeted \$9,038.90.
- There is an item under New Business regarding the award of Bid 2024-03: Buildings and Grounds Vehicle to Gengras Ford, LLC of Plainville, CT under State Contract No. 19PSX0161 in the amount of \$45,961.10.

Line Stripping/Pavement Markings

- The Department of Technical Services has been working to revamp the line stripping and pavement marking program. The recommendation is to use an epoxy material which is more durable and longer lasting.
- The department is requesting the purchase of services related to the painting of Double 4" Yellow Centerlines, 4" White Lane Dividers, 12" White Stop Bars and 16" White Bar Crosswalks.
- Funds will come from the Town Aid Road account with a cap not to exceed \$40,000.
- There is an item under New Business regarding the award Bid 2024-04, pavement markings, to Safety Markings, LLC of Bridgeport, CT under CRCOG Bid #743 in the amount not to exceed \$40,000.

Tentative Agreement

- The Town and the Police Union have reached a tentative agreement for a three year contract. There is an executive session scheduled to discuss the details prior to approval.

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PROPERTY TAX BILLS – TAX/REVENUE COLLECTION

The next property tax bill should be received by residents in the first week of July. If residents do not receive a bill, they should contact the Tax/Revenue Collection office.

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VISIT THE "OLD EAST STREET" BURYING GROUND – HISTORICAL SOCIETY

On Tuesday June 27th from 6:00 PM through 8:00 PM, the Historical Society will open the "Old East Street" Burying Grounds to the public. Visitors will receive a map of the individual gravesites and a booklet with names and information about the persons who are buried in this historic cemetery that was established in the 1700's. Tours can be self-guided, but Historical Society members will help guide visitors and answer questions.

CENTRAL CT CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

For information on Chamber of Commerce programs, including registration, visit www.centralctchambers.org.

State of the City and Towns

- Thursday, June 22 from 7:30 AM – 9:00 AM
- Join municipal leaders from the surrounding area, including Town Manager Paulhus, for a special breakfast meeting to learn about how local communities are doing and what is in store for the remainder of the year.

Plainville Info Night – Exclusively for Plainville Businesses

- Thursday, July 13 from 4:00 PM – 6:00 PM at Pagliacci's Restaurant at 333 East Street
- Meet and create relationships with other business professionals and members of the Chamber of Commerce, learn about the benefits of being a Chamber member, and share your ideas. The event is Free to attend.

32nd Annual Golf Tournament

- Monday, August 7 at Tunxis Country Club at 87 Town Farm Road in Farmington
- Register online at www.centralctchambers.org.

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- Drop-In Picture Books and Popsicles
- Begins on Friday, June 23 at 9:30 AM and recurs every Friday throughout the summer.
- Stop by the Library for a story and a popsicle.
- Open to children of all ages. No registration needed. Discover the World of the Honeybee
- Saturday, June 24 at 2:00 PM and is open to youths in grades 1-8.
- A professional beekeeper will discuss the lives of bees (no actual bees will be attending).

Veterans Social Hour

- Tuesday, June 27, 2023 at 10:00 AM
- Conducted by Sherri Vogt, Veteran's Liaison for Hartford HealthCare Senior Services. FOR ALL VETERANS OVER 60 AND THEIR SPOUSES.

Memory Screening

- Tuesday, June 27, 2023 from 10:00 AM—12:00 PM by appointment
- A 10-minute Memory Screening from the Alzheimer's Foundation of America.
- This is not a diagnosis of any particular illness and the results are completely confidential. Conducted by Hollis Hartman, Memory Care Advisor, Arden Courts.

Senior Center & Lions Club Summer Picnic - Senior Center Members Only

- Thursday, June 29, 2023 at 11:30 AM (Continued on Page 6).
- An indoor summer picnic at the Senior Center co-sponsored by the Plainville Lions Club.
- The Lions Club members will be supplying and grilling hot dogs and hamburgers! The picnic menu will also include macaroni salad, coleslaw, chips, watermelon! The ice cream truck will be provided by The Pines of Bristol.

UNABLE TO ATTEND TOWN COUNCIL MEETINGS?
 If you have an issue you would like to discuss with the Council or a Councilor? CALL: 860-793-0221 ext. 8703
 Leave your name and phone number and ask for a Councilor to contact you.

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Water Aerobics Class

(Two Sessions Offered this Summer)

- Session 1: Mondays, July 3 – July 24 from 9:00 AM – 9:45 AM
- Session 2: July 31 – August 21, 2023 from 9:00 AM – 9:45 AM
- Host at Norton Park's Bernier Pool.
- Both sessions are 4 weeks long and cost \$30. The fee includes instruction and a pool noodle. Each session is limited to 10.

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PLAINVILLE VETERANS MEMORIAL WALL

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 in the Municipal Center, Senior Center, and VFW Post 574.

Renters Rebate

State law provides a reimbursement program for renters who are elderly or totally disabled, and whose incomes do not exceed certain limits. Persons renting an apartment or room or living in cooperative housing, or a mobile home may be eligible for this program. Renters rebate applications are accepted between now and October 1st. Visit portal.ct.gov/OPM

Plainville Adult & Continuing Education

Will offer the following cost-free summer classes July 17th to August 1st at Plainville High School: English as a Second Language, Monday through Friday 9 am to noon; Adult Basic Education and GED Preparation, Monday through Friday, noon to 3 p.m.; Tutoring for Adult Education Students, Monday through Friday, 10:30am to 1:30pm. Also, Conversational Spanish for Adults will be held July 6 th to 27th at the Plainville Public Library, Tuesdays and Thursdays, 6pm to 7 pm Tuition is \$60.00 For information, and to register, please call 860-793-3209.

Information or Questions on Voting? Contact:

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Democrat

Registrar of Voters
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Beth Gasparini
Republican
Registrar of Voters
860-793-0221 Ext. 7162

From the Desk of: Cal Hauburger

*Economic Development &
Special Projects Coordinator*

White Oak – The Town has completed document review with the DECD to allow us to complete the Financial Assistance Agreement, officially releasing grant funds to the Town and allowing us to seek reimbursement for all eligible project expenses dating back to the original award date of June 24, 2021. Currently, the Town would be in line to seek roughly \$100,000 in reimbursement from the State from the overall grant total of \$1.17m.

As part of the grant closing, the Town will also move towards taking title of the White Oak property from the Toffolon Estate utilizing the long-established Access & Option Agreement. While a requirement, gaining title also allows the Town to further address any additional necessary security measures and will allow us to move towards remedial efforts without obstacle.

Town Staff has been working with Tighe & Bond to draft an RFP for Hazardous Building Material Remediation. Currently, the document is under review by the DECD, and it is anticipated an approval will be given in roughly 2-weeks. This will allow the Town to publish the RFP prior to the end of the month. While RFP related timelines will be dependent on the ability for DECD to review and respond, the hope is to begin contracting efforts in July and work to begin shortly after.

The goal is to view this as a “1B” remedial effort and hope to have it published by the end of the year.

Americold – As was shared at last month's meeting, Americold has completed construction of their facility and work is underway to finalize internal automation efforts. The goal is to begin operations shortly, ramping up throughout the summer, and be running at full capacity towards the fall.

The approved tax abatement details have been integrated into a Tax Fixing Agreement which will be presented to the Town Council at their meeting for ratification. Once approved, the TFA will be sent to Americold for execution with the goal of applying Year 1 of benefits to the upcoming October 1 Grand List.

Carling Property – Discussions are continuing between interested parties for the sale and take over of the former Carling Technologies property at 60 Johnson Avenue. It is anticipated that more information will be available to share in the coming weeks.

FCHT – CT DOT has resumed efforts to address Phase 2 of the Farmington Canal Heritage Trail which will focus on the extension of the trail from Northwest Drive, around the airport and Tomasso Nature Park and under RT-72. **A Public Information Session has been scheduled for July 20th from 7-9pm at the Plainville Public Library.** This will be an in-person event and it is unknown at this time if there will be a “stream from home” option.

While it is yet to be seen whether the EDA will have an application to review and reason to meet, the Public Information Session is the same time/date as our scheduled meeting.

EDA Membership – Following recent resignations, I petitioned the Town Manager and Town Council to permanently appoint Marc Romanow as a Regular Member, taking over the vacancy left by Joe Klepacki. At their June 5th meeting, the Town Council ratified the effort, appointing Marc Romanow as a Regular Member with a term ending November 9, 2024. Congratulations to Marc on a well-deserved and long-awaited promotion. That completes this month's update.

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PLAINVILLE Property Transfers

171 Willow Brook Dr Unit 40: Newport Willow Brk Partne of Plainville to Wroblewski T. and Anne M. Wroblewski, \$438,900 on 5/25/2023

16 Eastwood Dr: Marie S. Ragaglia of Plainville to Pompile Ft and Domenic J. Pompile, \$381,000 on 5/22/2023

86 Whiting St: Donna L. Niwinski of Plainville to Premier Cricket Academy L, \$195,000 on 5/22/2023

136 Williams St Unit 1D: Oak Land Developers LLC of Plainville to Diana and John Perosino, \$289,900 on 5/18/2023

69 Whiting St: Brian Johnson of Plainville to Christopher Amantea, \$325,000 on 6/1/2023

52 Reliance Rd: Evelyn L. Stelma of Plainville to Steven R. and Chandler D. Lord, \$181,350 on 6/1/2023

31 Willow Brook Dr Unit 61: Newport Willow Brk Partne of Plainville to Donna D. Murty, \$453,178 on 6/2/2023

14 Grant Ave: Jennifer N. and Mark E. Zakrzewski of Plainville to Megan St Pierre, \$275,000 on 6/5/2023

69 Oakwood Cir Unit 69: Trumbull Homes LLC of Plainville to Patrick J. Meres and Olivia G. Loisel, \$482,530 on 6/6/2023

174 Willow Brook Dr Unit 41: Newport Willow Brk Partne of Plainville to Margaret Moran, \$426,592 on 6/5/2023

9 Russell Ave: Robert F. Weber and Bk of Ny Mellon TCo of Plainville to John P. Boucher, \$225,500 on 6/5/2023

Plainville Senior Center

July Newsletter/Upcoming Events

Happy 4th of July from the Plainville Senior Center! **Starting Tuesday, July 18th**, Faith Posner, a volunteer and freshman at Plainville High School, will be offering a weekly class teaching American Sign Language (ASL) at the Senior Center. This is a free opportunity. Sign-up begins July 6th.

On Thursday, July 20th, the Senior Center will sponsor a free Communication and Dementia Lunch and Learn. A complimentary lunch will be included. You must register by July 17th.

On Tuesday, July 25th, we will hold another Memory Screening from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. You must register to participate.

On Tuesday, August 15th, we will hold White House Memories Part II at 1:30 p.m.

Be sure to check Page 7 in your July news letter for the listing of Outdoor Adventure activities.

Volunteers needed for the PEAK Center – check Page 10 in your July news letter.

Also, the Plainville Fire Department is looking for volunteers for the August 25-26 Hot Air Balloon Festival. More information on Page 9 in your July news letter.

Best wishes for a restful summer!

Dear Editor

Thank you for doing this. For some people there is nothing better than a tangible paper, it allowed for my mother to be able to find your contact information on her own. I had to send the email, but without it my mother would have ended up donating or putting her items on the curb for a passerby. Nothing is wrong with that, however it is just a shame to have to pass up needed money due to inaccessibility. Thank you again for all that you do.

Corine

Dear Corine,

Thank you! We hope there will always be a way to keep the old newspaper available for everyone. It is the way things are going in this world today that the next generation will never know how the “Old Golden Rule” worked for so many years.

Jeannette Hinkson, Editor

Organ Donor Programs

Something I don't care for, these organ donor programs. Does that bother you?

Sounds like Josef Mengele's been sitting on some of those meetings or something? **Organ donor programs.** The thing that bothers me the most about it is they're run by the Motor Vehicle Dept. I figure, hey you got to wait on a line that long for a kidney, screw it, do without. It's the DMV in most states who send you the little card your suppose to carry right next to your wallet. You're suppose to fill it out and on it your suppose to list the organs you're willing to give in case you die. Are these people out of their mind? Do you honestly believe that if a paramedic finds that card on you in an automobile accident, he's going to try and save your life? BS, he's looking for parts. Absolutely. Look, Dan here's that lower intestine we've been looking for. Never mind the oxygen, this man's a donor. BS, they want something of mine, they can have my rectum and my anus, that's all I'm giving take it or leave it, put them in your bag and get the h--- out of my life. I don't want some guy poking around hoping I die. I want to live. That's the whole secret of life, not dying. I figured that out alone in the third grade. And don't be pulling any plugs on me either. Here's another bunch of macho idiots floating around this country, people talking about pulling the plug on me. If I'm ever like that, if I'm comatose, if I'm like a vegetable don't pull the plug. Leave my plug alone. Get an extension cord and generator for my plug. I want everything you got, tubes, cords, plugs, electrodes, IV's, you have something; stick it in me, man. Vegetable, I don't care if I look like an artichoke. Save my butt. There's three things I want if I'm ever in that condition, ice cream, morphine, and television. You give me that ice cream every two hours. Give me morphine every ten minutes, and turn on the TV. I want to see Geraldo.

Don't bother to come to see me, I got no time for life people, I'm brain dead. Hey, you have to be brain dead to watch Geraldo in the first place. You might as well watch him when your clinically brain dead. There's one other thing I thought about concerning this comatose thing, and this might help you someday. This little piece of information might come in handy sometime in the future if you're in this circumstance. If you knew a family and one of them was a homosexual and he was in an auto accident, and he was comatose, you could always comfort the family by saying, "well look at it this way, he was a fruit, now he's a vegetable. Listen at least he's still in the produce dept.

A perfect summer day is when the sun is shining, the breeze is blowing, the birds are singing, and **the lawnmower is broken.**

A lot of parents pack up their troubles and send them off to summer camp.

Have a safe and wonderful summer everyone!

John Gasparini

Letter to the Editor:

Dear Editor,

I just got off the phone with my good friend Kevin McCarthy, and what he had to say wasn't good.

Reports indicate that Biden and House Democrats are on track to raise billions, so they can have total control of our country by taking both the White House and the People's House. Don't allow that to happen! Chip in today to defend our GOP Majority in the House!

I don't think I need to tell you just how disastrous another Biden Presidency would be. Back in 1994, when I introduced our Contract with America, Bill Clinton was wreaking havoc in the White House.

Now, in the era of Speaker McCarthy's Commitment to America, the House is again holding the line against a radical in the Oval Office.

The House of Representatives, or as I like to call it, the People's House, is our safeguard against tyranny. Its job is to carry out the will of the people by holding the President in check – but Republicans won't be able to do that for much longer if Democrats keep out-raising us.

Kevin McCarthy has shown his strong resolve and ability to go toe-to-toe with Joe Biden and his socialist supporters, but there's only so much he can do on his own. If you approve of what Kevin's been doing for us, consider chipping in a couple of bucks to help him keep it up.

**SUPPORT SPEAKER MCCARTHY
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Thank you for your time,

Newt Gingrich

*50th Speaker of the United States
House of Representatives*

Forward to a Friend:

P.S. Chipping in a couple bucks Mail to:

McCarthy for Congress

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Bakersfield, CA 93389

Dear Plainville Hometown Team,

I just wanted to take a minute to express my deep gratitude for your coverage of the school district in the paper each month. I really and truly appreciate your support, thank you!

