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TOWN OF PLAINVILLE ~VETERAN COUNCIL~ HOUSE OF HEROES

Activity began 8:00 am to replace windows, smoke detectors, etc at Mrs. Catucci's home. Formal celebrations with House of Heroes began at 1:30 pm.

U.S. Senator Richard Blumenthal, center behind Mrs. Catucci and her Grand children also attending were State Rep. Betty Boukus, Town Council Chairman Kathy Pugliese, Vice Chairman of Town Council, Scott Saunders, Chairman of House of Heroes Bill May, his wife (holding the Flag) Robert Berube, Veteran Council member presented Medals from Sen. Murphy's office. Senator Murphy was unable to attend.

"I am planning to have Thomas

Catucci's name added to the role call of heroes plaque in the town hall along with a display of photos he took during actual combat in WWII on the front lines. He was 18 years old ,these pictures have never been seen. "This man has a great legacy of service to our country, as Kathy Pugliese said to me... these individuals....like her dad contributed so much, even offering to sacrifice their life for our freedom, that's sincere love of country and truly American." Sincere thank you from the Town Council to our Plainville Veteran Council for always being there to assist our veterans."

"All of this happened because Helen Bergenty called me saying her friend Juliet Catucci wanted to know how to get her husband's medals" quoted Robert Berube.



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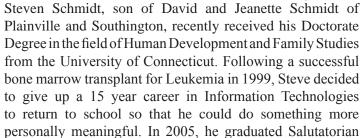
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{Jim raves}

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{Abby faves}

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{Charlie raves}

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• Robert E. Lee, Town Manager's Report

- To Town Council May 6, 2013
 - (Excerpts of the report)

Electronic Waste Discussion

- Covanta Energy has submitted a proposal to manage Plainville's E-Waste Collection and Recycling. They are proposing to collect a variety of items including computers/laptops/CPU, televisions, computer monitors, and printers. For computers and printers they will pay to the Town \$0.02/lb. and \$0.01/lb respectively. They also propose to collect fluorescent bulbs, compact fluorescent bulbs, other types of bulbs and broken lamps at no cost to the Town.
- Other electronic wastes that will be collected at no cost include: vacuum cleaners, air conditioners, phones, fax machines, microwaves, dehumidifiers and refrigerators.
- Currently, Plainville residents can bring these items to the transfer station on Saturdays at no charge. The Town currently has a contract with Green Monster Ecycling LLC. The Green Monster contract does not pay any revenue to the Town.
- Town staff is seeking direction from the Town Council on the proposal submitted by Covanta.

Budget Vote

- Last week's All-Day vote resulted in overwhelming approvals for both the Town and School budgets.
 The Town budget was approved with 413 in favor and 104 opposed. This is an 80% approval rating.
- The School budget was approved with 408 in favor and 109 opposed. This was a 79% approval rating.
- A total of 520 or 5% of the electors participated in the budget vote.
- The next step is to set the mill rate for next year. Currently the Legislature is negotiating with the Governor regarding the proposed budget. The amount of aid-to-municipalities is different between the Governor's proposal and the Appropriations Committee.
- It is recommended that the Town Council wait until
 the end of May to see if the budget negotiations
 have been completed so that the most accurate
 numbers can be used when setting the mill rate
 for next year.

Old Linden Street School Discussion

- On March 18th, the Old Linden Street Study Committee submitted their recommendation regarding to the Town Council. Their unanimous recommendation was to "compile and historical photo album and digital disk of the interior and exterior of the building" and "demolition of the building and in cooperation with the Board of Education determine the best use of the open space".
- The Study Committee noted that the building is approximately 88 years old and that a study in 1998 concluded that the "overall physical limitations and shortcomings of the mechanical systems of the school raises major questions about its continued value as a public facility". The report went on to state that the "continued use of the building is not a wise or efficient use of tax

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- It is recommended that the Town Council turn this recommendation over to the Capital Projects Building Committee and direct them to work out the details for the demolition of the structure. Further, the Committee should report back to the Town Council by August 1, 2013 in order for the project to be considered being put on the November ballot for the appropriation necessary for the demolition.
- If the Town Council wishes to proceed with this recommendation this evening, an item should be added under New Business.

Capital Project Building Committee

- Back in December, the Town Council and Board of Education held a joint meeting at the Plainville Library. During the meeting Town staff explained that the Debt Service was scheduled to decrease beginning in FY 16 and every subsequent year as well.
- It was also noted that there are some current capital needs that should be addressed in the near future. The needs include road improvements, capital needs to the Middle School and Wheeler School, and the demolition of Old Linden Street School. There are also some capital needs with the police radio communication system and the high school parking lot as well.
- A preliminary estimate for these projects approach \$10.7M, however, there are several school projects that would be eligible for state reimbursement lowering the amount that would be required by the Plainville taxpayers.
- It is also estimated that, if planned properly, the net cost to the Town would be easily absorbed by the decrease in the debt service schedule.
 It is recommended that the Town Council turn
- these projects over to the Capital Projects Building Committee to develop a plan and report back to the Town Council at some future date.

Paderewski Park Improvements – State Grant

- The State Bond Commission has approved a grant of \$151,285 to make improvements to Paderewski Park. The improvements include the installation of a splash pad, the replacement of a covered seating area near the splash pad, the replacement of the park pavilion and the installation of some playground equipment.
- It is unclear at this time if the project can move forward during this construction season.
- I want to thank Representative Betty Boukus for her help and assistance in securing the state grant. The Bond Commission approval would not have happened if not for her persistence in moving this project onto the Bond Commission agenda.

Ordinance Update

• The Ordinance Review Committee continues to move forward with the updating of the Town Ordinances. The "Ordinance Establishing the Economic Development Agency" and the "Ordinance Regarding Economic Development Trust Fund" have been reformatted to make them consistent with the standard ordinance language. The reformatting does not require Town Council approval as the language would not have an impact on the purpose and intent of the Ordinance as previously approved.

Valley Water Systems Land Conveyance

- The Planning & Zoning Commission made a positive recommendation and approved the referral of the land offer from Valley Water Company to the Town of Plainville. The approval includes three parcels located in the vicinity of Northwest Drive and Robertson Airport. The Town Council can now move forward with the acceptance of these three parcels.
- Town staff is recommending that the sewer fee for 21 East Maple Street be adjusted. It was noted that the 2009 winter quarter readings were distorted because of a leaking toilet. The winter quarter months are used to determine the user charge for the entire year.
- The current policy when the winter months are distorted is to use the water readings for the entire year to determine the amount to be charged. However, in some instances the yearly average can still result in a significant user charge bill.
- There is an item under New Business regarding this sewer adjustment.

TOWN OF PLAINVILLE HAPPENINGS TOWN COUNCIL MEETING OF May 6, 2013

By Shirley Osle, Assistant Town Manager

(Excerpts of the report)

- The Plainville Community Services Committee met on April 23rd. At the meeting the Food Pantry reported that they have a record 200 households that they are currently serving. United Way reported that Day of Caring this year will be on May 17 and any nonprofit that would like work done should contact them as well as anyone that would like to volunteer.
- The Plainville Farmers' Market will open Friday, June 28, 2013 at 3pm and close at 6pm. It will run an extra two weeks this year until September 13, 2013. The Market is at the Plainville High School. Currently there are 3 produce farmers, one meat and egg farmer, and an olive oil farmer.
- Dog License reminder notices will be mailed to current dog owners on June 1. New licenses must be obtained before June 30, 2013.

CONGRATULATIONS TO BETTE SMITH ON BEING 2013 YWCA WOMEN IN

LEADERSHIP HONOREE!

- Plainville Senior Center Outreach Coordinator, Bette Smith, will receive an award at the "Women in Leadership" Luncheon at the Aqua Turf on May 15, 2013, which recognizes and honors exemplary women in Connecticut. For more than eight years, Bette has served as a role model for staff at the Senior Center and her professional peers as an advocate and driving force behind obtaining a better economic, safe, independent and healthy lifestyle for the elderly. She combines humor, finesse and grace with respect, compassion, understanding and thoughtfulness to provide the utmost in care and service to older residents in the Plainville community.
- The Recreation Department reports that registration for summer programs begin on May 15th, 2013.
- The Library was open for its last Sunday afternoon of the season on April 28. The library was open on Sundays 1 to 5 p.m. From January through April for a total of 13 Sundays. The average number of visits on each 4 hour long afternoon was 164 residents. The number of visits varied from a high of 227 to low of 102. Library patrons were enthusiastic about Sunday service. Sunday afternoon openings during the first 4 months of the year are included in the Library's FY14 budget.
- The Happenings report included activities at the Senior Center for the month of May. June Senior Center News is on page 19.

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Colin Regan, Recreation Director Elizabeth A. Berner Pool Policy

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I.D. Cards must be renewed annually at a fee of \$12.00/card in the Recreation Office only. If the Recreation Department determines that a new Pool I.D. Card is needed, it will be the responsibility of cardholder to do so. This cost will be \$12.00. Senior Citizens will pay an \$11.00 fee for I.D. Cards and \$10.00 for renewal (65 & Over). Replacement I.D. Card Fee is \$15.00/card. Issued in the Recreation Office only (Lost Card).

Daily pool passes for residents are available at the fee of \$2.00/each and are limited to 10 per season per adult. Minimum age to purchase pool pass is 18 years of age and proof of residency is required. If you leave the facility, you must have your hand stamped to reenter. Passes are available at the Pool or Recreation Office. POOL PASSES ARE NON REFUNDABLE AND NON TRANSFERABLE. Passes purchased at the Berner Pool must be used at the time of purchase.

Residents must show their I.D. Card or a pool pass to be admitted into the pool area. Rules are strictly enforced. Due to the large numbers of residents using the Berner Pool we are unable to grant access to this facility for groups or local organizations.

Non-residents (including children) may obtain a daily pool pass at a fee of \$12.00/each. If you leave the facility, you must have your hand stamped, to reenter. Passes are available at the Pool or the Recreation Offices. Passes purchased at the Berner Pool must be used at the time of purchase.

The Recreation Office is located at 50 Whiting Street. Office hours are Monday through Wednesday 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Thursday, 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. and Fridays from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon.

Please contact the Recreation Department at 747-6022 if you have any questions or concerns.

JUNE Dates to Remember:

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From the Desks of . .

Carol A. Skultety, Town Clerk JUNE IS:

DOG LICENSING MONTH

Dog License reminder notices will be mailed to current dog owners on June 1. New licenses must be obtained before June 30, 2013. If the rabies vaccination date on the notice shows it has expired, or your dog has been spayed or neutered during the past year, please provide the updated information when renewing the license. Fees for licensing: Altered dogs, \$8.00; Un-altered dogs \$19.00. A late fee of \$1.00 per month will begin July 1, 2013.

Renewals may be made by mail, however please check rabies expiration date on your notice before returning it. The Town Clerk's office may not have been notified of the most recent vaccination. If you no longer have your dog please call the office at 793-0221 est. 247 to avoid notices from the Animal Control Officer. Checks may be made payable to the Town Clerk and have Driver's License number on the front.

Dogs that bring their owners with them when licensing will have their pictures taken and put on display in the Town Clerk's office. Anyone sending in pictures will also be displayed.

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Senator Jason Welch

One of the Most Significant **Votes of Our Time**

¹This month Governor Lowell Weicker turned 82 years old. You may recall he was the governor when the infamous income tax was passed into law here in Connecticut. Tens of thousands of taxpayers rallied at the state capitol to protest the income tax. At the time language was written into the legislation to keep state spending from growing at an unsustainable level this is commonly known as the spending cap.

As part of the income tax compromise in 1991 the Constitutional spending cap was put in place to balance out the increase in more than \$1 billion in taxes. It was a measure to calm nervous citizens that the state would not engage in runaway spending and would avoid future budget crises. The cap has been in effect for 21 years. This year, there is a move by Democrats in

Hartford to change the definition of the "Spending Cap". By altering the definition, the majority party would be able to enact future spending increases. In other words, the "Spending Cap" - one of our only checks on runaway government spending - would be forever altered. It is a bad idea and like handing over the keys to the candy store to our children.

Changing the 'Spending Cap' takes a super majority: 60 percent. None of the Republicans will vote for it in the Senate. The Democrats will have to get all 22 of their members to vote for it.

The law does allow for an override of the expenditure cap if:

- The Governor declares an "emergency" or "extraordinary circumstance," and
- 3/5th of both houses of the General Assembly

Both Governors Rell and Rowland exceeded the cap during their tenures but they used surplus money to pay for expenses. They were not using the override to put spending into over drive.

It's painfully clear the income tax has not been the cure-all for Connecticut's budget problems. In fact, it has proven to be the foundation for a variety of other tax hikes, including the recent record-setting tax hikes on sales, estates, corporate profits and once again, an increase in the income tax.

Changing the definition of the spending cap will only allow elected officials' spending habits to continue. Our state is broke, yet we continue to borrow, tax and spend your money. There will be consequences. Higher debt and even more taxes on our children and grandchildren are on the horizon. These are not the types of birthday gifts we should be giving them.

The bill to break the spending cap is House Bill 6352. Please follow this legislation and be rest assured I will oppose this dangerous measure.

To follow the bill, visit the General Assembly's website at www.cga.ct.gov and type in 6352 to the bill finder.

Hartford, CT - State Senator Jason Welch (R-Bristol) released the following statement

Re: ESPN announcement that they will be laying-off a number of employees across the board. "Connecticut has an unemployment rate of 8%. Any loss of jobs whether from attrition, or layoffs is devastating. I have sent a letter to the Commissioner of

the State Department of Labor in an effort to help employees who may be affected. They will need to have a plan in place for their next step. These workers have families to provide for.

"It is also notable that the administration chose ESPN a First Five winner less than two years ago and awarded them at least \$17.5 million in taxpayer money on the promise they would create at least 200 new jobs here in Connecticut. I will look forward to hearing from the company and from the department of economic and community development as to how these layoffs square with the First Five deal."



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Robert E. Lee, Town Manager's Report to the Town Council on May 20th

Excerpts of his report/ Town Council Meeting

School Resource Officer Grant

- Police Chief Matt Catania has developed a description of how a School Resource Officer could be integrated into the Plainville Community Schools. The Chief is contemplating submitting a C.O.P.S. grant to fund a School Resource Officer program. The applications are due in the next several weeks.
- · Before moving forward with the application, Chief Catania would like to discuss the C.O.P.S. grant and the school resource program with the Town Council. He has shared the proposed program with School Superintendent Jeff Kitching. If the Town Council is receptive to the grant application, Chief Catania and Jeff Kitching will make a presentation to the Board of Education.

