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The residents of Plainville voted to accept the Plainville Town Council's recommended budget on April 29th. The Board of Education budget was accepted 347 to 91. The Municipal budget was accepted 343 to 95.

This represents the third year in a row that the budget passed on the first ballot.

The budget was approved for a total of \$55,424,977 representing an increase of .5% or .16 mills. The Municipal budget is \$21,808,178 and the Board of Education is \$33,616,799.



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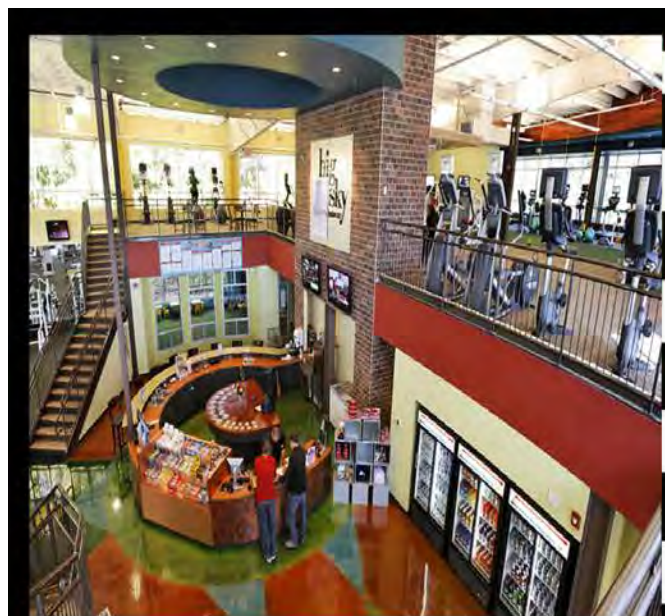
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TRAVEL BASKETBALL TEAM**



Town Councilman Christopher Wazorko read a proclamation on behalf of the Town Council recognizing the Plainville Girls Travel Basketball Team for winning the Northwest Girls Basketball League "Hawk Division" Championship.

Retired Firefighters Receive Thanks



Vice Chairman Scott Saunders recognized and thanked Firefighter retirees Raymond Tetro, Jr. (39 years), Camille J. Albert (41 years) and Allyn K. Kall (42 years) for their service. All were presented chairs on behalf of the Town of Plainville.

**Library Director Peter Chase
Honored by Town Council**

Plainville's Library Director Peter Chase was recognized by the Town Council for his 25+ years of service to the town. Councilor Quinn Christopher thanked Peter on behalf of the Council and presented him with a chair. Peter's continued dedication to the library has made it a vibrant destination for residents of all ages.



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HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY
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FROM: William Buden

Hazardous Waste Collection Day

On Saturday, May 3, 2014 a regional household hazardous waste collection day will be conducted from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm at the Roadways Facility on Granger Lane.

This is the twentieth (20th) year this event is being conducted by TROC (Tunxis Recycling Operating Committee) and was created to promote increased opportunities for residents to properly dispose of their household products. It is important that residents clearly understand that many commonly purchased household products for in home, office, yard/gardens, and workshops do have a risk with improper use and disposal.

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

{John Faves}

"Dairy Queen" sure sign of Spring. The favorite treat for my family.

{Susie raves}

Big Steve's Grill has a great menu. I am pleased that Steve is participating in the "Taste of Plainville" fund raiser this year again. I am happy to see that it is for 2 months, June and July.

Tell us about your "Faves & Raves"

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ATTENTION PLAINVILLE RESIDENTS ~ Valley Water Systems Hydrant Flushing ~

Flushing will begin in May 2014 on the following streets: Northwest Dr., Johnson Ave., Corporate Ave., Farmington Valley Dr., Farmington Ave., Hardwood Rd., Ashford Rd., Northampton Ln., and Cooke St. Please note that adjacent streets will also be affected by the flushing. Low pressure and discolored water is to be expected during flushing and for a short period afterwards. For weekly updates go to our website www.valleywatersystems.com or you can contact one of our customer representatives Mon. – Fri. 8:00 AM -4:30 PM at (860) 747-8000.

Robert E. Lee, Town Manager's Report to: Town Council

**Town Council Meeting
April 21, 2014**

Miss Plainville's Outstanding Teen:

Brooke Murdock

- Miss Murdock was recently named Miss Plainville's Outstanding Teen and would like to introduce herself to the Town Council and speak about her upcoming fund raising efforts and her representing the Town of Plainville at the Miss Connecticut's Outstanding Teen Pageant in June.

Whiting Street Traffic Survey

- A traffic survey was conducted on Whiting Street in mid-March in the immediate vicinity of the Post Office. The survey showed that this section of road had an average of 3,200 cars with slightly more than 52% heading in the southbound direction. The peak traffic hours were between 4:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. (1,525 cars) and 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. (1,100 cars).
- The survey also showed that 85% of the cars were traveling at or less than 29.6 mph. The 85th percentile is used by traffic engineers to determine the speed that the normal driver feels comfortable traveling along a particular road. Almost 11% of the drivers were traveling between 30-35 mph. Slower average speeds occurred between the hours 8:00 am to 4:00 pm. The highest average speed occurred at 3:00 am. The great majority of the drivers who exceeded 40 mph did so in the late evening/early morning hours.
- I have asked the police to install the speed trailer in this area to remind motorists of the speed limit and to encourage them to travel at a safer speed.

Norton Park Basketball Court Reconstruction

- The FY16 Capital Improvement Program has money appropriated for the reconstruction of the lighted basketball court at Norton Park. The Recreation staff would like to have this work done as soon as possible before the beginning of the summer activities. The total cost of the project is estimated at \$35,000 with half of it coming from the Recreation Fund and the remaining amount coming from the general fund.
- Town staff has identified state bid prices that would be used for the site work, line striping and purchase of the backboards, hoops and related equipment.
- The proposal is to have the recreation fund pay for the costs incurred in the current fiscal year with the general fund reimbursing the recreation fund for half the cost after July 1st.

- There is an item under New Business regarding the reconstruction of the basketball court in the current fiscal year utilizing state bid prices and town resources.

Resolution Regarding Central CT Regional Planning Agency (CCRPA) and Capital Region Council of Governments (CRCOG)

- The Town Council decided last October to join the Capital Region Council of Governments as part of the consolidation of the regional planning agencies as required by state statute. The Town must now take formal action to withdraw from the Central CT Regional Planning Agency to comply with the Statutes. The withdrawal will be final as of December 31, 2014.
- There is an item under New Business for your consideration.

Police Department Software Programs – RMS and CAD

- Police Chief Mathew Catania is here this evening to discuss a grant opportunity that would cover the cost of the software associated with the computer aided dispatch system and the records management system. The hardware to support this software would come from monies already allocated in the Capital Improvement Program.

Excerpts From:

TOWN OF PLAINVILLE HAPPENINGS

By Shirley Osle, Assistant Town Manager

- The Recreation Department reports that registration starts Wednesday May 14th with Sat. registration on May 17th 10:00 to 12:00. The Berner Pool will open Sat/Sun June 7th – Aug 16th ; 1 – 8 p.m. Mon. – Fri. June 9th – 17th ; 2-8:00 p.m. Daily from June 18th – Aug. 15th 1-8:00 p.m. post season Sat. Aug. 16th to Aug. 23 1:00 – 7:00 p.m.
- Town of Plainville owner-occupied households may be eligible for abatement of property taxes if those taxes exceed 8% of the total annual combined income of all members of the household. The "Ordinance Providing Abatement (deferral) of Residential Property Taxes for Persons of Limited Income" went into effect November 2011. The following criteria must be met to be eligible:

- The residential dwelling is occupied by the owner/owners;
- The dwelling is the primary place of residence;
- Supporting documentation will be provided for all sources of total/gross income from all members residing in the household.
- An application is submitted to the Tax & Assessing Office each year by May 1st.

- The Plainville Housing Authority has opened their waiting list. Anyone interested in housing should fill out an application at the Housing Authority between 10am and 2pm on May 6, 7 or 8, 2014.

- The Farmers' Market will be opening June 27-September 12, 2014 at Plainville High School on Fridays from 3:00-6:00 pm. The following vendors are confirmed: George Hall Farm; Eaglewoods Farm; Killiam and Bassestte; Confetti's; Dinesburg Farm; Beech Tree Ranch/goat cheese/eggs/bacon; Bread Vendor-Berlin.

- The Tax and Assessing Department is currently taking Homeowners applications and will continue to do so until May 15, 2014. Applicants must be at least 65 years of age or disabled. They are also taking Additional Veteran's applications and will continue to do so until October 1, 2014. There is no age limitation but there are income limitations.

- Delinquent notices for the first half of the Sewer bills that were mailed in November have been mailed. The second half of the sewer bills are due on May 1, 2014.

- Email reminders for those people who have signed up to receive notice regarding the sewer billing will be sent out during the middle of May.

- The Assessor's field technician is currently in the field processing those building permits that have been taken out since October 1, 2013.

- Friends Helping Friends: The Senior Center has the perfect solution for those who like to eat out at a restaurant, but do not like to eat alone. The Friends Helping Friends group is made up of single, divorced, and widowed seniors. They meet for lunch at a local restaurant on the third Friday of each month. Call the Senior Center, 860-747-5728 to sign-up so that we can make a reservation.

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Excerpts From: MINUTES PLAINVILLE TOWN COUNCIL

REGULAR MEETING

APRIL 7, 2014 – 7:00 p.m.

Chairwoman Pugliese called the Regular Meeting to order at 7:00pm on Monday April 7, 2014 in Council Chambers of the Municipal Center, One Central Square. Also present were Vice Chairman Saunders, Council members Wazorko, Christopher, Kilby, Tompkins, Carrier, Town Manager Lee and Town Clerk Skultety. Chairwoman Pugliese opened the meeting with Citizens Forum at 7:00pm. Vice Chairman Saunders led the Pledge of Allegiance.

I. TOWN COUNCIL CITIZENS FORUM

Roberta Lalama, 37 Bohemia St commented on the new floral business in town and the Art Show at the library. **John Kisluk**, 65 Forestville Ave requested FOI for work at Robertson Airport and questioned related budget items **Lou Frangos**, 10 Fairbanks St commented on multiple topics including adding agenda items, Capital Project Building Committee minutes. **Joanne Edman**, 166 West Main St commented negatively on the downtown bump outs, signs around town and citizens forum not being televised. **Domenick D'Onofrio**, 11 Tyler Ave would like to see posted speed signs in front of the Post Office and mentioned the need for more road repairs than budgeted for. **Sal Palazzolo**, 11 Rosemont Dr would like to have Citizens Forum televised. Marilyn Shorette, 18 Milford St would like to see Citizens Forum televised. Chairwoman Pugliese opened the business portion of the meeting 7:40pm. Assistant Town Manager Osle and Attorney Mastrianni were present for the remainder of the meeting. Vice Chairman Saunders led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENTATION:

-Girls Travel Basketball Team Councilman Wazorko read a proclamation recognizing the Plainville Girls Travel Team for winning the Northwest Girls Basketball League "Hawk Division" Championship. Firefighter Retirees: **Raymond Tetro**, **Camille Albert** and **Allyn Kall**

Vice Chairman Saunders recognized and thanked Firefighter Retirees Raymond Tetro, Jr. for serving 39 years, Camille J. Albert for serving 41 years and Allyn K. Kall for serving 42 years. All were presented with chairs.

Councilwoman Christopher recognized and thanked Library Director Peter Chase for 25 + years of dedicated services. He was also presented a chair.

II. PUBLIC HEARING

Town Clerk Skultety read the following legal notice: LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF PLAINVILLE TOWN COUNCIL PUBLIC HEARING APRIL 7, 2014 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Plainville Town Council will hold a public hearing on Monday April 7, 2014 at 7:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Center, One Central Square for the purpose of hearing public comment on the Town Council's Fiscal Year 2014-2015 proposed General Government and Board of Education budgets.

Copies of the proposed budgets are available at the Plainville Library and at the Town Clerk's office during regular business hours. Dated at Plainville, Connecticut this 3rd day of April, 2014. Chairwoman Pugliese opened the hearing for public comments. **John Gasparini**, 7 Orchard Lane suggested a 0 increase or less and gave his opinions. **John Kisluk**, 65 Forestville Ave spoke against the budget and offered suggestions. **Domenick D'Onofrio**, 11 Tyler Ave suggested a 0 increase and gave his reasons. **Lou Frangos**, 10 Fairbanks St spoke in favor of the budget and offered his opinions. **Joanne Edman**, 166 West Main St suggested a 0 increase or less and offered her opinions. **Pete Chrzanowski**, 30 Shuttlemeadow Rd spoke in favor of the budget and gave his reasons. The public hearing was closed at 8:35pm At this time State Representative Boukus addressed the Town Council and announced the State Bond Commission will be putting the Town's application for \$105,000 for the parking lot at the Senior Center on the next agenda. The Bond Meeting will be April 25 and Representative Boukus feels optimistic it will be approved.

III. REPORT OF TOWN MANAGER

Town Manager Lee reported on the following topics and issues:

Relay for Life

Co-Chairperson Lisa Levesque and Kristen Fruchtenicht spoke to the Council regarding the upcoming Relay For Life event that will be taking place at Norton Park on June 7th & 8th. Currently they have 40 teams, have risen over \$32,000 and have 19 survivors participating. She thanked staff and volunteers for their efforts to make the relay a success. This year there will be a focus on honoring caregivers as well. Cooke Street Reconstruction Project

Bus Shelter – Webster Bank

Town staff has negotiated an agreement with Webster Bank that would allow for the construction of a shelter to be located on their property at the bus stop located on the north side of East Main Street. Once the Agreement is signed, Town staff will seek grant funding for the project.

Happenings (S. Osle)

Assistant Town Manager Osle reported on events related to the Transfer Station, Recreation Department Registration, Rabies Clinic, Farmer's Market, Document Shredding, Chamber of Commerce, Homeowner's benefits, Housing Authority applications and the Senior Center.

For more information and updates please visit www.plainvillect.com Vice Chairman Saunders requested the results of the traffic speed study in front of the Post Office, be presented at the next Town Council meeting.

V. BOARD OF EDUCATION LIAISON (3rd Monday Meetings Only) No report was offered

VI. ORAL PETITIONS

(New/Old Business Agenda Items)

Lou Frangos, 10 Fairbanks St would like more information discussed on topics under New Business before action is taken so citizens can make comments. Domenick D'Onofrio, 11 Tyler Ave would like more information as well.

IX. APPOINTMENTS / RESIGNATIONS

1. Firefighter Appointment

Vice Chairman Saunders motioned to appoint Matthew Wilkinson, 140 Brookside Drive, Bristol as a probationary firefighter to the Plainville Fire Department. The motion was seconded by Councilman Carrier and passed 7-0. Vice Chairman Saunders motioned to appoint Martin Schiraldi, 57 Maxine Road as a probationary firefighter to the Plainville Fire Department. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Christopher and passed 7-0.

XI. NEW BUSINESS

1. Consider approval of Town Council FY 2015 Budget Recommendation

Vice Chairman Saunders motioned to recommend:

- the General Government FY2015 Budget including Capital Projects for \$21,808,178
- the Board of Education FY2015 Budget for \$33,616,799
- the Capital Projects FY2015 Budget for \$2,786,500 with funding sources of \$825,000 from General Fund, \$1,500 from a grant, \$120,000 from Debt Management fund, \$21,000 from Recreation Fund and \$320,500 from Capital Fund/Supplemental Appropriation.

The motion was seconded by Councilman Wazorko. Discussion followed. The motion passed 7-0.

2. Establish public hearing for 2014 Neighborhood Assistance Act.

Councilwoman Christopher motioned to establish a public hearing on Monday, April 21, 2014, at 7:30pm in the Municipal Center, One Central Square to hear public comment on proposals for the 2014 Neighborhood Assistance Act. The motion was seconded by Councilman Carrier and passed 7-0.