And the extra large photo of our recent School Business Community Partnership program breakfast event was just wonderful!

Lynn Davis

Director of Community Relations

Plainville Community Schools

New Britain Bees Fundraising Event July 15th

Location: New Britain Stadium (i.e. Willow Brook Park, adjacent to Beehive Field)

Cost: \$12 per person, of which \$6 will go to the Lions Low Vision Center. Please send in your orders and checks: to the Plainville Lions Club,

P.O. Box 92, Plainville, CT 06062

**Contact: Lion Craig Banks at 860-644-8472 or
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Hartford HealthCare Center

Call-In Support Group

Looking for a safe space? Talk to a professional about the questions and concerns you may have regarding dementia. Every Friday from 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. starting Friday, July 7, there will be a call-in support group facilitated by Kristine Johnson, dementia specialist, Hartford HealthCare Center for Healthy Aging.

Join Zoom Meeting: <https://hartfordhealthcare.zoom.us/j/92408181873>
Meeting ID: 924 0818 1873 One tap mobile 1.646.876.9923, Meeting ID 92408181873#

Virtual: Exercise & Healthy Aging

Join the class on Tuesday, July 11, from 11 a.m. to noon to learn more about: benefits of daily activities to shape physiology, how exercise can be used as a tool to fight disease and age-related decline and the best types of exercise for you. Presented by Michelle Boisvert, exercise physiologist, Hartford HealthCare GoodLife Fitness.

REGISTRATION REQUIRED: Call 1.855.HHC.HERE (1.855.442.4373) or go to HartfordHealthCare.org/VirtualClasses. After you register, you'll receive an email with easy instructions on joining the virtual class.

Open House at Arbor Rose at Jerome Home set for July 11

NEW BRITAIN – Arbor Rose at Jerome Home is a lovely independent and assisted living community located at 975 Corbin Ave., is hosting an open house on Tuesday, July 11 from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. Visitors will be able to learn more about the community we serve along with the endless services we provide for our seniors.

Registration is recommended. To reserve a time, call Karen Alix, retirement counselor at Arbor Rose at Jerome Home, at 860.229.3707. Arbor Rose at Jerome Home, which is affiliated with Hartford HealthCare Senior Services, offers independent and assisted living with memory care on the campus of Jerome Home, located at 975 Corbin Ave. in New Britain. For more information about Arbor Rose at Jerome Home, visit jeromehome.org.

Virtual: Dementia Caregiver Support Group

Do you care for someone diagnosed with dementia? A support group provides emotional, educational, and social support. Join the call on the second Wednesday of the month from 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. starting on July 12. Facilitated by Patty O'Brian, CDP, dementia specialist, Hartford HealthCare Center for Healthy Aging. Sponsored by Hartford HealthCare Center for Healthy Aging and Alzheimer's Association.

REGISTRATION REQUIRED: Call 1.855.HHC.HERE (1.855.442.4373) or go to HartfordHealthCare.org/VirtualClasses. After you register, you'll receive an email with easy instructions on joining the virtual class.

Virtual: Importance of Proper Posture

Join the class on Wednesday, July 19, from 1 p.m. to 2 p.m. to learn more about: how poor posture can lead to numerous muscular-skeletal problems, including back pain, neck pain, and joint issues as well as what you can do to improve it. Presented by Christine Solimini-Swift, exercise physiologist, Hartford HealthCare, GoodLife Fitness.

REGISTRATION REQUIRED: Call 1.855.HHC.HERE (1.855.442.4373) or go to HartfordHealthCare.org/VirtualClasses. After you register, you'll receive an email with easy instructions on joining the virtual class.

Open House at The Orchards at Southington set for July 19

The Orchards at Southington, a beautiful independent and assisted living community located at 34 Hobart Street, is hosting an open house on Wednesday, July 19, from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. Visitors will be able to learn more about how the concerns of a personal home can be put aside for the perks of a senior living community, safety precautions, and supportive services.

Registration is recommended. To reserve a time, call Antoinette Ouellette, retirement counselor at The Orchards at Southington, 860.628.5656.

The Orchards at Southington, a not for profit member of Hartford HealthCare Senior Services, offers independent and assisted living at 34 Hobart St., Southington. For more information about The Orchards at Southington, visit <http://southingtonorchards.org>.

Open House at Mulberry Gardens set for July 26
Mulberry Gardens, is an independent and assisted living community located at 58 Mulberry St., will be hosting an open house on Wednesday, July 26, from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. Visitors will be able to learn more about how living at a senior community can be rich, varied schedule of social, cultural, and recreational opportunities. Registration is recommended. To reserve a time, call Marie Terzak, retirement counselor at Mulberry Gardens, at 860.276.1020. Mulberry Gardens, a member of Hartford

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Call the Senior Center to register for the meeting.

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Thinking About Starting A Business In Plainville?

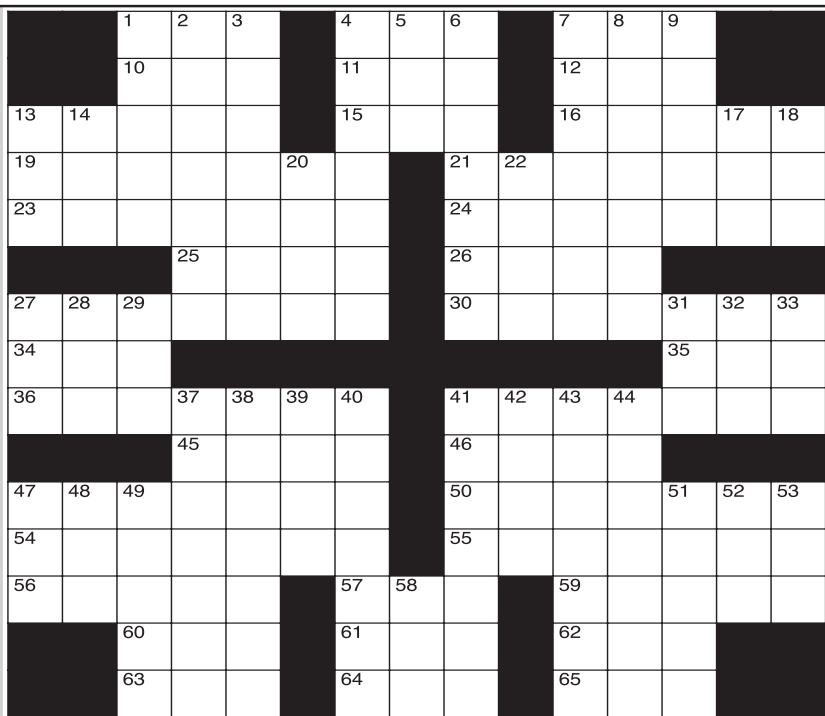
Always check with the Economic Development Commission

For assistance Contact:

Cal Hauburger, Economic Development Director

Call 860-793-0221 Ext.7178

Crossword



CLUES ACROSS

- 1. INDICATES TIRE PRESSURE
- 4. REQUEST
- 7. CLAIRVOYANCE
- 10. 007'S CREATOR
- 11. ADULT MALE
- 12. SCANDINAVIAN GOD OF BATTLE
- 13. CLOTHS SPREAD ON A COFFIN
- 15. BREEZE THROUGH
- 16. LADYFISH GENUS
- 19. IT'S GOOD TO TAKE THEM
- 21. NOBLE-GOVERNED TERRITORY
- 23. MEMBERS OF U.S. NAVY
- 24. CARD GAME RESEMBLING RUMMY
- 25. AFFECTED BY INJURY
- 26. MEMBER OF A SEMITIC PEOPLE
- 27. LEFT
- 30. WOMAN'S CLOAK
- 34. S. AMERICAN PLANT
- 35. PROHIBIT
- 36. OFFENSE
- 41. DISH SOAP BRAND
- 45. OTTOMAN MILITARY COMMANDERS
- 46. ANCIENT GREEK CITY
- 47. MAKES UNHAPPY

CLUES DOWN

- 1. PLANT OF THE NETTLE FAMILY
- 2. FIT TO BE SOLD
- 3. RATHER
- 4. COLLECTED
- 5. A BAGLIKE STRUCTURE IN A PLANT OR ANIMAL
- 6. PATELLA
- 7. AGELESS
- 8. LISTS OF COURSE REQUIREMENTS
- 9. POKES AT
- 13. TV NETWORK
- 14. THEY ___
- 17. COOKING HARDWARE
- 18. U.S. ARMY TITLE

- 20. IRON-CONTAINING COMPOUND
- 22. SWISS RIVER (ALT. SPELLING)
- 27. FORMER FRENCH COIN
- 28. ELECTRONIC COUNTERMEASURES
- 29. TAXI
- 31. HELPS LITTLE FIRMS
- 32. WOEFUL
- 33. MIDWAY BETWEEN NORTH-EAST AND EAST
- 37. GLOWING
- 38. TASKS WHICH SHOULD BE DONE
- 39. AN INFORMAL BODY OF FRIENDS
- 40. INTRINSIC NATURE
- 41. NEURAL STRUCTURES
- 42. BREWS
- 43. WHERE SHIPS UNLOAD CARGO
- 44. SINGER
- 47. SINO-SOVIET BLOCK (ABBR.)
- 48. SOUTHWEST SCOTLAND TOWN
- 49. MOST WORTHLESS PARTS
- 51. VISCOUS
- 52. PUT TO WORK
- 53. OLD WORLD, NEW
- 58. SWISS RIVER

Answer on page 27

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- 12TH TEENA GRAVEL
- 13TH JIM TALLEY
- 14TH **JASON MILLER is 35!!!!**
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- 19TH SARA KLAPPRODT CICCONE
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- 23RD STACY CHAPMAN LIPSKI
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- 27TH DEAN BRAYNE
- 28TH ROB JUSINO



AUGUST

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- 4TH HELEN BERGENTY
- 5TH VINNY PUGLIESE
AVERY MONROE MADIGAN
JENNIFER PATRAW
- 7TH RYAN FONTAINE “16TH BIRTHDAY”
- 11TH PEYTON HUSSEY
SUZANNE BLAISE
- 13TH ROBERT GAUVIN
- 14TH JACK MCDERMOTT “16TH BIRTHDAY”
- 15TH ERIK STUCKMAN
- 20TH DEBORAH DUFF
- 22ND ROBERT HINKSON
VICTORIA FLYNN
- 24TH ROBYN POULOS
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A Bipartisan State Budget Agreement

By State Rep. Francis Rexford Cooley

On June 12th, Governor Lamont signed the \$51 billion state budget package alongside some bipartisan legislative leaders who led the charge in drafting it. The package for FY 2024-25 is headlined by a state income tax cut for middle- and low-income earners and families, the first in over three decades. The fully balanced budget features over \$150 million for local education, establishes a phase-out on pension and annuity taxes, investments in public safety, and follows strict fiscal guardrails established in the 2017 budget agreement. Each of these key initiatives were proposed and supported by House Republicans dating back to 2022, when we proposed the income tax cut included in the final compromise.

Income tax cuts included in the budget reduce the bottom two marginal tax rates – from 3% to 2% and from 5% to 4.5% - with full benefit going to single filers earning under \$105k and joint filers earning under \$210k.

EDUCATION FUNDING

The new state budget will bolster Education Cost Sharing (ECS) funding which directly infuses our local schools with additional tools to strengthen our children's education and fully funds Plainville education. In receiving these ECS funds, municipalities can better allocate the monies saved by the funding injection without raising costs for taxpayers. The budget also fully funds the Excess Cost grants for special education reimbursements to towns.

SUPPORTING SENIORS

Connecticut seniors are supported in the budget agreement, which eliminates the benefits cliff on their pension and annuity income or individual retirement accounts. The plan phases out the income tax exemption on those earnings post-retirement gradually by raising the income threshold from \$100k to \$150k for joint filers and \$75k to \$100k for single, separate, and head of household filers.

PUBLIC SAFETY

Importantly, there is funding to create a "Narcan Leave Behind" program to allow first responders to leave naloxone kits with the family, friends, or bystanders at the scene of a non-fatal overdose and makes Narcan tax exempt in all forms. It also includes funding to improve safety and training for local firefighters, an additional \$5 million in firefighter cancer relief funding, and help to remove PFAS, which contains dangerous carcinogens, from standard use in fire service operations.

GOOD GOVERNMENT

Additionally, the budget will shrink the size of state government by requiring state agencies to follow real-world hiring principles. In doing so, the state will save taxpayers \$200 million. Omitted from the final document were other strong Republican initiatives like a first-ever child tax deduction of \$2,000 per child. Though, improvements to an opt-in pass-through entity tax credit to benefit small businesses was approved.

The bipartisan state budget was enabled by honoring the spending, volatility, and bonding caps enacted by Republicans in the 2017 budget agreement that were re-certified early in the 2023 legislative session.

As always, if you have any questions or concerns regarding state government, please feel free to reach out to me at Francis.Cooley@housegop.ct.gov.

“Ask Sheila”

Q-1) I turned 65 3 months ago and didn't sign up for Medicare yet. Can I still enroll even though it's July and my 65th Birthday was in April? I do not have any Health Insurance at this time.

A-1) Fortunately for you, this is the last month for your Initial Enrollment Period. With April as your Birthday Month, you have the 3 months following to enroll in Medicare with no Penalty. Don't delay ! If you try to enroll in August, you will be denied and have to wait until the General Enrollment Period Jan 1st to March 31st.

Q-2) I work for an Individual General Contractor who has only 10 Employees. We do have a Health Group Insurance Plan. Do I have to sign up for Medicare when I turn 65, or can I wait until I retire?

A-2) With a Small Employer (20 employees or less) Medicare is your Primary Insurance and the Employee Plan becomes your Secondary coverage. So yes, if you work for a Company with fewer than 20 employees, you need to enroll in Medicare when you turn 65.

Q-3) I have a Medicare Advantage Plan that is an HMO. If I decide to go to an Out-of-Network Doctor, will my Plan have to pay for the Doctor's Services ?

A-3) If you have chosen an HMO Medicare Advantage Plan, than you do not have Out-of-Network Benefits, unless it is for Emergency Coverage.

If you have any specific Questions, or would just like to

Talk about Medicare, give me a Call .

Sheila Dow 860-965-0091

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Oral Health Conditions During Pregnancy

During pregnancy, several oral health conditions are more common:

- Gingivitis may result from hormonal changes that exaggerate the response to bacteria in the gum tissue.
- Dental caries may occur due to changes in diet such as increased snacking due to cravings, increased acidity in the mouth due to vomiting, dry mouth or poor oral hygiene stemming from nausea and vomiting.
- Pyogenic granuloma (also known as granuloma gravidarum) is a round growth, usually connected to the gingivae by a thin cord of tissue, that may develop due to hormonal changes.
- Erosion stemming from vomiting because of morning sickness may be detected. Patients should be encouraged to avoid toothbrushing immediately after vomiting, which exposes the teeth to stomach acids. Instead, they should opt for rinsing with a diluted solution of 1 cup water and 1 teaspoon of baking soda to neutralize the acid.