Human Resources Consolidation

- The BlumShapiro Shared Services Study recommended the consolidation of the Human Resource Functions of the Town and Board of Education. Town and school administrative staff has developed a plan to consolidate the HR functions.
- Supt. Jeff Kitching and Assistant Town Manager Shirley Osle will give a presentation of the combined HR department.

Lewis Street Lunch, LLC

 Big A's Burgers & Dogs LLC has notified the Town that they will not be returning to the lot located on White Oak and Woodford Avenues this year. Lewis Street Lunch LLC, a previous tenant has indicated that they would like to return to this spot beginning on June 1st.

Fire Department Ordinance Update

· The Fire Ordinance Sub-committee has finished their work reviewing the Fire Ordinance and is recommending that the Town Council repeal the current ordinance and replace it with one entitled "Division of Fire Suppression Ordinance, Rules, Regulations and Code of Conduct.

The Fire Company has reviewed the proposed changes and they are in support of the Fire Study Committee's recommendation.

FY14 Budget Update

- · Town staff has reviewed the proposed revenues for the next fiscal year and is recommending that the mill rate increase by .49 mills for FY14. This is the same mill rate increase that was proposed back in early April when the Town Council finalized the expenditure side of the budget.
- Since that time the Appropriations Committee of the General Assembly has recommended a budget that could reduce state aid to Plainville by approximately \$227,000. However, after reviewing the revenues, town staff is recommending that the Town Council increase the following revenue estimates to compensate for the adjustments made by the Appropriations Committee: shift \$153,000 from Town Aid Road increase to the general fund budget, increase the supplemental motor vehicle estimate by \$70,000 and increase miscellaneous revenues by \$4,000.
- · The State Budget has not yet been finalized and there is still the possibility that state aid may be further reduced. However, the mill rate needs to be set by the end of the month in order to be able to mail out the tax bills by the end of June. It is not anticipated that the state budget will be finalized until the last day of the legislative session (June 5th) at the earliest.
- There is an item under New Business that would set the mill rate at 31.38 for Fiscal Year 14.

Revenue Collector's Suspense List

The Revenue Collector is recommending that delinquent tax accounts totaling \$104,933.40 be put on the suspense list pursuant to 12-165 of the CT General Statutes. All of the delinquent accounts involve either motor vehicle or personal property taxes.

• The Revenue Collector can still collect taxes for those accounts that are on the suspense list. The Town utilizes a collection agency as well as a Town constable to pursue such delinquencies. The average delinquent account amount on the proposed suspense list is \$154.31. There is an item under New Business regarding the suspense list.

Pequabuck River Flood Study Regional Grant

- Last fall the Town submitted a joint grant application with Bristol and Plymouth to the Federal Economic Development Administration to perform a Pequabuck River Flood Study. The proposed study would evaluate flooding and its effect on economic development in the three communities as a result of Tropical Storm Irene and other natural disasters in 2011.
- The study is the necessary first step to alleviate flooding in the Pequabuck River watershed.

HMGP Update

This Wednesday the Town will advertise for bid for the demolition of the 13 homes that will be participating in the hazardous mitigation buy-out program. Bids will be due on June 12th. Town staff will then evaluate the bid and make a recommendation for award at the June 17th Town Council meeting.

C-PACE Programs

• The State Legislature has approved a program that would allow building owners to access cleaner, cheaper, and more reliable energy. The C-PACE program will make possible energy upgrades to commercial, industrial and non-profit buildings while using private capital to finance it. C-PACE is a statewide program administered by the Clean Energy Finance and Investment Authority (CEFIA) and any interested municipalities can opt-in through a simple resolution by the Town Council.

Shirley Osle, Assistant Town Manager's **Happenings on Page 8**

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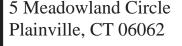
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WISHITEWISH Industry to Education

By: Debra Racine Vazquez

Program Description:

- The WISHITE program is proposed to liaison scopes and interests between local students and diverse businesses. The recent PHS First Annual Career Day panelists of local businesses and educators focused on the awareness of business needs, education preparations and student involvement! The diversity in community businesses establishes the base for matching the students' career interests with hands on opportunities in real life situations and practices.
- That's where WISHITE bridges students and businesses leading to more informed career and education decisions for our students and a more productive and skilled employee for the business. WISHITE was currently focused at the Youth Coalition Business Breakfast in unity with other fascinating programs within the Plainville School system.
- Currently WISH is collaborating with PHS administration and technical staff to bring an afterschool programs related to STEM (Science Technology Engineering & Math) including First Robotics. With a base plan we are exploring student skills and talents, what they are thinking about and what career paths could meet their ideal. That includes public schools, technical, special needs and adult education throughout our state.
- WISH program evaluation for students will be made through Career Awareness Portfolios (WISH CAPs) where the students individually map out their objectives, goals, research, education and/or training in their career scope. Once complete the student is ready for an industry match to fill the void of information only an organization can.
- The community industry partners/sponsors will provide mentorship, facility tours and/or site visits. Collaborative efforts between industry and education can be made simply by allowing WISH to liaison between both in an effort to demonstrate a cohesive approach to global economy and sustainability through involvement. I have worked as both and provide a unique approach to career insights and career sustainability.

Program Needs:

- Community Grants, Industry Funding and Corporate Sponsorships for WISH, Inc. are desperately needed to provide continued time and support to link our community. I need help to provide unlimited efforts towards providing our youth STEM related career resources and activities, materials, social media exposure, CAP portfolio content, event travel expenses, and presentation materials.
- Sponsorship to provide non-profit professional services in motivational speaking, youth leadership, and career transitioning pathways with woman engineering insights and STEM awareness no other has. [\$500/1000/5000 other]. I CAN NOT MAKE IT ALONE! BE A PART OF OUR YOUTHS FUTURE.

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- 2nd Annual Community Business Breakfast / member and Keynote Speaker, Mental Health Awareness Committee, Plainville High School Mentoring Outreach Committee, Plainville Clean Energy Task Force / Committee Co-Chair, Plainville Board of Assessors Appeals, National Association of Professional Women / 2013 NAPW Tri-State Networking Conference NYC, Junior Achievement Mentor Volunteer / Plainville Elementary Schools / GE Sponsored, First Robotics of Central CT / Plainville High School Collaborative / Mentor
- New Haven Science Fair @ Yale Commons / Mentor and Judge / since 2009.

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This is the 17th year in a row CROWLEY RV CENTER has received the Circle of Excellence award from Winnebago Industries. About Winnebago Industries, Inc. Winnebago Industries, Inc. The Most Recognized Name in Motor Homes, is a leading U.S. manufacturer of recreation vehicles, which are used primarily in leisure travel and outdoor.

Taste of Plainville Tickets Now Available ~ Details Page 29









In Memorium, Joe Pugliese......david koskoff to you

Joe Pugliese served on the Plainville Town Council with me, 1965-1967. I was the most liberal member of the Council and Joe was the most conservative member-I used to say (with some exaggeration) that Joe was the only man in Plainville who had openly supported Goldwater for President in '64---but on questions like where to put the sewer treatment plant, political orientation is irrelevant, and I soon realized that Joe was a "better" councilman than I was. Joe did his homework—well, I did too, but Joe did his more thoroughly, and at meetings, when my mind would wander, Joe always seemed to maintain his focus on the issue at hand, however mundane. He was also much more diplomatic than I was during the twice-monthly jousts with the general public at "oral petitions," which were more robust in the 1960s than today

In those days the American conservative movement lacked the shrill and strident element that characterizes it today, and the right wing had not yet rallied around anti-abortion as its signature issue. When Joe and I ran against each other for State Legislature in 1968, Joe made it easy for me, a pro-"choice" candidate in an overwhelming Roman Catholic town, by coming down on the same side as I did on the abortion issue. But for that stand Joe might have rallied the "OLM crowd," in those days the only significant local group for whom abortion was a key issue, to his side. As it turned, I probably carried that block—but not by enough to make the difference. Joe won the election by 44 votes. I was comforted in my loss by knowing that the winning candidate was a hard worker, dedicated to the public interest, and an honorable man.

When Joe moved out of Plainville, I felt that it was a loss for the Town, and now, with his passing, a greater loss for everybody who knew and worked with him. RIP.

Shirley Osle From Page 6

The Plainville Farmers' Market will open Friday, June 28, 2013 at 3pm and close at 6:00 pm. It will run an extra two weeks this year until September 13, 2013. The Market is at the Plainville High School. Currently there are 3 produce farmers, one meat and egg farmer, and an olive oil farmer.

The Recreation Department reports that registration for all summer programs began Wednesday May 15th, at 8:00 a.m.

Ms. Osle's report on the Senior Center Happenings on Page 19

From: Charlie Weldon's Book

Plainville, July 4, 1873

A Nevada man writes to a Boston paper that they have eight males to one females in that State, and that if the "Superfluous Woman", the anxious and aimless ones, of Massachusetts are possessed of the requisite qualities for good housekeepers, and will go out there, they will never be allowed to return unmarried. Thank You, Charlie Weldon

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Only hope we find GOD again before it is too late!! The following was written by Ben Stein and recited by him on CBS Sunday Morning Commentary.

My confession: I don't like getting pushed around for being a Jew, and I don't think Christians like getting pushed around for being Christians. I think people who believe in God are sick and tired of getting pushed around, period. I have no idea where the concept came from, that America is an explicitly atheist country. I can't find it in the Constitution and I don't like it being shoved down my throat...

Or maybe I can put it another way: where did the idea come from that we should worship celebrities and we aren't allowed to worship God as we understand Him? I guess that's a sign that I'm getting old, too. But there are a lot of us who are wondering where these celebrities came from and where the America we knew went to.

In light of the many jokes we send to one another for a laugh, this is a little different: This is not intended to be a joke; it's not funny, it's intended to get you thinking.

In light of recent events... terrorists attack, school shootings, etc.. I think it started when Madeleine Murray O'Hare (she was murdered, her body found a few years ago) complained she didn't want prayer in our schools, and we said OK. Then someone said you better not read the Bible in school... The Bible says thou shalt not kill; thou shalt not steal, and love your neighbor as yourself. And we said OK.

Then Dr. Benjamin Spock said we shouldn't spank our children when they misbehave, because their little personalities would be warped and we might damage their self-esteem (Dr. Spock's son committed suicide). We said an expert should know what he's talking about.. And we said okay..

Now we're asking ourselves why our children have no conscience, why they don't know right from wrong, and why it doesn't bother them to kill strangers, their classmates, and themselves.

Probably, if we think about it long and hard enough, we can figure it out. I think it has a great deal to do with 'WE REAP WHAT WE SOW.'

Funny how simple it is for people to trash God and then wonder why the world's going to hell. Funny how we believe what the newspapers say, but question what the Bible says. Funny how you can send 'jokes' through e-mail and they spread like wildfire, but when you start sending messages regarding the Lord, people think twice about sharing. Funny how lewd, crude, vulgar and obscene articles pass freely through cyberspace, but public discussion of God is suppressed in the school and workplace.

Are you laughing yet?

Funny how when you forward this message, you will not send it to many on your address list because you're not sure what they believe, or what they will think of you for sending it.

Funny how we can be more worried about what other people think of us than what God thinks of us.

Pass it on if you think it has merit.

If not, then just discard it... no one will know you did. But, if you discard this thought process, don't sit back and complain about what bad shape the world is in.

My Best Regards, Honestly and respectfully, Ben Stein



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Roberta Lalama

Dear Editor,

Plainville was fortunate to have Mrs. LaLama and

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I know all about chickens, from a day old chicks to mature hens.

I think special regulations could have been made for

It's Plainville's loss and shame on your Planning

Mary Ziccardi

American flags are available everywhere at very

her chickens, a good experience!

I grew up on a poultry farm only 80 years ago.

I can tell you that chickens make wonderful pets. We had a baby chick delivered without its Down and we had to separate him from the flock. We named him "Sweet Pea" after the Popeye cartoon character. Sweet Pea followed us everywhere. He never grew his feathers and looked like a dressed chicken running after us. She was the only pet I ever had.

Mrs. LaLama and her pets.

and Zoning Commission.

Thank You Letter.....

Thank you Mr. Lee, Mr. Bosse & others for making Bohemia Street in Plainville a safer place for our children by placing new signage on our street and West Main Street corner. We hope that this will reduce the number of vehicles that still think they can access route 72 from here.

Roberta Lalama

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In addition, veterans, many with college degrees, are finding employment across AT&T's career areas as project managers, IT professionals, financial analysts, supply chain managers and more.

More than 92 percent of veterans hired by AT&T continue their careers with the company after two years, compared with 88 percent of general population hires.

To help veterans find career opportunities, AT&T has a veteran career site, which includes tools for veterans to match their military skills with AT&T jobs.

AT&T has a military talent attraction manager who focuses on military recruitment.

And the company has the Careers for Veterans program where AT&T Veterans provide job search advice to help thousands of newly transitioning veterans optimize their career searches.

I look forward to continuing my work on behalf of veterans. I have also dedicated a section of my senate website to Veterans Affairs.

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AAA Speaks Out:

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Owning and operating a car may be more expensive than you think. In fact, the cost to keep an average sedan on the road is about 60.8 cents per mile, or \$9,122 per year, based on 15,000 miles of annual driving, according to AAA's 2013 Your Driving Costs study. The study, which AAA has published for 63 years, takes into account everything from fuel and insurance to tires and depreciation.

Compared to 2012, the study reveals a 1.96 percent increase in vehicle ownership and operation costs. Here are the factors behind the numbers:

Maintenance Costs Up 11.26 Percent

The costs associated with maintaining a vehicle had the single largest percentage increase from 2012 to 2013, growing by 11.26 percent to 4.97 cents per mile on average for sedan owners. AAA's estimates are based upon the cost to maintain a vehicle and perform needed repairs for five years and 75,000 miles including labor expenses, replacement part prices and the purchase of an extended warranty policy.

Fuel Costs Up 1.93 Percent

Gasoline prices were relatively stable compared to the prior year, leading to a minimal fuel cost increase of 1.93 percent to 14.45 cents per mile on average for sedan owners. The average cost of regular grade fuel actually rose 3.84 percent, from \$3.357 to \$3.486 per gallon. However, several vehicles in the Your Driving Costs study had small improvements in their fuel economy ratings which partially offset the fuel cost increase.