3. Cooke Street Reconstruction Project

Councilman Carrier motioned to authorize Town Manager Robert E. Lee to execute documents pertaining to the Department of Transportation funding of the "Pavement Rehabilitation of Cooke Street" Project. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Saunders and passed 7-0.

4. Bus Shelter Agreement

Councilman Wazorko motioned to authorize

Town Manager Robert E. Lee to execute the License Agreement for a bus shelter located at 451 East Main Street. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Christopher and passed 7-0.

5. Resolution regarding FFY 2013 State Homeland Security Grant – See Addendum

Vice Chairman Saunders motioned to adopt a resolution regarding Federal Fiscal Year 2013 State Homeland Security Grant Program for Region 3. The motion was seconded by Councilman Kilby and passed 7-0.

6. Resolution regarding Truck Size

Councilman Kilby motioned to adopt a resolution entitled "A Resolution Opposing Truck Size or Weight Increases". The motion was seconded by Councilman Wazorko. Discussion followed. The motion failed 0-7 with all Town Council members voting against.

7. Sewer User Fee Adjustment

Vice Chairman Saunders motioned to adjust the sewer user fee for 38 West Pearl Street, Mark & Carol Lea, from \$11,359.24 to \$3,191.08. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Tompkins. Discussion followed. The motion passed 7-0. Vice Chairman Saunders requested a work session with Valley Water Systems to discuss ways to resolve issues residents may have with water/sewer bulls.

8. Fair Housing Resolution – See Addendum 4/7/14 Page 8 of 10

Councilwoman Christopher motioned to re-adopt a resolution entitled "Fair Housing Resolution Town of Plainville". The motion was seconded by Councilman Wazorko and passed 7-0.

9. Fair Housing Policy Statement

Councilman Wazorko motioned to reappoint Town Manager Robert E. Lee as the Fair Housing Officer and authorize him to sign and implement the "Fair Housing Policy Statement". The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Saunders and passed 7-0.

10. Title VI Equal Opportunity Statement

Councilman Wazorko motioned to authorize Town Manager Robert E. Lee to sign and implement the "Title VI Equal Opportunity Statement". The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Christopher and passed 7-0.

11. Tax Refunds – See Addendum

Vice Chairman Saunders motioned to authorize the tax refunds as listed on the addendum. The motion was seconded by Councilman Carrier and passed 7-0.

XII. MATTER APPROPRIATE FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 9:25pm Vice Chairman Saunders motioned to enter into Executive Session to discuss land acquisition. All Town Council members were present, Town Manager Lee, Town Attorney Mastrianni and Roadways Superintendent Moschini. The session ended by a unanimous vote 9:48pm. No action was taken.

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

At 9:50pm a motion to adjourn was made and unanimously passed. Respectfully submitted by, Carol A. Skultety Town Clerk & Clerk of the Town Council 3-2014 AUTHORIZING RESOLUTION OF THE Plainville Town Council RESOLVED, that the Plainville Town Council may enter into with and deliver to the FFY 2013 State Homeland Security Grant Program Region 3 any and all documents which it deems to be necessary or appropriate; and

FURTHER RESOLVED, that Robert E. Lee, as Town Manager of the Town of Plainville, is authorized and directed to execute and deliver any and all documents on behalf of the Plainville Town Council and to do and perform all acts and things which he deems to be necessary or appropriate to carry out the terms of such documents, including, but not limited to, executing and delivering all agreements and documents contemplated by such documents.

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PLAINVILLE TO HOST HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE (HHW) COLLECTION

Saturday, May 3rd

Residents of member towns in the Tunxis Recycling Operating Committee (TROC) region will have the opportunity to bring Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) to the Tunxis Recycling Operating Committee (TROC) Household Hazardous Waste Collection.

The HHW collection will be held on Saturday May 3, at the Plainville Roadways Garage, located at 23 Granger Lane, off of Route 177, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Plainville Town Manager Robert E. Lee said, "We are pleased that the Town and TROC are still able to perform this service at a time when state and local budgets are seeing drastic cuts and reductions in services. It is especially rewarding to offer this opportunity without charging fees to the participants."

Residents of Plainville, Berlin, Bristol, Burlington, Meriden, New Britain, Plymouth, Prospect, Southington and Wolcott may bring their household hazardous waste to the collection site free of charge. **Identification will be required as proof of residency. No waste from businesses will be accepted.**

A new paint recovery program began in Connecticut in July 2013. Connecticut residents now have permanent locations to drop off unwanted household paint for recycling. Participating paint retailers partner with the new PaintCare™ paint recycling program. While the Plainville HHW event handles household hazardous materials, residents will no longer have to store paint products for the next HHW collection event. The PaintCare™ program is already working to reduce waste, increase recycling and save municipalities money. Visit their web site for the nearest collection location.

Items to be accepted include:

pesticides and poisons, herbicides and weedkiller, paint, paint thinners, varnish, rechargeable batteries, automotive batteries and lubricants, antifreeze, waste oil, gasoline, kerosene, hobby and photographic chemicals, pool chemicals, household cleaners and disinfectants, fertilizers, fluorescent bulbs and mercury-containing thermostats.

Items that cannot be accepted include:

medical waste, medicines & drugs, smoke detectors, tires, propane tanks, computers and electronic equipment, appliances, bulky waste, explosives, fire extinguishers, empty containers -- and waste from any businesses.

TROC Executive Director Mark Bobman noted, "Our fund balance for the program remains healthy, and the organization is well-positioned to continue to offer this service to member towns. Since the HHW program began in 1994, just under 43,000 participants have brought materials to one of the many collections offered throughout the region."

TROC is a Bristol-based recycling agency that has been working with its member communities since 1990 to promote recycling and waste reduction. Residents with questions regarding the household hazardous waste collections should call the public works department in their respective communities, or contact the TROC office at (860) 585-0419 or (860) 225-9811, or at their web site, www.tunxisrecycling.org.

**DEPARTMENT OF TECHNICAL SERVICES
JOHN R. BOSSI, DIRECTOR OF
TECHNICAL SERVICES**

The Town of Plainville is proposing to reconstruct the pavement on Cooke Street from New Britain Avenue, Route 372, to the Farmington Town Line. The project is in the semi-final design stage. The semi-final design construction plans will be presented to the Plainville Town Council for their consideration. Construction funds for this project will be provided by the Connecticut Department of Transportation under the Local Transportation Capital Improvement Program.

It is the Town's and State's policy to keep the public informed and involved when such projects are undertaken. It is important that the community shares its concerns and comments to assist in the project's development.

The Town of Plainville is proposing to mill the existing pavement surface to a depth of five (5) inches on Cooke Street from New Britain Avenue, Route 372, to the Farmington Town Line, approximately 5,500 linear feet and install a new pavement surface. Other proposed construction activities include the repair of a failed sewer trench, construction of pedestrian ramps and installation of new pavement markings.

A preliminary assessment of the construction costs indicate the project costs will be approximately \$1,200,000.00. It is anticipated that the State of Connecticut will provide 100% of the construction funding through the Local Transportation Capital Improvement Program, (LOTICIP). The Town of Plainville anticipates the construction of this project will be initiated during the fall of 2014 or spring 2015. The duration of the project is expected to take one hundred and twenty, (120) days.

Anyone interested in obtaining further information or providing input may do so by contacting John R. Bossi, Director of Technical Services at (860) 793-0221 ext. 220 Monday through Wednesday between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., Thursday between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m., Friday between the hour of 8:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m., at bossi@plainville-ct.gov if you were unable to attend the Public Informational Meeting held on April 15, 2014 at 7:00 p.m.

Town Assessor Reminder

Elderly and Disabled Homeowners are reminded by Town Assessor Jane Dickman Buden that they have until May 15, 2014 to file for benefits for homeowners for the 2013 Grand List Year.

Income limits for homeowners are; for a Single Person, not to exceed \$34,100 and for a Married Couple, not to exceed \$41,600.

The Town of Plainville is currently sponsoring a local option elderly program. Income requirements of this program are \$41,400 for a single person and \$46,700 for a married couple. Applicants must meet all other requirements of the State program.

Qualifications for the above benefits are:

Applicants must have been 65 years old prior to December 31, 2013 or have a 100 percent disability rating from the Social Security Administration or be the widow/widower age 50 or over of a previously approved applicant.

Persons filing must provide a copy of their 2013 income tax return or if not required to file a return, must supply copies of their sources of income and the amounts. Proof of Social Security benefits (1099) collected for 2013 is also needed.

The Town of Plainville also has a local option tax freeze program. Applicants must be 70 years of age or older and must meet certain income and asset requirements. Anyone interested in finding out more about this program should contact the Assessor's Office.

Applications for additional Veterans are also being taken. The Veteran must meet the above qualifications (with the exception of age) as well as have his/her DD214 on file with the Town Clerk by October 1st. Veteran must meet the ninety day qualifications for wartime as set fourth in Connecticut General Statute 27-103.

The Town also has a local option Veterans program. Income requirements of this program are \$41,400 for a single person and \$46,700 for a married couple. Local option benefit amount is 6000 assessment dollars.

Forms to apply for any benefit must be completed at the Assessor's Office at the Municipal Center. Please call for an appointment at 793-0221, ext. 244, between the hours of 9:00am and 4:00pm, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and 9:00am and 6:00pm Thursday.

Memorial Day Parade Monday May 26th

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Contact: Scott Saunders at
860-747-8837**

Ask the Brayne

Got a couple of questions for "The Brayne":

Q: Where does one dispose of an old window air conditioner? Does our town dump take them?

A: Yes, our town dump does take air conditioners.

Q: Exactly who / what number and extension does one call in town to have your cracked/damaged sidewalks looked at and repaired? The municipal phone listing has many names but nothing really specifies sidewalks.

A: John Bossi can help you with sidewalk problems. Call 860- 793-0221 ext. 220

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 is the 15th of each month. Please, keep them coming!! I know I can't get fired because I am one of the volunteers but I enjoy your questions. I also learn from them, you make me do the research and I love that.

Thanks, Bill Brayne!!

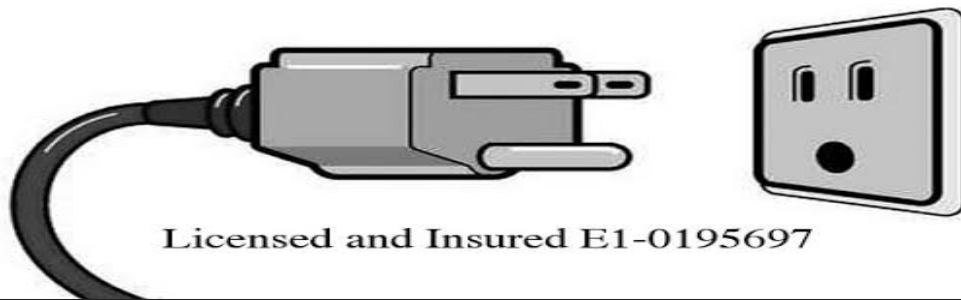
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Plainville Economic Development Agency

FROM: Mark DeVoe, Director of Planning and Economic Development

As of this date, no new applications have been received. With the concurrence of the Commission Chairman, the regularly scheduled Economic Development Agency Meeting for April 17, 2014 has been cancelled.

1. Mangiafico's Bakery, 104 East Main Street – You will note that construction has begun on this project.

2. CT Motor Cars, 90 Town Line Road – It appears that the tax abatement offer made by the Town of Plainville may not be required by CT Motor Cars. Their State Tax Abatement application did receive preliminary approval. While there are additional steps to go through, final approval is anticipated. The State Abatement Program provides for an 80% reduction on improvements over 5 years. Please note that the Town of Plainville will abate 40%, the State will reimburse the Town 40% and the applicant will pay 20%. After the full term of the benefit, the applicant will resume paying full taxes.

3. Plainville Downtown – The flurry of referral activity that we experienced last month has unfortunately

lessened. We are still pleased that two new businesses have opened over the past month in the downtown district: "Little Bit of Everything" and "Deb's Floral Design and More".

4. 125 New Britain Avenue – Mozzicato Plaza. R.M. Realty received approval for a 340 storage addition from the Planning and Zoning Commission on March 25, 2014.

5. 311-349 New Britain Avenue – The applicant has provided the Building Official with most of the documentation required for demolition. Items that remain are hazardous material surveys, which are currently underway.

6. Phoenix Soil, 68 North Washington Street – Phoenix Soil continues to make progress setting up plant operations. The gas line is installed; the water line and trailer/lab installation is also in process. Crews have been dismantling the exiting tower to rebuild that portion of the structure to accommodate the thermal absorption unit and accompanying pollution control devices. Construction of the interior soil receiving area is also underway. A midsummer opening is anticipated.

7. 10 New Britain Avenue – As was reported last year, EDAC, the then owner of this facility, was bought out by a venture capital group – Greenbriar Equity Group. Greenbriar has retained the services of Commercial Real Estate Broker Cushman Wakefield. Cushman reports that the best and highest use would be to repurpose the building for continued industrial use. They have had several inquiries and continue to bring potential buyers to the table. Cushman reports that as soon as a potential buyer is qualified and contracted, they will arrange a meeting with Town

Officials to review plans for the use of the structure.

8. Hospital of Central Connecticut Cancer Center and Medical Office Buildings, 201 North Mountain Road – You may have noticed road work on New Britain Avenue over the course of the last few weeks. Tomasso Brothers, Inc. is in the process of installing the sanitary sewer to service this project. The line has been sized to accommodate additional growth and work should be nearing completion soon.

9. 26 South Canal Street – as of this writing, a sale is still pending on this 6,000 square foot industrial building. During a conversation on April 10, 2014, the potential buyer reported that he has signed the latest sales and purchase agreement issued by the current owner and anticipates an answer by week's end.

10. Proposed Zoning Text Amendments

• **Redevelopment Design District:** The EDA reviewed this concept as provided in their mailing for their March 20, 2014 meeting. We plan to bring this information to the Planning and Zoning Commission in June of 2014. If the PZC decides that they like the concept, a formal application and public hearing will be required.

• **Multifamily Residential:** The PZC requires that all multifamily dwellings be approved through Commission action. When this regulation was adopted in 2004, it left thousands of existing multifamily dwellings in a nonconforming state (older two and three + family rentals as well as previously approved condominiums). This new amendment provides that certain accessory improvements to pre-existing multi-family dwellings can be permitted administratively. It also clarifies standards that the PZC will apply to new multifamily dwelling application review. A public hearing will likely be scheduled for May 20, 2014.

11. Farmington Avenue Welcome to Plainville Sign – No change to report at the Farmington Avenue location at this time. We do want to advise Agency members that the remaining Welcome signs have been inspected and repair requests have been submitted. In addition, we found that the "We Welcome Your Business" rider on the New Britain Avenue Welcome sign was missing. A replacement has been ordered and should be installed in 3-4 weeks.

12. East Main Street Bus Shelter – The Town Council reviewed and approved the License Agreement and authorized the Town Manager to execute the document. The Agreement is being forwarded to Webster Bank Corporate Offices for execution. Once a fully executed copy is received by the Town of Plainville, we will begin to identify types and styles of bus shelters that will fit in the allotted area. We will also

seek to identify grant funds for the purchase of the structure.

13. Farmington Canal Heritage Trail – No change to report at this time.

14. Plainville Bioscience Zone – The Commissioner of DECD has signed the Bioscience Zone Map, effectively approving Bioscience Zone benefits in three areas of Plainville. Maps were distributed at your last meeting. Once received by our Office, it will be recorded in the land records.

15. Family Dollar, 32 East Street – We have accepted an application for a new Family Dollar retail facility. The applicant intends to move the existing business located at 58 East Street to the new location if approved. The proposed facility is 9,180 square feet.

