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TOWN COUNCIL APPOINTS NEW POLICE OFFICER



At the October 2nd meeting the Town Council appointed Greg Gibson-Marquardt as a Police Officer with the Plainville Police Department. His academy training began October 6th.
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Dr. Francis ("Rusty") P. Camp
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Take a peek... 

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MICHAEL PAULHUS, TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT TO TOWN COUNCIL

September 18th, 2023

Town Council Notes

October 2, 2023

Town Manager Report:

Paderewski Park

- The Brick Utility Building at Paderewski Park, next to the pavillion that is used by the Rec. Department for summer camp, has recently undergone some minor repairs and upgrades. This renovation work was performed by Tilcon as a community project that coincided with their recent 100th anniversary celebration. I have included pictures in the agenda packet.

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Pumpkin Festival – October 21, 2023 4 pm - 8 pm.

- The 8th Annual Plainville PumpkinFest is a downtown outdoor festival featuring live music, a kid's costume parade, kid's games, bounce houses, a large variety of food trucks, spooky haunted house, local vendors, downtown restaurants and businesses. It wouldn't be a PumpkinFest without pumpkins, so everyone is invited to bring their own carved pumpkins or decorate your own at the Pumpkin Patch!!
- Carve Your Own Pumpkin, bring it to the "Pumpkin Patch" tent, we'll light it up and display it on the Library lawn FREE for all to SEE!! You can even take it home with you when you leave. You can also Register to WIN A PRIZE!!
- Enjoy Live Music Downtown with the Band
- March in the Kid's Costume Parade (4:45 PM) from the Parks & Rec Department on Whiting Street through the downtown to the Library
- Check out the Regional BURN TRAILER in the Webster bank parking lot at 6:00 pm. Fire Marshal Ron Dievert will be facilitating a "Close

Before You Doze" public safety campaign.

- Eat a BUNCH of Delicious Food & Desserts from all the unique Food Trucks, GET SPOOKED at the MASON'S HAUNTED MANSION!!
- Full details can be found at: plainvillepumpkin-fest.org

FY 23 Audit – Governance Communication

- The annual audit letter from CLA is your agenda packet. This required communication is to inform the Town Council that the audit process is underway.
- No action is necessary as this is a routine communication which will be included in the Town Council minutes.

October 2, 2023

- Fire Marshal Ron Dievert's annual poster contest began Monday, October 2,
- 2023. All fourth and fifth grade students will have the month of October to create a fire safety poster for the latest calendar. Winners will be selected by a three-person panel randomly selected, and during the November or the December Council meeting, I believe you'll do the presentations.
- The Town Clerk's Office would like to remind everyone Absentee Ballots will be mailed out this Friday October 6th. Residents in need of voting by absentee ballot can contact the Town Clerk's Office at 860-793-0221 ext. 8751, or go to the Town Website for additional information at www.plainvillect.com
- The Chamber of Commerce is hosting their Regional Annual Dinner & Silent Auction on Thursday, October, 26, 2023 at 5:30 p.m., for additional information the website address is www.centralctchambers.org

SENIOR CENTER HAPPENINGS

TO REGISTER FOR FREE PROGRAMS,
PLEASE CALL THE SENIOR CENTER AT
(860)747-5728.

- Goat Party – Members Only · Wednesday, October 4 from 2:00 PM to 3:00 PM Norton Park Pavilion Petting, feeding and snuggling with the goats from Got Your Goat, Washington Depot.
- Caregivers Toolbox: A Dinner Education for Caregivers of Elders A weekly series on Wednesdays October 4, 11 and 18 from 5:30 PM to 7:00 PM. The series will provide caregivers with the tools they need to allow their loved ones to remain safe and live at home for as long as possible while reducing caregiver burnout. Light dinner will be served.
- Grant is given from the Plainville Community Fund at the Main Street Community Foundation. Caregiving Connections - Tuesday, October 10, at 10:00 AM
- Connect with other caregivers at the Senior Center to support one another on our journeys and recognize the challenges and frustrations of 24/7 caregiving.
- Visit with Victoria · Wednesday October 11 at 2:30 PM—3:30 PM Meet the Senior Center's new Assistant Director, Victoria Nadolski.
- Help for Veterans · Tuesday, October 17, at 10:00 AM by appointment – 203-805-6340 Call Jason Coppola, Veterans Service Officer, to find out your status, needs and paperwork required to prepare for a face-to-face appointment at the Senior Center.