Tire Costs Remain Unchanged

The cost of tires did not change from 2012 to 2013, remaining at one cent per mile on average for sedan owners. The stable price is attributed to a leveling off of past increased costs for raw materials, energy and transportation.

Insurance Costs Up 2.76 Percent

Average insurance costs for sedans rose 2.76 percent (or \$28) to \$1,029 annually. Insurance rates vary widely by driver and driving record, issuing company and geographical region. AAA insurance cost estimates are based on a low-risk driver with a clean driving record.

Depreciation Costs Rise .78 Percent

After seeing a drop in 2012, depreciation costs were up slightly in 2013, increasing .78 percent to \$3,571 a year. This change may be a consequence of recovering new vehicle sales, resulting in more used cars available in the marketplace.

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

SUMMER FUN Summer in New England is always a great time to

get together with friends, enjoy the weather and good times. For most, the party will be at home,

which requires the host to be aware of what level of care they must provide their attendees. Surely, nobody wants someone to get hurt at a gathering. Especially, when the homeowner runs the risk of a negligence claim. Let us explore the three categories of individuals entering onto your property and the level of care they should be afforded under the law.

First, people who enter onto another's property intentionally without permission or for any business purpose are trespassers. Once on your property you owe undiscovered trespassers only a duty not to willfully harm them. This means if someone sets up a trap and a trespasser is injured, then the homeowner may have breached his or her duty of reasonable care. If the trespasser is discovered, then the owner must warn of only known hazards. A sign indicating known hazards would suffice as due notice to any known trespasser.

Second, individuals who enter onto another's property for a social purpose, such as a party, are given the status of licensee. For this class of individuals, the property owner owes them a duty to warn of harmful conditions on the land that are hidden from the licensee, so long as the landowner knows of this condition. So, if you are throwing a party at your home, you need to make your guests aware of known hazards like holes in the ground or slippery spots on the floor.

Third, someone who enters onto your property with a business purpose is classified as an invitee. This class is afforded the highest level of care under civil law. The property owner must make the property safe by not only notifying individuals of know defects, but also inspecting for hidden defects and providing notice of such discovered defects and potential hazards.

The best way to enjoy yourself this summer is to take the extra time to put up a sign or some other notice so no one is injured at your BBQ. Its something that goes with being a property owner whether we like it or not.



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 Lawin 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.

NEW PETS IN TOWN!!!

Our names are Lizzie, Pebbles, Dorothy, Suzie & Gretl. We are doe bunnies (all girls) and happy new citizens of Plainville. We have already made many



Our pets are Mckenzie, Bethany, Virginia & Olivia, Dakota & Jacob. We live at Mama Fluff's house (previously known as Mama Cluck) but our pets come over to care for us everyday.

We have little rabbit harnesses & leashes so that we can take walks, munch on fresh greens and enjoy the attention we get from everyone we meet.

We are only about two weeks old, but we are getting litter box trained so we can visit in our pet's houses.

There is a cat & some small dogs in the neighborhood. They are curious about us, but not threatening. When they come around Lizzie thumps her back feet to warn us and we take cover for a time. Then, when we know there is no danger and we come out and play again. It's a great life!





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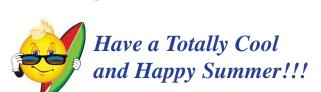
PARTICIPATE IN "GIRLS AND STEM EVENT"

Eleven seventh grade girls from the Middle School of Plainville and Technology Education teacher Camille Westfall, participated in a "GIRLS and STEM" event at Central Connecticut State University on April 12th. The purpose of the event was to provide programming to encourage girls enrollment in "STEM" (science, technology, engineering and math) in high school and beyond. Workshops ranged from learning to solder while creating a "Jitterbug", to creating exploding toothpaste while learning about how different chemicals interact. The workshops were run by female college students. The Middle School students were also treated to a tour of the night sky at the university's planetarium.

According to Westfall, "This EXPO, which was organized by the CT Women's Educational and Legal Fund, was excellent. Every student had a good time and learned something new."

Middle School of Plainville student Caroline St. Pierre said, "I am so glad I went! The college students were very helpful and I never knew science could be so fun! I would go again if I could!"

"We are very proud of our efforts at MSP to encourage young woman to consider a future in science, engineering, technology and math. In addition to the work Ms. Westfall has done, the Science Department has also been supported by the Petit Family Foundation to encourage girls in STEM," noted Middle School of Plainville Principal, Matthew Guarino.



MSP Chamber Singers Perform at Elementary Schools



On April 29th the Middle School of Plainville's Chamber Singers lead by Faculty member and director Todd Helming toured at Plainville's three elementary schools. Fourth and fifth grade students at all three schools were able to learn about the music program at the Middle School while listening to a performance by top music student performers. The music performed included a variety of styles spanning over 400 years, three continents and four languages.

PHS Classes Increase Biodiversity



Students in Leanne Nolan's Advanced Placement Environmental Science classes are increasing biodiversity at the high school by creating a garden bed near the Senior patio outside of the school's cafeteria patio area. The students recently planted a number of perennials donated by faculty and staff and the Lowes Home Improvement Store in Plainville. The group and future Advanced Placement Environmental Class participants will continue to expand and care for the garden.

PHS Students Honored by Board of Education





Three PHS students were honored at the May 13th Plainville Board of Education meeting. Alicia Gorski was recognized as a Governor's Scholar Semi-finalist for outstanding achievement. Student representatives to the Board of Education Sarah Wizniak and Michael Costantini were recognized for receiving the Connecticut Association of Boards of Education (CABE) Student Leadership awards.

Top photo: Andrea Saunders, Chairperson, Michael Costantini, Superintendent Jeffrey Kitching, Sarah Wizniak, Principal Steven Lepage.

Bottom photo: Jeffrey Kitching, Alicia Gorski, Andrea Saunders, Steven Lepage





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MIDDLE SCHOOL GROUP SELECTED TO PRESENT CHORAL WORKSHOP

Nine students from the Middle School of Plainville Choral Program together with Middle School Music Teacher Todd Helming, recently presented a workshop at the National Association for Music Education's Eastern Division Conference. The conference was held at the Hartford Convention Center and attended by approximately 1,500 music educators from the northeastern portion of the United States as well as Europe. A group of teachers attended the conference to learn recruitment techniques to encourage male student participation in middle school level choral programs. As part of the workshop presentation by the Plainville students, the group sang and demonstrated variations in the male changing voice.

Middle School of Plainville Choral Program students who presented the workshop with Helming, were Shane Hartunian, Kyle Smith, John Sliwka, Jackson Anderson, William Cronkhite, Nick Costantini, Taegan Brochu, Bryan Buckley, and Raymond Moskus.

"It is very exciting to be honored to serve as workshop presenters as our group had to submit an audition tape, and was ultimately selected from many applicants. It was a tremendous opportunity for our students to have been part of something so amazing and great. We received a number of emails after the event indicating that the presentation was very well received by attendees!" said

"The entire Plainville community should know what a model choral program we have. Mr. Helming is a true leader in the State music education scene and we are very fortunate to have him at MSP. The students who accompanied him should also be recognized as leaders in the school and great representatives of our town," noted Middle School of Plainville Principal, Matthew Guarino.



Pack 76 of Toffolon School in Plainville recently made a trip to Battleship Cove, in Fall River, Massachusetts, to explore the world's largest collection of historic naval ships. After touring the battleship Massachusetts, destroyer Joseph P. Kennedy Jr. submarine Lionfish, PT Boats 617 & 796, and Russian missile corvette Hiddensee, the scouts, their parents, and adult leaders spent the night of April 27th on board the famous battleship Massachusetts.

There was so much to explore & learn. The trip has enabled the scouts to better understand and appreciate the sacrifices made by veterans of all military branches in all wars. A timely trip with Memorial Day in a few

in Invention Convention



Five Frank T. Wheeler Elementary School students traveled to UCONN's Gampel Pavilion on May 4th to compete in this year's state Invention Convention. As explained on the official CIC site. "The Connecticut Invention Convention (CIC) is an award winning, internationally recognized, 501(c)(3) educational organization started in 1983 as part of the Connecticut Educators Network for the Talented and Gifted. The program is open to K-8 students statewide, and is designed to develop, encourage, and enhance critical thinking skills through invention, innovation and entrepreneurship. More than 100 schools participate annually, creating over 10,000 inventors each year."

Congratulations to Wheeler students (and their inventions): Daniel Emmendorfer- Rim Cap, Nanci Gutierrez- The Wallet Bracelet, Olivia Unwin- K.i.d.s Pack, Elijah Freschette- Lincoln's Hat, and Anthony Lestini- The Pencil Saver, for representing Wheeler and Plainville so well!

PHS and Toffolon School Host McTeacher Night





Toffolon School

On 4/9/13 staff from PHS had a McTeacher night at the McDonald's on MapleStreet. Administration and staff flipped burgers, made fries and waited on customers. Pictured is Jim Batt, Special Ed Teacher, Chef Al LeSage and the principal, Mr. Steve LePage. They made \$500 which will go to the PHS PAC to help cover expenses for the students.

On 5/14/13 staff from Toffolon had a McTeacher night at the McDonald's on New Britain Avenue. They performed the same tasks as PHS and also received \$500 which will go to the Toffolon PTO. The picture provided shows the principal, Lynn Logoyke, Toffolon staff and staff from McDonald's as they receive their

SCHOOL HOSTS "SENIOR" PROM

Plainville High School hosted its first annual "Senior" Prom on April 9th. The prom, for local senior citizens, was organized by Plainville High School's Rotary Interact Club. The club formed three years ago, and is advised by Principal Steven LePage, faculty member Judy Gurtcheff, and Plainville Rotary Club member Robert Yudkin.

According to LePage, much planning, preparation and collaboration ensued in the process of organizing the prom event. Rotary Interact Club members joined forces with students from other school clubs and groups, including members of the Friends of Rachel Club, who were able to get Mr. Dan Hurley to volunteer his services as an outstanding disc jockey for the 50's themed event. The Italian National Honor Society, led by faculty member Maria Colangelo, volunteered to prepare dozens of delicious desserts. Plainville's J. Timothy's Restaurant donated Chicken Marsala and herb rice (enough to feed approximately 150), Pagliacci's Restaurant donated several pans of baked Penne pasta and various fresh baked breads, and Applebee's Restaurant donated the salad - all three restaurants helping to make this event a success.

Plainville's Food Service Manager Jim Bondi, supplied the high school's cafeteria as a staging area and provided coffee and tea. Culinary teacher Al LeSage helped to ensure that the food was kept warm and ready to serve throughout the evening. Faculty member Thomas Riccardo created a "photo booth" to capture the memories of the evening through photos for guests. Fellow faculty member Mary Jobs assisted with planning, picking up supplies, and set up of the entire cafeteria. Students created props and decorations for the room, and school district custodian Mike Turcotte Sr. donated records from the 50's time period to use as displays and decorations. "The whole evening really came together nicely, and evolved into the perfect setting for our first attempt at this prom," noted LePage.

Throughout the event, senior citizen guests were gracious and complimentary. Many thank you notes, cards, emails, and donations were received after the event to support next year's event preparations. State Representative Elizabeth Boukus was also in attendance, and made a donation to help purchase supplies.

"All things considered, this was a very successful event. To see our students pulling together toward a common goal for the community was a powerful experience. It was a lot of work and time and planning, but in the end it was worth every minute," explained LePage. "The kids can't wait to do this again next year, and somehow, I suspect that we will have an even larger crowd. It was really powerful to see our students glow in the happiness that they brought to the senior members of the community, whether through sharing a meal, a kind word, or a dance.

I can't wait until "Senior Prom" 2014!"



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AARP Guest Speaker

Chief of Police, Matt Catania was the guest speaker at AARP's monthly meeting. He explained how the Department runs, warned about scams and held a question and answer session.

Chief Catania is proud to be our Chief of Police, people in Plainville are very friendly and he feels very welcome here. The members really enjoyed meeting the Chief!



"Happy 90th Sam!!"

Sam Perniciaro turned 90 on May 5th. He celebrated his birthday with family and friends at Forest Hill, Jenson's Clubhouse in Southington.

Happy Birthday Joyce



Joyce Pullen celebrated her birthday with a surprise birthday cake from her friends and fellow members of the Plainville Senior Center Choral Group. Joyce, at 90 years old, still drives with the group to three area convalescent homes to entertain the residents.

Plainville Knights of Columbus Hold Memorial Service for Deceased Members



The Knights of Columbus is the world's largest Catholic fraternal service organization.

The Order is still true to its founding principles of charity, unity and fraternity. The principle of fraternity is clear in the camaraderie between the brother Knights as they work together in community service efforts and as they socialize in their council meetings. The spirit of fraternity extends to those who have gone before as well, as was evidenced recently in a special memorial service for deceased members. One of the most important ways the Knights of Columbus support each other is through prayer, especially at the time of death. Brother Knights demonstrate their fraternity in exemplary measure when they pray for the souls of the departed Knights and console the members of their families. In this regard, the Plainville Knights hold an annual memorial service at St.Joseph cemetary.

GE Presents New Product Innovation Center



Photo left: displays GE bus which is currently touring the US promoting the New Product Innovation Center and products

Photo right:
Plainville High School
students, Betty Boukus,
Superintendent Kitching,
Principal Steve LePage and
David Gaignard at FIRST®

David Gaignard at FIR Robotics Competition sponsored by GE



GE's Industrial Solutions business hosted a grand opening celebration of its \$1.5 million, 17,000 square foot New Product Innovation Center at its Plainville, Conn. facility on Friday, May 3. The Center features a team room, machine shop, product tear down area and pilot-run production area that will enable GE engineers to design, develop and deliver new products faster than ever before. Paul Singer, senior executive of engineering at Industrial Solutions, officially introduced the new NPI Center during the event with a brief overview of the facility capabilities and technology vision for GE's Industrial Solutions business.

In celebration of the Center opening, GE hosted students from Plainville High School and Hartford's University High School for Science and Engineering to take part in challenges designed to further peak their interest in applied science and engineering. The students from University High School also demonstrated the abilities of a robot they built earlier this year, under the guidance of GE engineers, for the FIRST® Robotics Competition.

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Ask the Brayne

Q: Who is responsible for the repairs of the boat and car that where damaged in the Boston Bombing shoot out?

A: Initially, it will fall on the owner's insurance. After that, it would be a matter of whether the insurance companies want to go after the state/ federal governments.

Disclosure: I am not a lawyer, nor do I play one on TV. The above statement is my opinion.;-)

Q. Does anyone have an idea of how many accidents have been caused by the downtown bump-outs? It is my understanding dozens of persons have sustained damages to their vehicles.