Renters Rebate

Jane Dickman Buden, Assessor

The Town of Plainville Assessor's Office has announced that it will begin to make appointments to take applications for the Renters Rebate Program for the elderly and disabled renters beginning May 21, 2014. Income requirements for the Renters Rebate: are for single people \$ 34,100 and married couples \$ 41,600. Qualifications for the above renter's benefits are:

Applicants must have been 65 years old prior to December 31, 2013 or have a 100 percent disability rating from the Social Security Administration. Applicants must have been a resident of Connecticut for any one year.

Persons filing must provide a copy of their 2013 income tax return, or if not required to file a return must supply copies of their source of income and the amounts, and proof of Social Security benefits collected for 2013.

Renter applicants must also have receipts for their rent from 2013 and all utility receipts for 2013. You must call the Assessor's Office for an appointment at 793 0221 ext 244.

Transfer Station

*Dominick Moschini,
Superintendent of Roadways*

The Transfer Station on Granger Lane opened for the season on Saturday, April 5.

The hours of operation are 8:00 AM to 3:00 PM.

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Plainville residents must show identification. There is a fee for disposal.

If you have any questions, please call Public Works at 860-793-0221 ext 208 from 8:00AM to 4:00 PM Monday thru Wednesday, Thursday, 8:00 AM to 7:00 PM and Friday, 8:00 AM to 12:00 PM.

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Editor or To Whom It May Concern:

I received a call from a friend, and as usual our conversation turned to politics, government and what was happening in local, state and our federal government. We spoke of the pros and cons of those we have elected to run our state and country, and we spoke of those that are asking for our vote this November. Some of those that are seeking office in our state are familiar names, or have served the people of Connecticut and the United States in past years. The name Tom Foley came up and his bid for governor of our state. My friend asked about the recent charges against Lisa Wilson-Foley, a candidate a few years back and who has been in the news over payments by her, her husband, and their rest home empire to former Governor Rowland during that campaign. **There is no relationship between Lisa Wilson-Foley and our former Ambassador to Ireland, Tom Foley.** The only connection, unfortunately, is the last name. Anyone that wants the best for the State of Connecticut should make it a point to meet Mr. Foley. They will be very impressed. Before anyone votes they should make it a point to meet, check the background, and the experience of all the candidates. If you don't do your homework and elect the best person for the job, we will have more of the same "good old boy" politics we have now. I am glad I was able to set my friend straight, and perhaps, a few others that are confused. *Darlene Day*

Dear Editor:

On behalf of the Plainville Water Pollution Control Dept., the community, and those who will benefit from the year round Bottle Drive Program, we would like to take this opportunity to thank you for supporting us through the years. Because of all your generous bottle and can donations, we are able to raise funds for non-profit organizations. Once again, we are pleased to be able to donate to the Plainville Community Food Pantry and its critical programs. With this funding donation of \$2,000, they will be able to provide the families and their children in the program with all of the basic necessities needed allowing them a better quality of life.

Thank you all for helping us make a difference in our community.

Sincerely, Susie Woerz, Executive Director

To submit pictures and stories that you would like to share with our Readers:

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TOWN OF PLAINVILLE YOUTH SERVICES COUNSELOR

Plainville Youth Services is seeking a part - time youth and family counselor , 25 -29 hours per week to work in the schools with at - risk youth, and provide individual and family counseling in the Youth Services office one evening per week. Candidate must have a Master's degree in counseling, social work or family therapy and have at least one year experience. Application is available on the Town of Plainville website at www.plainvillect.com under Human Resources.

The application can be mailed to Town of Plainville, Human Resources Department, One Central Square, Plainville, CT 06062, or emailed to sosle@plainville-ct.gov.

TOWN OF PLAINVILLE TOWN MANAGER'S OFFICE INTERNSHIP

The Town Manager's Office is seeking an MPA student or a Political Science major that is interested in working closely with the Town Manager and Assistant Town Manager on the budget, capital improvement plan, human resource tasks, asset inventory, bids, Town Council agendas and packets, and special projects. This is a paid internship.

The application can be found on-line at www.plainvillect.com and can be mailed to Town of Plainville Human Resources Department, One Central Square, Plainville, CT 06062, or emailed to sosle@plainville-ct.gov.

Shirley Osle, Assistant Town Manager

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Life With Wanda



Being an animal lover I love a good animal story. I recently saw a story on the Today Show about a group of athletes who competed in the Olympic games and brought some stray dogs back from Russia. Now, as the owner of dogs it made me wonder, do these dogs speak or bark or understand English? How long will it take for them to understand commands such as "sit, stay, lay down, want a cookie, or even, do you want to go for a walk?" "Roll over and play dead" are really going to be a challenge. What if you got a dog from China? How hard is it for them to understand English? Chinese is a very hard language for Americans to understand, speak, and translate...let alone for a dog to comprehend? What does 'woof' mean in their language, and will they be able to communicate with other dogs in the U.S.? How much will they get from a dog training class at Pets Mart? I can see a lot of problems here. My dogs were raised right here in America and still don't listen when I tell them to not get on the sofa. They chew what they want, take things they shouldn't, and expect a treat whenever they do something right. God, they sound just like kids! Maybe because these dogs are so young they will pick up the language fast, but these dogs actually look like they are German Shepherds. So, my next question is, will they bark with an accent and be discriminated against by other dogs? Will they and their offspring be called Russian-American dogs for the next two hundred years? **As Hillary would say, "What difference does it make"**. After all, a dog is a dog no matter where he/she comes from. Seeing they were let into this country legally, I feel they are now American.



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Secretary ~ Laurie Peterson
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Deputy Treas. ~ Andrea Saunders
The Committee meetings are held on the 3rd Wednesday of each month.

Both committees meet at the Municipal Center at 1 Central Square, Council Chambers

Notice from the Town Clerk:
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“Bringing Back Respect” By: Leslie Teffs

I am sitting here with tears in my eyes, as I'm writing this letter. I have read a previous article over and over again. No matter how many times I read it, I can make no sense of it. The only thing that comes to mind is, "What an awful, disrespectful world we live in."

The article I'm referring to is: **Stolen Signs Hurt Plainville Fire Company.** The article explains how two street signs in Norton Park, named after two firefighters who were killed while on duty (*Herbert Ewald and Dominic Moschini, Sr.*) were removed and destroyed. One sign, was found totally beaten in the high school parking lot, and the other is still missing. This really breaks my heart! Not only for "their" families, but also for all of the firefighters that risk their lives every day to help both family and total strangers.

The fire Department is so community oriented, all year round. They take part in the **Downtown Block Party every June** (serving up delicious chili), sponsor the **Hot Air Balloon Festival in August**, raise money for **scholarships**, and take charge of the **tree lighting at Christmas time.** They do so much!!

The Fire Company will be replacing these signs, which will cost about \$1,300. This money will be taken out of the company's treasury. This isn't right!

I'm hoping the community will show appreciation and support, by sending donations to these firefighters that give so much!

Let's bring back "respect" to our local heroes!!

Please send donations to:
Plainville Fire Company
77 West Main Street
Plainville, CT 06062

Has Comcast Gone too Far??

I just got finished reading the article from the editor and I have to agree. Our bill is over \$200.00 and years ago that was a mortgage payment. I have complained many times about their pricing and got no satisfaction. In my area unless you have a dish you have no choice, that is where they get you.

Joan & Frank Macri

“MAY FLOWERS” For Your Financial Future

By: **Kevin Paro**
Financial Service Director
CT Casualty Company

We've all heard the saying: April showers bring May flowers. It's a reminder that even the most unpleasant of things, in this case tax season, can bring about something enjoyable -- a nice tax refund. By early May, the birds start chirping, flowers start budding, and the sun seems to shine just a little brighter. Most of us are feeling the excitement of getting through the ice and snow of this past winter and are now looking forward to summer barbecues, trips to the beach, and being able to use our tax refund from last year. In 2013, the average tax refund for fiscal year 2012 was around \$3,000 according to the IRS. That's a pretty penny. It's like free money, so why not splurge on something fun? There's that new Smart TV you've been eyeing, a summer vacation you've been dreaming of, or those home improvements you've put off.

Not so fast! Have you considered saving or investing that money for your child's college education or your retirement? You, like most people, are probably thinking to yourself, "but Kevin, how much impact can saving my tax return really have on my future anyway?" Get this: a 50 year old who invests an additional \$3,000 per year towards a retirement fund that generates an average of 6% rate of return will produce approximately \$70,000 by the age of 65. For a 30 year old, saving an extra \$3,000 a year correlates to \$334,000 in retirement! With the rising costs of health insurance, in-home and nursing home care, and the lack of adequate Social Security Cost of Living Adjustments (COLA) for our senior population, it's become even more important to be self-sufficient and properly plan for retirement.

Setting aside some of your long-term goals, your tax refund can be utilized to pay down credit card debt. In fact, Connecticut residents carry some of the highest credit card debt in the country according to creditcard.com. It's important to reduce and eliminate your revolving debt as quickly as possible. A \$5,000 balance can cost you an additional \$750 or more in interest each year. Reducing and eliminating revolving debts is the first step towards a financially secure future.

If you're already in retirement, this additional money can be spent to beef up your insurance program or create additional savings for the later years in retirement. Protecting yourself from health and long term care events that can dwindle your retirement fund is critical. Of course, if you're retired and you have these bases covered, enjoy that vacation or new TV, because you deserve it! The whole point of saving for your whole life is to be able to enjoy yourself once you retire; just make sure you do a great job of saving before you get there.

Have I convinced you yet? As you can see, there are a variety of ways to utilize your tax refund, and I have only scratched the surface! Tell me -- what are you doing with your tax refund? I would love to hear what our readers did in April to create "May flowers" for their financial futures.

If you would like to share how you have used your tax refund please call me at 860-747-9207, or 860-479-3883 send me a note by e-mail to Kevin@CTCasualty.com, or by mail to:
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Plant Sale Benefits Friends of Library and Petit Family Foundation

The Friends of the Plainville Public Library will sponsor a plant sale from Monday May 5th. through Saturday May 10th (Mother's Day) at the library and various other locations around Plainville including: the Plainville Senior Center and Gnazzo's Supermarket. The proceeds from the sale will go to benefit the library and the Petit Family Foundation. The plants are Four O'Clocks so named because they open their flowers in late afternoon about 4 o'clock. During the heat of the day blossoms are closed. The blooms remain open overnight, and close again in the early morning. They are also known for their strong, aromatic fragrance. They are sturdy, bushy plants with showy red, pink, yellow and white trumpet-shaped flowers.

The plants are part of the Michaela's Garden project. After the tragic July 2007 home invasion and fire in Cheshire, CT that took the lives of Jennifer Hawke-Petit and her daughters Hayley and Michaela, family members tried to salvage anything of value. The Four O'Clock plants in the family garden were particularly dear to Michaela, so they were dug up and replanted in Plainville. Their seeds were harvested to grow anew. All the plants in this sale were cultured from the original Four O'Clocks in Cheshire.

The plants are available for a \$5.00 donation and just in time for Mother's Day.

Academy Award Nominated Film at Plainville Library

By Peter Chase, Library Director

A film nominated for an academy award will be the next movie matinee film at the Plainville Public Library. "Savings Mr. Banks", starring Tom Hanks and Emma Thompson was widely acclaimed. It brings to life the untold true story about the origins of one of the most treasured Disney classics of all time, "Mary Poppins". John Lee Hancock directs this film that reveals the surprising backstory behind the making of children's classic.

Determined to fulfill a promise to his daughters, Walt Disney tries for 20 years to obtain the rights to author P. L. Travers' beloved book. Armed with his iconic creative vision, Walt pulls out all the stops, but the uncompromising Travers won't budge. Only when he reaches into his own complicated childhood does Walt discover the truth about the ghosts that haunt Travers, and together, they set "Mary Poppins" free.

The free matinee will be held at 2:30 on May 8 at the Plainville Pubic Library. It is sponsored by the Friends of the Library.

Local Author to Give Presentation at Library

Matthew Dicks, a local author from Newington, will give a talk about his life and work on Thursday, May 8 at 7:00 at the Plainville Public Library. Dicks is an author, story teller and teacher. He wrote three novels, "Memoirs of an Imaginary Friend", "Something Missing" and "Unexpectedly, Milo". 10 time Moth StorySLAM champion and a Moth Mainstage performer whose stories have been featured on the Moth Radio Hour and their weekly podcast.

His book, "Something's Missing" was the topic of the Plainville Public Library Book Discussion group. It is a mystery novel set in Central Connecticut. The book concerns a career criminal with OCD tendencies and a savant-like genius for bringing order to his crime scenes. He's been able to steal from the same people for years on end, virtually undetected. Even though Martin has never met these homeowners, he's spent hours in their houses, looking through their photo albums and reading their journals. He plays the role of an odd guardian angel and along the way not only improves the lives of others, but discovers love and finds that his own life is much better lived on the edge.

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Attorney Michael W. Mastrianni has over **25 years** of experience and is a member of the following:

- ▶ Central CT Collaborative Family Law Group
- ▶ International Academy of Collaborative Professionals
- ▶ Connecticut Bar Association Family Law Section

AAA Speaks Out: "Share the Road"

As communities from coast to coast celebrate National Bike Month this May, a growing number of Americans are picking up their bikes for recreation, fitness and transportation. According to the U.S. Census Bureau, the number of bicycle commuters nationwide increased 40 percent from 2000 to 2010.

With more bicyclists on our roadways, AAA has partnered with the League of American Bicyclists to produce a series of bicycle safety videos designed to educate both motorists and bicyclists on the importance of sharing the road. AAA's newly-redesigned ShareTheRoad.AAA.com offers bicycle and helmet fit guides, safety tips and riding skills advice.

Sadly, in 2011, 677 bicyclists were killed in traffic crashes and an additional 48,000 were injured. As an advocate for the safety of travelers on both two wheels and four, AAA offers the following advice if you're in a motor vehicle:

- Share the road. Bicyclists have the same rights and responsibilities as motorists, including the right to ride in the traffic lane.
- Slow down and allow at least three feet of clearance when passing a bicyclist. In Connecticut, this is the law.
- Check mirrors and blind spots before turning, changing lanes or opening car doors.
- Never honk your horn at a bicyclist. They may startle and swerve off the road or into traffic.
- Be especially cautious around children on bikes. They are often unsteady and unpredictable.
- Stay alert and avoid all distractions while driving.
- If you're riding a bike:
 - Follow the Rules of the Road. Always ride with traffic, using the rightmost lane, obeying the same laws as motorists. Use hand and arm signals to indicate your intention to stop, merge or turn.
 - Be Visible. Ride where drivers can see you. Do not ride on the sidewalk. Wear brightly colored clothing at all times. At night, use a white front light and red rear light or reflector, and wear reflective clothing.
 - Be Predictable. Ride in a straight line and don't swerve between parked cars. Make eye contact with motorists to let them know you are there.
- Anticipate Conflicts. Always be aware of traffic around you and be prepared to take evasive action, exercising additional caution at intersections. Learn braking and turning techniques to avoid crashes.
- Wear a Helmet. In Connecticut, bicycle helmets are required for all riders under the age of 16. Helmets, when worn properly, are up to 85 percent effective in protecting the head and brain in the event of a crash. Should you crash, or have an impact that affects your helmet, replace it immediately. AAA provides travel, insurance, financial, and automotive-related services to 54 million people nationwide and is located locally at 17 Farmington Avenue in Plainville.

Little League WeatherBug

Spring means baseball and the start of severe weather season. That's why Little League Baseball and Softball and WeatherBug launched Little League WeatherBug, a new smartphone weather app providing real-time weather, severe weather alerts, and personalized Spark lightning detection to help boys and girls stay safer while playing outside this season.