Grandparents Raising Grandchildren · Tuesday, October 17, at 10:30 AM

- Share resources, ideas, struggles, joys and more with others who are raising their grandchildren

Fall Prevention Class · Tuesday, October 17,
11:00 AM to 11:30 AM

- Nancy Pandolfo, Silver Sneakers Instructor will host a complimentary class on balance and tips on how to prevent falls. You are welcome to stay for a free demo of the Balance Class at 11:45 AM.

Veterans Benefits Talk · Tuesday, October 17,
at 1:00 PM

- Join Jason Coppola, Veterans Service Officer, CT Department of Veterans Affairs who will talk about the Federal Benefits available for Veterans and their spouses.
- Veterans of any age are invited to attend.

Town Council Notes

October 16, 2023

Town Manager Report:

Announcement of Special Meeting on Debt Service

- The debt service special meeting will be held Monday, October 23, at 6:00pm in the Council Chamber.
- The purpose of the meeting is for the Town Council to review an error that was made in the calculation and to understand the impact of the revised numbers.
- Debt service includes many projects not just the middle school, so the discussion for the Town Council is a broader (big picture) conversation around the impact the correction may have on the budget process and fiscal policy going forward.
- Rob Buden will be on hand for the 23rd to explain the revised numbers and the impact on the budget process going forward.

ARPA Funding Update

- I will run through the updated list to discuss which items are still unobligated.
- As you may recall ARPA funds need to be obligated to projects by December of 2024, which is to say they need a public hearing and approval by the TC in order to be considered obligated.
- All ARPA dollars must be spent by December 2026.

Landfill Update

- The landfill closure project is making good progress and is expected to conclude by the end of December 2023. However, weather and site coordination could play a role in extending the timeline.
- I have included September's report from our consultant LEA on the tracking of materials and state approval process. LEA has confirmed CT DEEP has given approval for the reuse of existing material on-site for cover material.
- With this approval, LEA is still on track to have the southeastern portion of the site completed by 10/16. The Town can then relocate stockpiled materials to the southeast portion of the site.
- I have included pictures of the site that show the southeastern portion with millings that will serve as space for the Roadways Department to store and stockpile materials.

Recreation Roof Replacement Update

- The project was successfully completed, replacing a 35-year-old roof with a new rubber membrane.
- The work was performed by SR Products/Simon Roofing and Sheet Metal for a cost of \$87,720.



Simon Roofing and Sheet Metal for a cost of \$87,720. Overall, the contractor did a great job with the installation and the Town will have a 20 year warranty on the roof.

Norton Park Gazebo Update

- The current gazebo is approximately 15 years old and was installed without a concrete slab for a foundation. Over the years moisture has come up through the ground and weakened the structure to the point where it needs to be replaced.
- The gazebo is a nice amenity for Norton Park that gets a lot of use from patrons who visit the park and those individuals and families that book it for special events.
- The Town is partnering with the Petit Foundation to install a new gazebo at the same location along with a concrete slab to enhance the longevity of the structure. The new gazebo is of the same size and similar design. The project is expected to be completed by the end of October.

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Happenings

Reported at the Town Council Meeting on October 16, 2023

Andy Cirioli, Assistant Town Manager

PUMPKINFEST

The 8th Annual PumpkinFest in Downtown Plainville will be on Saturday, October 21, 2022, from 4:00-8:00 PM (Rain or Shine). Check out live music, a kid's costume parade, kid's games, bounce houses, a large variety of food trucks, spooky haunted house and over 50 local vendors, downtown restaurants & businesses.