Due to the increased risk of gingivitis and caries, the importance of good daily oral hygiene should be emphasized to these patients. Brushing twice a day with a soft-bristled brush for two minutes, using a fluoride-containing toothpaste, and cleaning between the teeth once a day should be encouraged. If it is determined that a topical fluoride

treatment is needed to minimize the effects of erosion, fluoride varnish may be preferred over gel treatments due to nausea.

Periodontitis and Adverse Pregnancy Outcomes

Much has been written in recent years about the relationship between maternal periodontitis and pregnancy outcomes. While findings of individual studies have been mixed, an overview of 23 systematic reviews conducted through 2016 concluded that associations exist between periodontitis and pre-term birth, low birthweight babies, low birthweight babies born prematurely and the development of pre-eclampsia.

More research is needed to determine the relationship between periodontitis and pregnancy outcomes, however, should periodontitis develop during pregnancy, scaling and root planing is recognized as safe to perform.

The ACOG statement on oral care during pregnancy and through the lifespan states that “despite the lack of evidence for a causal relationship between periodontal disease and adverse pregnancy outcomes, the treatment of maternal periodontal disease during pregnancy is not associated with any adverse maternal or birth outcomes,” and “prenatal periodontal therapy is associated with the improvement of maternal oral health.”

P-l-a-i-n-v-i-l-l-e

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

Stan Raves: I must rave about my favorite restaurant, Pagliacci's. I have been going to Pagliacci's for over 30 years. The original owners are now running the restaurant full time. The food and service is of the best anyone could expect, we held a party for my Father's Retirement and everyone raved about the food and service. The private room made it special.

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PLAINVILLE HIGH SCHOOL QUARTER 4 HONOR ROLL**GRADE 12 - GOLD**

Noor Abbasi, Vanessa Autunno, Michael Bakaysa, Dylan Cianci, Trevor Garrow-Cooke, Megan Gray, Matthew Kuczynko, Riley Lasko, Roman Lee, Spencer Michalek, Dale Neyra, Trevor Rau, Jacob Schwentke, Skyler Scott, Carl Smith, Joshua Smith, Amber St. Onge, Jaylen Thigpen, Saylor Tompkins, Nolan Wargo, Alison Wisz.

GRADE 12 - SILVER

Kadane Archer, Kaelynn Arocho, Tea Autunno, Ngoc Barnett, Nora Couture, David Czereba, Nicholas Dennis, Ryan Dickey, Julia Doyle, Lily Feyerabend, Isabella Grasso, William Haas, Kendall Hall, Naomi Juarez-Hernandez, Patrick Kapusta, Joseph Kennedy, Amber Monzillo, Michael Ouellette, Alida Passaretti, Nikolas Penta, Emma Roberts, Jessica Rustico, Avery Sayachak, Braden Shumbo, Anneli St. Lawrence, Paige Stilwill, Daniel Talarico, John Verrastro, Jonah Winkleman.

GRADE 12 - BRONZE

Natalie Basile, Brandon Buckingham, Mariah Caron, Andrew Christiano, Jake Conte, Damon DeLeon, Aryanna Delgado, Paige Dube, Yuliana Francisco-Melchor, Michelle Gryczewski, Alexander Harland, Jacob Keen, Antoni Krupski, Seth Lahoud, Jillian Lamb, Sofia Maksymiw, Kleo Malone, Preston Moody, Diego Padilla, Jeff Quirion La Oz, Leah Raucci, Nathan Saucier, Christopher Schneider, Matthew Sirois, Isabella Taylor, Ryan Taylor, Andrew West, Gabriella Willequer.

GRADE 11 - GOLD

Ayomikun Ayodele, Alex Brzostek, Nicole Caruso, Jacob Casale, Alexis Graff, Valiantsin Kasabrukhu, Jacob Kazimierczak, Rambla Marin, Shane McCormick, Zeel Patel, Gianna Rodriguez, Liliana Ruffini, Matthew Schnauffer, Roman Suddenko, Brayden Unwin.

GRADE 11 - SILVER

Kai Abate, Tara Adamo, Joel Appiah, Bella Apruzzese, Mikayla Ayers, Sebastian Banas, Lindsay Barbagallo, Cohen Blake, Charles Calandriello, Lucy Callender, Juliana Carlina, Diana Castillo, Richard Chu, Dominic Ciriello, Matthew Collado, Lavoie Collin, Gavin Cooke, Diana Czereba, Mikayla Dimock, Emma DiTolla, Yulissa Espino-Ramirez, Penley Giola, Victoria Hamel, Kailani Harris, Tamra Ibitz, Eryk Kapusta, Eric Kolc, Daria Krzanicki, Teresa Lopez, William Lorenzo, Julia Maksymiw, Julianna Matos, Jamison McGinnis, Chase McNamara, Carlos Mitera, Eleshba Nadeem, Michelle Reveron, Rileigh Ruot, Amelia Sarra, Peter Savage, Eric Siani, Katerina Soto, Elisabeth Suchojad, Daniel Szarwacki, Emily Tuczapski, Jeffrey Wasieleuski, Destiny Wasilonsky, Zoe Weimer

GRADE 11 - BRONZE

Molly Barrett, Shayna Bedell, Ella Bravado, Dylan Caron, Kacper Celi, Ariana Clifford, Sean Egan, Michael Fagan, Marissa Freitas, Chase Gray, Tamara Greene, Brianna Gridley, Gyanni Hayes, Sydney Kalisz, Sonia Konaktchiev, Adam LaCasse, Amanda Linnhoff, Vanessa Maciaszek, Oliwia Marecik, Seth Marquez, Cheyanne Matthews, Dylan Matthews, Elias McGhee, Madyson Miller, Lola Molloy, Alan Piotrowski, Kaid Piotrowski, Natalia Rollo, Brianna Roy, Veronica Sakowski, Samantha Shumbo, Tate Stevens, Olaf Talar, Johnathan Tata, Talyia Torres, Joseph Vasquez, Mariah Velasquez, Zachary Wyman, Nikole Zaniewski.

GRADE 10 - GOLD

Hailey Andersen, Maryssa Bakaysa, Abigail Belliveau, Peter Bocompani, Sofia Bocompani, Phillippe Brochu, Tamia Chapman, Ethan Chasse, Nathaniel Cranson, Nikolas Dahlstrom, Szymon Halas, Spencer Meucci, Marissa Miller, Hayley Montana, Juliana Radziewicz, Igor Silva Paraguario Gomes.

GRADE 10 - SILVER

Wynter Alexander, Dani Alff, Conner Beausoleil, Aliveah Benn, Greyson Borra, Jacob Boucher, Madison Carreras, Yuki Chen, Matthew Corriveau, Adriana Cruz-Vasquez, Lauren Danko, Veronica Dropa, Nathan Dudzic, Oscar Frejlich, Grace Geddes, Brian Grabowski, Paige Graff, Gabriel Healy, Charles Hills, Matthew Hitchcock, Paige Iwanicki, Valeria Juarez, Shaelyn Kay, Daniel Lacaille, Charles Lasko, Christian Marfia, Jack McDermott, Alana McGinnis, Tyler McGraw, Gabriela Mroczek, Muhammad Nadeem, Theodore Orzol, Kaitlyn Parsons, Maya Polkowski, Victoria Polkowski, Daniela Ponce, Bartlomiej Powala, Christine Rosario, Rebecca Rustico, Katy Sangare-Sidime, Maryla Srebrna, Audrey Vandermark, Brady Wiczorek, Samuel Willequer.

GRADE 10 - BRONZE

John Anderson, Christian Bangloy, Eli Benoit, Brucenell Bonsu, Gregoire Boucher, Alexa Call, Alicia Darmoros, Sabra Dewar, Jack Ericksen, Ryan Fontaine, Chanel Gawronski, Devin Gesner, Evan Giannini, Grace Gibson, Charlie Hall, Konrad Konieczniak, Sophia Leonetti, Cruz Lopez, John Morby, Jacob Morneault, Landon Motta, Pedro Ortiz, Nathan Passalugo, Adam Pellerin, Peyton Proctor, Braedan Ramsey, Sofia Ricciardiello, Jack Ross, Ashley Roy, Kaylynn Sayachak, Mileigh Saysana, Lawson Sewell, Olivia Shea, Nijaz Srdanovic, Tiana Thomson Barnes, Leo Vaughan, Avery Verrastro, Connor Voisine.

PLAINVILLE HIGH SCHOOL QUARTER 4 HONOR ROLL**GRADE 9 - GOLD**

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GRADE 9 - SILVER

Chelsea Appiah, Brianna Ballinger, Emily Blake, Max Brzostek, Tomasz Buganski, Sean Carney, Olivia Carter, Angelina Ciriello, Ciarra Collin, Sofia Corvello, Mckenzie Coyne, Spencer Davenport, Tiffany Dennis, Yanitza Diaz, Donjeta Doroci, Hailey Feltt, Matthew Galvez, Nash Giola, Lily Gogola, Kassidy Grondin, Dylan Haas, Aidan Hidalgo, Mia Huppenbauer, Evelyn Jimenez, Cole Jones, Daniel Kane, Chase Kay, Zuzanna Kordek, Emilia Krzysztofek, Thomas LaPointe, Riley Marquez, Maciej Maslak, Rori Musshorn, Maryssa Nieves, Mia Palaia, Alison Pham, Zoey Putnam, Andaluz Rosario, Olivia Rossi, Luke Stevens, Nicholas Tuczapski.

GRADE 9 - BRONZE

Kara Ahern, Ian Bravado, Brianna Carey, Reese Cello, Owen Clark, Mekhi Coleman, Tess Couture, Emily DeBellis, Karin Doung, Abel Gaber, Angel Garcia-Lugo, Christian Giuliano, Jade Gustafson, Michael Kraus, Marcel Kucharski, Emma Libby, Ethan Libby, Jacob Mandeville, Logan McCormick, Brian Mumford, Xavier Orzol, Braylon Parker, Faith Pelletier, Lorenzo Perez, Peyton Plourde, Brianna Pooler, Janiyah Rivera, Jeremy Rivera, Mason Rogers, Christopher Rollo, Jasmine Ryan, Iliyan Sakalou, Jadalyse Serrano, Santiago Torres, Nariah Velez, Ryan Wartonick, Daniel Zajackowski.

The Shrinking of the American Pie

By Francis Rexford Cooley

The list of American Rock 'n Roll icons selling their music catalogs to international music companies has become rather lengthy. Stevie Nicks sold to Primary Wave as had Gerry Beckley and Dewey Bunnell of America, both Bruce Springsteen and Paul Simon sold to Sony Music, and Bob Dylan and Twisted Sister's Dee Snider sold to Universal Music Group. They are just a short list of the numerous artists selling their publishing rights (along with masters, and trademarks in some cases) as they head into their Golden Years. It is an interesting reversal, as for decades pop and rock 'n roll songwriters fought with their record companies to gain control of their music catalogs. John Fogerty of Creedence Clearwater Revival fought for years with Fantasy Records over his music rights even going so far as refusing to play any CCR songs for years. So why the change?

In the end it is about finances. For some it is sell the asset because other revenue sources have dried up. Physical music sales have plummeted while streaming only pays a fraction of what album or single sales paid. Touring is a young person's game, few older musicians are doing long tours, the days of 100 to 200 shows a year are distant memories. Thus the sale of the music catalog insures they have a fixed amount of money for their retirements. However as Don McLean has noted, the music companies are not going to buy these catalogs unless they can make money thus by holding on to the catalog the musician and his or her heirs should make more money in the long run by holding onto the catalog. So why the massive rush or artists selling?

Dee Snider of Twisted Sister in a recent interview explained why he sold his catalog. The reason was taxes. As Snider pointed out, between state and federal taxes he was paying approximately fifty percent of his earnings derived from his music catalog in taxes. The sale price for his publishing rights was determined by the estimated income it would produce over a decade. That income is only taxed as a capital gain, at the time pegged at twenty percent (before the recent increase), so Snider saw thirty percent of his income from a decade of his earnings reach his pocket instead of the government's. He also received it up front so he could invest what he wanted, producing more income. From Snider's perspective, it was the financially prudent move. But what of McLean's point regarding the long run?

United States copyright law protects song rights for seventy years after the author's death. So for Universal Music Group which bought Snider's music catalog that catalog will produce income for them for at least seventy years and possibly a century should Snider live thirty years past the sale. Snider's heirs will not see any of that future income but they will not have to deal with the Estate Tax either which could force a sale of the catalog in order to pay that tax. Thus, while in principle McLean is right, as a practical matter Dee Snider's position regarding taxes, including setting up the transfer of wealth to his heirs over the time is a prudent position to take.

So why should anyone care what happens to a rock star's music catalog? Well, if they are an American rock star their business, and yes they are a business, is an American one. So when a Bob Dylan sells this catalog of over 600 songs to Universal Music Group, a Dutch conglomerate he is essentially selling an American business to a foreign entity. Similarly the sales of Bruce Springsteen and Paul Simon's catalogs to Sony, a Japanese conglomerate is the sale of American businesses to a foreign entity as well. The profits derived from these businesses now will ultimately flow out of the United States rather than circulate through our economy depriving America the benefits of that capital to grow the American economy.

So that our tax policy to paraphrase using a Don McLean lyric is shrinking, shrinking our "American Pie."



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NEW PLAINVILLE HIGH SCHOOL ADMINISTRATORS ANNOUNCED



Jennifer DeLorenzo Kelly Hickey

Principal Jennifer DeLorenzo, has been named principal of the high school and Plainville High School Counselor Kelly Hickey, has been named assistant principal of the high school, according to Superintendent of Schools, Steven LePage. DeLorenzo will replace current Principal Carl Johnson, who has accepted a position outside of the school district.

DeLorenzo began her career as a math teacher at Plainville High School in 2001, served as a mathematics instructional leader at the high school, and became assistant principal in 2019. She is a member of the National Educators Association (NEA) the Connecticut High School Coaches Association (CHSCA) and the National Association of Secondary School Principals (NASS). She holds a bachelor of science degree from Providence College, a master of science education degree from Walden University, and a sixth year certification from Sacred Heart University.

INTERIM SUPERINTENDENT NAMED

Soon to be retired Superintendent of the Canton, Connecticut public school district, Kevin Case, has been named interim superintendent of Plainville Community Schools, according to Plainville Board of Education Chair, Lori Consalvo.

Case will serve as the interim superintendent while a search is conducted for the superintendent position in Plainville. Case has been an educator for 37 years, and superintendent in Canton for 16 years.

The Plainville Board of Education is working together with Cooperative Executive Searches (CES) on the hiring of a permanent superintendent for the Plainville school district. CES is one of six Regional Educational Service Centers (RESCs) supporting public schools in Connecticut.

Case will begin as interim superintendent on July 1, 2023.

PLAINVILLE'S BALLOON FEST

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DeLorenzo was appointed unanimously by the Plainville Board of Education and will begin in her role as principal on July 1st.

Hickey has served as a school counselor at Plainville High School since 2013. Prior to that, she served as a school counseling intern and graduation interventionist at Middletown High School and Woodrow Wilson Middle School. Hickey has served on several school committees, and in many additional capacities at Plainville High School including her role as the PHS Edgenuity coordinator, co-coach of the Unified Sports program, Class of 2022 co-advisor, and previously as a co-advisor for the yearbook, PSAT coordinator, and PHS homebound tutor coordinator. She holds a bachelor of arts degree from the University of Connecticut, a master of school counseling degree from Central Connecticut State University and a sixth year / 092 certification from Quinnipiac University.