A. In checking with the Police Department only one person reported to the police, they hit the bump-out and had to replace their tire. The bump-outs were installed to slow down the traffic.

A local Tire Dealer reported that when the bump-outs were first installed they had about 3 per week, but non lately.

Please submit any questions for July/August Issue by: June 15th

To submit questions: Call 860-747-4119, E-mail hmtnn@comcast.net, or write to Hometown Connection, 27 Sherman Street, Plainville, CT 06062 or drop them at the office. Deadline for submitting questions and/or articles is the 15th of each month. Thank you for the above questions. Keep them coming!!

Thanks, Bill Brayne!

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Watch for Opening of "The Farmers Market" **This Month**

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Our Flag: A Symbol of Service-June 14,1777 the Continental Congress passed the first Flag Act: "Resolved, That the flag of the Untited States be made of thirteen strips, alternate red and white; that the union be thirteen stars, white in a blue field, representing a new Constellation." Act of April 4, 1818, provided for thirteen strips-representing the thirteen original colonies, and one star for each state, to be added to the flag on the Fourth of July following admission of each new state, signed by President Monroe "Remember to fly your Flag on June 14th"

What's Going On...

Literacy Volunteers Needed

Literacy Volunteers of Central Connecticut has approximately 100 adult students waiting for tutors to help them with reading, writing, and speaking English. The need is great and the rewards are many!

We seek volunteers to work with our adult students once a week for two hours in a small group. No experience is necessary to become a tutor - training, observations, and support are provided

We welcome all prospective tutors age 18 and over with a minimum of a high school degree and very good writing skills. June English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) training takes place 6/17, 6/20, 6/24 & 6/27. July Basic Literacy (BL) training takes place 7/8, 7/11, 7/15, 7/18, 7/22 & 7/25.

Preregistration is required. To preregister or for more information call (860) 229-7323 or email Sarah Hudkins at lvccprogassist@gmail.com

Wheeler to Hold An Evening of Wonder October 12, 2013 at Marriott Hartford Downtown

Hartford, CT – Wheeler Clinic hosts its third annual An Evening of Wonder event at the Marriott Hartford Downtown on October 12, 2013 to celebrate hope, healing and transformation.

Details about sponsorship, donating an auction item, or to register for An Evening of Wonder are available at https://give.wheelerclinic.org/EveningofWonder. Additional information can be provided by contacting Jennifer McHale at 860.224.6375 or jmchale@wheelerclinic.org.

Central Connecticut's Largest Veterans Charity Golf Event Slated for September 27 at Stanley Golf Course

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Children activities will be a surprise for Father's Day "There are no strangers in Plainville, only friends you have yet to meet"

Open to the Public

The Plainville
United Methodist Church
is holding their annual

Strawberry Shortcake Festival

Friday, June 7, 2013

from 10 am to 4 pm.

The Shortcakes will be served at the church, as well as take out.

We will also be providing delivery for orders of 10 or more.

If you have any questions or would like to have your orders be delivered to your business or organization

Please contact the church office at

860-747-2328 or Greg Michaud at 860-793-9590.

NEWS FLASH!!!!!!

P.H.S. & Crowley Lincoln Team Up to Raise Funds for Class of 2014

For every Person who test drives a new Lincoln at Plainville High School on Sunday, June 2nd~ 9 to 4 pm Crowley & Lincoln/Ford Motor Company will donate

\$20.00 to the Class of 2014
This money will help offset the cost of several things such as proms and other extracurricular activities.
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P.H.S. Class of 2014
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Grandparents, Aunts, Uncles, Town
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advance for your Support
See you Sunday at the East Street
lot at Plainville High School"

Vendors Needed

Vendors, crafters and tag salers are needed for the Gloria Dei Caring for

Kids Strawberry Festival and Craft and Tag Sale June 8th from 9-3 pm at Gloria Dei Lutheran Church, 355 Camp St., Bristol.

The event will be held rain or shine and includes a food booth. Indoor and outdoor spaces are available for \$20 and all proceeds benefit the Gloria Dei Caring for Kids Fund which helps the families of seriously ill children in the community.

For more information, or to donate to the Caring for Kids Tag Sale booth, please contact Tracy Carlson at 860 620-4166 or e-mail: tcarlson01@ snet.net or Deb McAuliffe at 860 583-1932.

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Academy Award Winning Movie Peter Chase, Library Director

The film that was nominated for 11 Academy Awards and won in four categories including Best Director for Ang Lee will be shown as part of the matinee film series at the Plainville Public Library on Thursday, June 13 at 2:30 p.m. "The Life of Pi" was also nominated for three Golden Globe Awards.

Embark on the adventure of a lifetime in this visual masterpiece from Oscar winner Ang Lee, based on the best-selling novel. After a cataclysmic shipwreck, young Pi Patel finds himself stranded on a lifeboat with the only other survivor - a ferocious Bengal tiger named Richard Parker. Bound by the need to survive, the two are cast on an epic journey that must be seen to be believed.

The afternoon film series is sponsored by the Friends of the Plainville Public Library admission is free.

Share your photos!

Post photos from your Bike to Work event and journey to our Facebook wall, on Twitter with #biketoworkct, or send us the embed code from your online album. Have a great ride home!

Plainville Men in the Civil War

Beginning on June 22 until August 28, the Plainville Historical Center will feature the men and the battles they fought in the Civil War. You will also learn what daily life was like, what equipment they had, what the uniforms were like, and what weapons they used. There will be maps of the battlegrounds and photos of the men for visitors to look at, as well as a display of the battle of Gettsbury showing where the Plainville troops fought. Our men fought in at least 80 battles, some of them being major battles such as Antietam, Peach Tree Creek, the Siege of Atlanta and Gettysburg. They also fought in lesser-known battles such as Cane River, Bermuda Hundred, and Deep Run. There were at least 62 men that we know

of who enlisted from Plainville.

The Historical Society will be closed on July 6th and 7th.

For group tours you may call and make an appointment at (860) 747-6577.

The Center will be open on

Wednesdays and Saturdays

from 12 to 2:30 pm.

The building is handicapped accessible.

AN INVITATION TO JOIN THE COOP CLUB

For those of you in Plainville who already have backyard hens and those who think they might like to have them I would like you to call or email me and express your interest.

My idea is to share our experiences, stories and knowledge of keeping our hens in clean and environmentally sound manner.

Perhaps to form a small lobby to encourage the powers that be in Plainville to revise our current prohibitive restrictions on hens to conform with our neighboring towns and address the issue that this is a trend all over the country. Open your minds folks!

Keeping pet hens is a financial and emotional responsibility as much as with other pets.

Yet barking dogs & stray cats are OK. Crows, Canada Geese & even song birds make more noise than hens. AND they "poop" whever they fly. At least the hens are restricted and their coops kept clean.

For more information call 860-747-1067 or e-mail robertalalama@yahoo.com

Taste of Plainville

Nico's

Annual Lemonade Stand

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Journey to Africa

Rita Wagener (Kabali) will present a Journey to Africa at the Plainville Senior Center, 200 East Street, on Friday, June 21 at 11:00 a.m. Rita is a native of Uganda, a country located on the Eastern side of the African continent. This show will take everyone through the fashions and dances of Africa. At the end of the show, participants will feel as if they had traveled to Africa without even being on a plane.

Rita comes to Connecticut via Fairbanks, Alaska, where she and her husband lived for fourteen years. During the program, she will share her experience of living in two cultures, and she will also talk about living in America's biggest state and being the only person from her original country. This program is free and open to the public. Call the Senior Center, 860-747-5728, to register.

Calling All.....

Wizards and Warriors!

Kathleen Marsan, Executive Director Plainville Wind Ensemble

The Plainville Wind Ensemble is bringing the music of the Hobbit, Halo, Harry Potter, Star Wars and much more to Norton Park, South Washington St., Plainville, on June 4, 2013 at 6:30 P.M. Come dressed as your favorite Warrior such as Captain America, Wonder Woman or a Star War hero or villain! As for Wizards – choose from Harry Potter to the Hobbit, and don't forget about your favorite Halo or other game heroes or villains!

Costumes are optional! The Plainville Wind Ensemble , known for free, entertaining and fun concerts, encourages the public to bring along a blanket or favorite lawn chair. There are picnic tables available or bring your own folding table and enjoy the music while eating supper or snack.

In case of inclement weather, the concert will be moved to the auditorium of the Plainville High School on Robert Holcomb Way.

For more information on the Plainville Wind Ensemble, visit us on Face Book or www.plainvillewindensemble.

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Second Look..... In Case you Missed It!!

AARP Driver Safety Class:

An AARP Driver Safety Class will be held at the Plainville Senior Center on Monday, June 17, from 1:00-5:00 p.m. This course covers the effects of aging and medication on driving, local hazards, accident prevention measures and more. Films and discussions will be presented and a driver's manual provided. No written or on the road test required. Upon completion of the course, an insurance company must give a discount of at least 5% on auto insurance. The cost for the class is \$12.00 for AARP members, providing a membership number and \$14.00 for other attendees. Register and pay at the Plainville Senior Center in advance, between 9:15-12:00 noon.

Save Linden St. School

Our deadline for the final plans is July 15th, the Town Council will have to decide if it will put a referendum question to demolish the school or save it for a Community Center.

Everyone with petitions to "Save the Linden Street School" please forward them to "Save the School", 27 Sherman St, Plainville, CT 06062 by mail or drop them off at the address.

For more information and update please call 860-747-3905 leave your name and phone number for a return call.

The first duty of love is to listen!

Paul Tolloch, Am. Theologian

Connecticut's Best Bike to Work Day Yet!

Thanks to good weather, and even more to the growing ranks of bike-friendly residents, we had an awesome turnout for Bike to Work Day 2013! Thanks to every single one of you who participated, and thanks to Fox CT and Colin McEnroe for helping us get the good word out! Special thanks to Sandy Fry and the whole Bike to Work Committee for all your planning and generous work.

Make Sure You're Counted Too! If you biked to work but didn't pledge ahead of time, please let us know here so we can include you in the count!

Life With Wanda....



Wanda is at the beach showing off her Bikini SOOOOO No laughs this month but after she comes back, for sure we will have some!!!

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Plainville Recycling & Solid Waste Monthly Updates, Tips & Trivia By: Jen Zakrzewski

Starting with this issue of the Plainville Hometown Connection, the Plainville Recycling & Solid Waste Commission hopes to provide Plainville with monthly updates, tips and trivia.

The Commission has been hard at work to come up with solutions to increase Plainville's recycling rates. While the new recycling bins have improved our rates, there is always room for improvement. According to Waste360.com, San Francisco's recycling rate as of October 2012 has reached an all-time high of 80% of its trash being diverted from landfills. Despite recycling being a Connecticut law for all citizens and businesses, the Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection reports that our recycling rates as of 2010 are stagnant with a mere 26% of our waste being diverted from landfills. We can do

One problem that we are trying to address is the excessive amount of recyclable cans and bottles left behind or are thrown in the trash at our parks. In response, the Commission is in the process of trying to procure recycling containers for the parks. Our hope is to have any aluminum can or bottle refunds donated to Plainville charitable organizations, such as the Plainville pantry. We hope that you will do your part by recycling your used drink containers from your recreational activities or bringing them home with you to recycle. Let's keep Plainville beautiful! Next month's topic: "Composting."

Trivia: It takes 95% less energy to make aluminum cans from recycled cans then to make them from raw ore.

Questions you may have about Solid Waste & Recycling E-mail to: HMTNN@COMCAST.NET

"Taste of Plainville"

Tickets at Our Booth at "Wings & Wheels" Details on page 29

PLAINVILLE WINGS & WHEELS

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Young at Heart...Senior News AT RISK LIST

The Plainville Senior Center maintains a list of Plainville residents who are at risk in the event of an electrical power outage. Individuals of any age, who have medical problems dependent on electrical power to operate medical equipment, should be on the "At Risk List". Those who are not on the "At Risk List", and need to be, should call the Senior Center, 860-747-5728.

In the event of an electrical power outage, Plainville residents with health risks and no other alternative, should call the Plainville Police Department at 860-747-1616. Neither the Police Department nor the Senior Center will call them.

The Connecticut Light and Power Company can be reached at 860-947-2000, option #1. In a true emergency, call 9-1-1.

SENIOR CENTER TRIPS

The public may sign-up for trips seven days after a trip is made available to Senior Center members. Sign-ups, held at the Plainville Senior Center Monday through Friday, are between 9:15 a.m. and 12:00 noon only. Payment is due at the time of sign-up.

The Senor Center is offering a trip to Tanglewood, featuring the Boston Pops Orchestra with Keith Lockhart, Conductor, and special guest Vince Gill, on Sunday, July 7. The cost is \$110.00 per person and includes transportation, lunch at Cork 'N Hearth

The Senior Center is offering a trip to the Delaney House in Holyoke, MA, for All-You-Can-Eat Lobster and Comedy Show, on Friday, July 12. The cost is \$89.00 per person and includes transportation, lunch, comedy show, reserved shed tickets and gratuities.

The Senior Center is offering a trip to sail on a Tall Ship around Manhattan on Thursday, August 1. The cost is \$75.00 per person and includes transportation, sailing trip, free time at Chelsea Market and gratuities. The Senior Center is offering a trip to Lobsterfest at Newport Playhouse on Sunday, August 11. The cost is \$85.00 per person includes transportation, lunch, show and gratuity.

The Senior Center is offering a trip to the Western Frontier, August 20-29, featuring Mt. Rushmore, Yellowstone and the Badlands. The cost ranges between \$3,135 and \$4,035 per person. There is optional trip insurance available for an additional cost. A complete itinerary is available at the Senior

OUTDOOR ADVENTURE CLUB

There are many exciting trips planned for the outdoor adventure club. For more information about the club, contact the Plainville Senior Center.

THE PLAINVILLE SENIOR CENTER IS COLLECTING CELL PHONES AND SMALL ELECTRONICS

The Plainville Senior Center has expanded its collaboration with Cellular Recycler to make the most of not only used cell phones, but also laptops, cameras, iPOD players and video game consoles. Don't throw your old electronics away, donate them to the Senior Center and raise money for the DialA-Ride program. Please bring used cell phones and small electronic donations to the Senior Center front

CURRENT EVENTS DISCUSSION AT THE **SENIOR CENTER**

Plainville Senior Center Members are invited to the Center on Mondays from 10:00-11:30 a.m. for a friendly, lively discussion of local, state, and national current events. Call the Center, 747-5728, to register for this program.