FALL BULK PICKUP

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Please visit the Town of Plainville website at www.plainvillect.com for a complete list of acceptable bulk items and instructions on how to request a pickup.

LEAF COLLECTION

Leaf collection will begin during the week of October 25, 2023 until December 2, 2023 (weather permitting).

Residents must rake their leaves to the curb (not on the street) as early as possible without blocking sidewalks or walkways. Grass clippings, sticks, and stones will not be collected. Bagged leaves will not

be collected at curbside, but residents can bring them to the Transfer Station on Granger Lane.

FALL PASTA SUPPER – PLAINVILLE FIRE COMPANY

The Plainville Fire Company will be hosting their Fall Pasta Supper on Saturday, October 28th from 4:00 PM – 7:30 PM at the Firehouse (77 West Main Street, Plainville, CT). The dinner is \$10 for adults and free for children under 7 (cash only).

PUBLIC LIBRARY

For information on Library programs, including registration, call the Plainville Public Library at 860-793-1446 or visit www.plainvillect.com/library.

- Scary Stories & S'mores
- Tuesday, October 17th at 6:00pm.
- For grades 4-6.
- Attendees will get chills as they listen to scary stories and enjoy s'mores.

Anime & Manga Club

- Wednesday, October 18th at 4:00pm.
- For grades 7-12.
- Admirers of anime and manga can meet, discuss popular books, and watch some of their favorite shows while snacking on foods often featured in them.

Space Rocks!

- Wednesday, October 18th at 6:00pm.
- All ages welcome.
- Denis Williamson, from the Litchfield Hills Amateur Astronomy Club, will discuss the origin of space rocks. Those attending will get an up-close look at meteorites.

Learn about UFOs

- Wednesday, October 25th at 6:00pm.
- All ages welcome.
- Astronomer and Mutual UFO Network's Chief Photo/Video Analyst, Marc D'Antonio, will discuss his extensive work in investigating extraterrestrial life.

CENTRAL CT CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

133rd Regional Annual Dinner

- Thursday, October 26th from 5:15 PM – 8:30 PM at the Bristol Event Center

36th Annual Central Connecticut Home and Business Expo

- Saturday, November 18 from 11:00 AM – 5:00 PM and Sunday, November 19, 2023 from 11:00 AM – 4:00 PM at Bristol Event Center
- Register online at: centralctchambers.org

SENIOR CENTER

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

Snappy Seniors Photography

- Thursday, October 19, 2023 at 10:00 AM
- Members with all kinds of cameras, and various levels of experience are welcome to join.

Veterans Social Hour (FOR ALL VETERANS OVER 60 AND THEIR SPOUSES)

- Tuesday, October 24, 2023 at 10:00 AM
- Conducted by Sherri Vogt, Veteran's Liaison for Hartford HealthCare Senior Services.

Memory Screening

- Tuesday, October 24, 10:00 AM—12:00 PM, Free, By Appointment
- Valerie Bartos, Memory Care Advisor from Arden Courts will conduct memory screenings. A memory screening is a series of questions and tasks designed to gauge memory, language and thinking skills.
- Screenings last just 5—10 minutes, and while the results are not a diagnosis, scoring below threshold can signal that someone should follow up with a clinician for a full evaluation.
- Walt Disney—History for Fun
- Thursday, October 26, 2023 at 10:00 AM
- Please join us for the GRAND FINALE of "The History Guy", Joseph Ouellette. (He is Retiring)

Memory Café at the Senior Center

- Thursday, October 26, 2023 at 2:00 PM
- Memory Café is a warm and welcoming program for individuals with memory loss. Anyone experiencing memory loss is welcome to attend with their loved ones or caregivers.

Book Buds October Book: "Then She Was Gone" by Lisa Jewell – Members Only

- Friday, October 27, 2023 at 10:00 AM
- Coffee & tea provided. Book available at the library main desk.