Hickey was chosen from an extensive pool of candidates. The interview process included an initial screening round, followed by a second round of interviews with finalists, from which she was ultimately selected as the candidate of choice.

Hickey will begin in her role as assistant principal on July 1st.

"Mrs. DeLorenzo and Ms. Hickey are both outstanding choices for the school leadership positions at Plainville High School. Their combined experiences in serving children in multiple ways and from varied backgrounds will combine and be of great benefit to students. I'm optimistic for the continued and expanded excellence at Plainville High School in the future, and wish them both the absolute best in their leadership journeys," said Superintendent of Schools, Steven LePage.

Linden Street School Students Visited By Reptiles



CZR Reptiles recently visited the Linden Street School community with a variety of reptiles! Students were provided with an informative and interactive presentation about two young tortoises, a bearded dragon, a baby alligator, and four snakes.



Toffolon Students Celebrate "Camp I Want To Read"



Students in Allison Pascucci's second grade class at Louis Toffolon Elementary School recently enjoyed "camping" via a tent project that the class constructed, turning their classroom reading celebration into "Camp I Want To Read" for two days.

Mentors Participate in "Mentor Fun Night"



Volunteer mentors and student mentees in the Plainville Community Schools Mentor Program came together this spring at Linden Street School for "Mentor Fun Night." The group participated in an artist-led paint project, creating individual paintings, and enjoyed refreshments and time together. This event was made possible by a generous grant from the Elizabeth H. Norton Trust Fund.

Shown above: Mike Thomas with mentee Amauri Delgado. Sharyn Bieber with mentee Livia Eid



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SCHOOL DISTRICT NAMES MIKAYLA WELLS TEACHER OF THE YEAR



Plainville Community Schools has named Plainville High School Math Teacher Mikayla Wells as the 2023-2024 Teacher of the Year. Wells was nominated by Plainville High School faculty member Eileen Hebert.

The Plainville school district continued a tradition that began last year in honoring a school based teacher of the year in each of the five Plainville schools, in addition to ultimately selecting a district teacher of the year. The candidates were evaluated by the district's Teacher of the Year Committee, and ultimately selected Wells as the 2023-24 Plainville Community Schools Teacher of the Year. Building level Teachers of the Year include: Mikayla Wells, Plainville High School, Laura Meehan, Middle School of Plainville, Courtney Caldwell, Louis Toffolon Elementary School, Laura Reed, Wheeler School, and Michael Boncimino, Linden Street School.

In photo: Assistant Superintendent of Schools, David Levenduski, Plainville Community Schools Teacher of the Year, Mikayla Wells, Plainville Board of Education Chair, Lori Consalvo, and Superintendent of Schools, Steven LePage.

PHS Students Explore Career Opportunities



Plainville High School students recently extended their career pathways exploration with local community partners. 22 students spent the day at the Hospital of Central Connecticut during a "Health Sciences Career Day" visit hosted by Hartford Healthcare. The students were able to tour several departments within

the hospital and speak with a variety of professionals. Additionally, Plainville High School students **Adam Jodlowski and Dylan Matthews** participated in a Construction Career Day event sponsored by Associated Builders & Contractors of CT, Inc & CEC.



Health Sciences Career Day at Hospital of Central Connecticut

BOE Honors Retirees

At their June 5th meeting, the Plainville Board of Education recognized the following individuals who will retire this year for their many years of service to Plainville Community Schools.



From Left: Michael Turcotte, Sr., Stephen Le Suer, Susan Smizer, Hector Mirabal, and Sherry Daddabbo

- Tom Kennedy**, Plainville High School
English Teacher
- Michael Turcotte Sr.**, Plainville High School
Custodian
- Phyllis Reis**, Plainville High School
Office Professional
- Susan Smizer**, Linden Street School, Tutor
- Susanne Bajek**, Linden Street School
Grade 3 Teacher
- Debra Treado**, Plainville High School
Office Professional
- Sherri Estrellado**, Middle School of Plainville
Special Education Teacher
- Hector Mirabal**, Plainville High School
World Language Teacher
- Valerie Provost**, Louis Toffolon Elementary School
Grade 2 Teacher
- Sherry Daddabbo**, Frank T. Wheeler Elementary School, Pre-K Paraprofessional
- Stephen Le Suer**, Middle School of Plainville
Tutor and Student Support



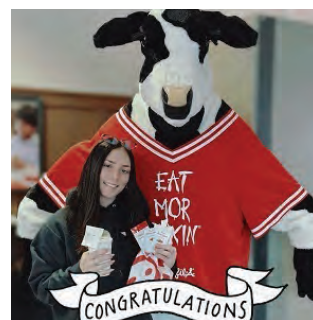
Toffolon Volunteer Mentor Visits with Student

Plainville Community Schools

volunteer mentor Scott Geddes and his student mentee Carter Gaddy, recently enjoyed a game of football during their weekly visit at Toffolon School.



Local Restaurant Highlights PHS Students



In photos: Plainville High School students Andrew West, Joel Appiah, Tea Autunno, Amber St. Onge, and Isabella Taylor

The Chick-fil-A restaurant in Southington, Connecticut recently instituted a "Plainville High School Student of the Week" program to recognize and highlight one Plainville High School student each week during the school year.

Elementary Schools Celebrate with Pizza Party

Students and volunteers in the Plainville Community Schools' Reading Partners Program recently celebrated the end of the school year with a pizza party at each of the district's three elementary schools.



PHS Students Honored By Board of Education



Plainville High School students Anneli St. Lawrence (performing arts) and Paige Stilwill (visual arts) are recipients of the Plainville High School / Connecticut Association of Schools (CAS) Outstanding Art Awards. They were honored at the June 5th Plainville Board of Education meeting.

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“OLM will Always have a Special Place in my Heart and Prayers.”

*God Bless,
Father Ray*



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George Fensick*

From the Desk of..... Thomas A. Wurz

THE REALITY OF STALKING

Most people think that stalking and harassment are things only celebrities have to fear. However, through the advancement of technology, every day people run the risk of being overexposed. Sometimes this exposure manifests itself into stalking and harassment for regular people. Thankfully, the law affords both criminal and civil actions to be taken for the victims. So, in the event the police are not willing to do anything, potential victims may still secure their safety through a civil order.

Connecticut criminal law penalizes anyone who recklessly causes another person to reasonably fear for their physical safety by willfully and repeatedly following or lying in wait for them. This is the minimum standard for criminal stalking, which carries a maximum sentence of 6 months and \$1,000 in fines. The jail time and fines increase with the intent and severity of the stalking up to 5 years in prison and \$5,000 in fines. Furthermore, the Connecticut harassment laws do not require in-person contact to constitute harassment. Electronic mediums, like facebook or email, may be used for harassment as well as telephones and other like instruments. The most severe penalty for harassment in

Connecticut is 5 years in prison and a \$5,000 fine. Therefore, regardless of a person's intent or lack of direct contact with the victim they may be guilty of stalking or harassment based on the victim's apprehension.

The one real downside to the criminal law of stalking and harassment is that it requires the police to have enough evidence to bring the charges against someone. So what can you do if the police are not going to help? Victims can bring an ex parte request for a civil protective order. "Ex parte" means that neither party has to be present in order for the judge to grant a protective order to the applicant. If granted, the order provides the victim with a means for having their stalker held criminally liable for placing them in physical fear as long as the accused violates the contact requirements implemented in the ex parte order. Ultimately, nothing can assure everyone's complete safety, yet civil protective orders provide people with an avenue for enhancing their safety without being forced to leave it to the police.

So whether you are Brad Pitt, Angelina Jolie, or Joe Schmo you should always be on the lookout for people that may want to put you in danger. Knowing how the law can work to protect you may make all the difference. ***As always, if any of these situations become a reality in your life, consult with a licensed attorney so that you may better protect yourself.***

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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CANNABIS CONVERSATION

with

Dr. Paulina Miklosz

DNP, APRN

The cannabis plant is composed of over 100 naturally occurring compounds called cannabinoids. As we've discussed in prior articles, cannabinoids are not exclusive to cannabis. The human body creates its own (endogenous) cannabinoids that interact with our body's endocannabinoid system to regulate many vital bodily functions. In this article, we will explore one of the most popular cannabinoids: cannabidiol (or CBD for short). CBD is derived from the hemp plant; hemp is any part of the cannabis plant with no more than 0.3% of tetrahydrocannabinol (THC). THC is one of the other well-known cannabinoids and while it certainly has many therapeutic benefits, it does have more of a psychoactive effect than its hemp-derived counterpart—meaning THC is responsible for the 'high' effect when using cannabis. In next month's article, we will explore the effects of THC in greater detail.

CBD has gained significant attention over the last few years for its potential health properties. Wellness shops, grocery stores, smoke shops and even gas stations are now selling CBD. With chronic health conditions on the rise, more people are turning to supplements and alternative approaches to help support their health and potentially manage their symptoms. When ingested or used, CBD tends to have an anti-inflammatory effect which may benefit those with chronic pain or inflammatory conditions. CBD may also be calming to the mind and body. In a 2015 study comparing the effects of THC and CBD, THC was found to activate the neurotransmitters involved in the "fight or flight" response, often leading to overstimulation and increased anxiety. Conversely, CBD repressed—or calmed that panic response, suggesting that there may be a role for CBD in the management of anxiety, insomnia,

depression and other mental health conditions.

CBD can be used in a variety of ways including oral products (such as tinctures, capsules or gummies), topical formulations (creams, gels, etc.) and inhaled CBD (CBD flower, pre-rolled joints, etc). If you are interested in starting a CBD regimen, it is important to review your current medications and supplements with a medical provider who is knowledgeable about cannabis medicine.

Lastly, when considering any CBD products, be sure to investigate the brand's manufacturing and regulatory information to ensure that you are purchasing a good quality product. Unfortunately, because the supplement market is poorly regulated, many of the CBD products on store shelves do not contain the amount of CBD they advertise. A reputable brand will include a certificate of analysis (COA) that shows the potency and purity of a cannabis product as confirmed by a licensed analytical testing lab.

As more research is conducted on cannabis medicine, we continue discovering new cannabinoids and identifying new potential therapeutic effects of existing cannabinoids like CBD. If you're interested in learning more about CBD, medical cannabis or certification for CT's Medical Marijuana Program, please contact our clinic, Higher Med at (959) 900-8206 or check out our website at HigherMed.org.

Dr. Paulina Miklosz is a doctorally-prepared Family Nurse Practitioner with over 10 years of experience in primary care, population health and advanced diabetes management. She is the owner and medical director of Higher Med, a Plainville-based health clinic specializing in Cannabinoid Medicine.

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Finally after sending her message she waits and what does she get, "What's that again?" I can bet you when she gets home the kids will still be playing and her husband will say, "What did you want, Running Fox was telling a great story?"

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Physical Therapy for Common Summer Injuries

With summer here, we look forward to getting out again and being active. We want to get our bodies in shape, play basketball, hit the golf course or tennis courts. Unfortunately, sometimes being active has a downfall when we get that unexpected injury. Being inactive during the cold winter can strain our bodies and lead to common injuries. Luckily physical therapy can help with both recovery and prevention of injuries. Find out about the most common summer injuries and how you can help your body with physical therapy before venturing out on that physical activities.

Common Summer Injuries Ankle Sprains

Ankle injuries and, most commonly, sprains are one of the most common injuries suffered by people. Uneven terrains, sudden movement, or inadequate warmups contribute to the risk of ankle sprains. An ankle sprain can be painful and debilitating and leave you, once again, inactive like in wintertime! However, physical therapy can help. Therapists can create a treatment plan to reduce the pain and swelling and design range of motion exercises to strengthen the joint and get you back on your feet. They can also provide information about the best footwear, bracing, and preventative activities for warmup before exercising to prevent the recurrence of the same problem.

Knee Injuries

One of the most commonly injured joints in the body is the knee. It is crucial to seek the proper treatment immediately, as avoiding treatment can progress into a torn ACL. The ACL is the ligament that helps connect the thigh bone (femur) to the shin bone (tibia). Injuries to the ACL occur most commonly during sports that involve sudden stops or change of direction, jumping or landing. Many people hear a popping sensation in the knee when an injury occurs. Serious injury can result in surgery if not treated immediately. Seeking help from a physical therapist as soon as possible can solve the problem before it progresses. The therapist can design a treatment plan with strengthening exercises, stretches, stability and more to reduce the risk of an ACL injury.

Shin Splints

Shin splints are injuries in the front of your lower leg when the tibia becomes inflamed and painful. The cause is often increasing your activity level too quickly, causing repeated stress on the lower leg. Risk factors for shin splints include inadequate warmup, muscle imbalances in the lower leg, running on hard or inclined surfaces, overuse, or incorrect running shoes. Physical therapy can correct this injury with the correct exercises, stretches and massages to alleviate the condition and get you up and running sooner than you think.

Shoulder Injuries

Summer activities like swimming, kayaking, tennis, or golf can put excessive stress on the shoulders. This could result in injuries such as rotator cuff strains, dislocations, shoulder instability or frozen shoulders. Physical therapists employ various techniques in the treatment and prevention of shoulder injuries. They can also advise you about proper exercises, warmups, and posture to alleviate and prevent pain and injuries in the shoulder and improve joint mobility.

Tennis/ Golfer Elbow

Tennis and golfer's elbow is a form of tendonitis that causes pain and inflammation in the tendons that connect the forearm to the elbow. Tendonitis is caused by overuse of the forearm muscles and tendons, with repetitive minor shock on the affected areas. The difference between tennis and golfer's elbow is that with tennis elbow, the tendons are damaged on the outside of the elbow, whereas with golfer's elbow, the tendons on the inside of the elbow are damaged. These injuries are not necessarily caused by participating in the sport, but any hand, wrist, or forearm movement can lead to strain or damage of the muscles and tendons in that area. For example, repetitive flexing, gripping, or swinging can cause tiny tears or pulls in the tendons. Furthermore, improper throwing, lifting, or hitting, poor conditioning, and too little warmup can contribute to tennis or golfer's elbow.

Physical therapists are trained to differentiate and diagnose between these two. Then, they will set up an individual training plan, guiding you to heal the tendons with appropriate exercises and correct warmup sessions to avoid repetitive injuries.

Back Pain

After winter's prolonged inactivity, your body is not accustomed to physical movement such as running, jumping and other strenuous movements. In addition, sudden physical activity increases the risk of strain on back muscles. Therefore, it is imperative to start the season with exercises and stretches that the physical therapists will provide to prevent back injuries and immobilize you for the summer months.

Fractures

There is always the risk of falling, tripping, or slipping when participating in physical activities like soccer, softball, cycling, hiking, or any other physical activity you participate in during the summer months. This can lead to fractures and sprains that require medical treatment and long rest periods. Fortunately, physical therapists can give you specific exercises, treatments, and stretches to avoid serious injuries or fractures before participating in the activity.

Prevention is better than cure

A physical therapist can help you reach your best in whatever activity you participate in. So, before you start, consult a physical therapist for advice and guidance on activities, movements, stretches, and exercises to help you achieve the optimal this summer. Most insurances allow you to seek out care from a physical therapist without consulting with a medical doctor!