Little League WeatherBug is available for download on both Google Play and the iTunes App Store for free - simply search for Little League WeatherBug.

We'd love your help in getting the word out to your readers about the new app! Thank You! Rachel Hunt, Public Relations, Earth Networks - WeatherBug
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Dental Health

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



The human papillomavirus (HPV) is the most common sexually transmitted infection in the United States, and according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), approximately 20 million Americans currently are infected. There are more than 100 strains of HPV, and more than 40 of them are capable of infecting the mouth and throat. Ten years ago, 40 percent of oral cancer biopsies were HPV-positive; today, that figure is closer to an astounding 80 percent, according to an article published in the June 2010 issue of AGD Impact, the Academy of General Dentistry's (AGD) monthly newsmagazine.

HPV is so common that at least half of sexually active males and females will contract it at some point in their lives. In 90 percent of the cases, the body's immune system clears HPV within two years; however, while the majority of HPV infections do not lead to oral cancers, there's no escaping the fact that some of them do.

Oral cancer is typically hard to diagnose because it is not noticed by patients in its early stages.

Warning signs include white or red lesions, soreness or feeling that something is caught in the throat, difficulty chewing or swallowing, ear pain, difficulty moving the jaw or tongue, hoarseness, and numbness of the tongue or other areas of the mouth.

While the incidence of oral cancers among Americans in general has decreased, probably due to reduced tobacco use, certain kinds of oral and oropharyngeal cancer have increased, especially in younger populations. We are seeing more and more people who have never smoked or taken a drink in their lives and are astonished to learn that they've developed oral cancer from HPV.

HPV is primarily transferred by skin-to-skin contact. Risk factors involve the number of sexual partners (the more partners, the greater risk of infection) and age and gender (genital HPV infections are most commonly diagnosed in sexually active girls and women under the age of 25).

It's imperative that all sexually active females see their general dentist to be screened for oral cancer

on a regular basis. Remember, your OB-GYN doesn't look in your mouth to check for sexually transmitted diseases or oral cancer. Only your dentist is doing that for you.

In addition to an HPV-related infection, other risk factors for developing oral cancer include tobacco or alcohol use, age, gender (oral cancer strikes men twice as often as it does women), and race (oral cancer occurs more frequently in African Americans than it does in Caucasians). Oral cancer is the eighth most common cancer among men and the fourteenth most common cancer among women.

Although HPV's mode of transmission to the oral cavity is less understood and less defined at this time, researchers believe that changing behaviors in tobacco and alcohol use and sexual practices in the United States may indicate that specific mechanisms are responsible for the origination of cancers at particular locations in the body.



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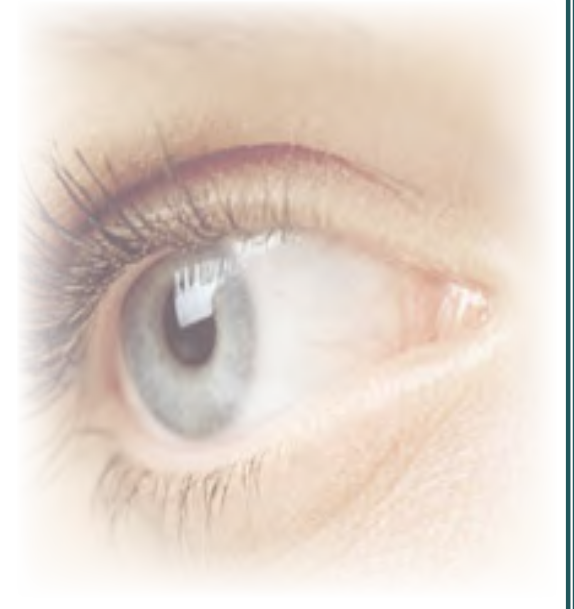
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Middle School of Plainville Hosts 7th Annual Students vs. Staff Charity Basketball Event



The Middle School of Plainville held its 7th Annual Students vs. Staff Charity Basketball Event on April 11. This year the Middle School of Plainville's selected charity was the StandUp for Kids charity. StandUp For Kids is a not-for-profit organization founded in 1990 to help rescue homeless and at-risk youth. This year, the Middle School students and staff raised \$4,700 for the charity through the event, and the Middle School students emerged victorious in the game. Middle School of Plainville faculty member Greg Warnat organized the event.

PLAINVILLE SCHOOL READINESS COUNCIL SEEKS GRANT PROPOSALS

The Plainville School Readiness Council is seeking proposals from Plainville pre-school providers wishing to apply for grant funded School Readiness spaces which may be added in response to the Governor's proposal to expand early childhood education in the state. Head Start-approved programs, NAEYC-accredited programs and programs not yet accredited may apply. Also, NAEYC-accredited programs located outside of town borders may apply. To receive a copy of the Request For Proposal (RFP), please email Dr. Linda Van Wagenen at: vanwagenenl@plainvilleschools.org

Eugene Millerick Inducted Into Plainville Schools Memorial Wall of Honor



Eugene Millerick was inducted into Plainville School's Wall of Honor on April 21, 2014. Mr. Millerick had served on the Board of Education for 12 years and also four terms to the Connecticut House of Representatives. Shown above are Mr. Millerick's wife Sue (center) along with family members Gail Millerick, Michelle Millerick Erling, Jim Millerick and his daughter.

Reality Check at Reality Fair

by Ashley Nalewajek

A group of forty students that take the personal finance course at Plainville High School attended the Connecticut Financial Reality Fair at Central Connecticut State University on March 31st. The fair is sponsored by credit unions in the state. Each student picked an occupation or field that they are interested in pursuing a career. They were given a paycheck with gross and net income for a month. With this amount, the students visited different booths, each one pertaining to an expense that they would have. The students had to choose a place to live, a form of transportation, insurance, clothing and other necessities. They also had the option to spend money on luxuries, or expenses that were not required, such as vacations or owning a pet. The students had to decide whether they would pay for the items with a credit card, checking account or their monthly job income. Once everything was "bought", they calculated if they were in debt or if they had saved any money after all necessary costs were covered. The experience allowed students to plan and budget money and get more of an understanding of how money is used in real life experiences.

Plainville Chamber of Commerce

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The Plainville Chamber of Commerce is offering scholarships to Plainville residents entering their 3rd or 4th year of college. This Scholarship is funded by Manafort Brothers, Inc. and Mizzy Construction through the Benefactor Scholarship Fund. Applications for the scholarships are available at the Plainville Chamber of Commerce Office, 1 Central Square (Town Hall). All applications must be returned to the Chamber of Commerce Office by Friday, May 2, 2014.

JOAN K. DEEGAN MEMORIAL SECOND YEAR COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP

The Plainville Chamber of Commerce is offering scholarships to Plainville residents entering their 2nd year of college. Joan was a past President of the Plainville Chamber of Commerce and a member of many community and civic organizations. Applications for the scholarship are available at the Plainville Chamber of Commerce Office, 1 Central Square (Town Hall). All applications must be returned to the Chamber Office by Friday, May 2, 2014.

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DHS Marketing Class Learn From Loureiro Visit



Students in the Plainville High School Marketing 2 Class recently enjoyed a presentation by Director Of Business Development for Loureiro Engineering, Bob Heslin. Mr. Heslin provided students with an overview of branding, core competencies of marketing, the importance of building business relationships and more.

Wheeler School Welcomes Chef



Frank T. Wheeler Elementary School students and staff recently enjoyed a lunch option provided by Chef Timothy Osuch from J. Timothy's Restaurant in Plainville, as part of the Chefs Move To Schools Program. This is an important component of the Let's Move! initiative which helps local chefs partner with schools in their community. The goal of the program is to teach students about making balanced, healthy choices and exposing them to new, healthy foods that they may not normally try.

Sled Dogs Come to Wheeler



Shown above Plainville resident Joan Kaczmarczyk of the Moondance Huskies Sled Dog Team, and her sled dog, Lilly visit Wheeler School.

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MIDDLE SCHOOL RECOGNIZED AS "GALLUP KIDS APPROVED" IN ENGAGEMENT POLL

"We at MSP are particularly proud of this recognition, as it came straight from the students. We continue to work hard to create an engaging and supportive school environment, and to have the students acknowledge that MSP is indeed a "Great Place to Learn" is very rewarding," said Middle School of Plainville Principal, Matthew Guarino.

Students at the Middle School participated in the 2013 administration of the Gallup Student Poll, a national poll measuring student hope for the future, engagement within school, and well-being. The Middle School of Plainville ranked in the top-quartile of engagement scores of all participating schools in the 2013 poll administration. As a result, Gallup will recognize the Middle School with a "Gallup Kids Approved" badge on the "GreatSchools" website. According to information from Gallup, Inc., "GreatSchools is a national nonprofit that helps parents get a great education for their children. Their award-winning website, GreatSchools.org, helps families make crucial decisions about where to live and where to send their children to school. GreatSchools.org is the nation's leading guide to preK-12 schools, with profiles of 200,000 public and private schools and more than one million ratings and reviews by parents, teachers, and students."

"Fostering school climate and student engagement have been a huge focus for Plainville Community Schools. I am thrilled that our Middle School is being recognized for these efforts," noted Assistant Superintendent of Schools, Dr. Maureen Brummett.

Wheeler Sponsors Positive Behavioral Workshop



Anna Sellers, a volunteer at Frank T. Wheeler Elementary School, recently held a PBIS (Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports) knitting event. This workshop was open to any Wheeler student in the fourth or fifth grade who had an interest in learning how to knit and had earned 50 PBIS tickets. Students earn tickets by exhibiting positive behavior throughout the school day. The students who participated in the event enjoyed knitting scarves and being rewarded for participating, achieving, cooperating, and knowing that they can be successful in school!

PHS Students Visit UCONN Medical Center



13 Plainville High School students recently visited UCONN Medical Center for its annual Clinical Career Day. Clinical Career Day is an opportunity for high school students who have expressed an interest in clinical careers to explore occupations and engage in question and answer sessions with medical professionals. This is an annual event hosted by the UCONN Health Center in Farmington. High schools throughout the state of Connecticut attend this event.



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A Night Out on "50 West"

At The Library

by Roberta Lalama



Executive Chef Paul Oparowski of "50 West Restaurant" conducted a sophisticated cooking demonstration at the Plainville Library on April 10th.

On the menu was pan-seared Salmon served with a Buerre Blanc sauce (*white butter*), a slaw of fennel, Portobello mushrooms, and barley risotto.

Chef Paul was generous in his use of white wine and butter. As he cooked he instructed the group with cooking tips and stated, "Never use a wine to cook with that you would not drink. The alcohol in a reduced sauce dissipates, leaving just a flavor of the grape. Cream, butter, mustard, and a good olive oil create an emulsion for a fine dressing that does not separate or curdle."

Those present enjoyed a lovely plate of his preparation, pleasing to the eye and palate. Chef Oparowski also brought to be raffled two bottles of wine from "50 West's" cellars and three gift cards for a fine meal at the restaurant. Lunch and dinner menus were also provided for those interested.

A very entertaining evening, to say the least, and a delicious treat enjoyed by all who attended!

Plainville Historical Society

FASHION IN FICTION

At The Library by Roberta Lalama



An excellent and informative presentation was held on April 15th, sponsored jointly by the Plainville Historical Society and the Plainville Public Library.

It featured Kandie Carle, a dynamic performance artist, who uses authentic period attire, accessories, and artifacts (*some of which are realistic reproductions*) to bring the past to life.

This evening she assumed the persona of Jane Austen and some of the cast of characters in her novels.

It is amazing how the Upper Class Ladies and Gentlemen of the Regency Era (*early 1800's*) could change their wardrobe by the simple addition or deletion of various small pieces of ribbons, lace, hats, shoes, or jewelry.

She also made mention of the use of fans to describe how young people communicated, coquettishly, in front of their chaperones. I expect that this was a widely known "secret".

Unfortunately, there was just one man present; Library Director, Peter Chase, who graciously demonstrated with Ms. Carle various forms of the Waltz, a new and daring dance of the era. (*Shame on the rest of you men. You missed a terrific show*). Oh my Gosh! Dancing partners actually touched each other! Chastely,! Scandalous!

As an added note of interest: For a very modest sum, you can become a member of the Historical Society or a Friend of the Library. This entitles you to a monthly newsletter of upcoming events, which you will not want to miss. For those of you with a sweet tooth. Delicious refreshments are always provided. You can munch, discuss the program, and meet old and new friends.

First Annual Plainville Amateur Art Group Exhibition and Reception

by Roberta Lalama

(Below are members of the Amateur Art Group and organizers of the exhibit.)



The Plainville Amateur Art Group held a reception on April 12th at the Library. About thirty (30) artists contributed. It was a great success. Over 100 people attended. Library Director, Peter Chase, said he has rarely seen a larger turnout.

Now remember, these are all amateur, but avid, artists of all ages. The exhibition included all forms of art, from photography to oils, acrylics, pencil, etc. Some might be considered primitives (*like Grandma Moses who started painting in her seventies*) to works very sophisticated. Color, style, and subjects were varied.

According to comments heard, none were derogatory. Almost everyone had a favorite. The favorites were all across the board. Thank goodness, there is room at exhibitions like this one for all artists to participate and display their work and take pride in a job well done. No art was compared to another by a judge or jury.

All those attending had their own opinions, not better or worse, but according to personal preference.

It is nice to know that for such a small community, Plainville is full of resourceful and interesting folks who support their friends and neighbors when an event like this one occurs.

For the reception members provided some delicious refreshments. A lovely floral centerpiece was donated by our newest shop on Whiting Street...**Deb's Floral Designs and More** for the tea table. Please stop in and visit her delightful shop and welcome her to Plainville.

This exhibition will be open until April 25th. Please take a few moments to drop in and see the diversity of visual art that is on display. We look forward to our Second Annual Show next year and hope others will pick up their pens, brushes, and cameras and consider displaying their work.



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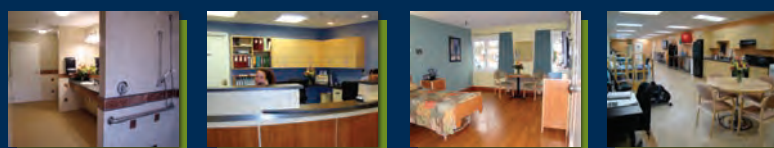
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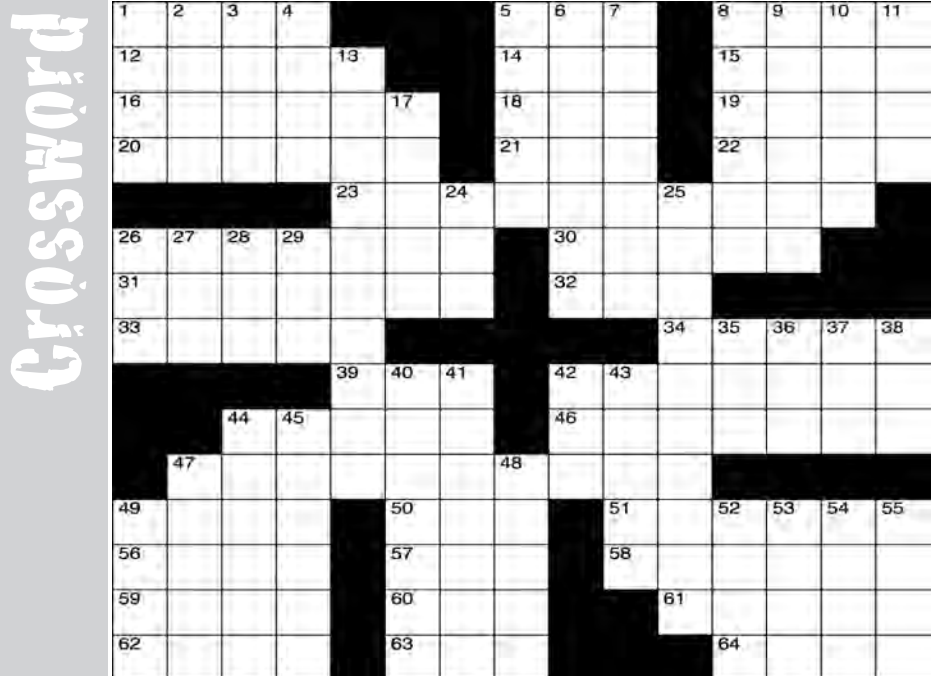
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5. CHAMPAGNE RIVER
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9. EQUALIZE
10. GUILLEMOT

11. OF SOUND MIND
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48. LUSTER
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The Southington Country Club in Plantsville will be the venue for an 18-hole scramble format with cart; individuals and foursomes are "Welcomed." Team registration begins at 10:30 am, followed by a grilled lunch by the club, with a tee off time at 12:00 pm; walk-ins accepted. Dinner will be catered by Gnazzo's Food Center of Plainville following the play. The event will be capped off with silent auction, raffle items, award presentations and door prizes.