A Funny Program About Funny Programs: The Greatest Sitcoms of All Time

- Tuesday, November 7, 2023 from 1:30 PM to 3:00 PM
- Award-winning author and pop culture historian Martin Gitlin will host this fun and enlightening presentation based on his book, The Greatest Sitcoms of All Time.
- He will show funny snippets from shows and challenge patrons with sitcom trivia.

PLAINVILLE TOWN COUNCIL/ BOARD OF EDUCATION SPECIAL MEETING PLAINVILLE PUBLIC LIBRARY – CHASE AUDITORIUM

SEPTEMBER 26, 2023 – 7:00 P.M.

I. Call to order

II. Presentation of Updated Cost Estimate for Option 1: MSP Renovate-Like-New Plan III. Presentation of Updated Cost Estimate for Option 2: MSP Maintenance Plan IV. Bond Impact Discussion V. Proposed Referendum Schedule VI. Comments from Town Council Chair VII. Comments from BOE Chair VIII. Open Discussion for Town Council and BOE IX. Adjournment The Special Meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm Present were Town Council Chairwoman Pugliese, Vice Chairman Underwood Council Members Wazoroko, Morante, Rocco, Tompkins, Catanzaro, Board of Education members Chairwoman Consalvo, Vice Chair Buchanan, Bruzas, Clark, Lauria, Martinez, St. Lawrence, Tyrrell, and White. Also present, Town Manager Paulhus, Assistant Town Manager Cirioli, Finance Director Buden, and Interim Superintendent Kevin Case, Assistant Superintendent David Levenduski, and Director of Business Operations Sam Adlerstein, incoming Superintendent of Schools Brian Reas (effective 10/16/2023), and Town Clerk Arena. In attendance Mark Garilli, Project Executive at CSG Construction Solutions Group. Mr. Garilli addressed the Town Council and Board of Education members, and a Power Point presentation was given with an overview of the Renovate like New Plan. Mr. Garilli provided up-to-date cost estimates for the Renovate Like New project, and detailed what the approximate reimbursement rate from the State of Connecticut might be in 2024. Director of Business Operations Sam Adlerstein, gave an overview to the Town Council and Board of Education members of the revised Maintenance Plan, that included updated cost estimates. Finance Director Buden gave a brief review regarding Debt Service and remaining bond obligations. Discussion was held. No action was taken. *The meeting adjourned at 9:32 p.m.*

Respectfully submitted by, Cindy Arena, Town Clerk & Clerk of the Town Council

PLAINVILLE Property Transfers

25 Florence Ln: Richard R. and Dawn V. Mitera of Plainville to Adam R. Hall and Abigail D. Richardson, \$350,000 on 9/20/2023

13 Woodland St: Elizabeth A. Fangiullo of Plainville to Michael Mercier and Emily Slingerland, \$270,000 on 9/13/2023

309 East Street Unit 3: Lowell and Terri Humphrey of Plainville to Sue A. Caye, \$160,000 on 9/18/2023

70 Oakwood Cir: Trumbull Homes LLC of Plainville to Sunitha Rudramoorthy and Ashok K. Ramamurthy, \$683,023 on 9/18/2023

10 Cianci Ave Unit 13: Rachel Colon of Plainville to Kurt Werner, \$225,000 on 9/25/2023
60 Russell Ave: Richard A. Goodine and American Eagle Fincl Cu of Plainville to William C. Holiman, \$140,000 on 9/25/2023

14 Jeanette Dr: Doreen Corriveau of Plainville to Kayla Adams and Trieu Nguyen, \$395,000 on 9/25/2023

94 White Oak Ave: Jeffrey Magoveny and Stephanie Pesapane of Plainville to Efrain J. Quizhpe, \$245,000 on 9/28/2023.

Election Update to PLAINVILLE Voters

Now that you've heard from the Rest, let's cut through all the Noise and hear from the Best, so we can all be well informed on the MSP project. Read on to learn more about the Plainville Republican Candidates and their dedication, expertise, and education on this topic.