Physical therapists provide safety exercises that challenge and improve your balance and physical activity. They can help avoid injuries and strengthen the muscles to prevent severe damage and eliminate pain. Stretching and strengthening, according to the instructions of a physical therapist, can only improve your physical activity and mobility.

Where to go? Physical Therapy & Sports Medicine Centers of Plainville

At Physical Therapy & Sports Medicine Centers of Plainville, you can find dedicated staff who fully understand your need or injury and design a customized treatment plan. They are dedicated to helping you to recover and achieve your physical fitness goals. Turn to them for compassionate care and personalized attention. Make an appointment now for help from the best physical therapists around. Call us at 860-517-8885 or find us on the web at www.PTSMC.com/Plainville.

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SKIN CANCER AWARENESS AND SCREENING

MONDAY, JULY 10, 10:00 AM PROGRAM IS FREE

PLEASE CALL OR REGISTER ON-LINE FOR THE PRESENTATION AND TO SCHEDULE AN APPOINTMENT FOR THE SKIN CANCER SCREENING.

Our skin is the largest organ in our bodies. It performs many valuable functions for us in the approximately 20 square feet it covers on us. It is something we should pay attention to keeping healthy! The talk, presented by Linda Ivey, Health Educator, Hartford HealthCare, will be followed by a bingo game based on the information provided in the presentation. Prizes for all! Following the program/bingo, Georgia Sterpka, APRN will conduct a free skin cancer screening (by appointment).

CAREGIVING CONNECTIONS

Join your caring friends on Tuesday, July 11 at 10 AM at the Senior Center as we support one another on our journeys and recognize the challenges and frustrations of 24/7 caregiving. Call the Senior Center to register.

SUNFLOWER STRAW HAT PAINTED CANVAS TOTE BAG & SMALL ZIPPERED POUCH

TUESDAY, JULY 11 & JULY 18, 9:30 AM—12:00

COST: \$19.00 INCLUDES TOTE BAG, POUCH & PAINTS.

INSTRUCTOR: PENNY KINDBLOM

In this class, we will use acrylic paint to paint and embellish a tote bag and a small zippered pouch. We will have fun adding texture to create the look of straw to our hat design and finish by adding a bow and a sunflower. Your finished set will be a great beach tote bag and accessory bag or use it as a grocery tote and coupon carrier. Your finished pieces will be dimensional and are sure to be one of a kind. Students need to bring: brushes of various sizes including a 1" flat brush and a size 10 or 12 flat brush, paper towels and a plastic container for water to clean brushes.

CHANGE THE SCRIPT

WEDNESDAY, JULY 12, 10:30 AM—1:00 PM

Stop by the Senior Center living room from 10:30 AM to 1:00 PM to get information and give-a-ways about substance misuse prevention and safe use, storage and disposal of medications.

NEEDLE FELTING CLASS: SUMMER LOBSTER

WEDNESDAY, JULY 12, 1:00 PM—3:00 PM

COST: \$20.00 INCLUDES ALL MATERIALS.

INSTRUCTOR: DIANA SHEARD

Summer is here and lobsters are in season! Everyone welcome! No prior experience necessary. Learn, laugh, and leave with your very own needle felted lobster! Sample on display in the showcase.

BREAKFAST CLUB –

MEN AND WOMEN INVITED

TUESDAY, JULY 18, 9:00 AM

Join us for an informal breakfast at D' Marie's Restaurant, 17 Whiting Street, Plainville! You'll order (and pay on your own) off the menu. Enjoy breakfast out with a great group of friends! Call the Senior Center to register.

HELP FOR VETERANS
For those needing assistance with VA benefits, forms & programs, call 203-805-6340 to make an appointment with Jason Coppola on the third Tuesday of the month at 10 AM. His next appointment will be JULY 18 (If there is no answer, please leave a message giving your full name and phone number).

Jason will conduct a phone interview to find out your status, needs & paperwork required. This will prepare for your face-to face appointment at the Plainville Senior Center. No drop-in appointments are available. Jason's position will be serving residents of the 5th Congressional District only which means he is unable to serve Southington or Bristol residents but can serve Plainville & New Britain.

FREE AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE CLASSES AT SENIOR CENTER

TUESDAYS, JULY 18—AUGUST 15, 10:00 AM—11:30 AM INSTRUCTOR: FAITH POSNER

We are thrilled to welcome back Faith Posner, volunteer and Freshman at Plainville High School.

Faith will be teaching complimentary American Sign language (ASL) classes at the Senior Center. Participants will learn basic vocabulary and grammar skills for beginners using body language, facial expressions and hand movements, make introductions and share person information about self, family basic desires and interests and talk about your surroundings, by giving and receiving directions as well as sharing information using vocabulary terms. The goal is to be able to do basic fingerspelling and signed numbers as well as recognize fingerspelling and signed numbers when done slowly. In addition to being hard of hearing herself and native signer, Faith is also part of a deaf family.

COMMUNICATION AND DEMENTIA LUNCH AND LEARN

THURSDAY, JULY 20, 11:30 AM—12:30 PM, FREE. REGISTER BY JULY 17.

Communication is a vital part of our lives. It allows us to express who we are and relate to one another. Recognize how dementia affects communication and learn some helpful tips and strategies for your conversations with people living with the disease. Presented by Heather Hitchcock, CDP, Community Educator with Bristol Behavioral Health. Complimentary lunch (turkey sandwich, chips, cookie) provided by National Health Care/The Pines of Bristol.

MEMORY CAFÉ AT THE SENIOR CENTER

THURSDAY, JULY 20, 2:00 - OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

CALL THE SENIOR CENTER TO REGISTER.

Memory Café is a warm & welcoming program for individuals with memory loss. Anyone experiencing memory loss is welcome to attend with their loved ones or caregivers. Memory Café is a social gathering with a safe, supportive, & engaging environment that gives everyone a place to make new friends and interact with others. Enjoy appropriate activities such as crafts, games, music & conversation. Memory Café, which meets monthly, is free and welcome to all. This program is funded in part by Title III of the Older Americans Act through the North Central Area Agency on Aging, Inc. & the CT State Unit on Aging.

SPRUCE UP YOUR SALADS: DIY HEALTHY SALAD DRESSINGS

TUESDAY, JULY 25, 10:30 AM

INSTRUCTOR: JESSICA DORNER, REGISTERED DIETITIAN COST: \$3.00.

Join Jessica Dorner, Registered Dietitian, for this exciting cooking demonstration! Learn how to make your own salad dressings using mostly pantry ingredients, featuring dressings from traditional to fun, new flavors. Jessica will prepare healthy salad dressings for participants to taste test along with salads that complement the dressings. Participants will be able to try each dressing, get recipes and informational handouts, and be able to take home at least one sample dressings.

BOOK BUDS JULY BOOK: "THE LOST APOTHECARY" By SARAH PENNER

FRIDAY, JULY 28, 10:00 AM Free! For members only. Instructor: Kathleen Marsan

A secret apothecary shop in London is discovered and an unauthorized historical exploration ensues. The author cleverly leads our sleuth on a whirlwind adventure which leads to more questions than answers. Join us for an hour of intriguing discussion and bookish comradery. Coffee and tea provided. Please be sure to register as there is limited space. The book is available at the main desk at the Plainville Public Library.

WATER AEROBICS CLASS

JULY 31—AUGUST 21, 9:00 AM—9:45 AM At Norton Park Bernier Pool

COST: \$30 and includes instruction and pool noodle. Class limited to 10.

Workout to fun music in the pool! The water buoyancy takes away the tension from your joints so you can move freely in the water; we use noodles for extra resistance...come splash with us! This class is for seniors only...we will have the pool to ourselves during this time!

ARE YOU STRONG ENOUGH? LUNCH AND LEARN PROGRAM

THURSDAY, AUGUST 3, 11:30 AM, FREE

CALL THE SENIOR CENTER TO REGISTER BY JULY 31

FOX Rehabilitation will discuss the benefits of physical activity with chronic health conditions that can be managed with exercise. Co-sponsored by The Pines of Bristol and FOX Rehabilitation. A complimentary bagged lunch will be provided.

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CAREGIVING GUILT AND DUTY: IT'S COMPLICATED ISN'T IT

TUESDAY, AUGUST 15, 11:00 AM

Join us for a discussion surrounding the guilt and duty of caregiving:

- What is Guilt and Duty?
- Ways of managing caregiver guilt.
- Ways to improve your health and wellbeing.
- How Technology can help.

WHITE HOUSE MEMORIES PART II

TUESDAY, AUGUST 15, 1:30 PM

This presentation is a continuation of White House Memories Part 1 presented by Former White House Butler Alan DeValerio. There will be more celebrity sightings, and more insight into what working as a butler at the White House entailed. There is also an in depth look at First lady Nancy Reagan (the good and the bad).

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VETERANS' SOCIAL HOUR

TUESDAY, AUGUST 22, 10:00 AM

These monthly information and support meetings are conducted by Sherri Vogt, Veteran's Liaison for Hartford HealthCare Senior Services. **FOR ALL VETERANS OVER 60 AND THEIR SPOUSES.** Call the Senior Center at (860)747-5728 to register

FOOD SHARE PROGRAM - THE SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH

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OBITUARIES

~ Randall John "Randy" Colter ~



67, of Southington, passed away peacefully in the comfort of his home on Tuesday, June 20, 2023 after a lengthy illness. He was the devoted husband of Dena (Ziel) Colter for 28 years.

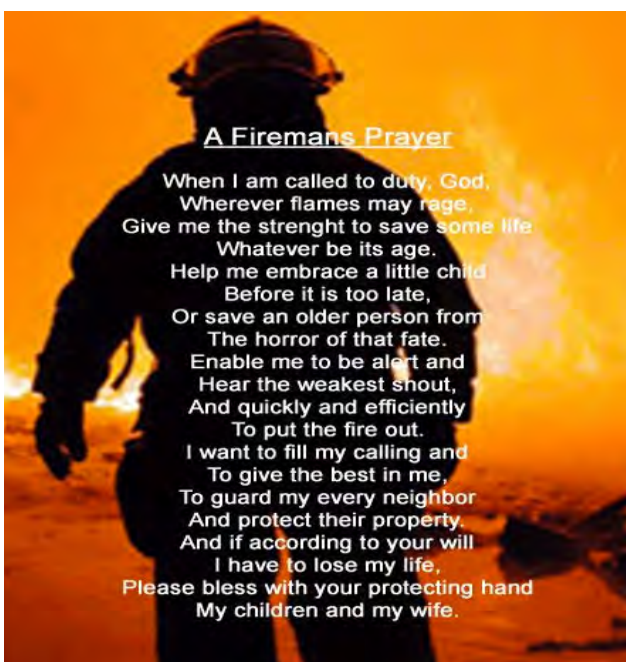
Randy was born on March 19, 1956 in Southington,

son to the late John and Dolores (McSorley) Colter, always proud of his Irish Heritage. Randy dedicated many years to working as a machinist at Pratt & Whitney, where he met many life-long friends, and retired from the Union after 35 years of service. He was a former volunteer fireman for the Plainville Fire Department proudly serving for the better of his community. He was a very generous man, with a big heart, who would always lend a helping hand. Randy was known for his great sense of humor, his love of history, his firm handshake, his lack of patience, his fierce loyalty to his friends and his tendency to repeatedly tell the same stories. He enjoyed golfing, softball, bowling, and rooting on his favorite baseball team, the New York Yankees. A lover of music, Randy would sing his heart out during family and friends karaoke nights, always humble about his talented voice, never wanting anyone to tell him how good he was. He was a huge movie buff, he loved historical and action films and was known to binge watch the Rocky franchise. A big teddy bear himself; he had a soft spot for all animals, with a special place in his heart for his beloved dogs. Randy had a love for all things history and would often share his favorite Abe Lincoln quote: "The two most important days of your life are the day you were born and the day you find out why." Leaving a legacy of love, laughter, and kindness, Randy will be missed as his family and friends cherish the memories they have shared over the years.

In addition to his wife of 28 years, Dena Colter, Randy leaves behind his sons, John Colter, Adam Colter and his wife, Angela; his grandchildren, Alicia Colter and Jacob Colter; his sister, Jacqueline Posadas and her husband, James; his aunts, Theresa St. Pierre and Diane Brenner; his nieces and nephews, Shannon Hughes, David Posadas, Brian Colter, Nicole Colter, Sandy Navarro, and Julio Figueroa; his great nieces and nephews, Julissa Figueroa and Julio Figueroa Jr.; his brother from another mother, Peter Tirado; his Godchildren Rebecca Gillespie and Peter Tirado Jr.; his fur baby, Chloe; and several extended family members, friends, and colleagues. He was predeceased by his brothers, Michael Colter and Richard Colter and his dog, Murphy.

A Celebration of Randy's life was held at Plainville Funeral Home, 81 Broad St., Plainville. Burial will be held privately at a later date. For more information or to leave online expressions of sympathy, please visit:

www.PlainvilleFuneralHome.com



A Fireman's Prayer

When I am called to duty, God,
Wherever flames may rage,
Give me the strength to save some life
Whatever be its age.
Help me embrace a little child
Before it is too late,
Or save an older person from
The horror of that fate.
Enable me to be alert and
Hear the weakest shout,
And quickly and efficiently
To put the fire out.
I want to fill my calling and
To give the best in me,
To guard my every neighbor
And protect their property,
And if according to your will
I have to lose my life,
Please bless with your protecting hand
My children and my wife.

~ James John Davis ~



45 of Plainville, passed away on Saturday, June 3, 2023. He was a man who knew how to live life to the fullest, and his adventurous, kind, and spirited nature will be greatly missed by all who were fortunate enough to know him.

James was born on January 7, 1978 to James H. and Maryann (Schultz) Davis, and leaves his younger brother, Matthew, all of Plainville and his Godparents, Mike and Carol Timbro. He also leaves his uncles John (MaryEllen) Riback and Casimir Slipski, his aunts Sophie Riback, Maryjane Schultz, Shirley, Janice and Linda Davis, and Lillian (Tim) Mulvehill. He was predeceased by his uncles, Michael, Raymond Donald Davis and Robert Schultz, and leaves many cousins, extended family and friends whose love and support brought a smile to James' face regularly. Those who were lucky enough to be part of his life will no doubt be sharing stories and memories of him for years to come.

In his younger days, James attended Plainville schools and later went on to the Gengras Center at the University of St. Joseph from where he graduated. He was a dedicated employee at the Walgreens Warehouse in Windsor, where he worked for over 11 years. A lover of the arts and most especially music, James was a regular attendee at theatres and playhouses throughout the state, and rarely missed the concerts of his favorite artists. He believed that life was best experienced with a soundtrack and never hesitated to share his passion for music with others.

His strong will and determination were evident in every aspect of his life, from his work to his hobbies, and even in his health battles. He can finally rest easy, knowing that he has left an unforgettable mark on the hearts of those who loved him.

The Davis family extends their sincerest gratitude to Dr. Hosmer, the nurses and staff members at the Hartford HealthCare Cancer Center Oncology and Infusion departments and the Hospital of Central Connecticut Radiation and ICU department for their compassionate care over the past four years while James was undergoing treatment. James connected with each of them and his family is grateful for their kindness and love.