"We're delighted to be collaborating with the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Plainville and would like to encourage golfers everywhere to come out and join us for a great day of play," said Benson Swift, PARC's President.

All proceeds from this tournament will benefit PARC Inc of Plainville Healthy Living programming and Fredrick-Franklin's college scholarship fund. Anyone looking to golf, sponsor the event or donate door prizes to this worthy charity event should contact Linda Garcia, PARC's Executive Director 860-747-0316. For more information please contact:

Linda Garcia, PARC, INC. 860-747-0316 parc.plainville@gmail.com
www.plainvilleparc.org Or Michael Kelley, Frederick Franklin Lodge #14
makmagic@gmail.com www.frederick-franklin14.org

Woman's Club May Meeting

Tuesday, May 6th~7 PM Faith Bible Church

Representatives from HOBY (Hugh O'Brian Youth Leadership Foundation) will be attending our May meeting. They will give a presentation on who they are and what they do. They are a nonprofit organization and will take any donations that we have to offer, no pressure. If you would like to donate an item from the list below, please purchase one or more items and bring it to our May meeting. Any questions give Joan Macri a call.

List of items that can be donated. Thank you!

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SCRATCH and PECK

By: LEESHA



This is an obituary for my sister, Sparkle, who passed away on March 29th, just two years from her hatching. A veterinary did a necropsy to make sure she died of a natural cause and did not have some disease that could be infectious to my siblings or to me. It is unusual for an otherwise healthy hen to die so young, yet it happens. She was buried with love and respect on the farm where we live with those who have predeceased her. Rest in peace, beloved sweet Sparkle.

A Short History of Plainville Through Architecture

Long before Plainville was incorporated as a town in 1869, there were a number of intrepid souls who lived on The Great Plain and raised their families here. They were mostly farmers; some were craftsmen, some were connected to small manufacturing or the interest of the Canal.

If you have a dog to walk, or like bicycling, you can see some of the remaining homes. If you drive through town, slowly and carefully, you see other examples of what Plainville looked like as time went by.

Plainville was never as grand and glorious as Farmington Village, but our ancestors had pride in their more modest homes, and many were very beautiful. There still exists several of the oldest farm houses; notably, the Cowles and Tyler's farms on Unionville Avenue. There are other homes throughout town that are small, but charming. Additions were built to accommodate new families. Some better, some not so good.

We also have some larger homes in the Victorian style built between 1850 to the late 1800 hundreds. Some are still single family homes, some have been converted to multiple family dwellings, or converted to businesses in a more or less authentic style with respect for the signature Victorian mill work around the eaves and porches. Several remain, a few are in dire need of repair.

Nestled and dispersed throughout town, cobblestone houses and foundations were built. One good crop our early farmers harvested was stone! Not that it needed planting, stones just bubbled to the surface every spring, mostly by plowing the fields. They couldn't be eaten, but certainly good use was made of them by building houses, stone walls, and foundations.

By the 1920's, we began to see a few Sears Roebuck houses; ordered from the catalogues, delivered by the railroad, assembly required. I expect family and friends joined in the effort of erecting them. They were mostly bungalow style, an efficient and comfortable style in design. Usually the living was on one floor with additional space on the second floor, which was adapted as needed for a growing family.

Time went on, Plainville prospered, more homes were built. After WWII, more farm acreage was sold to developers and more homes were built, mostly in the ranch or Cape Cod style. They were "cookie cutter" homes built to accommodate returning war vets. Over the years they have changed. Now, they have individual personalities. Duplex houses were also built, some with grace and style, to address the needs of a growing population.

Again, more time passed and more subdivisions were built in the 1960's; mostly raised ranches or split levels. These homes have also evolved over time and become neighborhoods. Recently, there are more new developments with much larger homes in a more Colonial style, sometimes referred to as "McMansions." They too, will take their place in our history over time and changes.

In closing, an interesting part of Plainville's history are some of the varied architectural styles of the business, church, and school buildings in town. However, that could be a discussion for another column.

... "I love to write and look forward to clucking away next month"Leesha

TEA PARTY PATRIOTS

by Gene

"MOLON LABE"

2nd Amendment

"A well regulated Militia, being necessary to the Security of a free state. The right of the people to keep and bear arms, shall not be infringed!"

Recently, 100,000 state residents went to bed as law-abiding citizens and woke up a felon facing prison time. Connecticut Governor Malloy continues to pressure the 100,000 Connecticut residents who have refused to register their guns, or face forced gun confiscation at their homes. Why is Malloy still Governor? Why aren't these people recalling this sorry excuse for a governor who obviously holds the Second Amendment in such disdain?

Private ownership of guns is the necessary component needed to fulfill the Jeffersonian mandate for national self-defense. Yet, increasingly and reminiscent of Nazi Germany, the United States government is incrementally chipping away at private citizens right to own a gun. Why?

America: Return of the King

Our founding fathers considered the different types of Government after winning our freedom at the end of a barrel of a gun. Our forefathers warned every generation that it was up to us to keep it. A monarchy was out of the question. George Washington's letter rebuking the suggestion that he be king answered that question with, "Did we not just flee that kind of tyranny?"

Who do you think is the worst President - Jimmy Carter? And also our biggest security threat? Who? Anyone we know?????

How to Gain Entry Into Paradise

As we have seen, the Qur'an's surest guarantee of Paradise is given to those who "slay and are slain" for Allah "for theirs in return is the garden of Paradise...a promise binding on Him in truth: (Qur'an 9:111).

Sunday, March 30th, was the 4th Anniversary of the Tea Party. The Administration forgot the affordable part of (Affordable Care Act). They keep rewriting it because the President won't be on the ballot this fall. Dan Malloy, Elizabeth Esty, and Jim Hines, along with "King Obama would rather forget this anniversary.

The progressives use racism to divide and conquer for political gain. Now, you can see clearly why Washington wants control of the Education System from cradle to grave indoctrination...Common Core. (Educate not Indoctrinate)

Many ask how America stayed good for many years. The answer is...we were taught when something is broke you fix it, not throw it away.

Units of Universal Code

What we have is a health system, which is programmed to reduce the treatment and life value of a patient into bits of universal code. According to IngeniousMed.com, U.S. doctors must use the ICD-10 codes by October 2014 if they want to be paid by insurance companies or the government.

Remember -- "It is better to walk alone than with a crowd going in the wrong direction." Diane Grant

"One of the penalties for refusing to participate in politics is that you end up being governed by those you do not like. Please join the local Tea Party Patriots every Tuesday, rain or shine, in front of Starbucks on the Southington/Plainville line to wave flags, hold signs, or just be there to support the effort in making the public aware of what's going on -- locally -- in our state -- and in our country!!!"

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Actions Speak Louder Than Words Putting Corporate Wealth over Human Health

By Donna Ziccardi Gross



If GMO Food is not bad enough, Scott's Miracle Grow is coming out with a Genetically Modified Kentucky Blue Grass, engineered to be resistant to the herbicide Roundup and other Glyphosate based herbicides. They are marketing this GMO

Grass as if it is going to save the world, but according to peer reviewed scientific research, it will add to the use of more pesticides, namely Roundup, that will pollute the environment and further destroy the health of every man, woman and child not to mention the family pet. To make matters worse, it will NOT be regulated by the USDA. People are waking up to the dangers of Genetically Modified products and do NOT want this technology. But it seems the people who make the laws and regulations are more concerned with pleasing lobbyists and big Agra Business than doing what is in the best interest of their constituents.

This Spring Scott's will be testing this GMO Grass at the homes of several of their employees, allowing the homeowner to spray large amounts of Roundup over the entire lawn to kill weeds without damaging the grass. This will increase the sales of Roundup, which is manufactured by Monsanto and marketed by Scott's. The new GMO grass seed is expected to generate over \$500 million dollars in sales for Scott's and a marked increase in sales of Roundup for Monsanto. BUT at what cost to human health and the environment?

So what can be the problem you say? Roundup resistant weeds is one answer. The more a chemical is used constantly, the more likely the weeds will become resistant, and you eventually will get what is called Super Weeds. More Roundup will be needed and the only thing that will be accomplished will be an increase in sales and profits for Monsanto but the weeds will persist. In short, the very thing that Scott's is marketing for a weed free lawn will eventually give the homeowner a huge headache in the form of More WEEDS.

Another problem will be the migration of GMO grass seeds to contaminate other lawns, gardens and pastures for miles, invading properties of people who DO NOT WANT GMO Grass. The GMO grass testing in Oregon a few years back was called off for this very reason. This contamination by Scott's GMO seeds will destroy the Organic Farming industry in Connecticut, which is growing by leaps and bounds and becoming the PREFERRED food of choice. Not only will organic vegetable farms be in danger of Scott's contamination but organic cattle and dairy farms as well. This, in turn, will make it impossible for consumers like me to purchase safe food in the form of Organic GMO Free Verified vegetables, meats and dairy products.

Most of all, the problem with Scott's GMO seeds will be the destruction of the health of your family, pets and neighbors as Roundup, as well as other pesticides and herbicides, is proven to cause disease, illness and cancer. While the EPA and Department of Agriculture claim Roundup to be safe, the recent study by Giles-Eric Seralini proves glyphosate, at concentrations lower than EPA standards, kills human cells. Science has now linked Roundup to fatal kidney disease and countries are beginning to ban the sale of Roundup, Shri Lanka being the first. Many countries are refusing the sale and importation of GMO products and South Africa will not allow Monsanto to ADVERTISE in their country because the company's claims to safety are proven to be false.

Concerned, informed and educated citizens of Connecticut have banned together to form the

organization GMO Free CT. Please visit their web site at gmofreect.org and read more about the dangers of GMO technology. Another Connecticut organization you need to get to know is CONNFACT and you can read all about them at connfact.org. This is an era of Buyer Beware because, ladies and gentlemen, the chemicals that are being marketed to you in a pretty safe package are really dangerous weapons of mass destruction that is killing you softly.

So the people of CONNFACT and GMO Free CT went to the State Senate Environmental Committee with a bill to ban GMO grass and the use of pesticides where children play, bill SB 443. Seems like a pretty reasonable request, right? And the committee thought so too, as they passed SB 443 and sent it to the State Senate for vote. This important piece of legislation that was created solely for the safety of Connecticut residence, especially the children was PASSED by the CT Senate but SHOT Down by the CT House of Representatives....why?!? Why would our elected officials, who took an oath to serve the people of this state, vote in such a way as to allow such dangerous products and practices? And to make matters worse, they voted like thieves in the night. The CT House prematurely called the bill to a vote in order to kill it before our voices could be heard.

House Speaker Sharkey (D) said he called the bill to vote to "avoid the distraction that was going to inevitably occur if we kept it on the calendar for days and weeks". What distraction? The voices of the tax paying citizens of CT? The last time I studied Civics in school, the people of a state have a RIGHT to contact their elected officials to voice their opinions and desires because the elected officials are to represent the PEOPLE and not Big Business. So now we are considered distractions?

Rep. Dan Carter (R) voted "nay" because he said we are voting against something that does not exist. Oh, I see. Instead of preventing a problem, we wait until the problem is here and out of control. With that line of thinking, why vaccinate? If you do not already have the disease, why take the precaution....are we to wait until we are sick before we do something?

Rep. Cook (D) said, the ban would send the wrong message about CT to industry. WHAT? You care more about Industry than the health of CT residence? If industry offers a safe product they should be welcomed. But when industry comes to a state offering a product with the potential to cause more harm than good, our elected officials should vote on the side of "safety" for the people of this state and not care about being popular with Big Business.

Rep. Cook thought the ban on GMO Grass could hurt Scott's Miracle Grow Company. But Cook ignores the recent and up to date facts that this GMO grass seed will impose a dangerous level of Roundup to be used in this state and THAT would be putting our people especially our children at risk. Where does Cook's allegiance lie? She is suppose to have the best interest of the people in mind...not the bottom line and profits of Big Business. Cook said Scott has \$27.5 million in sales in CT and employs 226 people in this state. "For me, this (bill) is just not good business," she said. WHAT!!! She was elected to vote for the welfare of big business??? I thought she was to represent the "people"?

And this brings me to the Plainville area. In the State Senate, we have Jason Welsh. Sen. Welch voted "nay". It is OK with him to let a questionable product to be used in the state and deal with the consequences later. And we also have Rep. Betty Boukus who also voted "nay". So I called Rep. Boukus's office to ask her for an interview for this article but she never returned my call.

So there you have it, the next time a politician "kisses" up to you for their vote....remember where their allegiance lies. And as always, it is safer to Live Healthy Chemical Free.....

Please visit my blog...livechemicalfree.blogspot.com...for more information you really should know. All comments are welcome.

Plainville Recreation Dept. Summer Programs

Registration for summer programs will be held in the Recreation Office at 50 Whiting Street starting on Wednesday, May 14th. The Recreation 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. Saturday registration will be held on May 17th

Recreational programs for youth include: Mommy & Me Yoga all ages, Day Camp ages 7-11, Mini Camp ages 3 1/2 - 6, Tennis ages 8 & up, Co-Ed Basketball Clinic grades 4, 5 & 6, Tumble Time Gymnastics ages 1-6, Beginner Skateboarding ages 6-13, Berner Pool Red Cross Swim Instruction ages 16 mos. & Up, (PCA) Parent & Child Aquatics ages 6 months - 5 years, Saturday American Red Cross Learn to Swim ages 6 months & up, Jr. Lifeguarding ages 11-14, Summer Swim Team ages 4-18, Girl's Sand Volleyball grades 5 to 8, and Kempo-Kung Fu Martial Arts grades K-7.

Adult programs include: Aqua Aerobics, Zumba, Learn to Swim, and Co-Ed Yoga.

Please contact the Recreation Department at 860-747-6022 for further information.

Elizabeth A. Berner Pool Policy

The Berner Pool will be opening on Saturday, June 7th from 1:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. The hours of operation for the month of June are weekdays from June 9th to 17th from 2:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., weekends from June 7th to August 16th from 1:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Beginning June 18th to August 15th from 1:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. daily. Post season Saturday, August 16th to August 21st from 1:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., August 22 & 23 from 1:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. Berner Pool will close for the season August 23rd at 3:30 p.m.

The Plainville Recreation Department is issuing Picture I.D.'s, renewal stickers and passes for the 2014 summer season. All Plainville Residents ages 5 and up are eligible for a picture I.D. pass card. Under 5 year's of age no card required. Children under 9 year's of age must be accompanied by adult to use facility. Initial picture Pool I.D. Card fee is \$18.00/card proof of residency is required. I.D.'s are issued in the Recreation Office only. I.D. Cards must be renewed annually at a fee of \$15.00/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 \$15.00. Senior Citizens will pay a \$12.00 fee for I.D. Cards and \$11.00 for renewal (62 & Over). Replacement I.D. Card Fee is \$1800/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 re-enter. Passes are available at the Pool or Recreation Office. POOL PASSES ARE NON REFUNDABLE AND NON TRANSFERABLE. 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 re-enter. Passes are available at the Pool or the Recreation Offices.