COFFEE WITH A SOCIAL WORKER AT THE PLAINVILLE SENIOR CENTER

Stephanie Soucy, Plainville Senior Center Outreach Coordinator, will hold Coffee with a Social Worker, at the Center on Mondays, June 3 and June 17, from 12:30-1:30 p.m. Stephanie will be available to answer questions about Medicare, Medicaid, Medicare Part D, Medicare Savings Program, Housing Options, Alzheimer's Help, Caregiving, Homecare etc. No registration is necessary for these one-on-one meetings. This program is open to Plainville Senior Center Members who are residents of Plainville. Call the Senior Center, 860-747-5728, for more information.

SORT YOUR STUFF

Plainville Senior Center Outreach Coordinators Bette Smith and Stephanie Soucy will lead a "Sort Your Stuff" program at the Plainville Senior Center, on Tuesday, June 11 at 10:00 a.m. During this hands on program, participants will learn what to keep, what to throw away, how long to keep specific items and where items should be kept. Utilizing the free organizer that will be provided, files will be set up step by step, paper by paper. The organizer system will be perfect for income tax time, or applying for programs such as Energy Assistance, Medicare D, Tax Relief, Renters Rebate, etc. All important fills will be at your fingertips. Call the Senior Center, 747-5728, to register for this free program.

LIVER HEALTH

Donna Sciacca, Program Manager at the Connecticut Chapter of the American Liver Foundation, will present a Liver Health Program at the Plainville Senior Center, on Thursday, June 13 at 9:30 a.m. This program will help participants understand the functions of the liver, how to maintain liver health and how to talk to your doctor about liver health and wellness. Call the Senior Center, 860-747-5728, to register.

GRANDPARENTS AND RELATIVES RAISING CHILDREN SUPPORT GROUP

The Plainville Senior Center and Youth Services will co-host a program about the unique challenges of raising a grandchild or relative on Wednesday, June 12 at 10:30 a.m., held at the Plainville

The grandparents' program provides caregivers an opportunity to share information and support on issues related to childrearing. Childcare is available. To register for this free program, call the Plainville Senior Center, 747-5728. Funding for this program is made possible by the Older Americans Act through the North Central Area Agency on Aging.

SENIOR CENTER BAND JAM

The Plainville Senior Center has a live band at the Center, 200 East Street, every Thursday from 2:30 - 4:00 p.m. Come down and dance or just sit back and enjoy the music. The band plays all the favorite standard classics and more! Cake and punch are served, friendships are made. Call the Senior Center, 860-747-5728, for more information.

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Could Plainville be a Blue Zone?

By: Linda Coveney, Certified Health Coach, AADP

Blue Zones are areas of the world where most of the people live and often work happy and healthy up to age 100. Recently I listened to a lecture by Dan Buettner about his research with National Geographic and the findings on these healthiest populations in the world.

I also attended a number of Health Care lectures where the discussion focused on what communities could do to provide a culture of wellness. I'd like to share the highlights of these lectures with you.

Blue Zones. Each population is unique; yet, they all had these things in common:

- 1. Moving is a big part of their life, not something they save for the gym.
- 2. Good community connections, deep friendships, strong family ties.
- 3. Most have gardens and cook their own foods.
- 4. Daily rituals to help reduce stress, i.e. meditation, pray or naps
- 5. They have a strong sense of purpose.
- 6. Moderate alcohol use with friends and food.
- 7. A mostly plant based diet. Meat is served approximately 4 times/month, Beans is a common staple.
- 8. Their community supports healthy-behaviors.

For the full details, Google Blue Zones.

Could Plainville be a Blue Zone? What would be the benefit to work towards a more healthy community? As a nation, we spend \$2 Trillion/year to prevent chronic diseases. For the first time ever, it is predicted that children will live 5 years less than their parents. These are two excellent reasons why change is important.

While this needs to be role modeled in the home, there is room for business cooperation and even new policies to make eating and living healthier easier.

AT HOMI

- Fill your smaller plate from the counter rather than put large amounts of food on the table. You are less likely to overeat.
- Stop eating when you are 80% full.
- Make healthy substitutes. It's time for those summer picnics and traditional macaroni
 tuna salad. Recently I enjoyed an alternative to this that substituted cannellini beans
 for traditional elbow macaroni and omitted the mayo. It was delicious and provided a
 healthy portion of protein, fiber and healthy fats.

IN YOUR TOWN:

- Set up walking and biking trails
- Introduce community gardens
- Consider alternative school bus policies. A walking bus is a form of student transport for schoolchildren who, chaperoned by two adults (a "Driver" leads and a "conductor" follows) walk to school, in much the same way a school bus would drive them to school. Like a traditional bus, walking buses have a fixed route with designated "bus stops" and "pick up times" in which they pick up children. According to Wiki, this concept his was started in Australia in 1992 and moved to England and has been adopted in North America. You can Google Walking Bus for more information.

IN RESTAURANTS

- Change the automatic sandwich side default to an apple so you have to ask for fries.
- Provide a smaller size entry at 75% of the price.

IN GROCERY STORES:

- Healthy Choices at check out why not bananas or apples vs. sugar laded candies
 that are so tempting for children and hungry parents stopping on their way home
 from work.
- Organic options.

AT WORK:

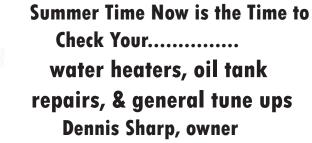
- Does every recognition event or birthday party need to include cake and cookies? Could you change that norm to fruit or sharing stories and having fun?
- More water and healthy snacks in the vending machine.
- Provide calorie labeling for your cafeteria food.

What other ideas to you have to make Plainville a shiny example of a healthy community? Not only can our average life expectance increase, but also more importantly, it is possible to leave a long life without suffering from chronic diseases. Think of the value a healthy aging population can contribute to the community. Send me your ideas.

Linda Coveney is an AADP Certified Health Coach who provides one-one coaching and group wellness programs. She can help you set up wellness programs that are sustainable and deliver results for both the employer and employee. You can reach her through www.healthy-behaviors.com or lindacoveney@healthy-behaviors.com. Let her know what topics you would like to hear about in the next newsletter.

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Spring Cleaning for your PC

Spring is beginning to make way for summer. Before we wrap up our spring cleaning now would be a good time to clean up your home computer. Although many of us are moving to laptops and tablets, a lot of

you still have the home computer sitting in your home. Here are some tips for cleaning out the dust in your computer that can potentially be very damaging.

Over time the inside of your computer or laptop can build up dust and if you have pets, hair and fur balls around some critical parts like cooling fans and heat sinks that dissipate heat and keep your computer from overheating. Every so often it is recommended to open up that computer and clean it out.

Before going any further, it is important to be cautious when working around the inside of your computer. If you are at all uncomfortable opening your computer, contact a professional or tech knowledgeable person to assist. The electricity inside of your computer is low voltage with the exception of the power supply. As long as you keep the computer unplugged while you are working in it you should be safe. The greater danger is the static electricity inside of you damaging the parts inside. Always touch the outer metal edges of the case before touching anything inside of it. For this project you really shouldn't have to touch anything inside the case.

You will need a few things to get this done:

- 1 or 2 cans of compressed air. Do not use compressor air. It contains moisture and sometimes lubricants which can damage the computer.
- A Philips head screwdriver
- An old newspaper.
- A flashlight
- Vacuum cleaner with a hose and nozzle.
- A small paintbrush with long natural bristles.

We're talking today about the computers that have a tower or box on the floor or on a shelf to the side of your desk. Shut your computer down as you normally would. (Start > Shutdown) Move your computer so that you can see the back of it and all of the wires that connect to it. Make note of where each of the wires plug into the computer. I suggest taking a few pictures of it so you can refer to them later. Unplug all of the wires that are plugged into it.

Find a convenient ventilated place for you to open and work on the computer. Spread out an old newspaper to catch any dust that may come out of the computer. Bring the computer box you just disconnected over and open up the case. There are too many different designs of computer cases to describe here. If you're unsure how to open it, check your manual or try using a search engine like Google or Bing to locate instructions. Most computers have a panel on one side that has a couple finger screws or Philips head screws keeping it closed. Remove the screws and remove the cover. Wear a dust mask or cloth if you're sensitive to dust. Grab your compressed air and your vacuum and wait... STOP. Remember to always touch the outer metal case of the computer before working inside. Using your vacuum along with the compressed air, spray in short bursts around the inside of the computer and use the vacuum to get the dust as it comes loose. Pay particular attention to any fans in the case and also the power supply. Be careful not to spin the fan blades too fast. It can cause damage to the fans.

Before closing up the case, check to make sure you didn't leave anything in there. Also, check to make sure any cables didn't get in the way of any fans. Gently move them out of the way if they do. Place the cover back on the case and reattach the screws. Bring the case back to where you use it and reconnect all of the cables. Refer to the notes and pictures you took to make sure they all go to the right spot. Most cables are made to only fit in the connector it was designed for.

Once your computer is reconnected, turn it on and make sure all of your devices are working properly. If something isn't working recheck your cables and make sure they are snugly plugged in.

There are many helpful videos online showing how to do this. One I like is on youtube named "How to Clean Inside Yor PC – Mindpower" at http://youtu.be/eD3eiy06lik

As always, if you have any questions about this column or ideas for future columns, please send along an email to jim.phc@gmail.com.

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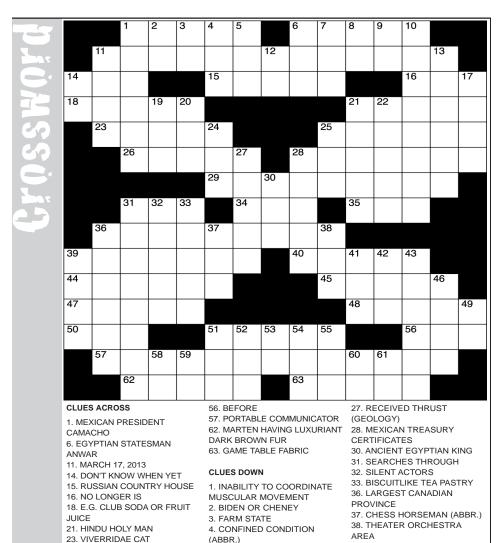
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FROM MY BALCONY

By Jeannette Hinkson

Putting aside the devastating storms in the mid west, the fires in the hills of California and the northwest, these stories pale in comparison to what is going on in Washington. The fact that the people, high up in the IRS, used their power to further the political career of their candidate and used the system and their clout to stop free speech and the right to support the candidate of their choice. This is not something new! People have used their power and the power of their friends to file false charges and make the lives of those that didn't think like them a living hell, cost them money and months, or even years, of defending themselves against those charges. In plain English, these people use the system and no one really cares, unless you or someone close to you are involved. What should be done? Get involved and speak up; don't bury your head, or turn a blind eye. See past all the smoke and mirrors of the political game, it could happen to you. Some years ago the IRS was sent to investigate your little local newspaper in the hope the IRS would shut it down because it printed the truth. The Agent was very thorough, he checked every account. He scrutinized the bookkeeping and he even read every article in each issue of the paper for the previous six months. At the end of his investigation, he was happy to inform the paper and its volunteers everything was in order, but he did give us one piece of advice, We were not doing anything wrong, the books came out right to the penny, but he said, "Watch our backs, we had been turned in." Can it happen to you, can it happen in little old Plainville? You bet it can. Those that are using their power to harass others should be prosecuted, not just lose their jobs, but they should go to jail. As one Senator said, "Is this America?" This country that welcomes those that leave their homeland because they say they fear for their lives and then attack the very people that took them in, let me ask, should we stand by and look the other way? It equates to taking in a stray dog and then it attacks the family and kills a child. What would you do? Answer: Exterminate the dog.



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STRIKER

D-Day June 6, 1944

By: Mary Ziccardi

For those of us who lived through World War II, we will never forget the D-Day landings; the Normandy Invasion's Operation Neptune.

I remember it vividly. I was about to graduate from the old High School on East Street. My brother, Alex, was in the Navy, and we didn't know where he was serving.

Secrecy and censorship were strict, his letters were censored; many parts cut out and difficult to understand. His penmanship was the only feeling we had of him, and the letters were few. Our letters were censored, as well, and he received them in bunches when they were able to catch up with him.

Mail from home was so important for the servicemen's morale. I wrote long

The landings were conducted in two phases; an airborne assault after midnight, and an amphibious landing of allied infantry on the Coast of France, starting at 6:30 a.m.

The Supreme Commander of the Allied Forces was General Dwight Eisenhower. It was the largest amphibious invasion in world history, executed by land, sea, and air; American, British, and Canadian troops and 5000 ships were involved.

The landings took place along a 50-mile stretch of the Normandy Coast, divided in five sections; Utah, Omaha, Gold, Juno, and Sword,

In his pocket, Eisenhauer had a statement to be read in case the invasion failed. It was never read.

Eisenhauer had selected June 5 as the date of the assault. On June 4, winds and high seas made it impossible to launch landing craft from large ships at sea. Low clouds would prevent aircraft from finding their targets.

A brief improvement was forecast for June 6, and Eisenhower ordered the invasion to proceed.

The Germans did not expect an invasion with the poor weather conditions; many officers were away for the weekend, and Field Marshall Rommel took leave to celebrate his wife's birthday. Meanwhile, the allied forces were planning their

The German defenses had large concrete bunkers containing machine guns and large caliber weapons. They also had cliffs and hills overlooking the beaches, so they could protect areas receiving heavy fire.

The allies chose to attack at Normandy to maximize the confusion.

The attacks were timed at low tide to minimize drowned troops; however, it exposed the infantry to German gunfire along the beaches. Warships provided some cover.

The British Airforce supplied half the aircraft deployed, and Eisenhauer gave them great credit for the success of the invasion. The entire operation was considered "a never surpassed masterpiece of planning."

I always remember June 6th as I do December 7th, the attack on Pearl Harbor. W.W.II was a long war. We fought the Germans in Europe and the Japanese in the Pacific at the same time.

The two dates should never be forgotten.

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Tea Party PATRIOTS

Could Republicans and Democrats in Washington, D.C. conspire to exempt themselves from Obamacare? High level talks behind the scene between Harry Reid and John Boehner and others want to "Exempt" themselves and their staffs - Double Standard? Thousands of "Navigators" are being hired to impact this Health Care Plan (Death Panels) HC Act Page 114.Line 22.