In lieu of flowers, James may be remembered with contributions to Connecticut Humane Society, 701 Russell Rd, Newington, CT 06111 or the American Cancer Society at <http://www.cancer.org>

Funeral services in celebration of James' life was held from Plainville Funeral Home, 81 Broad St, Plainville, followed by a Mass of Christian Burial at at Our Lady of Mercy Church, 94 Broad St, Plainville. He will be laid to rest privately at a later date. Family and friends gathered at the funeral home. To share fond memories and expressions of sympathy, please visit <http://www.PlainvilleFuneralHome.com>

NOTICE: SAINT JOSEPH CEMETERY

No mulch is allowed in front of any cemetery markers. It is difficult to maintain the placement of the mulch when mowing the grass or during the process of cutting weeds around the stones. Please help us keep the cemetery tidy and clean. Thank You!

~ Paul Wilfred Lepore ~



of Santa Rosa, California, died on April 23, 2023, his 73rd birthday. Paul was born in New Britain, Connecticut, on April 23, 1950, to Rita (Renaud) and Joseph Lepore. He grew up in Plainville, Connecticut, with his three sisters, graduating from

Plainville High School in 1968 before attending Clark University. After graduating with a bachelor's degree in geography, Paul moved out west, eventually settling in the San Francisco area. He worked as an eligibility case worker for the County of Sonoma and also served as a substitute teacher in the county school district. It was here that he met his partner of 29 years, Michael Crawford. The couple loved living among the redwoods in Guerneville and spent their time gardening, going to live concerts and theater productions, and lounging with their cats. Paul was a big fan of college basketball, always eager to discuss the chances each team had in the tournament, especially if he had a friend or relative attend that specific school. He wasn't afraid to talk politics, but always found a way to make even the most serious discussions end with a shared laugh. Paul loved music, and could often be heard singing aloud to his favorite songs, to which those who knew him can attest. Paul is survived by his three sisters, Carmela (Randy) Doucette, Celeste (Howard) Norup, and Joan Lepore-Hushin; many cousins, nieces, and nephews; the extended Renaud and Lepore families; and many dear friends. He was predeceased by his parents and partner Michael. A memorial mass was celebrated at Our Lady of Mercy Church, located at 94 Broad St., Plainville, CT. A burial took place immediately after at St. Joseph Cemetery in Plainville. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Michael J. Fox Foundation for Parkinson's Research and/or Stewards of the Coast and Redwoods. The family would like to thank Bridge Hospice and Eden and her staff at Emmanuel Home and Sunset Gardens II for all the care they gave to Paul during his stay.

~ Ricky Ouellette ~

57, beloved son of Richard and Laurine Ouellette, passed away unexpectedly at his home on Sunday June 4, 2023. Born in Bristol on December 4, 1965. Rick attended Plainville schools. He was an avid sports fan and played many sports for Plainville High School. He was inducted into the Hall of Fame for Baseball and Basketball in 2006. Everyone who knew him loved him for his infectious laugh and his kindness. He also was quite the funny man with his many jokes and pranks. He leaves his family heartbroken, but with many cherished memories for them to reflect upon with a smile as he would have wanted. In addition to his Mom, he leaves his Mom's companion Uncle Mac, who he was very close to. He was predeceased by his father. He leaves his two sisters, Sherry Mallon and Tammie Ouellette (her husband Mike), his niece Lyndsay Ponce (her husband Phil), two nephews CJ and Justin Michalski, also several aunts, uncles, cousins and his close friends. Burial will be private per the family's wishes. To share memories online or to send expressions of sympathy, please visit www.Bailey'sFuneralHome.com.

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OBITUARIES

~ Janina W. (Bastek) Mizerek ~



79, of Plainville, passed away peacefully with her loving husband of 47 years, Piotr Mizerek, by her side on Sunday, June 18, 2023 at Apple Rehab of Plainville.

Janina was born during World War II on January 1, 1944 in Myszyniec, Poland

daughter of the late Stanislaw and Weronika (Zdunek) Bastek and attended schools in Poland. A woman of strong work ethic, she worked for the Postal Service in Poland within the telecommunications department and worked her way up to the role as supervisor. Janina and her husband, Piotr, immigrated to the United States to raise their family and settled in Plainville after many years spent in New Britain. Janina continued to work in the U.S. for many decades at ITT Sealectro in New Britain. Janina was a social butterfly; she loved to be surrounded by family and friends. She loved to knit and was a talented singer, performing at family weddings or leisurely at home. Her family was the center of her world, especially her grandchildren who held a very special place in her heart as their cherished Babcia, and there was nothing she loved more than nurturing, talking, and laughing alongside those she adored. A woman of strength, determination, and loads of love to give, Janina will be missed deeply by her family and friends.

Janina is survived by her husband, Piotr Mizerek; her sons, Thomas Mizerek and his wife, Beata, and Mark Wylenczek and his wife, Anna; her grandchildren, Claudia Mizerek, David Mizerek, Paul Wylenczek, and Pawel Banasiak; her sisters, Irena Tobiasz and Maryla Kaczmarczyk; and several nieces, nephews, and extended family members. She was predeceased by her brothers, Jerzy Bastek, Stanislaw Bastek, and Henryk Bastek.

Calling hours were held at Plainville Funeral Home, 81 Broad St., Plainville. Funeral services were on Thursday, June 22 from the funeral home with a Mass of Christian Burial celebrated at Our Lady of Mercy Church, 94 Broad St., Plainville. Burial followed in West Cemetery, Plainville. Donations in memory of Janina can be made to the Alzheimer's Association CT Chapter, 200 Executive Blvd S #4b, Southington, CT 06489 (www.alz.org/ct). For more information or to leave online expressions of sympathy, please visit www.PlainvilleFuneralHome.com.

~ Domonique Orsi ~



It is with the heaviest of hearts that we share the transition of our precious Domonique Orsi into her eternal life on Tuesday, May 30, 2023.

The beloved daughter of Raymond R. and Nancy L. (DiCosimo) Orsi, she

leaves behind her loving Domus Amoris family; her brothers, Raymond Orsi, Jr. and his wife Denise; David Orsi and his wife Dawn; Dale, Brian, Richard, Joseph, Angel, Scott and Daniel; her sisters, Kimberly, Clorissa, Andrea, Tamara, Michelle, Heather, Shenika, and Ann Marie. She also leaves her 98 year old grandmother, Lois Orsi; many aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces, nephews, and brothers and sisters-in-law. Domonique shared a special bond with all she came into contact with, most especially her nurses, doctors, caregivers and friends.

A lifelong resident and graduate of Plainville High School, she went on to participate in the Constructive Workshop programs in both Bristol and New Britain. Domonique radiated a bright and shining light that touched the hearts of many, despite her brave and incredibly challenging earthly journey of multiple medical crises. Her brilliant presence in our world will be sorely missed but her spirit remains with us and leaves us all with treasures of cherished memories.

Domonique constantly inspired us with a true and deep appreciation for the joys in life. Keeping with this spirit, we gathered in celebration of her amazing and heroic life on at the Domus Amoris Home, 187 S. Washington St, Plainville. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Domus Amoris, Inc. of the same address. The staff at Plainville Funeral Home extends their gratitude to the Orsi family for their trust. To share fond memories and expressions of sympathy, please visit www.PlainvilleFuneralHome.com

~ Ellen Rivers Stagis ~



92, of Bradenton, Florida, passed away peacefully on June 11, 2023, surrounded by family. Born Ellen Marie Rivers on May 29, 1931, in New Britain, CT, she lived most of her life in Plainville, CT, 23 years in Bradenton, and summered in Plainville

with family. She was a member of Our Lady of Mercy Church in Plainville, as well as St. Joseph Church in Bradenton. Upon graduating from Plainville High School in 1949, it was her turn to help support her family. After a marriage of 17 years, she supported her own children by working at Plainville Electro Plating, managing an office close to home, to remain near her children.

In every stage of life, her choices reflected her focus on service, and caring for others, whether family, friends, or strangers. Her family fondly remember her annual Christmas Eve parties.

She volunteered with the Plainville Historical Society and the Human Relations Council. A proud moment was when she was inducted into the Plainville Athletic Hall of Fame for being a member of the first girl's basketball team at Plainville High.

She is survived by her brother-in-law Rocco (Ric) Ferrara; Four children & their spouses/former spouse, Robert & Carol (Cookie)(Paradis/Parsons) Stagis of Bristol; Kathy (Cleveland) Stagis of Clinton; Patricia & William Pitkin of Plainville; Scott & Cathy (Martini) Stagis of Venice, FL; and Leigh & Mark Pelletier of Nashua, NH; Eight grandchildren: Kim, Elizabeth, Joseph, Jennifer, Michael, Sean, Brian, and Aaron; Eight great-grandchildren, Caleb, Eli, Tristan, Dylan, Aria, Cayden, Ella, and Castor. Signe Guzzo was like another daughter. In addition, the grandchildren and great-children of her very close friends Peg and Caldwell Hoerle, including Diana & Jonathan; Evan & Ethan; Patrick & Colleen; Signe Guzzo's granddaughters Giuliana and Mila; and many nieces and nephews.

She is predeceased by her parents, Almetus (Metus) and Grace (Geetersloh) Rivers; Ten siblings & their spouses, Grace (Mae); Frances & Frank Coppi, Thomas & Shirley (& Mona) Rivers; Shirley and Raymond Caya; Dorothy (Betty) Rivers (Sister Grace Francis); Richard and Evelyn Rivers; James and Frances (Frankie) Rivers; Metus Jr. and Alice Rivers; Mary Rose Ferrara; and Margaret and Jerry Provencher; and several beloved nieces and nephews.

She also leaves behind her very close friends, Nancy and Ron King of Bradenton, FL, who helped her maintain living as independently and lovingly as possible in Florida. She was so lucky to keep her old friends in Plainville and make wonderful new friends in Bradenton.

A Memorial Mass was held Saturday, June 24, 2023, at Our Lady of Mercy Church in Plainville, CT. Her ashes will be interred at a later date in St. Joseph's Cemetery.



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OBITUARIES

~ Christopher Carlo Pio ~



born on August 16, 1970, peacefully entered the embrace of the Lord on June 7, 2023, after a brief yet fierce battle with cancer. He eagerly anticipated reuniting with his cherished father, Carlo, and his grandparents, Burton and Donna Miller and Renato and Marianna Pio, along with his beloved

Uncle Tony Ceneviva and family who preceded him in death. Family and the spirit of mutual support held profound significance in his life.

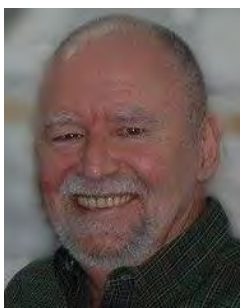
As the proprietor of Auto Star in Bristol and Chris's Auto in Plainville, Chris exemplified the true essence of an entrepreneur. Starting as a youngster going to flea markets with his dad and tinkering with motors small and large, Chris built an engine himself in his basement, put it in his car, pushed it from the garage with his Mom and drove it to Central High and hifived when he got back. From there he took Auto Class in high school. Out of school, he followed what he wanted and repaired cars opening a little shop and growing from there. Swap meets, auctions, sell-outs, and closeouts were endeavors that he shared with his best buddy, son Nicholas and that resonated deeply with him. Chris inherited the art of negotiation from his father but elevated it to new heights. An art he happily passed down to Nick. One of his passions was acquiring and restoring muscle cars, relentlessly scouring for them, engaging in negotiations, and reviving their former glory.

Chris frequently collaborated with his brothers, Adam and Jason, fostering camaraderie, dreams, and lucrative automotive deals. They formed an unwavering "all for one & one for all" team, rejoicing in each other's triumphs.

His children, Gina Pio of Plainville, Nicholas and Fallyn Pio of Southington, held the most profound place in his heart. When not in their company, Chris took immense pride in sharing stories of their accomplishments. He wholeheartedly supported their passions, immersing himself in their interests and imparting his invaluable life lessons. The Italian heritage from his Dad fostered close family relationships which he treasured.

Chris's niece and nephew Emma & Jake (Pio) affectionately described him as kind, funny, intelligent, and generous—an expert in delivering ..

~ Michael "Mike" Y. Belanger ~



73, of Bristol, passed away peacefully after a courageous battle with cancer on Tuesday, June 27, 2023 at the Hospital of Central CT in New Britain. He was the loving and devoted husband to Sandra "Sandy" (Cyr) Belanger for 48 years.

Mike was born on July 30, 1949 in Brunswick, Maine, son to the late Theresa (Belanger) Raffeld. He grew up in Maine and attended the University of New England in Biddeford, Maine, majoring in Math. Mike moved to CT and worked for Zayre Department Store for over 20 years, in charge of the inventory for multiple stores, and it was at the Southington location that he met his wife, Sandy. Mike and Sandy married on September 20, 1975 and together settled in Bristol where they raised their son. Mike was an avid crossword and jigsaw puzzle solver, using his vast knowledge to solve and complete them. He was an avid sports fan and enjoyed rooting for the Boston Red Sox and New England Patriots. Above all, he was most happy spending time with family and looked forward to family gatherings and trips.

warm hugs. His daughter, Fallyn, said Dad was always ready to join in watching cartoons, movies, and playing games, listening to her learn lines or song in plays she was in or her favorite, Dance. His children miss Dad more than anyone can ever know.

Lourdes Pio, his sister-in-law, acknowledged Chris' immense generosity and inclusivity. He effortlessly connected with individuals from all walks of life. Whether encountering someone on the periphery of a room or the outskirts of society, he would extend a helping hand, providing sustenance, employment opportunities, and business assistance. Chris seamlessly navigated exclusive clubs while forming genuine connections with everyone he encountered. His insatiable curiosity led him to invest hours in getting to know people and their stories.

Chris is survived by all those who consistently cared for him during his final months providing unwavering support and comfort. His family cannot thank you all enough.

He also leaves behind his mother, Karen Miller Pio of Florida; his brother and closest confidant, Adam Pio (Lourdes) of Farmington, who unwaveringly supported him throughout the arduous battle against cancer; and his brother, Jason Pio (Tania), of Bristol and DR, who served as his calming presence and partner in humor. Additionally, he leaves behind his Aunts who called, cooked for him, prayed and supported his fight, Rose Brophy (Peter), Carmella Ceneviva, Esterina Circosta (Tony), and Uncle Ernie (Christine) Pio.

Chris always held a special place in his heart for his caring cousins who consistently checked in on him, cooked for him, prayed and cheered him on. They include MaryAnn (Jim) Randles, Jovanna (Jay) Bailey, Janice (Jay) Gorneault, Artillio (Catherine) Ceneviva, Dr. Joseph Brophy, Dino (Cindy) Circosta, Nick Randles.

Waiting for Chris on the side of Light, Love and Prayer were his father and mentor, Carlo Pio, along with his grandparents Burton & Donna Miller and Renato & Marianna Pio, and Uncles Tony Ceneviva and Kurt Miller.

Family and friends gathered in celebration of Chris'

life at Plainville Funeral Home, 81 Broad St, Plainville.

Burial will be held privately.



A devoted husband, father, grandfather, and friend, Mike will be missed deeply but his loved ones take comfort in knowing he is at peace.