FAQ's

Why was the MSP project delayed in town council meetings within the last few years and not put up for referendum vote at that time?

** With the project being the most expensive undertaking ever discussed this was not a project to be rushed through without due diligence. Some of the biggest concerns:

- Higher costs for all taxpayers in Plainville
- Interest rates are at historic highs
- Record inflation rates, which makes it the wrong time to borrow.

Our daily lives have seen many of us struggling to pay for groceries, gas, utilities, and heating our homes. Should we really be adding to our current burdens for a school that is only thirty years old?

School Administrators and other Democrats have admitted to a deliberate delay in maintenance. Last year we offered the School Admin \$11 million to fix the list of imperative items. We were turned down.

With the MSP project up for discussion most recently, what flaws have been found in the estimates most recently up for discussion?

- Errors in the Debt Service presentation at the special meeting at the Library 9/26
- The corrected Debt Service figures will need to be analyzed because it will have an effect on all projects

Would it make sense to renovate over time and address the most important items first to keep any tax increases to a minimum?

** In the past few years there have been studies started to address what projects are the **MOST** necessary at the Middle School and the thinking has been to have a comprehensive list based on NEED. This school is approximately thirty years old. As homeowners, you would not tear your own home down at the same age if only maintenance is necessary or smaller replacements vs a full renovate. This project is no different and needs careful study and planning to bring another solution to the taxpayers.

With careful planning, full knowledge and wise decisions taxpayers can make their best-informed decision on a referendum. In studying other projects that have had similar projects in other towns, all have been way over budget due to rising prices and labor and have cost their taxpayers far more than ever thought.

Schools were far older and in complete need of an overhaul in those towns.

We are told there would be a credit from the State for this type of project; is this going to help with keeping taxes to a minimum and/or perhaps no taxes at all?

** There are always ongoing projects so this may not be feasible to say no tax increase at all as we would need to see at the point this credit came back from the state what other expenditures there are in play at that given time.

Plainville Republicans want what's best for all! The state is much slower to credit Plainville as has been experienced in past projects.

What else have Plainville Republicans Accomplished? Plainville Republicans have hired a new police chief and town manager and always support public safety and municipal operations!

Plainville Republicans always pay attention to support proper use of your tax dollars!

Plainville Republicans always prioritize to improve your quality of life!

Plainville Republicans have led the way to the sidewalk replacement project!

Plainville Republicans have supported economic initiatives including Americold and the White Oak projects!

It's time to VOTE for the Plainville Republicans who can balance ALL projects and have a proven track record.

This is not one project that fits all but that of careful planning and analysis with your hard-earned tax dollars.

Other Facts and Non-Fiction!

Plainville Republican Candidates are graduates of and or raising children in Plainville Community Schools!

Plainville Republican Candidates advance efforts to improve academic excellence and overall achievement!

Plainville Republican Candidates prioritize the safety of our schools!

Plainville Republicans always focus on fiscal responsibility!

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Cooley visits The Witch's Dungeon in Plainville



State Rep. Francis Cooley (R-22) spent an afternoon touring The Witch's Dungeon Classic Movie Museum in Plainville, Connecticut, which is home to a collection of figures of classic movie monsters for the public to see.

"We have a hidden-gem in Plainville with The Witch's Dungeon. I enjoyed seeing all the exhibits and hope everyone in Connecticut and beyond come down and visit, and I also hope you frequent one of our many eating establishments to make a day out of it," said Rep. Cooley.

The museum is owned by the Bristol-native Cortlandt Hull. Cortlandt is the great nephew of film actor Henry Hull. In 1966, Cortlandt's father helped him build a chalet building to house the museum. Cortlandt built life-size figures of classic movie monsters that were

made of wax, fine wire mesh, papier-mache and polymers. The figures were later replaced with more accurate ones.

The museum is open year-round, weekend evenings. "The Witch's Dungeon Classic Movie Museum" is located at 103 East Main St in Plainville.