The only reason a person hides things is because they have something to hide. What President in history has spent over a million dollars to keep his records and transcripts and his past sealed?

Do you think the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (S.N.A.P.) should be adjusted to only eligible persons would qualify (EFT cards)? Tax papers should not support terrorist with welfare benefits and enemy combatants = Jihads. The Russians and Saudi's were concerned with "him" and warned the US. We let him into the country (back and forth on vacation) and gave his family thousands of dollars in welfare.

Reports of the death of Tea Party are greatly exaggerated. You will be hearing more from the Tri Corner Hat People flag-waving crowd as they work behind the scenes and continue to raise money. Remember that it was the Tea Party activists that revived the Republican Party following the defeat of 2008. The last time it got a drubbing.

The Tea Party is not one organization, it's a gathering of ideological affiliated groups around the nation loosely affiliated, to name a few: Patriot Party, We the Constitution Party, N.R.A., Americans for Prosperity, J.B.S., Freedom Works, Heritage Foundation, C.C.L.D., CT Restoration Coalition, Oath Keepers, S.P.I.K.E. team, Palin Smith's You-Tube, Tri-Country Group, etc. The Tea Party is Grass Roots, not only on National Level, but State as well as local.

Who said during the Presidential Election, he will try to reform America?

By the time this month's column (*June*) is submitted much more information, and more to come, on the Benghazi-Gate cover-up and the IRS. IRS investigation of only certain groups and other groups who have been wronged and targeted in the past not only Conservative Groups.

The President's apology doesn't go far enough. Could the Secretary of State be somewhere in the loop? Who gave the order to stand-down? Who said it was "Only a video" that caused Benghazi? Also, who said with real authority that we could not get there in time to do any good?

The IRS should be investigated itself. We should stop them in their tracks and begin restoring our **Constitutional Republic.**

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From Melting pot to Pressure Cooker - Crucified again (The Boston Massacre). CommonCore is a Standardizing education that replaces parental control, with Government control. We need choice in schools, not more mediocre standards. CommonCore means a top-down, one-size-fits-all government takes over of our Education system. Beware, maybe more home schooling is possible. Who said?

- 1) "Vote-yes on Obamacare Health Care bill, and we can read it later." (Nancy Pelosi).)
- 2) On Benghazi..."What does it matter now?" (Hillary Clinton)
- 3) "That happened a long time ago"! Benghazi"! Obama chief spokesman (Jay Carney)

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The annual Volunteer Thanksgiving Luncheon at the Plainville Senior Center took place in May. Town officials and members of the Board of Education were on hand to serve a turkey dinner to the many volunteers present. Superintendent of Schools Jeff Kitching, Town Manager Robert Lee, Board of Education members Andrea Saunders, Foster White and Deb Hardy served along with Town Council members Kathy Pugliese, Scott Saunders, Lee Toffey, Dan Hurley and Rick Drezek. The "thank you" is an annual appreciation event recognizing the thousands of volunteer hours senior center members continually provide.

Plainville Historical Society Hosts High Tea



The Plainville Historical Society held it annual high tea on Saturday, May 5th. This year, the table were done by Jean Pratt, Gertrude LaCombe, Rose Stanley and Nancy Eberhardt. It was an afternoon of excellent food, served in an elegant setting and topped off by enjoyable entertainment. The ladies were entertained by Kandie Carle, "The Victorian Lady".

While dressed in actual vintage and authentically reporduced undergarments, clothing accessories, Kandie Carle adds humor, history and intriguing anecdotes about fashion, home life and the etiquette of men and women during the 1860's - the Civil War period. Kandie's love of history, years of research and experience as a performer has culminated in the creation of her one-woman show, Kandie Carle "The Victorian Lady." She ahs been touring with this program and has entertained audiences throughout New England and beyond since 1996. The Civil War period was chosen because the Society's summer exhibit, at the Historic Center, will be on the Civil War and the rold the men of Plainville played in it. Students from Plainville and Southington High School served at the event.





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By: Sally Miller

During the summer months, our joy as children depended on

the weather. We played outside almost all day. , I remember all of the wonderful games we played. Once it was warm out, you could hear the slam of screen doors as we were led into the yards by fragrances of roses, lilacs and the smell of anticipation, innovation and imagination. We could not wait to gather and play wonderfully exciting games. I don't see children playing these games much anymore. We played double dutch, red light, and dodge ball and kick the can. Do you remember hopscotch when we would chalk up driveways and streets? We loved playing jacks, tiddly winks, and jump rope. When no one was around to turn the rope, we would tie one end to the tree and swing the other one over our heads. We always made do.

Every day or so there were yo yo contests to see who was the best and had the best trick... I remember the ball and paddle. I could only hit the ball about 5 times before it stopped. Most children had a swing in their yard and if they didn't, they usually had a spare tire hung by a rope to some tree limb. The tire swing was my favorite. Life was great and all about being outdoors with friends.

We made believe that our bikes were motorcycles or cars. We would take a playing card and a clothespin and attach it to the spoke of the wheel. As the spokes hit the card, it sounded like a cool car. None of the things we did cost a lot of money. Our rope was the left over clothesline rope, and the chalk seemed to always be around.

Some days, we would pick blueberries and place them in glass milk bottles. We would sell them for .50 cents a bottle and we thought that we were rich. There was a lady who also paid us to pick Japanese beetles off of her rose bushes and we made .50 a mason jar.

When I suggested some of these activities to my grandchildren, they looked at me as if I had 2 heads. They can't put their technical attachments to their hands down for a minute. One year, I gave a picnic and brought out marbles, I also had them play red light and double dutch. Despite everything, they had a ball. But as soon as they were through, back to the tablets and smartphones. In the evening, after being soaked with sun and filled with fresh air, we gathered lightning bugs in jars, and made wishes. This is my last article until Sept/Oct issue. I will be out catching Japanese beetles and picking blueberries.

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Using tobacco can harm your mouth, including your teeth and gums, in a number of ways. There is no safe form of tobacco—using it produces many problems and risk factors, from tooth discoloration and gum disease to throat, lung, and oral cancer, and, ultimately, even death. It's important to understand what happens to your mouth when you use any form of tobacco, and to discuss those effects—and how to quit—with your dentist and physician.

What Happens To My Mouth When I Smoke??

What happens to my mouth when I smoke?

Smoking reduces blood flow and the supply of vital nutrients to your gums, including vitamin C. Without the proper nutrients, you can develop gum disease, bone loss, and even tooth loss.

This is because smoking triggers the accumulation of bacteria in plaque. Smoking also reduces the amount of saliva that flows through your mouth. Saliva is important for cleaning your mouth and preventing tooth decay. In addition, when you smoke, the temperature in your mouth increases and the heat kills important cells in your mouth.

You also can see the effects of tobacco use. Nicotine and tar, the major ingredients of cigarettes, discolor your teeth—yellow and brown stains will appear and the sticky tar deposits will adhere to crevices. The roof of your mouth will become inflamed and turn red. You also will lose a lot of your sense of taste, and the smell of your breath may become offensive.

Is smokeless tobacco safe?

No! Just because you don't smoke the tobacco, it doesn't mean that there aren't harmful effects. Smokeless tobacco—which includes snuff, dip, or chewing tobacco—eats away at your gums, exponentially increasing the chances for gum disease. You also are four to six times more likely to develop oral cancer from chewing tobacco.

In fact, the area of your mouth where you place the tobacco is 50 times more likely to be the site of an oral cancer.

What about cigars?

Cigars contain the same toxic and carcinogenic compounds that cigarettes do, and even though you might not inhale cigar smoke, cigars are not a safe alternative. Regular cigar smoking increases the risk for oral cancers, lung cancer, and larynx and esophageal cancers.

What are the signs of oral cancer?

Oral cancer can develop at any time. It's important to know what to look for and to tell your dentist and physician right away if you have any concerns. If you experience any sign of irritation, like tenderness, burning, or a sore that will not heal, tell your dentist or physician. Also, tell your dentist or physician if you have pain, tenderness, or numbness anywhere in your mouth or lips. The development of a lump or a wrinkled or bumpy patch inside your mouth also can be a sign of oral cancer. In addition, if the tissues in your mouth change color to gray, red, or white, make an appointment to see your dentist or physician.

What can I do to stop the effects?

The most obvious way to stop the effects of smoking and tobacco use on your mouth—and body—is by quitting. Although it can be extremely difficult to quit because the toxins in tobacco products are addictive, there are ways to stop using tobacco. Talk with your dentist and physician about treatment plans.

Once you have made the steps toward quitting, it is important to improve your dental hygiene with regular brushing and flossing. It is advised for smokers to get a professional cleaning (scaling and polishing) for the removal of stains. But without quitting, the cleaning and stain removal will have only a temporary effect.



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Mr. Larkin, Sr. lived at 55 Maple St. for 81 years and worked at G.E. for 41 years.Mrs. Larkin lived in Plainville 69 years and worked at Travelers Insurance Company.

Their other son Edward W. Larkin, Jr. and daughter-in-law, Cindy also helped in the celebration.

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According to the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) hurricane awareness and preparation can reduce the impact of hurricane disasters.

AARP State Director Nora Duncan said, "We in the Northeast know all too well the devastation that hurricanes and other severe weather events can cause. The recent tornadoes in Oklahoma and the Midwest are another chilling reminder of just how important it is to prepare for severe weather emergencies. AARP Connecticut is proud to join and promote the 2013 National HurricanePreparedness Week to spread the word and encourage employees and members of the community to be prepared."

Know your risk: Understand how hurricanes can affect where you live, work, go to school and play and how the weather could impact you, your family and your community. When you understand your risk, you are more likely to know how to prepare. Check the weather forecast regularly and sign up for local alerts from emergency management officials and obtain a NOAA Weather Radio.

More information can be found at www.ready.gov/ hurricanes. Information on the different types of severe weather such as tornadoes, severe thunderstorms and flooding is available at www.weather. gov and www.ready.gov/hurricanes or the Spanishlanguage web site www.listo.gov.

YMCA/PHS CLASS of 2013 PROJECT GRADUATION NEWS

The next meeting for the 2013 Plainville High School Project Graduation is TUESDAY, June 4th, 2013, 7:00 p.m. at the YMCA. Project Graduation is an all night alcohol and drug-free party, held for Plainville High School Seniors right after the graduation ceremony. The party is held at the YMCA the night of graduation and is filled with many fun activities. All junior and senior parents are invited to attend the meetings. If interested in helping, please contact **Doreen Corriveau at: 860-250-4443.**

UPCOMING MEETING DATES:

Wednesday, June 12th, 2013 Wednesday, June 19th, 2013

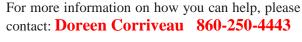
DODGEBALL TOURNAMENT

to be held at the Plainville High School Kegel Gym on Thursday, JUNE 13th, 2013 at 6:00 pm. Cost: \$30 for a team of 6 players. General Admission: \$2.00. Prizes awarded to the winning team members. Public participation highly WELCOME including businesses, town/school employees, civic organizations, kids, adults. Please call: Doreen Corriveau at: 860-250-4443 to register your team or for more information.



Graduation Party Volunteers Needed! JUNE 26th, 27th & 28th 2013

The PHS Class of 2013 Graduation Day, June 27th is quickly approaching and Project Graduation members have been busy all year long preparing for the graduate's big party at the YMCA. Many volunteers are needed to put this party together, from decorators to food helpers, to game organizers and everything in between. If you're the parent of a PHS Senior or Junior student this year, please consider getting involved in this exciting night!





P.H.S. Students Volunteer With Veterans Commission & House of Heroes





Six Plainville High School Seniors volunteered their Saturday to help with the House of Heros and the Plainville Veterans Commission to assist Thomas Catucci's widow with home improvements.

Pictured with the students is Robert Berube, A member of the Veterans Commission that spearheaded in the assitance of this project and other benefits a veterans widow is entitled to receive.

Pictured from left to right are front: Luke Brodowski, Kelley Slabinski, Lilia Miller, Kurt Walker Andrew Rottier and Andrew Quealy.

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Founded in 2000 in Columbus, GA. House of Heroes, Inc. has provided no-cost home repair services to more than 500 military and public service veterans and their spouses. As a 501(c) (3) organization, we accomplished our mission through the generosity of individuals, organizations and corporations. As teams of volunteers spend one day performing veteran home repairs, they discover the rewards of selfless service, leadership and team building. We're looking to fulfill the original US congressional intent of developing a nationwide House of Heroes movement.

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Special thanks from AMM2C Thomas A. Catucci Family to PHS Seniors



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Plainville High School and the people who have guided you along your journey here will always be a part of the person you are and the person you will become. During freshmen year, graduation undoubtedly seemed like a distant goal, like it would never arrive. However, time passes quickly when you are working hard and having fun, and suddenly, it is time to

transition to life after Plainville High School. I am hopeful that when you reflect on your years at PHS, you will smile, about memories of good times had, friendships made, and feelings of pride in your accomplishments.

During your time here, I hope you have learned that your outcomes are generally the result of your effort and attitude, which are the two greatest determinants of success. I encourage you to continually challenge yourself, get involved and make a difference in the world around you. With graduation comes a new level of freedom, but also increased independence and responsibility. Whether you attend college, enter the military, or join the work force, do your best in everything you attempt, and hold your head high. As stated on the wall at the top of our ramp, "Once a Blue Devil, Always a Blue Devil" ~ Remember those words with pride. I wish you all the success and happiness you deserve in life!

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Come Cheer For The Plainville Soccer Club









The Plainville Soccer club had their opening day for the spring season on April 20th at Norton park. In addition to many soccer games, they also had an annual raffle with a grand prize of a flat screen TV. **By Cora Hall, Director of Promotions**

May Crowning of Blessed Mother.....



Director of Religious Education at Our Lady of Mercy Church Jeanne Gionfriddon's Holy Communion students were honored to partisipate with the Crowning of Our Blessed Mother. Because of the weather the Crowning took place in the Church. The Blessed Mother's Shrine is located on the church grounds.

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PHS Events Happening: *By Ashley Nalewajek* ~Senior Prom is set to take place June 1st at the Aqua Turf. In the 2013-2014 school year, students will have the ability to use Chrome Books provided by the school. This will allow students to take tests and notes online. As of 5/27 the Plainville Varsity Baseball team advanced to the next round of the Class M State championships.

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~ Dino Iorli, Ed.D. ~



80, husband of Muriel (Cimon) Iorli for 54 years passed away on April 25th, 2013 at Lakewood Ranch Hospital in Florida.