In addition to his wife, Sandy, Mike is survived by his son, Ken Michaud and his wife, Viki; his grandson, Derek Wilson and his wife, Ashley Hoffman, Matthew Michaud, Ashley Michaud, and Makenzie Michaud; his great-grandchildren, Alexis Laferriere and Zoey Wilson; his fur-baby, Patches; his best friends, Jimmy Corrigan and his wife, Sandy, Ed Wishart and his wife, Lola, and Bill Brady and his wife, Diane and Barbara Daigle; along with several extended family members and friends. He was predeceased by his siblings, Donald Belanger, Irene Raffeld, and Christopher Raffeld.

Friends and family are welcome to gather on Friday, July 7 from 10 AM to 12 PM at the Plainville Funeral Home, 81 Broad Street, Plainville. A service in celebration of Mike's life will be held at 12 PM at the funeral home. Burial will be held privately at a later date. In lieu of flowers, donations in memory of Mike can be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105, (stjude.org). For more information or to leave online expressions of sympathy, please visit www.PlainvilleFuneralHome.com.

~ Anita Marie (Pelletier) Ouellette ~



a faith-filled, passionate, and spirited woman, was called home to be with the Lord on June 25, 2023, following a brief illness. She was the wife of the late Romeo Ouellette.

Born on October 9, 1936, in Fort Kent, Maine, Anita was one of six children born

to the late David and Meddie (Saucier) Pelletier. Raised and educated in Fort Kent, Anita was a proud daughter of Maine; a kind and giving soul who cared for her siblings as children, then later as elderly adults and carried the values of hard work, determination, and resilience throughout her life. After completing her education, Anita embarked on a career in administrative work and bookkeeping for local manufacturing companies, making her home in Plainville alongside her late husband, Romeo.

Anita's faith was the cornerstone of her life. For over 25 years, she served as a Eucharistic Minister at St. Dominic Church, where she shared her immeasurable love for Jesus with her fellow parishioners. Her devotion to her faith led her to become a member of Calvary Assembly of God, where she leaves behind many dear friends who will remember her for her unwavering faith.

In her later years, Anita retired back to her beloved hometown of Fort Kent, where she continued to make the church the center of her life. Beautiful inside and out, she was a shining example of what it means to live a life rooted in faith, love, and service to others and her memory will live on in the hearts of her family and friends.

Anita is survived by her loving son, William Ouellette, and his wife, Melanie with whom she made her home; her grandchildren, Jamie Fournier, Michael Sundberg and Erik Sundberg, and her great-granddaughter, Averie Fournier. She is also survived by her sister and best friend, Lorraine Tremblay, who will cherish the memories of their lifelong bond. Anita was predeceased by her son Eric Ouellette, her great-grandson, Axel Ouellette, her brother, Bidee Pelletier and her sisters, Martha Pelletier, Elsie Pierce and Rella Pelletier.

Family and friends gathered at Plainville Funeral Home, 81 Broad St, Plainville. Prayers and words of remembrance were shared, followed by committal at St. Joseph Cemetery Plainville. To share memories and expressions of sympathy, please visit www.PlainvilleFuneralHome.com

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Dr. Moeller is an ear, nose and throat (ENT) doctor, serving both pediatric and adult patients. Dr. Moeller treats common ENT ailments, such as acute sinus infections, allergies and ear infections, as well as more complex problems, such as sleep apnea, snoring, salivary gland tumors, thyroid tumors, chronic sinusitis and nasal polyps. He is one of the few surgeons in the Northeast to offer inspire hypoglossal nerve stimulation to treat sleep apnea. Dr. Moeller joined Connecticut Ear, Nose & Throat Associates in 2011 after attending Loyola University Chicago-Stritch School of Medicine and completing his residency and training in otolaryngology-head & neck surgery at Loyola University Medical Center.

Kyle Chambers, M.D. Board-Certified Otolaryngologist



Dr. Chambers provides evidence-based surgical and medical treatment for adult and pediatric patients with sinus, ear, nose, and throat conditions. Dr. Chambers received his undergraduate degree from Dartmouth College and his medical degree from the University of Washington. He completed his surgical training through Harvard Medical School. Following his surgical training, he received additional training in allergy diagnosis and treatment. Dr. Chambers is an active member of the American Academy of Otolaryngology-Head and Neck Surgery and the American Academy of Otolaryngic Allergy. He has won awards for his teaching and research.



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We miss the busy cheer of children around us, We miss driving around to far-off places. Life is like a setting sun, A run to the hospital is not fun, Medicine is now at par with food, We need these to cheer up our mood. Our bodies which were our strongest part Now need the support of canes for a walk. Yet we find happiness in small things We keep ourselves busy with Rosary, Bingo, and TV.

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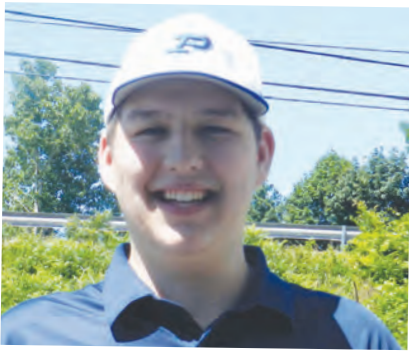
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Plainville Baseball

April 4th Plainville vs Conard game notes W 3-1

- #7 Keith Laggasey CF had two fly outs and a strike out
- #23 Charlie Hills 3B had a single and two fly outs
- #3 Mike Oullette SS had a fly out a single line out
- #5 MJ Bakaysa 2B had two doubles and a single and two RBI's
- #15 Tate Stevens C had a ground out a signed and a reach on a error
- #10 Matt Boney 1B had a fly out and a ground out and one RBI
- #18 Jake Conte PH had a strike out
- #22 Gavin Cooke RF had a walk a single and a ground out
- #17 Seth Lizon DH had two strikeouts and a single
- #2 Dylan Cianci LF had two strikeouts and a ground out

Plainville Softball

May 3rd Plainville softball vs Newington Game Notes W4-0

- #16 Marris Miller SS had a single a pop out and a sacrifice fly
- #9 Natalie Newton 3B had two ground outs and a walk
- #2 Amanda Linhoff C had a home run and a ground out and a strike out and two RBI's
- #11 Alexis Graff RF had two ground outs and a single
- #6 Nora Couture CF had a single a fielder's choice and a double
- #24 Riley Ruot had a two strikeouts and a ground out
- #14 Kali Fangullo 2B had two flyouts and a ground out
- #15 Avery Verrastro DH had a strike out and a walk
- #12 Grace Geddis P had a ground out and a bunt single

April 14th Plainville softball vs Weathersfield game notes Win 9-5

- #16 Marris Miller SS had a double a fielder's choice a walk and a single
- #2 Amanda Linhoff C had three pop outs and a double and a RBI
- #9 Natalie Newton 3B had a ground out a double a flyout and a single and two RBI's
- #11 Alexis Graff RF had a single a strike out and two ground outs and one RBI
- #6 Nora Couture CF had two ground outs and two strikeouts
- #7 Faith Emery 3B had a single a double and a ground out and two RBI's
- #24 Riley Ruot 1B was hit by a pitch and had a fielder's choice and a ground out
- #14 Kali Fangullo DP had a bunt single and a strike out and a walk
- #15 Avery Verrastro LF had a single and a strikeout and a triple and two RBI's

April 17th Plainville softball vs East Catholic Game notes W15-4

- #16 Marris Miller SS had two fly outs a walk a ground out and a single
- #9 Natalie Newton 3B was hit by a pitch twice and had a strike out and a walk
- #2 Amanda Linhoff C had a fielder's choice and a fly out a single and a strike out
- #10 Danny Aliff PH had a fielder's choice
- #11 Alexis Graff RF had a walk, a fielder's choice, a double and a strike out.
- #25 Brianna Carey PH had a ground out
- #6 Nora Couture CF had a fielder's choice a single a walk and two ground outs
- #7 Faith Emery 3B had two singles a strike out and a ground out
- #24 Riley Ruot 1B had a fly out a ground out and two singles
- #14 Kali Fangullo RF had a two walks and a double
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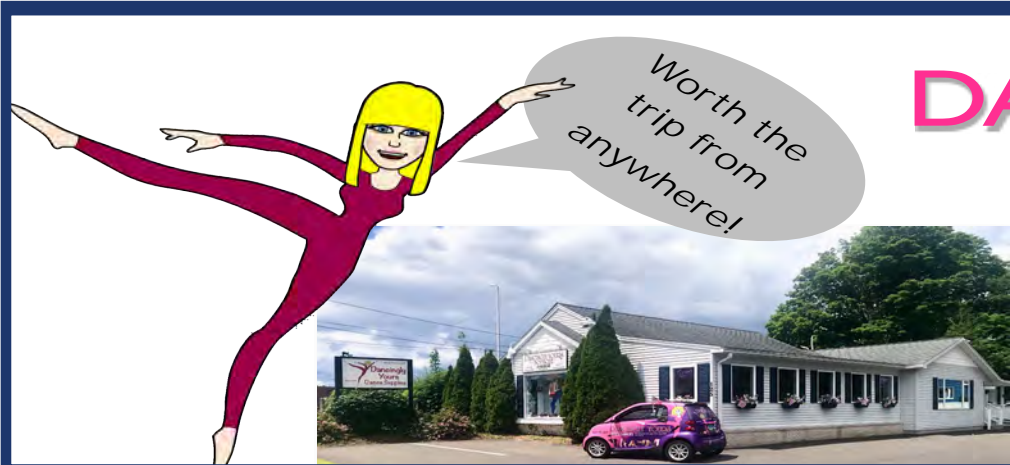
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State Representative Francis Cooley (R-22) and State Senator Henri Martin (R-31) hosted a Post-Session Legislative Update at the Plainville Public Library on Tuesday, June 20.

If you wished to discuss the 2023 legislative session, have questions about state government, are experiencing an issue with a state agency, or have comments you'd like to share, this event provided you with that opportunity. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Rep. Cooley via phone at (800) 842-1423 or by email at

Francis.Cooley@housegop.ct.gov and for Henri Martin call (800) 842-1421 or email at Henri.Martin@cga.ct.gov.



State Representative Francis Cooley (R-22) and State Senator Henri Martin (R-31)

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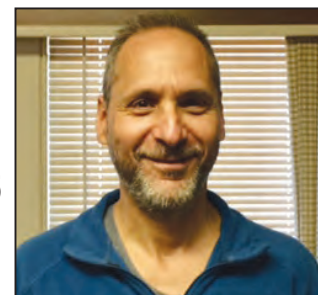
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Remembering.....THE POWDER PUFF GIRLS

One thing is perfectly clear. The Plainville Stadium and auto racing was amainstay for daily life here for an entire generation. It was often a family affair. Fathers who served as pit bosses and/or owned cars, sons who drove them or were mechanics, wives and girlfriends who cheered and mothers, no doubt, who worried. That being said, it was inevitable that early in the 1970s girls would become interested in the race, anxious to enjoy the fun and the excitement. Some were content to cheer brothers and boyfriends from the stands, but more than a few were not willing to accept that "back seat." They wanted to crawl in the driver's side window and put their right foot on that gas pedal. And so, they gathered at the track to do just that—The Powder Puff Girls. Many belonged to racing families. The Farone girls, Helen and Mary, daughters of John Farone, a pit boss and a car owner felt this siren call. In some cases, like Linda Alkas (married to George), it just came naturally. It's easy to link several of their names with popular drivers. They had the advantage of a car to drive. That was a great challenge since drivers and owners were very fussy about who drove their car.

Joe Tinty and Plainville Stadium accommodated the girls and scheduled, on occasion, a Powder Puff Derby in the "novice division", before the main event, to warm up the crowd. Don Moon, Plainville's Dean of the Stocks-- "No. 9", tells me that the girls were called to the asphalt from the stands and had to enter at the flagger box to reach their car on the track. Under no circumstances were women allowed in the pits. The girls were quite popular in spite of the "pitfalls."

Those were the glory days of the Plainville Stadium and we now know that the love of the stock car and the thrill of the race is a life-long affliction. Ask any one of them. But they hold an annual reunion of the Plainville Stadium every September in Berlin where they relive it. This year they plan to recognize the Powder Puff Girls on their program. They would love to have you come.

THE POWDER PUFF GIRLS

Shirley Cormier Black - Tracy Ziegler - Helen Farone
Mary Farone Morgan - Zunilda Rocco - Sally Membrino
Dorothy Mordino - Patricia Spazano - Kathy Alkas
Linda Alkas - Jean Howles - Elaine Genest - Vicky Wadge
Linda Hill - Jackie Murphy



Joe Tinty and Helen Farone



Zunilda Rocco, Elaine Genest, Vicky Wadge

THE PLAINVILLE STADIUM

The Plainville Stadium has always been about summer. It started out as a ranch where Joe Tinty kept his famous horse, *Sugarfoot*.

Later on, it became a field where the circus came to Plainville. Many different circuses played there. Tales are told of the circus that came on a train in the middle of the night and all of the animals and people paraded through the streets, making their way to that area. Barnum and Bailey came, when vowing not to return to Hartford after the devastating fire in July of 1944.

Later it was fashioned into a paved race track and hosted assorted vehicle races, including motorcycles, stock cars, a demolition derby attraction and midgets, and yes, the powder puff girls.

The people of Plainville enjoyed it for summer fun and games and joyous occasions. It was where Plainville welcomed home their veterans from World War II in 1946, with a circular parade including floats. The stands were full to the brim.

The Stadium was where the town held the gala celebration of its Centennial in the summer of 1969. Organized and orchestrated by Ruth Hummel; the founder of the Plainville Historical Society, the entire town turned out for the fun. Men grew beards and women put on their Victorian garb.

Eventually on these grounds there evolved the Plainville Drive-In Theater where they showed movies under the stars in the summertime for families and lovers.

Oh, the stories that can be told of those years.

Thanks for the memories!

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Last Month We Asked

For pictures of Mom & Pop stores.

Sal Santacroce sent this picture of the inside of Berardi's Mom & Pop located on the corner of Broad Street and South Washington Street.

HOUSEKEEPING

We are still missing a year 2000 Plainville High School yearbook. If you have one you are willing to part with, we would love to have it.

If you have an old fashioned umbrella stand in decent condition, don't throw it out. We need it. You can contact us by e-mail.

2023 SUMMER EXHIBIT

--HAMLIN POND --

HEADWATERS OF THE QUINNIPIAC RIVER

July into August

Presented by Francis R. Cooley

Mr. Cooley, our State Representative, has a special interest in conservation. He has had this display on view in the Legislative Office Building during the recent session and has generously offered it to the Plainville Historic Center for the summer months. Watch for specific dates and times to be announced. Check our website and Facebook page for updates.



Found at the Historic Center.....

A box of professional pictures of vintage houses in Plainville without explanation. We decided to identify them and file for future researchers. If you know the address of this house, please let us know by phone or e-mail. You can remain anonymous. HOUSE #1 Notice the house number is 83 and the TV antenna.

This is Luigi D'Antonio's grocery store at the corner of Pine and East Main Streets



Luigi is standing at the front door of his first store in 1937 attached to his home

Luigi added a Cafe to the building. World War 11 Ended in 1945. Note the VVVV sign announcing the Victory.



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JUNETEENTH IN PLAINVILLE

The Plainville Historical Society was pleased to take part in Plainville's first Juneteenth celebration of freedom. Our newest national holiday commemorates the end of the slavery of the African-Americans in our country. Sponsored by the Queen Ann Nzinga Center and the Plainville Anti-Racism Task Force, it was a festival replete with food, music, dancing, culture and community on a perfect day.