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.

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By: Linda Coveney, Certified Health Coach, AADP

Should You Go Gluten Free?

The grocery store shelves are lined with Gluten free food. We have at least two books devoted to this topic: Wheat Belly, by William Davis, MD and Grain Brain by Dr. Perlmutter.

Gluten is a protein most commonly found in wheat, rye and barley. Didn't many of us grow up with having toast for breakfast and sandwiches for lunch without any problem? If you are confused, you are not alone.

There are 4 things I would like you to know so you can make the best Gluten choice for you.

How the "Amber waves of Grain" of today are different from what we ate in the past.

For thousands of years, wheat was cultivated, stored, milled and consumed. The industrial revolution changed the processing to accommodate the need for mass production, longer shelf life and lower costs.

Basically, two things happened. The processing separated the nutrients (the bran and germ) and what was left was the starchy carbs in the endosperm. This is when wheat was turned into white flour Gluten, when dried and milled to a powder and added to ordinary flour dough, improves dough's ability to rise and increases the bread's structural stability and chewiness. To test this, get a loaf of white bread and squeeze it to see when you remove the air, how much of the loaf is actually left.

While modern wheat has been bred to grow faster, produce bigger yields and harvest more efficiently, the downside is that they contain more gluten.

What is Celiac Disease?

Celiac disease is serious stuff. Celiac disease, also known as wheat- or gluten intolerance, occurs when your body cannot digest gluten. The undigested gluten then triggers your immune system to attack the lining of your small intestine. Symptoms like diarrhea or constipation, nausea, and abdominal pain can occur. When this happens, the body cannot properly absorb nutrients, which can lead to long term health problems.

According to Dr. Davis, about 2 million people in the US have celiac disease, yet 10% don't know it. If you think you might have this, discuss your symptoms with your doctor who can run a blood test and biopsy of the intestine. Since it is a heredity disease, other family members may want to be tested. The only way to treat this is to avoid gluten for life.

How do I know if I'm Gluten Sensitive?

Unlike Celiac disease, the symptoms of gluten sensitivity range from bloating to headaches to joint pain and mood swings. While annoying, these don't have the serious effects that celiac disease has. If you want to test for gluten sensitivity, try an elimination diet. For 2-3 weeks, eliminate gluten from your diet. Notice how you feel. After this time, introduce it back into your diet for a few days and stop again and observe if any of these former symptoms reappear. If not, a couple of things may have happened. You may have reset your digestive system so you can better tolerate gluten, or you are just not sensitive to gluten and your former symptoms could be the result of other food sensitivities, such as dairy or soy.

Should I buy Gluten Free Foods?

Many of the foods that are labeled gluten free are not healthy and add to the growing list of junk food. You need to read the ingredient list. It takes more ingredients to make gluten free products taste good; so many are higher in carbs and lower in fiber. Instead try gluten-free oats, brown or wild rice, millet, buckwheat (kasha), and quinoa that are nutritious and high in fiber. Beans, chickpeas, lentils, and the flours made from them are also good nutritious gluten free staples, as are nuts and nut flours. Real foods vs. processed foods are always the best choice.

Part of why we are hearing a lot more about gluten these days can be that the largest component of the Standard American Diet (SAD) comes from foods containing white flour, such as, bread, pasta, bagels, pizzas and processed foods. These are things that lead to obesity and a rise in blood sugar.

Your best bet is to maintain a healthy plate of leafy greens, vegetables, fruits, healthy fats and whole grains to ensure you are getting the nutrients you need for a healthy, happy life.



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There are numerous ways to dispose of your electronics safely and responsibly. The regional collections held in years past at the General Electric parking lot no longer are being held. However, according to Plainville, CT's website, Plainville residents may dispose of electronics (e-waste) at the Transfer Station on Granger Lane. The transfer station is open to residents between April and November on Saturdays from 8am to 3pm. Identification is required for proof of residency and the service is only available to residents. Questions may be directed to the Public Works Administration at 860-793-0221 x208. This method of disposal does not necessarily guarantee the security of files saved on your computer. Before using this method, I recommend finding a tech-savvy friend or family member to help you destroy the files stored on your computer, laptop, or smartphone.

According to the town website (bit.ly/1oYmnot), here is a list of acceptable items that can be disposed at the transfer station:

Televisions, Computer Monitors & Terminals Computers, Laptops, Tablets, Computer Peripherals, Toner & Inkjet Cartridges Printers, Scanners & Fax Machines, Telephone PBX, Telephones, Cell Phones, Modems, Routers, Switches, Hubs, All Cables & Wires, UPS Batteries (Battery Backups), Mainframes & Server Racks, Storage Media (Hard Drives, VHS, Tapes, CD/DVD), Electronic & Magnetic Ballasts, Lab & Medical Equipment, Stereos, Radios, Surround Receivers, Vacuum Cleaners, DVD, CD, Blu-Ray Players, VCR's Ipods, Walkmans, PDA's, Microwaves, Video Game Consoles, Stoves, Air Conditioners, Humidifiers, Refrigerators, Water Coolers, Household Appliances (Coffee Makers, Mixers, etc), Household Batteries, Metal Pots, Pans, and Plates.

Several area companies also offer electronics recycling services, in most cases, free of charge. **The Computer Recycler** (thecomputerrecycler.com) is a service of **The Computer Works** and is located here in Plainville as well. Their list of acceptable items is a little bit more limited. Typically, if it has a cord, they will take it. They will also accept empty toner and ink cartridges, compact discs, cables, and much more. Televisions are not accepted for instance. Designated drop-off times are limited to Mondays from 12pm to 7pm, Thursdays from 12pm to 7pm and Saturdays from 9am to 3pm at their location at 230 South Washington St. here in Plainville.

Green Monster Recycling of West Hartford (greenmonsterecycling.com) accepts almost any electrical item. They provide much of the same services as The Computer Recycler. Their website states that the computer disposal service includes guaranteed secure data destruction. This means they will either destroy the hard drive (the part inside your computer where your files are saved) or use a program that erases the data according to US Department of Defense specifications. They will also destroy the drive in front of you for a small fee. If you are unable to transport your items, they also offer pickup service for a small fee. Green Monster Recycling is located at 150 Brook St. in West Hartford and is open Monday - Friday 7:30am to 3pm, and Saturday 8am to noon.

Your not-so old electronics may be worth some money. Most cell phone service providers and electronics retailers have trade in programs that may get you a discount on your new purchases. Amazon.com offers trade in services for many items including books, movies, music, and more. Gazelle.com is one of several internet services that may offer you money for your electronics. Just go to their website and tell them about the device you're looking to get rid of. After answering a few questions about the condition of your device, they will make a fair offer to purchase it. If the device doesn't have any value for them, they will offer to recycle it for you. They will even supply shipping labels or send you a box to ship your items in.

If you have any questions about this article or have suggestions for future articles please email me at jim.phc@gmail.com.

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Bulletin "Board"

Highlights from the April Board of Education meeting:

1. The Board honored Eugene Millerick as this year's Memorial Wall of Honor inductee. The ceremony was attended by many including his son James, who spoke on behalf of the family.
2. Dr. Kitching played us a video explaining the Common Core State Standards and said that it is now available on the Plainville Community Schools website for all to view. There will be presentations on the Common Core at the PTO meetings in the upcoming weeks. The next Wheeler PTO meeting will be 4/30/14 at 6pm in the library. Check with the other schools to see when their meetings will be held.
3. Jill O'Brien and Donna Cavallaro, from the Adult Education and Family Resource Center, reported on the services that they offer to the families of Plainville. You can check them out for yourselves at "Family Fest" on Saturday, May 31st, 2014 (rain date June 1st) from 10:00am to 2:00pm at the Plainville High School. There will be music, a mobile petting zoo, arts & crafts, carnival games, Rocky the Rock Cat and much, much more.
4. The Board reviewed four policies that will get approved at next month's meeting. The topics included Nondiscrimination to groups using our schools, procedures for visits to our schools, Statewide Proficiency/Examinations and Adult/Continuing Education.
5. Plainville students will begin taking the new Smarter Balance tests the first week of May continuing through the first week of June. That's the news for now. See you next month!

Andrea Saunders, Chairman of B.O.E.

From My Balcony

By Jeannette Hinkson

Many have yet to face the reality of rest home care. We have heard a lot about medical insurance, and many have had their medical coverage canceled, co-pays for doctor visits raised, and the cost of meds rise under the new Obama care law. No one has said anything about the costs associated with long-term rest home care. Many have paid hundreds of thousands in insurance, worked and saved their entire lives, only to find when they need rest home care they are allowed only one hundred days...then you pay out of pocket. Like the story of the lazy squirrel that played all summer and when winter came he had nothing to eat but expected the hard working squirrel, the one who had labored long and hard the entire summer, to give him free food for the winter. That is exactly what is happening to the elderly today. What happens is...anyone that has saved to ensure their children and grand-children a little nest egg find their savings are taken and their care is no better than the lazy squirrel who spent every dime, with no thought for the future, on "wine, women, and song," so to speak. I recently learned rest home care runs about \$450 per week, or \$23,000 per year. Where is the government and have they thought about the elderly? After all, they drained the Social Security money to bail out the over-spending in Washington. They even cut the money going to those on Social Security to fund this new Obama care!! When was the last time anyone asked one of those politicians (*who want your vote*) what his or her thoughts are on long-term health care for seniors? Everyone, both young and old, should start giving this some thought. You'll be there someday and then it will be too late!

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With every ticket purchased a \$500.00 in raffle prizes, (mostly gift certificates) will be awarded in August.

The "Taste of Plainville" discount tickets will be on sale for \$5.00 each at **Gnazzo's Food Center**, East Street ~ **Big Steve's Grill**, Whiting Street ~ **West Main Pizza**, East Main Street ~ **Dairy Queen**, East Street ~ **Uncle Bob's Ham & Egger**, Woodford Ave ~ **Sweet Frog**, Farmington Ave.

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Tickets will also be available at the "Wheels & Wings" at the event in June at Robertson Airport.

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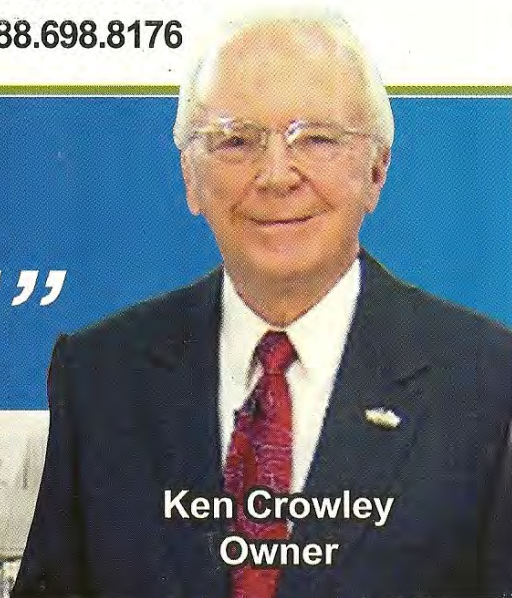
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UPCOMING MEETING DATES:
Wednesday, June 4th, 11th, 18th, 2014

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Graduation Party Volunteers Needed! ~ FRIDAY, JUNE 20th, 2014 ~

The PHS Class of 2014 Graduation Day 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 this year, please consider getting involved in this exciting night!* For more information how you can help, please contact: Dawn Angelillo at: 860-637-6640

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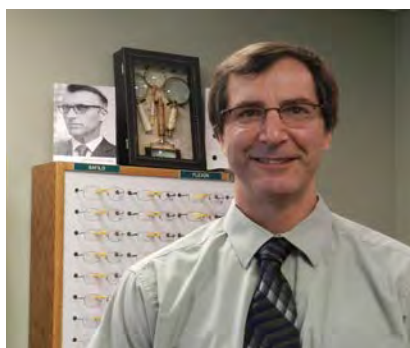
The Plainville Coral Society appeared at J. Timothy's on Sunday with a "Flash Mob" appearance. To the surprise of the diners the members sang songs that they will be performing in their upcoming show "God Spell" on May 3rd, 9th and 10th at the Plainville High School with performances at 7:30 each night. Tickets available from members and at the door.

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Dental Clinic at The Senior Center~Will hold a dental clinic, by appointment, Wednesday, May 14th at the Center. Individuals without insurance will be billed a flat rate of \$30.00. Call the Center.

Posture and You~On Thursday, May 22nd, 10 am, Miles Everett, RD, RN, CDE will give a presentation on posture. Call the Center 860-5728 for an appointment.

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66th Anniversary

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"Both of us agree it has been a wonderful life for us." We have been blessed with four children, 12 Grandchildren and 22 Great Grandchildren. Everyone of our family members is precious to us along with our many friends too. We celebrated this milestone quietly.

When they met, Bev was 15 years old and Bob was 20 years old. Bob and his sister along with a few other friends went to a dance at a well known dance hall in Watertown, CT called Russins Barn. Back in the 40's, dances were held every Saturday night in this huge/big barn with beautiful hardwood dance floor and people came from near and far to dance both square and round dances. Bev's father was the square dance caller there for 7 years. Bob asked Bev to dance...she said that dance was already promised. Bev said to Bob if you don't mind waiting you may have the next dance. He didn't mind waiting and did finally get the dance promised. They began dating.

Bob enlisted in the navy(just missing the draft for the army) and correspondence followed. When the war ended, Bob still had 2 more years to serve in the navy. Bob and Bev became engaged to be married on Bob's furlough and they married 2 1/2 years later. They married April 17, 1948 with Bev's uncle, The Reverend Lewis A. Knox officiating. Bob built their home at 63 Fairbanks Avenue using lumber harvested from the family land in Barkhamsted.

After Bob's return home from the navy, he studied and worked hard with his father Allen M. Raymond in the family business called Raymond Electric in Plainville. He also worked for Bradley Pole Construction in Bristol. When the opportunity arose to be hired by CL&P in Bristol as a lineman, he accepted that position and worked for 22 years for them. Bev worked 21 years at New Britain Herald office in Plainville.

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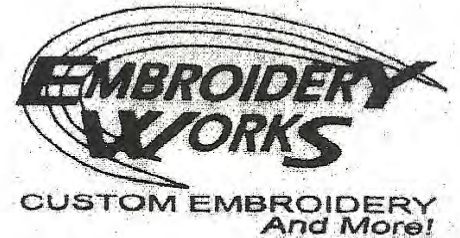
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- Vanilla ice cream
- 2 cups whipped cream

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Ms. Lillie Lee Ma'am

By: Sally Miller



I met a wonderful woman in 1981. Her name was Lillie Lee. Ms. Lil was from Rose Hill North Carolina I recently saw a friend of hers from Rose Hill and I knew I was destined to write this. You probably would never get off the highway to visit Rose Hill unless you had family there. Rose Hill's claim to fame is two things. They have the largest frying pan in the country on their green and the Duplin Winery produces extraordinary wines such as Muscatine and scuperal wines, the best wines I have tasted The one thing that they should be famous for though is the wonderful extraordinarily kind people who live there.