Lifelong resident of CT, he attended local schools and graduated from Nova University with a Doctoral degree in Education. He commenced his educational career as an Industrial Arts teacher and track and field coach

Conard H.S. His successful coaching career became widely recognized throughout the state of CT.

His next accomplishment led him to Mattatuck

for Plainville H.S. then his teaching/coaching continued at

Community College whereby he took on the title of Director of the Central Naugatuck Valley Higher Education Center in Waterbury, CT.

Notable accomplishments were Member of the 1954

Undefeated Football Team at Central Connecticut State University, Inducted to the Plainville H.S. Sports Hall of Fame in 2004 as well as the Kaiser Outstanding Service Award in 2007.

He was the owner of Varsity Film Lab for 13 years. He collaborated and co-authored the book "The Mental Side of Golf". Dino was a golf enthusiast and had a love for animals.

He leaves his son Dean and his wife Kathryn of Sarasota, FL, daughter Kim Oleksinski and her husband William of Estero, FL and daughter Dale Bartlett and her husband Ed of Bristol, CT.

In lieu of flowers, the family has set up memorial donations to C.C.S.U. Foundation, PO Box 612, New Britain, CT 06050-0612; Memo: Dino Iorli Track & Field or Nate's Honor Animal Rescue, 4951 Lorraine Rd., Bradenton, FL 34211.

Calling hours and words of remembrance were shared at at Bailey Funeral Home, 48 Broad St, Plainville. Burial will be held privately at the convenience of the family. For full obituary and online expressions of sympathy, please visit www.Bailey-FuneralHome.com.

~ Dylan Mathew Knapp ~



12, of Plainville, passed away Thursday may 16, 2013 at his home surrounded by his loving family.

Dylan was born September 19, 2000 in New Britain a son of Christopher and Laura (Stephens) Knapp. He attended Plainville Middle School as well as the American School for the deaf. He was full of wonder and amazement for the simple things we

often take for granted, such as the excitement of seeing a bird, a tree or a flower, the love of playing in water, his favorite Disney character Tigger, the joy of spending time with his brothers & sisters even in the middle of the night when they were asleep, the special time of hugging the ones he loves and most of all....cuddling with his mom. He was a very compassionate, confident and tenacious young man who faced all of his struggles with a fighting spirit and a

Besides his parents of Plainville, he leaves his brothers, C.J. Knapp and Kyle Knapp both of Plainville, his sisters, Valerie Boutote of California and Rebekah Knapp of Plainville, his grandparents, Sue and Darryl Dobratz of Southington and Mike and Shirley Knapp of Phoenix, Arizona and many aunts, uncles and cousins.

Dylan's family shared with family & friends this love of life that Dylan had & celebrated his new life with Jesus in heaven at Wellspring Church 222 Lincoln Street in Berlin with a memorial service.. The Bailey Funeral Home 48 Broad Street in Plainville has care of arrangements. For additional information or to leave words of condolence please visit www.Bailey-FuneralHome.com.



OBITUARIES

~ Eugene "Gene" Joseph Millerick ~



Heaven celebrated the arrival of Eugene "Gene" Joseph Millerick, 88 of Plainville, on May 5, 2013. His family and friends



unfailing sense for right and wrong. Gene passed peacefully at

the Apple Rehabilitation of Farmington Valley, surrounded by his loving family after a long and courageous battle with Parkinson's disease.

Gene was born in Plainville, Connecticut on July 29, 1924, and he lived nearly his entire life in his hometown. He was the second son of Ernest J. Millerick, former Democratic Town Chairman and prominent civic and political leader in Plainville, and Loretta (Robinson) Millerick, a locally recognized artist who was also active with civic and political matters. He was predeceased by his parents, as well as his brother James F. Millerick of Newton, New Jersey.

Gene was a World War II veteran, serving as a Sergeant, Squadron E 104th Army Air Force Base Unit and attended Clemson University.

Gene married a girl he met in Kindergarten, Sylvia "Sue" (Margonelli) Millerick on June 8, 1946 at Our Lady of Mercy Church in Plainville. Together they enjoyed every moment of raising their four children: William, Michele, John and James. Family always came first with Gene and Sue, and over the years their home in Plainville saw countless extended family feasts, holidays and celebrations with their siblings, cousins, aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews and many friends.

If Gene wasn't with his family, he was either working to support them or working to support his beloved community of Plainville and the State of Connecticut. Gene was an insurance broker and real estate broker. He was partner and owner of Associated Agencies of Plainville, which, at the time of his retirement, he had built to be the largest insurance agency in Plainville. He was also a partner and co-owner of Deegan, Millerick & Erling Real Estate, Inc., in Plainville.

Gene's success is a reflection of the man he was. He believed in community and he worked hard on behalf of it. He was a former chairman of the Plainville Economic Development Commission at the time Northwest Drive was constructed. He was a member of the Plainville Sewer Commission, the Plainville Historical Society, and the Plainville Knights of Columbus. He was active in the United Way campaigns in Plainville and Bristol, and served as chairman of a successful annual campaign of the United Way of West Central Connecticut, serving Bristol and Plainville. Gene is a former president and long-time member of the Plainville Rotary Club and was a Paul Harris Fellow in the organization.

Beyond these volunteer activities, Gene was a proud Democrat and active in local and state politics. His family will tell you with some pride, though you'd never hear it from him, that through his many years in public office, he never lost an election. He was a former chairman and member of the Plainville Board of Education for 12 years. In 1986, he was elected to his first of four, two-year terms

in the Connecticut House of Representatives, representing the 22nd district which included all of Plainville and parts of Bristol, Farmington and New Britain.

In the Connecticut General Assembly, he served as Assistant Majority Leader for four of his eight years. He also served on the Education, Banking, General Law, and Public Safety Committees. Gene was perhaps most proud of his work in two areas for the Legislature. One was his service as Chairman of the Tourism sub-committee. Gene recognized the job growth and financial benefits of sharing the beautiful state of Connecticut with tourists and was responsible for the legislation that created and funded the independent, local Tourism Districts in Connecticut.

Within his own district, Gene was responsible for obtaining more than \$10 million in state bonding money for the expansion of Tunxis Community College. This work earned him an award of recognition from the Tunxis Foundation for his significant contributions to community college education. Tunxis College continues to flourish and grow today, in large part because Gene understood the power of the services it provides to adults of all ages who wish for a higher education.

After his 1996 retirement from the General Assembly, Gene served on the Board of Directors of the State Lottery Corporation, and as a Corporator for New Britain General Hospital, now The Hospital of Central Connecticut. He loved to play golf, especially with his sons, and was a member of the Avon Golf Club.

A member of Our Lady of Mercy Church in Plainville, Gene is survived by Sue, his best friend, confidant and much beloved wife of 66 years, as well as all of his children and their spouses and children, including: William and Gail (Cail) Millerick of Plainville; Michele (Millerick) and Gordon Erling of Bristol, and their children Ashley of Barrington, RI and Benjamin of Fairfield; John and Kathleen (Martone) Millerick and their children Kayla and John Michael of East Haven; and James and Susan (Garro) Millerick and their children Madeline, James and Michael of Burlington. He also is survived by his special nieces Alberta Martucci of West Hartford, Sharon (Griffiths) Rizikow of Avon, and Cindy (Margonelli) and James Ross, of Plainville, and many loving nieces, nephews and dear friends who will miss him very much.

Calling hours were held at Bailey Funeral Home, 48 Broad St, Plainville. Funeral services were held from Bailey Funeral Home, followed by a Mass of Christian Burial at Our Lady of Mercy Church, 94 Broad St, Plainville. Committal services with full Military Honors followed at St. Joseph Cemetery.

Gene's family sincerely thanks the loving, caring staff at Apple Rehab and Masonicare Partners Hospice for their genuine warmth and kindness. Gene lived a full life and leaves a wonderful and honorable legacy, defined by love of family, integrity in all his actions, and service to the community he loved.

In lieu of flowers, the family would be honored by donations in Gene's memory to The Petit Family Foundation, PO Box 310, Plainville, CT 06062-0310 or The Michael J. Fox Foundation for Parkinson's Research, Grand Central Station, PO Box 4777, New York, NY 10163-4777. For directions and online expressions of sympathy, please visit Gene's tribute page at www.Bailey-FuneralHome.com

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OBITUARIES

~ Joseph Michael Pugliese ~



89, of Harwinton, husband of the late Lorraine (Willey)
Pugliese, passed away peacefully in his home

on Saturday, May 18th. Born in Plainville, he was the son of the late Joseph Nuncio and Mary (Pinto) Puglisso

son of the late Joseph Nuncio and Mary (Pinto) Pugliese. Joseph spent most of his life in

Plainville where he was a member of Our Lady of Mercy Catholic Church, was prominent in local politics and an active member and Chairman of the Plainville Republican Town Committee. In the 1970's he was elected to serve four terms as State Representative from Plainville, parts of Southington and New Britain. During that time,

Joseph authored weekly articles for the newspaper and gifted items to Plainville's centennial time capsule to be opened in 2069.

Joseph was an army veteran of WWII serving in the South Pacific and a life member of the Plainville V.F.W. An active supporter of the natural environment long before it became fashionable; he was a lifelong member of the Farmington River Watershed Assoc. working to improve the local rivers and streams.

After graduating from the Porter School of Design and the Dale Carnegie School for public speaking, he worked as a design engineer for several companies. He was also a real estate broker and a home builder and retired from Pratt & Whitney as a Tool Design Engineer.

A sportsman, Joseph was a lifetime member of the National Rifle Association. At his residence on the old Governor Trumbull's "Pinnacle Rock Farm" in Plainville between 1966 to 1996, he kept many farm animals and derived much pleasure from them, as well as his gardens and orchards. In 1996 he moved to Harwinton, rebuilt a farm house (circa 1790), and continued his farming endeavors. He established the not-for-profit Blueberry Hill Trust, where he raised hundreds of pheasants for release into the wild. He continued to take pleasure from his many visitors as they toured the farm's green house, gardens and livestock pens. Joseph also had a passion for writing and published several books related to his life experiences and the volatile times in which he lived.

He leaves three sons, Joseph (Tina) Pugliese Jr. of Plantsville; Thomas (Marcea) Pugliese of Rocky Hill; and Allan Pugliese of Harwinton, many grandchildren, great grandchildren, nieces, and nephews. Along with his parents and wife, he was predeceased by a sister, Katherine Gionfriddo and brothers, Dominic Pugliese and Frank R.

Funeral services were held with full military honors in the State Veteran's Cemetery, Middletown at the convenience of the family. Please make contributions to the National Multiple Sclerosis Society, Greater CT Chapter,1155 Silas Deane Highway, Wethersfield, CT 06109 and send messages of condolence to the family at www.doolittlefuneralservice.com. The Cromwell Funeral Home, 506 Main Street, Cromwell, CT was in charge of arrangements.

~ Wesley Sulewski ~



53, beloved husband to Danuta (Weber) Sulewski of Plainville, passed away on Wednesday, May 15, 2013. He was born in Poland to Genowefa (Makuszewski) Sulewska and the late Jan Sulewski. He had been employed by Pratt and Whitney for over 24 years and was a parishioner of Sacred Heart Church.

In addition to his wife and mother, he survived and will be dearly missed by his daughter, Joanne Davenport and her husband Brent of Plainville, a son, Thomas Sulewski and wife Danielle of Newington, his three brothers, Richard Sulewski and wife Krystyna, Henry Sulewski and William Sulewski, all of New Britain, his precious grandchildren: Spencer and Madeline Davenport and many cousins, nieces, nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews, dear friends and neighbors. He was also predeceased by a sister in law: Miroslawa Sulewski.

Funeral services were Saturday, May 18, 2013 from the New Britain Memorial Donald D. Sagarino Funeral Home, 444 Farmington Ave., New Britain, followed by funeral liturgy in Sacred Heart Church, Burial followed in Sacred Heart Cemetery. To express a message, please visitwww.newbritainsagarino.com

~ Michael Louis Zommer ~



of Plainville passed away at home May 20, 2013, at the age of 49, surrounded by his loving family. He fought a courageous four-year battle with ALS (Lou Gehrig's disease), with profound fortitude and integrity. He was married 27 years to Maureen (Moore), and together they raised three children, Michael, Jessica and Melissa, who survive their father. Michael

devoted his life to his family, including his parents, Michael and Linda Zommer of Southington. He was born in New Britain on Jan. 26, 1964, and graduated from Southington High School in 1982.

Michael was an officer of Waste Material Trucking Co. and property manager of Southgate Apartments, both Zommer family businesses. He found joy in simple times, fishing in Lake Winnipesaukee, cooking for his family, and being a Red Sox fan.

Michael is also survived by his three siblings, Michael Zommer of Southbury, Melinda Zommer of Southington, and Mark Zommer of Farmington, and his mother-in-law, Vivian Moore of Southington; brothers-in-lawm John Moore of New York and Jim Moore of California; a sister-in-law, Mary Grouten of Farmington, as well as 13 nieces and nephews who range from age 1 through 27. His friends and family will treasure the memories of Michael's humor, spirit and gentle ways — and will miss him dearly.

He was predeceased by his paternal grandmother, Helen Zommer and his maternal grandmother, Irene Sandino, whom he cherished.

~ Henry Richard Syskowski Jr. ~



70, of Plainville, Conn., died early morning Friday, May 3,

2013, at his home, surrounded by his large, loving family. Hank was

born in New Britain, Conn., July 8, 1942, to the late Henry Richard Syskowski Sr., and Mary (Aiello) Syskowski.

He was the younger brother to Leona Regalis. The family spent their life in New Britain, where Hank joined the U.S. Navy and served during the Cold War.

It was in New Britain that he met the love of his life, Claire Beliveau, when the two were teens. They married on Feb. 9, 1963, and shortly thereafter began a family of their own. Hank and Claire had four children, Allen, Patricia, David, and Tracy. In that time, Hank joined the New Britain police force, first as a patrolman and later, a detective. While on the force, he furthered his education and graduated from the University of New Haven in 1974. He retired in 1979 as a detective sergeant.

Over the years, Hank owned and operated several businesses, including CT Guns and Sporting Goods. He was actively involved in local politics, and was a member of the DAV; American Legion; Centennial Lodge; and was a past president of the police union. In 1986, he received the Master's Achievement Award from Unity Lodge No. 148 in New Britain.