Pictured above left to right: Janice Eisenhauer, Lucie Bradford, Gary Eisenhauer, Rosemary Morante, Gail Williams, our African-American Specialist for the Plainville Historical Society, Michael Buckler and Sue Marinelli.

THE VISIT

On the evening of June 27, magically, between the raindrops and the oppressive humidity, there were a few hours of delightfully cool summer breeze on East Street while a present day Plainville paid a respectful visit to the historic Old East Street Burying Ground. Offered by the Plainville Historical Society, this evening was prompted by popular request.

There were more than 100 visitors, representing intergenerational interest, for an excursion in time back to a Plainville of the 1700 and 1800s. The very atmosphere breathed a gentle, yet congenial, setting as people explored the ancient monuments to the lives of the settlers on the Great Plain.

Provided with a booklet listing all of the markers in alphabetical order, complete with researched notes, a map of the grounds published by Ruth Hummel years ago and one of Plainville in 1831 showing where most of these people lived on familiar roads, they shared reflective thoughts with strangers and met the caretakers who came as guests and helped to host, found they generally enjoyed each other.

Months of research and preparation by Rosemary Morante and Lucie Bradford, who chaired this event, contributed to the emotional experience and prompted folks to comment positively, if quietly, as they left. Other Historical Society volunteers were present to help, so vital to the venue.

The M & T Bank graciously allowed us to use their parking lot. As night fell on that mid-summer evening, we locked the gate and left, but we will not soon forget the experience.



*Grounds Keepers
Paul Marsan and Bill Morrison of
Old East Street Burying Grounds*



This young lady is not identified. I couldn't interrupt her moment to ask. I hope she loves it.

...Janice

THE BICYCLE GROUP VISITS THE PLAINVILLE HISTORIC CENTER

Despite the drizzling rain, they arrived on schedule, a large group in a rush, on Saturday, June 24 at the Plainville Historic Center for their mid-morning break. On a professionally planned ride that began in New Haven, they then continued north toward a south Springfield destination. We were prepared to greet the bikers from around the state on their pit stop, before they returned to the walking and bike path along the old canal route, at the Farmington junction on Northwest Drive. Their visit was swift, but exciting with so many, as they visited our canal room, checked out our antique bicycle, enjoyed a healthy snack, replenished water and left smiling. Many promised, as I bid them goodbye at the door, that they would surely return when they had more time.

Their visit was a community effort supported by the Historical Society volunteers, Gnazzo's and the Plainville Police Department who escorted them through town. It was a hit.

...Janice Eisenhauer

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by: Raymond Cormier

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"Yes, my doctor MADE MY DAY" I have been treated for a tumor that was cancer, after many treatments. My appointment last month, the doctor said my body was clear of cancer. Mike

(He really MADE MY DAY) Let us know who "Made Your Day" next month.

Cooley Concludes Successful Flag Collection

State Rep. Francis Cooley (R-22) held a flag collection as part of the month-long flag drive for worn and tattered flags in June.

"I want to thank everyone who turned in a worn flag. Its always great to see new crisp American flags flying around town," said Rep. Cooley.

The Second Continental Congress adopted the first American flag on July 14, 1777, and President Woodrow Wilson declared June 14 to be Flag Day in 1916. National Flag Day was then established by an Act of Congress in August 1949.

The U.S. Flag Code specifies that old American flags no longer in service must be properly disposed.

The collection of worn, faded and tattered American flags culminated with a flag retirement ceremony.

Cooley Supports Bipartisan Tax Relief for CT Families, Investment in Local Education

State Rep. Francis Cooley (R-22) strongly supported a massive \$650 Million tax relief plan for working families and seniors in Connecticut while providing for a significant investment in local education for our children.

Rep. Cooley said, "Although not perfect the budget stays within the fiscal guardrails that guided us through the worst of the pandemic. This tax plan provides thousands of families and seniors in my district with much needed tax relief, people still struggling with historically high inflation and also stabilizes our local property taxes this year by providing additional state education dollars."

The State Tax Plan includes:

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Freezes scheduled increases on the diesel tax Cuts fuel taxes on airlines

The spending plan includes:

- *Funds non-profits 2.5% with one-time bonus
*Commitment to audit the Partnership Plan
*Provides enhanced funding for DDS
*Residential Waiting List
*Creates a new Fallen Hero account with Comptroller that will provide \$100,000 death benefit to the family if a police officer is killed in the line of duty
*Shrinks the cost of government over the long-term and forces government to live within their means by implementing House Republican plan to right-size agency budgets
*Invests \$150M in education funding
*Fully funds the Excess Cost grants for special education reimbursements to towns
*Hold towns harmless that would otherwise see a reduction in their ECS funding per the phase in schedule for the next two fiscal years
*The two-year state budget adheres to and is under the Constitutional State Spending Cap, appropriating \$25.1 billion for the fiscal year that begins July 1, and \$26 billion in 2024-25.

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July 27th Future Heavies (80's Hits)

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P.O. Box 551 Plainville, CT 06062
Suffragan Bishop George Knight, Pastor

Elder Joseph Green, Associate Minister
Phone 860-747-3128

Residence & FAX 860-224-9409
Call for Schedule of Worship
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REDEEMER'S AME ZION CHURCH

110 Whiting Stree, Plainville
Phone: 860-747-1808

Worship Services -

Rev. Dr. Shelley D. Best

Sunday School..... 9:00-9:40 a.m.

Praise & Worship.....9:45-10:00

Church Service.....10:00 a.m.

Bible Study

Wednesday..11:00 a.m. & 7:00 p.m.

Board Meetings

Senior Ushers (1st Sat before 1st Sun) 11a.m.

Gladys Floyds Missionary Society (2nd Sun)

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.

Trustee/Steward (9:30 a.m. & 2nd Mon. of May)

Choir Practice

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860-747-5209

Fax/Prayer Line 860-747-5011
Email: fbc1902@yahoo.com
Web: www.faithbiblect.com

Rev. Dr. Jim Caron, Pastor

Purpose:

- To Know/Glorify/Worship God
- To follow Jesus Christ as LORD
- To Grow in GRACE
- To Understand the BIBLE/

Apply it to our lives

- To reach others for JESUS

- To be committed to the GOSPEL:

Jesus died, was buried and rose again on the 3rd day. (He LIVES)

Sunday Service: 10 am

(JOIN US: LIVE OR FACEBOOK)

Bible Study: Tuesday

@ 7 pm by Zoom/in person

Every Tues. morning at 9am we have a Scripture Study Class

PLAINVILLE

SEVENTH DAY

ADVENTIST CHURCH

97 Broad Street, Plainville

Church Phone 860-747-5867

Pastor 1-646-522-3471

E-mail: plainvillesda@gmail.com

jacksonsg5@sbcglobal.net

Pastor Franklin Jackson

Saturday Morning

Bible School @ 9:30 a.m.

Worship Service @ 11:00 am.

FREE lunch after service

Wednesday Evening ~

Family Prayer Meeting @ 6:30 p.m

The Lord Jesus Christ loves you

John 3:16

GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

222 Farmington Ave., Plainville

Phone 860-747-5191

Rev. Chris Dion, Pastor

Worship: Sunday at 9:00 a.m.

Visit us at:

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or www.graceinplainville.org

"To check out our activities

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An Invitation

You are invited to join the volunteers of the Hometown Connection.

We need you to be in charge of contacting the member churches of the Hometown Religious Directory.

Name your own hours.

Call 860-747-4119

For more information.

PLAINVILLE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

56 RedStone Hill,
PlainvilleConnecticut

Rev. Kim Bosley, Pastor
Church (860)747-2328 Parsonage
(860)747-2592

Email: plainvillunited@sbcglobal.net
Website: www.plainvilleumc.org

JULY/AUGUST SCHEDULE

SUNDAY SERVICES

WORSHIP TIME: 10:00 AM

Sunday School: Resumes in Fall

REGULAR EVENTS

AA.....SUNDAY, 7 PM

Single Purpose Women's Group.....

Saturday, 9:30 AM

SPECIAL EVENTS

WORSHIP WITH HOLY COMMUNION

WELCOME OUR NEW PASTOR

(Celebrated w/Gluten Free Bread)

July 2, 10 AM

August 6, 10 AM

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Liturgy Schedule

Saturday 4:00 P.M.

Sunday

8:30 A.M. & 10:30 A.M.

Weekday Liturgy

Mon., Tues., Thurs., Fri. &

Sat 8:00 A.M.

Devotions

Rosary-Monday-Saturday

before Morning Mass

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Peter A. Stonis, Pastor

WEEKLY WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Nursery Care is provided for

all Sunday Services

Sunday 10:00 am

Sunday School for All Ages 11:00 am

Morning Worship Service 11:00 am

Junior Church Ages 4-8 11:00 am

Evening Worship Service 6:30 pm

Bible Study & Prayer Wednesday 7:00 pm

For information about the church visit

our website @cobplainville.org

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18 East Main Street

Plainville, CT 06062

"To know God and to make Him known."

Rev. Caleb S. Evans, Rector

Rev. Donald Richey, Deacon

Worship Services: Sunday 9 a.m.

Adult & Children's Sunday School:

10:30 a.m.

Wednesday 10 a.m.

Prayer Table outside in front of the

church

Every Wednesday 11:30 a.m.

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Pet Page

From the Plainville Animal Control Desk:

We do love summer and the outdoor living. In the fun of it all, pay some special attention to the safety and comfort of your pets. Keep them away from the hot grill--the smell of food will call their attention. When evening falls, enjoy the fireworks on the fourth, but your pet will not. It is wise to make special arrangements for them to be shielded from the flash and the noise. If your dog is outside with you that evening, it is a good idea to keep him/her leashed. Sudden loud noises could prompt instant reactions hard to handle.

Don't forget the wildlife in your area. Fireworks affect them too and can be deadly to birds. Animals become disoriented and might surprise you.

Enjoy your summer. We are here to help if you need us. 860 747-1616

WATCH FOR IT IN AUGUST PLAINVILLE PAWS PATCH PROGRAM

Soon to be debuted: the new specially-designed Plainville PAWS Patch. You can sew it to your favorite casual wear to signify your love of animals and a respect for their welfare, for a \$35 donation. There will be some perks, a regular newsletter for one, including updates about life at the Plainville Pound. More to be announced.

Connecticut Pet Owners Prepared to Pay a Premium to Rent With Their Pets.

82% of pet owners would be willing to pay an additional fee to keep them. Half of renters are put off pet ownership due to the challenges they would have keeping them.

Rental Ruff: Having a pet, and renting a property, poses challenges. Landlords are often reluctant to allow them – barking, shredded cushions, scratched furniture being some of the reasons. Renters have it tough enough as it is, with landlords always having the upper hand in the situation, so it seems a shame that pets are often not made to feel welcome in a rented property. A survey of 3,000 pet-owning tenants by AgentAdvice.com has revealed the extent to which they are prepared to pay to live with their pets.

The survey found that 82% of pet owners would be willing to pay an additional fee to keep their furry friend in the rental property with them. The average Connecticut pet-owning renter would be prepared to pay a whopping \$3,545 annually to live with their pet!

However, the study also revealed that a significant proportion want the best of both worlds - that is - to continue living with their pets, but not having to pay any premium in order to do so. AgentAdvice.com discovered that in Connecticut, 20% of pet-owning renters admit to not disclosing this to their landlords (equating to 93,085 illegal pets) - that's a lot of barking to try and cough over, or scratched table legs to try and cover up. tenants to leave the property if it turned out they had pets which were not permitted. But sadly, the challenge of finding a rental property which allows pets discourages 58% of people from getting a pet if they are renters.

AgentAdvice.com have provided 4 tips for convincing your landlord to allow you to have a pet in your rental:

1. Talk to Your Landlord

Getting permission to have a pet as a renter can be difficult as landlords may include a "No Pets" clause in the lease to maintain control over how many pets are in their properties. Providing documentation on your prospective pet's health history and training plans can strengthen your case. Many landlords will make exceptions for excellent tenants who are positive contributors to the rental community.

2. Be Flexible

To convince your landlord to allow a pet in your rental, it's important to be flexible with your pet choices. Many landlords have restrictions on the type or size of pets allowed due to noise or potential damage. If your landlord approves a pet with certain restrictions, consider being more selective in your choice of pet. So don't be afraid to have a conversation about the possibility of bringing in a larger pet.

3. Providing Documentation

If you're a pet owner looking to move into a new rental property, providing additional documentation can help show your landlord that you're a responsible pet owner. By demonstrating that your pet is well-behaved and non-disruptive, you can alleviate any concerns your landlord may have about potential property damage or disturbance to other renters.

4. Offer to Pay More

To convince your landlord to allow a pet, offering to pay extra in the form of a deposit or monthly charge can show that you are committed to being a responsible pet owner. While some pet-friendly rentals have upfront policies regarding deposits or rent surcharges, it's possible to convince some landlords who don't allow pets to make exceptions if you offer to pay extra. However, pet deposits can be expensive, so be sure to have the necessary budget before making the offer.

We credit AgentAdvice.com with a link if you use these insights.

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Share with us some pictures of your pets and their thoughts about you... your family, and life in general!!



Pets and Fireworks

Did you know that, across North America more pets are reported missing during popular holidays that involve fireworks like Memorial Day, New Year's Eve, Independence Day or Canada Day?

Here are some things to consider



Make sure all doors and windows are securely closed.



Consider a Thundershirt jacket (or similar) if your pet is prone to fearfulness.



Make their crate (or other favorite hiding spot) readily available.



Keep your pets in a separate, quiet, low-activity room when entertaining.



Keep an eye on your guests! Visitors may forget and leave a door or window open.



Ensure your pet's microchip information is up-to-date and they have a readable ID tag.



Make sure your property is free of debris before you let your pet back outdoors.



Help ensure you're reunited with your dog or cat should they go missing

Register a newly microchipped pet or update your contact information by visiting www.mypethealth.com/auth/login or call 1-866-375-7387.

DOG LICENSING REMINDER TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE

The Town Clerk's Office is reminding dog owners that all dogs over 6 months old must be licensed by June 30 for the 2023-2024 year.

Renewals may be done in person, by mail, or online if the rabies vaccination is current. If the rabies information is not current, owners must submit the updated rabies certificate for the license to be processed. The cost of a dog license is \$8 for a neutered or spayed dog and \$19 for non-altered dogs. *After June 30, a penalty charge will be imposed of \$1 per month for each month that the dog is not licensed.*

For more information, call the Town Clerk's Office at (860) 793-0221 x7153.

BOTTLE, CAN & CLOTHING DRIVE

The bottle, can and clothing drive for the benefit of PAWS will continue. You can leave your returns at the pound at 29 Granger Lane or at the front lobby of the Police Department. We were able to add \$640 to the Plainville Paws Fund at the end of April. Thank you for your support.

DID YOU KNOW?

Did you know that you can adopt an animal from the Plainville pound on Granger Lane? When you choose to consider our animals, you can rest assured that it has had its shots up-to-date and has been neutered. While in our care, all pets are monitored for temperament, habits, and interactions with people and other animals. We will answer your questions honestly and share whatever history on the pet is available. It is our goal to achieve happy homes for all. Did you know that our animals are affordable? There is sometimes a minimal fee, often none.



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