Lil started calling me Ms. Miller Ma'am and I began to call her Ms. Lillie Lee Ma'am as a little joke. We loved each other. She was my best friend. Lil would throw the finest parties in town. The lights in her recreation room were dimmed, Luther Van Dross would be singing to us as we entered the room and the smell of chicken frying and the awesome aroma of baked ham would sneak into your nostrils as you entered the party. Lil would appear in a flowing hostess gown and the fun would begin. We danced to James Brown, the Temptations and Gladys Knight and the Pips, as well as others until 2 in the morning. My Ms. Lillie Lee knew how to throw a party. But most of all she knew how to be a best friend. Lil and I loved going to Rockland Maine to the Rockland Blues Festivals each year. I would devour lobster, and she would eat hamburgers. She would look at me as if I was nuts as I tore the lobster apart. As we entered the blues festival, dancing to our chairs and popping our fingers, while listening to songs such as "Let Your Hair Down Baby". we would hum the songs and look over the beautiful Rockland Maine harbor. If there was an act we weren't too keen on, we would jump in the car explore the area. We would ride, listen to music, and we laughed until our sides hurt.

Lil used to say that I was sooo sentimental because I would stop to take pictures of the flowers and comment on the loveliness of the sailboats or the waves in the water. The last time we went to the festival, we went to Camden Maine for half a day. Lil did not feel like walking around so she sat in the car. When I went back to the car to see her, she was sitting on a bench next to the library in Camden looking at the sailboats. She said that she probably had not seen anything as pretty as that scene... I told her that she was starting to sound like me. Unknown to both of us, this was our last time together. My dear friend Ms. Lillie Lee Ma'am died 2 days later. I have missed her every day since. She had just bought a retirement home in Rose Hill and was so happy to be going there after the festival. Every time I hear the song, Let Your Hair Down Baby, or go to a festival, I know that she is there with me. I also make sure that I don't take friendships or life for granted. This was my lesson from my Ms. Lil. Someone recently said to me that if you say a person's name after they are gone, then they are remembered. Ms. Lillie Lee Ma'am you are remembered.

PHS Interact Club's "Senior Citizens Prom"



The Plainville High School Interact Club held a "senior citizen prom" in March. This is the second year the group has hosted the event. The entire prom event is planned, coordinated and hosted by student members. This year approximately 120 local senior citizens attended the prom, with 40 students from the high school. All of the food and raffle prizes were donated by local businesses, including the DJ who played favorites from the 40's, 50's, and 60's. The Interact Club hosts the prom to give back to local seniors and provide them with a fun night with great food and entertainment.

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DIVORCE AND THE JUDGE'S DISCRETION

One of the biggest concerns people have when going through a divorce is what a Judge may order if their case goes to trial. The laws in Connecticut are very clear that a judge has wide discretion at trial. This article will take a look at just what the laws outline and why having an attorney to counsel you through the process is an invaluable asset.

When dividing real property, improved or unimproved land, as part of a decree dissolving a marriage, the Superior Court Judge must consider all pertinent evidence regarding the property in order to fix the nature and value of the property to be assigned. Relying on only one piece of evidence would undermine all other credible evidence and render the Court unable to make an equitable decision. Essentially, the laws main goal is to attempt to fix the nature and value of the property to be assigned. A judge may consider all actions that went into the purchase, maintenance, and improvement of the property. This may be monetary or nonmonetary contributions by the parties. So just because one party put up all the money it doesn't mean the other party is not entitled to their share of the property at trial. How much they are entitled to receive is ultimately up to the judge at trial.

Personal property is divided much the same way by a judge at trial. Divorce court is a court of equity at its core. This means the judge tries to divide the parties' assets in a manner that is just and fair. It does not mean a 50/50 split of all assets is the standard. Since Connecticut is an all equitable state all of the parties' assets are on the table for division at trial. A good note exemplifying how equity does not necessarily mean 50/50 is that a trial judge may find more fault for the divorce by one of the parties, which could grant the lesser at fault party more of their assets. Not a 50/50 split by the judge, but more of an equitable decision based on what the court was presented.

While this does not cover everything, it should highlight the reality that if parties going through a divorce do not negotiate a separation agreement on their own they better be willing to have a judge decide. As always, if you ever find yourself in a legal proceeding, consult with a licensed attorney so that you may better understand and protect your rights.



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Eagle Scout Project Completed

Recently James Ferro of Boy Scout Troop 67 with help from fellow Scouts completed his community project for Rank of Eagle. James chose as his project to build a shed on the grounds of Our Lady of Mercy Church which is to be used by the Our Lady of Mercy Youth Group.

The purpose of the shed is to house donated returnable cans/bottles prior to redemption, with proceeds going to Youth Group causes. Prior to the shed, donated cans and bottles were dropped off without a proper place to store them.

Father John, Pastor at Our Lady of Mercy church gave his approval to construct the shed which took a few days to complete. The outcome was well received by Father John.



Seen in photograph are some of those involved with project are from left to right, James Ferro, Robert Norris, Jimmy and Quinton Lux. Others who helped who are not shown in picture are: TJ and Spencer Roy, Ethan and Adam Hushins and Jacob Vicinus.

Doo Wop Concert

By Dan Hurley

On May 17, 2014 7:00 pm at Plainville High School Auditorium the 50's and 60's rock n roll doo wop will come alive once again. Dan Hurley and Mike Turcotte have put together a night of memories new and old.

This event all started because Mike kept telling Dan we need to have a doo wop night. Dan agreed but held off so as to find a great reason. Well, when a young couple in Dan's neighborhood started raising money so they could adopt a baby, that was all Dan and Mike needed to get this show together.



Looking around as to who could be at this show they first found the "Plaids". Hailing from the Plainville Choral Society these four gentlemen have been singing and performing doo-wop ever since the PCS did the Broadway Play the Plaids.

The next group is truly amazing. They formed as an acapella group called the Crown Imperials in the late fifties at New Britain High School. They went off to experience life and at their fiftieth class reunion they returned from a fifty year tour of life to start singing for all to enjoy once again.

We are truly excited to have as our headlining group the Barons. This group made several top forty songs in the early sixties and have continued to play at all sorts of venues ever since. I personally have enjoyed them in the summer time at Southington's Music on the Green. This group will make the night sparkle with their harmonies, stage presence, and the memories we all will share with them.

This evening is the beginning of Doo Wop Concert Benefits and it is our first show. We are excited about who will be on stage, who will be in our audience, and the reason we are doing this. Come join us. It will be a great night of entertainment.

Tickets are available at: Gnazzo's on East St. Lucky Strike on Whiting St. Big Steve's Grill on Whiting St. Liberty Diner on East St. Mangiafico's Bakery on East Main St. Tranquility Way on the corner of Maple and Whiting. Or by calling Dan 860-793-0642 or Mike 860-747-9687



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Plainville Chamber of Commerce 106th Awards Dinner and Annual Meeting

The Plainville Chamber of Commerce hosted the 106th Awards Dinner and Annual Meeting on April 22nd at Nuchies Restaurant. The Welcome and Introductions were by Kathy Aubrey-Bergonzi, President of the Chamber. Reverend Dr. Jim Caron of Faith Bible Church offered Grace before the meal. The event is an annual fund raiser for the Chamber with awards being given for the "Employee of the Year", "Volunteer of the Year" and "Business of the Year."

Employee of the Year

**Shawn Cohen,
Plainville Senior Citizens Center
Rhonda Guberman
Plainville Senior Citizens Center**

This year, both Shawn and Rhonda were nominated simultaneously for the honor. Shawn has been employed by the Town for 39 years and Rhonda for 27 years at the Senior Citizens Center. Both are devoted employees who are exemplary workers making Plainville's Center the finest in the state. Shawn has been a pioneer and leader in the field of aging services. Rhonda's compassion for our most needy residents and their caregivers is evident in the respectful case management that she provides. Thanks to this terrific team, the Senior Center has undergone substantial expansion projects to increase programs and continue to provide wellness and social outlets for our senior citizens.

Distinguished Volunteer of the Year

**Linda Garcia
Market Master of the Farmers Market
of Plainville**

Linda started with a small army of volunteers and established the Farmers Market of Plainville in 2012, located at the Plainville High School. The market now runs annually June-September. Linda grew up on her grandfather's farm in Plainville that benefited herself and her siblings with great food for a healthy lifestyle. Linda is also a founder of "Circle of Artists" where a group of friends refurbish and design chairs for nonprofit organization's fund raisers. They also donate other artisan's creations to charity events. Linda retired from the Wheeler Regional Family YMCA after 25 years of service and currently volunteers her time to the AYR (retired YMCA Employees). This group will travel to the Dominican Republic in May to build two homes.

Business of the Year

The D.R. Templeman Company

The D.R. Templeman Company has been a part of Plainville for 76 years. The company supplies precision springs and wire forms to a worldwide market, with a stellar reputation for superior quality and customer services. From humble beginnings in the basement of the Templeman residence on Park Street to its current spacious manufacturing facility on Northwest Drive, the company has been a steady source of well paying jobs, with on the job training from entry level to highly skilled spring makers. This is a third generation business-founded by David R. Templeman, Sr., formerly owned by David R. Templeman, Jr. and Eugene Williams. The company is currently owned and operated by Arthur, Richard and David Williams.



First Bible Baptist Church 30th Anniversary

The more things change... the more Pastor Thomas Benson of First Bible Baptist Church remains firm in his commitment to his God-given vision for his church and the community of Plainville, Connecticut: to help people know Jesus Christ, and bring them to salvation so they can partake in everything God has for them both in heaven and while on earth.

Thirty years ago, First Bible Baptist Church met in a few rooms at the Plainville, YMCA, and 12 Granger Lane was a modest building in need of repairs.

As the church grew in size, they were blessed to acquire the Grange Hall and old Police Pistol Range on Granger Lane. Although locals would hardly recognize the space now. Fast forward nearly three decades and three major building projects later and you now see a large stone pillared building with two wings, a playground for children, a pastor's office building and a parking lot that always seems full!



Yet Pastor Thomas Benson's commitment to help others know Jesus Christ personally is the same as when he first came to Connecticut as a young preacher from New York. Benson and his church give all the glory to God for their growth and blessings since their early days. From just a few families on January 8, 1984, First Bible Baptist Church of Plainville has grown to over 300 members.

Pastor Benson recalls his first seven years as pastor, meeting at the Plainville Y, with warm appreciation for Director Lou Faulk. He appreciates the close-knit community of the town he has been called to serve, and says town officials have offered tremendous help to the church over the years.

But it's not just the growth in buildings and memberships that make this church a vibrant meeting-place. First Bible Baptist Church offers a host of ministries for all age groups and circumstances. Ministries include services at local nursing homes and prisons, and support for forty-five missionaries located in the US and worldwide. Pastor Benson keeps the missions program interactive

for his church family (teens included) by coordinating mission trips, so church members can experience hands-on involvement in the work. In addition, the teen ministry enjoys outings to youth camps throughout the East Coast. Pastor Benson describes services as "traditional" including enthusiastically sung old-time hymns, teaching and preaching

from the King James Bible, and worship of the Lord. Adult choir, children's choir, and a variety of special music raise a "joyful noise" under the rafters of First Bible.

The additional ministries held at First Bible Baptist Church show the true heartbeat of the pastor and members. The recent addition of a Reformers Unanimous chapter meets Friday from 7 - 9 pm. This international association

helps people with any type of addiction gain victory over their habits by adding the power and understanding of Scripture. The success rate is high for people



willing to change through this Bible Discipleship program. More information can be found at www.fbbc-ct.org/reformu.

The King's Bible Institute meets Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday evenings, where Scripture and other classes are taught, including sign language, English, and Song-leading. And recently, a Spanish Sunday School class and a Sign Language Sunday School class have begun and welcome visitors!

Nursery ministry and Sunday school for ages 2 through adult are held at 10:00 Sunday mornings, with the main service at 11:00 am. An evening service is held at 6:00 pm on Sundays, and an informal prayer meeting and Bible study held at 7:00pm on Wednesdays. Bible Adventurer's Club for ages 3 - 12 are also held on Wednesday nights.



Starting Sunday, May 4th through Sunday, May 11th (including Monday through Friday, May 5th - 9th at 7 PM) First Bible Baptist Church and Pastor Thomas Benson reflect on the blessings God has given them, and celebrate their 30th anniversary with a week of meetings culminating in a family-style dinner. They welcome members of the community to visit a service to see and be a part of the work God is doing! You'll be greeted with a smile and a handshake at the door!

Contact First Bible Baptist church at 860-793-1155, or check out their website at www.fbbc-ct.org.

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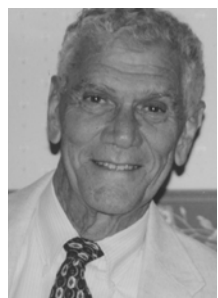


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~ Michael R. Chambrello ~



85, of Plainville, passed away surrounded by his family, on Thursday, April 10, 2014. He was the husband of Patricia (Mayock) Chambrello, with whom he shared 61 years of marriage.

Born and raised in Plainville, he was the youngest of six children

of the late Michael R. and Theresa (Silverio) Chambrello, Sr. A lifelong resident, he was a graduate of Plainville High School, and enlisted in the US Navy, proudly serving his country during WWII. He married the love of his life, Patricia shortly upon his honorable discharge and they settled in Plainville. Here they raised their five children and acquired, renovated and expanded Pinnacle Rock Farm, creating a comfortable home for his children and grandchildren to enjoy. Michael was a longtime member of Our Lady of Mercy Church, and was well known and well liked in the Plainville Little League System where he served on various capacities for more than twenty years, including coaching, umpiring and management. He held a longtime career as a finance manager and comptroller for Freedman Electric and McPhee Electric from which he retired. He was a member of the National Electrical Contractors Association. Mike and Patricia enjoyed their retirement, spending more than twenty years wintering in St. Augustine, Florida. A sports enthusiast, he was a fan of the NY Yankees, and convinced his children and (most of) his grandchildren to cheer them on as well. Mr. Chambrello was a talented cook, with his soups and stuffed breads being the favorite of his family and friends. Above all, his greatest passion was his family. Mike took great pride in the accomplishments of his children and grandchildren. A beloved man, he will be greatly missed, leaving family and friends many happy and cherished memories.

In addition to his wife, he leaves his children, Patricia Rossignol and her husband Donald, of Plainville, Suzanne Moffett and her husband John, of Kensington, Michael and his wife Denise, of Southington, Jeffrey and his wife Laurie, of Marietta, GA, and Daniel of Southington; his 16 adored grandchildren, Scott Rossignol and his wife Kati, Stacey Mahoney and her husband James, Amy Rossignol, Jill Moffett, Colleen Mals and her husband Gerald, Laura Siligato and her husband Stephen, Michael Chambrello IV, Joseph, Rachele, Elaina, Kourtney, Amanda, Carly, Coby, Allie, and Tyler Chambrello; and his four great-grandchildren who always brought a smile to his face, Caden and Ella Rossignol, Emma Mahoney, and Lucy Mals. He leaves many nieces and nephews, and was predeceased by his three brothers and two sisters.

The family extends their appreciation to the staff at the Hospital of Central Connecticut, New Britain, for the care and compassion shown to Michael and the entire family.

Funeral services in celebration of Michael's life was held from Bailey Funeral Home, 48 Broad St, Plainville, followed by a Mass of Christian Burial at Our Lady of Mercy Church. Committal services with Military Honors followed at St. Joseph Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, Michael may be remembered with contributions to the Petit Family Foundation, PO Box 310, Plainville or the St. Jude's Children's Hospital, 501 St Jude Place Memphis, TN 38105. For online expressions of sympathy, please visit: www.baileyfuneralhome.com

~ Deborah Ann Colella ~



62, of Bristol, formerly of Plainville, passed away surrounded by her family on Sunday, April 6, 2014.

Born at Otis Air Force Base in Falmouth, MA on February 27, 1952, she was the only daughter of Angelo and Barbara (Mastrianni) Colella

of Plainville. Upon graduating from Plainville High School, Deborah went on to attend Baypath Junior Women's College in Longmeadow, MA, from where she received her Bachelor's Degree. A woman of great beauty inside and out, she entered the modelling industry for a brief time where she had the honor of cutting the grand opening ribbon at the West Farms Mall. Deborah also was a elementary substitute teacher in Plainville where she made relationships that have lasted to this day. With her vibrant personality, she also held a 20 year career as a successful sales representative for Central Connecticut Communications. Deborah had a lifelong love for Scottish Terriers, always making them a part of her family. A devoted mother and daughter, she will be greatly missed, leaving a legacy of great strength and love for her family. In addition to her parents, she leaves her son, Rudy Colella of Bristol; and many friends and business associates.