Hank is survived by his wife of 50 years, Claire Syskowski; his four children, Allen Syskowski and Patricia Syskowski, all of Plainville; David Syskowski, and his wife, Francine Syskowski, of Burlington; and Tracy Maldonado and her husband, Lorenzo Maldonado, of Plainville. He also leaves an aunt, Helen Cassinari; his sister, Leona (Syskowski) Regalis; his grandchildren, Adam Sargent, Crystal Maldonado, Bill Cunningham, Justin Syskowski, Lorenzo Maldonado, and Matthew Syskowski; as well as several nieces and nephews.

Funeral rites for Hank were held with the procession departing from the Paul A. Shaker/Farmingdale Funeral Home, 764 Farmington Ave., New Britain, followed by a Liturgy of Christian Burial at St. Jerome Church, 1010 Slater Road, New Britain. Full Military Honors for Mr. Syskowski were accorded at the church after the Mass. The American Flag will be presented to Hank's wife, Claire. Burial will be private.

To extend condolences to the Syskowski family or to share a memory of Hank, please visit our website at shakerfuneralhome.com.

~ Florence (Della Vecchia) Triano ~



of Southington, beloved wife of the late police Detective Captain Frank J. Triano Sr. passed away on May 9, 2013, with her family at her bedside.

She was the daughter of the late Louis and Filomena (Picone) DellaVecchia. She was born on Oct. 29, 1915 in Southington and was a 92 year resident until her move to Plainville in Jan. 2007 to live with her daughter and son-in-law, Barbara

and William Petit Sr. In addition to Barbara and Bill she is survived by daughters: Johanna and her husband Joseph Ierna of Hartford; and Andrea and Jim LaChapelle of Southington and her son, Frank J. Triano Jr. and Emily Tan.

She also leaves her grandchildren; Dr. William A. Petit Jr.

and his wife Christine; Glenn Petit and Cheryl Velasquez, Michael and Erin-Nora Petit, Brian Petit, Johanna Petit Chapman, Jayme Ierna and her husband Bradley Russell; Joseph Ierna Jr. and his fiancé Alison Congdon; and Sarah Triano and Jared Ober. Her step-grandchildren include: Jennifer and Patrick Donovan, Steven Hounchell and his wife Alison, Rachael and David Buchanan, Alicia Petit Irizzarry, Corey LaChapelle, and Jaimie LaChapelle.

Gram Triano was very involved in the lives of her 11 great-grandchildren. She attended basketball, baseball.

Gram Triano was very involved in the lives of her 11 great-grandchildren. She attended basketball, baseball, volleyball, crew races and soccer games as well as plays and musical performances. Gram T inspired her grandchildren and great-grandchildren with her belief in the importance of family and its traditions as well as the importance of religion. Teaching them how to make the family's favorite Italian dishes brought her great delight.

Gram T's 9 great-grandchildren include Abby and Andrew Chapman; Brooke, Michael, Tristian and Paige Petit; Josh and Kathryn Ierna and Hannah Russell. Her step-great grandchildren include Jacob Irizarry, Molly Barrett and Sara Buchanan.

Mom's heart was broken by the deaths of her granddaughter Jennifer Hawke Petit, wife of Dr. William Petit, and her great granddaughters Hayley Elizabeth Petit and Michaela Rose Petit in a home-invasion in Cheshire, CT in 2007

She leaves one sister, Mary Palazzo of Southington and many beloved nieces, nephews and cousins. She was predeceased by three brothers: Sisto, Frank, and Anthony DellaVecchia and three sisters; Viola and Jenny DellaVecchia and Helen Fietkiewicz. She also recently suffered the loss of her granddaughter Johanna's husband Dennis D. Chapman.

She was a lifelong member of St. Thomas Catholic Church. She was a member of St. Thomas' Ladies Guild, a Charter member of the Altar Society, ensuring that the altar linens were perfectly crisp, the Daughters of Isabella, Mercy Circle #739, AARP and Calendar House. She was also a past president of the Southington Police Wives Association and Secretary of the Southington Council of Catholic Women.

The family would like to thank her doctors and their staffs for caring for her over many years including Dr. Andrew Guest, Dr. Robert Malkin and associates. All of the staff at Apple Rehab from administration to nursing and nursing assistants to dietary to rehab and recreation cared for our mother with love and compassion, we thank you for that.

Her Funeral was held from DellaVecchia Funeral Home, 211 N. Main St to St. Thomas. Burial was at St. Thomas Cemetery. Donations may be made in Florence's memory to the Petit Family Foundation, P.O. Box 310, Plainville, CT 06062. For online condolences visit:

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Every Sunday: 10:00 a.m. Coffee Hour: 11:15 a.m.

The Sacrament of Holy Communion celebrated the first Sunday of each month

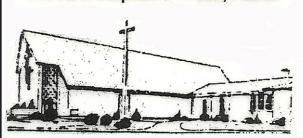
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The Rev. Stephen Brisson, Pastor



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168 Unionville Avenue Plainville, CT 06062

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Tuesday Morning Bible Study 10:00 a.m. "Book of Revelations"

Tuesday Nights:
7:00 p.m.
Men's Bible Study
(Bible Study/Recreation Time)
"Book of Revelation"

Every 2nd Tuesday of the Month 6:00 p.m. Ladies Group

Wednesday Night Bible Study 7:00 p.m.

New Study: Maturing in the Christian Faith: What is God like?

Thursday Night Youth Bible Study 7:00 p.m.

New Study: Maturing in the Christian Faith: A Look at Doctrine

Elders Meeting: 2nd Saturday of each month at 9 a.m.

OUR YOUTH PROGRAM

Teen Center opens every
Saturday Evenings 7 – 9:00 p.m.
for teens and young people
(Games, pool, ping pong, air hockey,
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Perhaps you have lived through the loss of a loved one and have not known quite how to express your loss in a meaningful way. Have you encountered other occasions such as a special anniversary, birthday or special event that an appropriate gift may have been difficult to find?

Our Lady of Mercy of Parish Community offers you a way to recognize these occasions through a Memorial Sharing Memories Program "Sharing Memories" makes available an alternate gesture of thoughtfulness for any occasion.

A donation to the "Sharing Memories" Fund will purchase those items needed for worship and devotion. Past donations have assisted in the purchase of Communion Patterns, Vestments and Concelebration Chalices. All donations go directly to the church. For more information, please call 860-747-6825.

HOMETOWN RELIGIOUS DIRECTORY

OUR LADY OF MERCY ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

94 Broad Street, Plainville, CT 06062 Rev. John Brinsmade, Pastor Robert Berube, Deacon

PARISH/CEMETERY OFFICE

19 S. Canal Street

Office Hours: Mon. to Fri. 9 am to 4 pm

Phone 860-747-6825

FAX 860-747-5407

SATURDAY VIGIL MASS 4:00 PM SUNDAY 8:30 AM & 10:30 PM

Weekday Liturgy Monday to Saturday 8:00 am No Mass on Wednesdays **********

Parish Life Committee

"All You Can Eat" Monthly Breakfast Held on the 2nd Sunday of the Month ***********

Teen Ten Commandments

1.) God is #1 2.) Watch your Tongue. 3.) Make Faith a Priority. 4.) Respect Adults 5.) Increase Peace. 6.) Practice Abstinence. 7.) Do Only Things You Would Not Have to Lie About. 8.)Be Positive, True, and Kind. 9.) Remember the Things That Matter Most are "NOT THINGS" 10.) Do all these Things and You Can't Go Wrong.

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Priest:

The Reverend José Martinez

SUNDAY WORSHIP

Holy Communion 10:00 am Nursery Care during the service Followed by coffee hour Holy Communion in Spanish Sunday Evening 6:00 PM

Misa en Espanol todos los domingos a las 6:00 PM

Holy Communion Thursdays~12:00pm

OFFICE HOURS

Wednesday – Friday 9:00am -1:00pm

PARISH PROGRAMS

Food For Friends

Wednesdays 3 to 6 PM

Daughters of the King Chapter

3rd Saturday of the month

Open Mic Night

1st Wednesday of the month 7:00pm

Twelve Step Programs

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JUNE SCHEDULE **SUNDAY SERVICES**

CHURCH SCHOOL Pre-K to High School: 9:00 AM (Last Class 6/16, Classes Resume 9/8) **WORSHIP TIME 10:00AM**

REGULAR EVENTS

Tuesday Ladies	Tuesdays 9:30 AM
Boy Scouts	Tuesdays 7 PM
AA	.Sun., Mon. & Wed. 7 PM
Al-Anon	Mondays 7 PM

SPECIAL EVENTS

SUNDAY WORSHIP WITH HOLY COMMUNION: Sunday, June 2, 10 AM

ANNUAL STRAWBERRY SHORTCAKE **FESTIVAL AT PUMC:**

Friday, June 7, 10 AM to 4 PM

CHILDREN'S DAY AT SUNDAY WORSHIP:

Sunday, June 16, 10 AM

AMERICAN RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE:

Wednesday, June 19, $1 \sim 6$ PM Call 1-800-733-2767 or go to www.redcrossblood.org

PUMC ANNUAL TAG SALE

Saturday. June 22, 9 AM ~ 2 PM

POTLUCK SUPPER AND FELLOWSHIP:

Thursdays, June 6, 13, 20, 27, 6 PM

CHOIR REHEARSAL:

Sundays, June 2, 9, 16, Following Worship

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PLAINVILLE SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH

97 Broad Street 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 a.m.

FREE lunch after service Wednesday Evening

Family Prayer Meeting @ 6:30 p.m.

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NEW COVENANT APOSTOLIC CHURCH

139 New Britain Avenue P.O. Box 551 Plainville, CT 06062

Suffragan Bishop- George M. Green, Pastor Elder Joseph Green, Associate Minister

Phone 860-747-3128 Church

Residence & FAX 860-224-9409

~ SCHEDULE OF WORSHIP~ SUNDAY: Sunday School @ 10:45 a.m.

Morning Worship @ 12:00 Noon TUESDAY: Prayer & Deliverance-7:00pm Bible Class @ 7:45 p.m. THURSDAYS: 1st Evangelistic Service 2nd Pastor's Care 3rd Missionary Service 4th Men's Ministry

MONTHLY SERVICES

5th Youth Service

1st Sunday – Fellowship Day 2nd Sunday – Family and Friend's Day 3rd Sunday – Building Fund Day 4th Sunday – Pastor's Care Day 5th Sunday - Communion & Youth Day

We welcome everyone to our services. Come, bring a friend and enjoy Jesus with us.

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110 Whiting Street, Plainville, CT 06062

Rev. Elvin Clayton, Pastor

Phone: 860-747-1808

WORSHIP SERVICES

Sunday School 9:00-9:40 a.m. Praise & Worship 9:45-10:00 a.m. 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) 11:00 a.m. Gladys Floyd Missionary Society

(2nd Sun after service) Deaconess Board (3rd Sun)

Lay Council (1st & 3rd Sat)

Christian Education (3rd Tues) 7:00 p.m. Men's Meeting (2nd/4th Sat) 9:30 a.m.

9:30 a.m.

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

Trustee/Steward (2nd Sat of Aug., Oct., Dec.,

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

Sept., Nov., Jan., Mar. & May 16 6:30 p.m.

CHOIR PRACTICE

Senior (Sat before 1st Sun) 5:00 p.m. Jubilee (Sat before 2nd/4th Sun) 5:00 p.m.

Mass/Youth choirs

7:00 p.m. (Mon. after 1st/2nd Sun)

A DIFFERENT APPROACH



When Betsy, our local mail carrier, no last names please, came across a pen of puppies she decided to make friends knowing puppies grow up looking to make mail carriers lives a little harder. Making friends now might make life a little easier down the road. The little dog in the

foreground wants nothing to do with Betsy, why you ask? Betsy won't be her mail lady, she's on her way to Boston.

Mighty Munson!!!



Wow! A day off.... My boss Rob works 6 days a week at his Hobby Shop (Executive Press) and yes, he makes me work with him. I have to watch everything in the shop, even the beautiful girls he makes me work with. "Not a bad job after all."

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Sex and the Single Pet



Often pet owners consider letting their pets breed at least once because "it's more natural". While it may be natural for pets to breed, there are many reasons not to breed your pet, for both his/her health and for behavioral effects that you will appreciate.

This topic is often considered to be about cats and dogs, but rabbits, which are becoming a more popular house pet, also should be altered for their own health.

Spaying is the term used for female animals, and refers to the removal of the uterus and ovaries. Male animals are neutered by removal of the testes. Both

surgical procedures are most commonly done at six months of age, but can be done earlier or later.

So, why spay or neuter? Let's start with cats and dogs, and the ladies first. Spaying your pet by the time she is six months old will obviously prevent unwanted litters, but also will prevent infections of the uterus and bring the possibility of breast cancer down to almost zero. These two conditions are fatal in 50% of dogs and 90% of cats. If you wait until after the first time your dog is in heat to spay her, the risk of breast cancer rises to 7%, and then to 25% after the second season. The statistics for cats are similar.

You will notice very little change in a female's behavior after spaying, since between seasons the hormone levels are almost nonexistent, just as after spaying. However, some females do become aggressive when in season, and most females need to urinate more often then, and often will urinate throughout the house. Spaying of course prevents this. As an added benefit, the cost of spaying is less than the cost of caring for your pregnant pet and then the litter.

Now it's time for the gentlemen! Of course neutering your cat or dog will prevent testicular cancer, but doing so for your dog by 6 months of age will also markedly decrease prostate problems such as enlargement, which can interfere with urination, and infections of the prostate. These are painful problems for the dog and can be life-threatening. Neutered cats and dogs have less of an urge to get away and roam in search of a female. In addition to avoiding the risk of being hit by a car, there's a big added benefit for cats, as male cats that are not neutered and live largely outside have a life expectancy of less than 2 years. Another benefit for the owner is that the urine of neutered cats has a much milder odor than the urine of whole males.

As mature male cats and dogs are always under the influence of their hormones, you will see more behavioral changes if your pet is already mature. The decrease in sexual frustration results in a calmer animal, and may decrease aggressive tendencies. Neutering at six months prevents sexual frustration.

As for the myth that altering will cause weight gain, only over-feeding and under-exercising will cause weight gain. I have had many altered cats and dogs over the last 40 years, and none of them got fat!

Female rabbits should be spayed at about 6 months of age when they begin to reach sexual maturity. Male rabbits should be neutered at $3\frac{1}{2}$ to 4 months of age, which is when they begin to reach sexual maturity. This is recommended because if unaltered, by 5 years of age rabbits have an 85% risk of reproductive organ cancer.

Spay and neuter for healthier, happier pets!

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