A memorial service in celebration of Deborah's life was held at Bailey Funeral Home, 48 Broad St, Plainville. In lieu of flowers, Deborah may be remembered with contributions to the charity of the donor's choice. For online expressions of sympathy, please visit www.baileyfuneralhome.com.

SORROW looks back,
WORRY looks around,
FAITH looks up!

~ Robert L. Giroux ~



83, of Plainville, passed away on Friday, April 4, 2014 at Hospital of Central Connecticut, New Britain. He was the husband of Virginia

(Landry) Giroux.

Born in Fairfield, Maine on February 27, 1931, Bob was one of four children to the late Lewis and Louise (Paradis) Giroux. Raised in Maine, he attended local schools, enlisting in the U.S Army at the age of 21, and proudly served his country for two years during the Korean War. He married Virginia in 1954, with whom he raised two loving daughters, and would have celebrated 60 years of marriage this year. They settled in Plainville after relocating to Connecticut when Bob began his position with Pratt & Whitney, where he worked for over 30 years, retiring in 1993. Always the passionate outdoorsman, Bob had a love for hunting, going camping and travelling with his family. He will be greatly missed, leaving many happy memories.

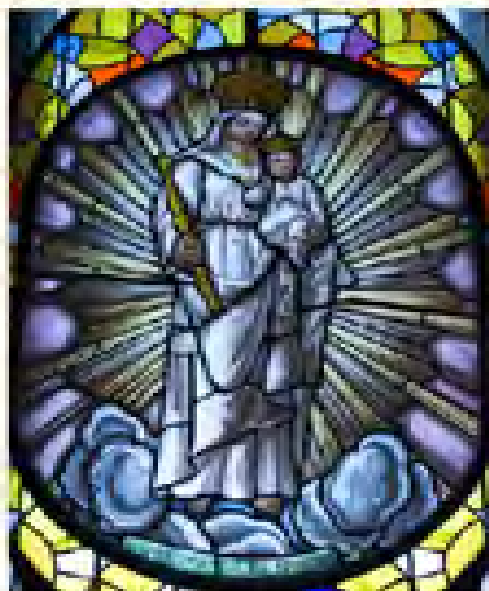
In addition to his wife, he leaves his daughters, Linda Carpenter of Vernon, and Jane Baylock and her husband, George of Bristol; his grandchildren, Cindy Pasiakos and her husband, George, Cheryl Fox and her husband, Craig, Brian Carpenter, and Stephanie and Russell Baylock; and his great-grandchildren, Anna and Alexander Pasiakos, Emmy Patnoe, and Riley Fox. He also leaves his sister, Lorraine Adams, and brother, Richard Giroux and his wife, Carmen, all of Maine; and several nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by his sister, Lucille Bailey.

A memorial service in celebration of Bob's life was held at Bailey Funeral Home, 48 Broad St, Plainville. Committal services with Military Honors followed at St. Joseph Cemetery. Those who wish may remember Bob with donations to the charity of their choice.

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~ Joan (Bouchard) Raymond ~



80, of Augusta, Maine, formerly of Plainville, passed away on Monday, April 7, 2014. She was the wife of the late Gerard Raymond, with whom she shared 21 years of marriage.

Born in Fort Kent, Maine on April 15, 1933, she was the daughter of the late Edmond and Lucianne (Saucier) Bouchard. A resident of Plainville since 1961, she was a member of Our Lady of Mercy Church.

She is survived by her children, David and his wife Rachel of Fort Kent, ME, Doreen Raymond of Lake Havasu, AZ, Dean and his fiancée Debbie of Bristol, Daniel of Plainville, Carol Raymond of Plainville, Cheryl Tighe and her fiancée Steve of Plainville, Nancy Cormier and her husband, Robert of Augusta, ME, with whom she made her home with these past two years, and Linda Lynch and her fiancée, Mike of Westerly, RI. She also leaves 19 grandchildren and 9 great-grandchildren; three siblings: Paul Bouchard and his wife Leola, of Fort Kent, ME, Pauline Tiezzi of Meriden, CT, and Joella Bouchard Mundry and her husband, Joe of Bristol CT; three sister's-in-laws: Mona Bouchard of Panarama City, CA, Evelyn Bouchard of Hermon, ME and Patsy Bouchard of Fort Kent, ME. She is also survived by her very dear Aunt Esther Boucher and Aunt Bernadette Daigle both of Fort Kent ME, Aunt Carmen Therriault Bristol, CT and a very dear cousin Bernice Christiansen whom she shared many mischievous adventures with in Conn and many more aunts, uncles and cousins, nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by her son, Robert Raymond; four brothers Edmund Bouchard, Joel Bouchard, Harold Bouchard, and Herman Bouchard; brother-in-law Mario Tiezzi and sister-in-law Beulah Bouchard.

Funeral services were held from Bailey Funeral Home, 48 Broad St, Plainville, followed by a Mass of Christian Burial at Our Lady of Mercy Church. Burial will be held at a later date at the convenience of the family.

For online expressions of sympathy, please visit: www.baileyfuneralhome.com.



Good Guys Do Wear Black

The Life-Long Faith Committee invites you to spend time with "Our Man in Black" Father John of Our Lady of Mercy Church on Monday May 12th at 7 p.m. in Room 106 in the Parish Center 19 S. Canal Street. Many of us know Father John is a Yankee and Notre Dame fan, but do you know his favorite Scripture verse or his faith journey that lead him to our parish? Father John will share with us his educational background as well as his past vocation ministry. We will enjoy light refreshments together and then Father John will answer your faith related questions. We ask that you limit your questions to those of faith nature as this is an informal venue not designed for answering questions regarding our parish finance or building maintenance. We hope to see you on May 12th at 7 p.m.

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Nursery Care provided for all Sunday Services

Sunday	10:00 am
Sunday School for Ages	11:00 am
Morning Worship Service	11:00 am
Junior Church ages 4- 8	6:30 pm
Evening Worship Service	
Wednesday	7:00 pm
Bible Study and Prayer	

For more information about the church visit our website @ cobplainville.org

REMEMBER

Memorial Day is a time to remember all the men and women who have given their lives to serve and protect our country. Indeed our soldiers deserve our upmost respect and encouragement for what they do.

Many of them have paid the price of blood preserving the freedom that we still enjoy in this country. Is it not easy for us to take for granted the freedom we enjoy? We often don't appreciate what we take for granted until that thing is taken away from us. May we not take for granted the freedom we have today because of the brave men and women who fought and paid the price to give us this freedom.

Just as we want to remember those who have given their lives for this country we also want to remember the One who gave His life that we might be free.

Who might this be but the Precious, Lamb of God, Jesus Christ who died in our place that we might go free. He paid the price that we could never pay. His blood was spilt that we might not have to go to hell but have salvation and an eternal home with Jesus Christ. This salvation was paid for in full by Jesus' death on Calvary's cross and He offers this salvation to anyone who will but believe on the Lord Jesus Christ and receive Him as their personal Savior. That is all! There is nothing we do because Jesus paid it all! Have you believed on the Lord Jesus Christ and trusted Him as your personal Savior?

Don't take His sacrifice for granted for it was a sacrifice beyond all sacrifices. Trust Him today.

FIRST BIBLE BAPTIST CHURCH

12 Granger Lane Plainville, CT 06062

Sunday School -10:00 am

Sunday Services

11:00 am & 6:00 pm

Wednesday Service 7:00 p.m.

REFORMERS ~ UNANIMOUS

Friday 7:00 pm

For more information call 793-1155

(www.fbbs-ct.org)

Nutmeg TV Monday 5:00 p.m.

PLAINVILLE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

56 Red Stone Hill

Plainville, Connecticut 06062

REV. RUSSELL G. WALDMANN,
 PASTOR

Church (860)747-2328

Parsonage (860)747-2592

Email: plainvillunited@sbcglobal.net

MAY SCHEDULE

SUNDAY SERVICES

CHURCH SCHOOL Pre-K to High

School: 9:00 AM

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

ANNUAL HAM DINNER AND
 BAKE SALE:

Saturday, May 3, 4:30 ~ 6:30 PM

WORSHIP WITH
 HOLY COMMUNION:
 Sunday May 4, 10 AM

UNITED METHODIST WOMEN
 DAY RETREAT:

BEING HELD @ PUMC

Saturday, May 17, 9:30 AM to 2 PM

ADULT BIBLE STUDY:

Wednesdays, May 7, 21, 28,
 7 ~ 8:15 PM

CHOIR REHEARSAL:

Sundays, May 4, 11, 18, 25,
 Following Worship



The Spiritualist Church
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161-B Woodford Ave.

Plainville Industrial Park

See Article on Page 36



FAITH BIBLE CHURCH

168 Unionville Avenue

Plainville, CT 06062

860-747-5209

Rev. Dr. Jim Caron, Pastor

Web: www.faithbiblect.com

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Sunday Worship: 11:00 a.m.

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Tuesday Morning Bible Study

10:00 a.m.

"The Gospel of John"

Every 2nd Tuesday of the Month

6:00 p.m.

Ladies Group

Wednesday Night Bible Study

7:00 p.m.

New Study: "Angels and Demons"

Thursday Night Youth Bible Study

7:00 p.m.

New Study: Maturing in the Christian

Faith: A Look at Doctrine

860-747-5209

Call the church for info/questions
 and church prayer line/ FAX
 (747-5011)

Call us for your requests (confidential)



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115 West Main Street

Plainville, CT 06062

860-747-3109

SUNDAY WORSHIP

Holy Communion 10:00 am

Church School 10:00 am

Nursery Care during the service

Followed by coffee hour

Holy Communion Thursdays~12:00pm

OFFICE HOURS

Wednesday – Friday 9:00am -1:00pm

PARISH PROGRAMS

Daughters of the King Chapter

3rd Saturday of the month 10:30am

Twelve Step Programs

Every Tuesday NA 7:30pm

Every Thursday AA 7:30pm

Every Saturday Women's AA 9:00am

Every Saturday of the Month 9:30 am

Ample Parking in rear of Church

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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 AM

WEEKDAY LITURGY

MONDAY TO SATURDAY 8:00 AM

NO MASS ON WEDNESDAYS

ROSARY BEFORE MORNING MASS

Sacrament of Matrimony

Couples should make arrangements at least 6 months in advance. Dates and times can be arranged only after speaking with one of the parish clergy.

The Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated with Mass on Monday, May 19th at 7 pm in our Parish with Bishop Cristie A. Mascaluso. A reception will follow in the Parish Center. All are invited to attend.

MAY CROWNING

The annual May crowning will take place on May 17th following the 4 P.M. Mass.

Our Lady of Mercy

is now on Facebook!

www.Facebook.com/Our Lady of Mercy ChurchCT

MEET OUR STAFF AND LEARN SOME CATHOLIC TEACHINGS & HISTORY.

THE LIST OF OUR ONGOING EVENTS

PAGE IS CONSTANTLY BEING UPDATED.

THE CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH OF PLAINVILLE

*A Congregation of the
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130 West Main Street Plainville, CT
Phone 747-1901



ALL WELCOME

Rev. Dr. Claire W. Bamberg Minister

Email:

Congregational94686@sbcglobal.net

Website:

www.uccplainville.org

WORSHIP AND CHURCH SCHOOL

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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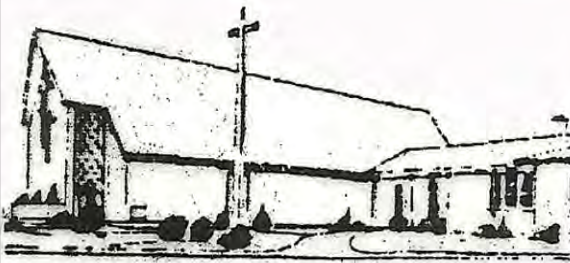
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Plainville, CT 06062

Phone: 747-5191

The Rev. Stephen Brisson, Pastor



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adding up our troubles that
we forget to count our
blessings*

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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~5th Youth Service

MONTHLY SERVICES

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.

REDEEMER'S

A.M.C. ZION CHURCH

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) 9:30 a.m.

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

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

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

Trustee/Steward (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

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

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.

The Lord Jesus Christ loves you ...John 3:16

Holy Trinity Anglican Church

18 East Main Street

**Sunday Worship Service
9 AM**

Bible Study

Wednesday Evening ~ 7 PM

860-747-1426

Rev. Donald Helmandollar, Rector

Website www.holytrinityanglican.net

God Bless and Welcome to Join Us!

"WINDS OF CHANGE"

The Plainville Wind Ensemble will present
"Winds of Change"

May 30, 2014 at 7:00 pm

Plainville High School Auditorium, 47 Robert
Holcomb Way, Plainville

This is a free concert with donations to benefit

"Friends of the Plainville Animal Control"

Animal Control Officer Gabriele Paciotti encourages everyone to come out to the event to hear some wonderful music and to meet and greet her and her two assistants. The animal control officers will be in attendance to answer any questions about pet care, the responsibilities of a good pet owner, etc. They will also have information on local veterinarians, local groomers and daycare providers for dogs as well as information on just what they as animal control officers do in a day at work. they will have pictures and displays of the wide variety of animals that they have had to deal with throughout their careers.

GABBY LOOKS FORWARD

TO SEEING EVERYONE ON MAY 30TH!

June is The month to Re-register all Dogs

Please check the rabies expiration date and make an appointment with your vet if necessary. Dogs with June expiration dates will be asked to be revaccinated. If you no longer have your dog please notify the Town Clerk's office and the name will be removed.

Pet Page

"By: Cathy, The Pet Spa at Twin City" Is Barking Driving You Crazy?

Dogs bark (OK, except for the Basenji), and it's perfectly natural. They bark to communicate with each other and to at least try to communicate with us. But nobody wants to listen to a lot of barking.



So, can you teach your dog to stop barking when you want him or her to stop? Of course you can, but it will take time and patience. Barking in the house is the easiest to work with, so let's start there.

If your dog gets very excited and barks when you come home, you have the perfect situation! Of course, you probably pet and talk to your excited dog, which unfortunately has the effect of telling your dog you like the barking. So the first step is to ignore your dog and walk away. For a while your dog will probably follow you and keep on barking, but eventually the barking

will stop. As soon as this happens, it's time to praise your dog. Don't delay the praise or there won't be any connection in your dog's mind between the praise and stopping barking. The longer your dog has been greeting you with barking, the more times you'll have to repeat the training, but at some point you'll notice that things have gotten much quieter!

Now how about crazy barking at the door when somebody knocks or rings the doorbell? This, too, can be worked with, most easily with the help of a friend or another family member. Be sure you have some small tasty treats with you. Your helper will knock or ring the bell, and you will go to the door. Now you will make the "Eh" sound as sternly as you can; make your voice as deep as possible. This sound will interrupt most dog's activities, including barking. As soon as the barking stops, you will want to praise and give a small treat. Repeat several times, preferably until the barking stops immediately at the "Eh" sound. This should be repeated at least a few more times on different days to be sure the lesson is truly learned.

Once your dog has truly learned to stop barking when you make your sound, you can start to pair a command word with the sound, and after a while the command word alone will be enough to get your dog to stop barking. If you were to choose the word "enough", at first you would say "Eh - enough!", eventually just using "Enough!" to stop the barking.

What if the barking happens when your dog is out in the yard or when home alone? These certainly can be big problems, but are not without solutions! We don't have enough room this month to get into these areas, so stay tuned for next month.

Golden Retriever Puppies

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