Plainville Senior Center

Plainville Senior Center on Wednesday October 25th members wearing PINK to heighten awareness for:
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To: All Civic & Religious Organization

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Thanking you in advance!

..... The Editor

Tenants Insurance

By: Ed McMahon

With the Winter months quickly approaching it is human nature to begin thinking about protecting ourselves against the outside elements. Snow shovels, ice scrapers and salt have gone on sale already. Most of us have pulled out our winter wardrobes and shed our summer clothes for another year.

For those of us who are apartment dwellers and rental unit patrons our attention should be to focus on our furniture, appliances and other items such as stereo equipment, T.V., computers, not to mention collectables which we hold dear to our hearts. The solution to a problem of how to protect these items against perils such as fire, theft and water damage is to purchase Tenant Insurance.

It is only too often that we turn on our television to discover that a fire has consumed an apartment complex and the renters are left in the street with nothing left of their precious contents. A little scary to imagine isn't it?

The cost of such a tenant policy is relatively inexpensive compared to other types of insurance.

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The peace of mind that most renters experience once their belongings become insured is satisfying to say the least.

This type of insurance also covers liability in the event of some form of negligence on part of the tenant.

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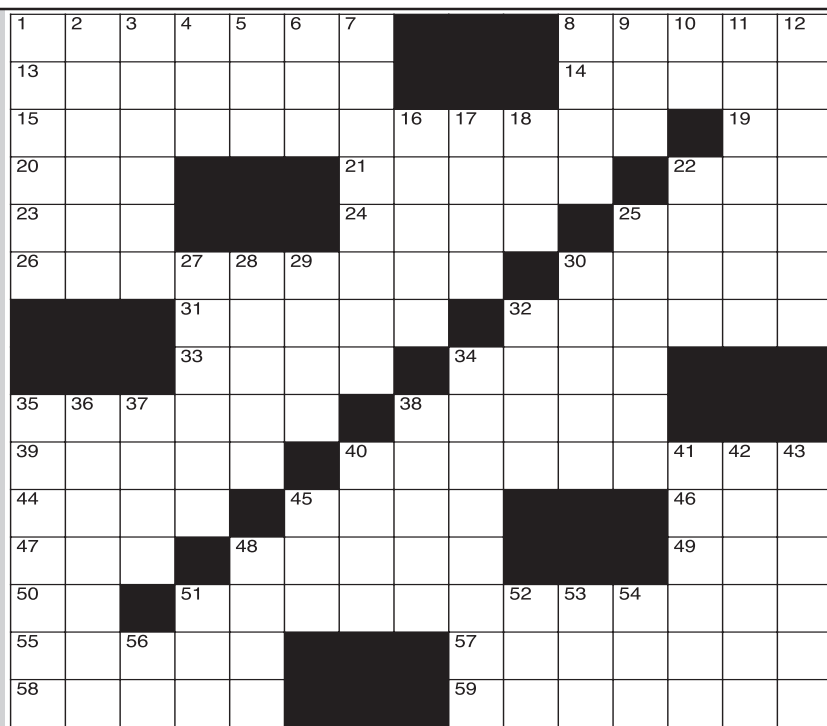


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- 1. HAPPEN AGAIN
- 8. LARGE FLIGHTLESS BIRDS
- 13. A TYPE OF ACCOUNT
- 14. BEYOND WHAT IS NATURAL
- 15. BELOVED COMFORT FOOD
- 19. RURAL DELIVERY
- 20. BELONGING TO US
- 21. TYPICAL
- 22. PIE ___ MODE
- 23. RETURNED MATERIAL AUTHORIZATION (ABBR.)
- 24. NOT US
- 25. DISCHARGE
- 26. MADE EMPTY
- 30. FISHING NET
- 31. FAST-MOVING, HARMLESS SNAKE
- 32. ANALYZED INTO ITS PARTS
- 33. IN A WAY, CHILLED
- 34. HINDU QUEEN
- 35. CIRCLES AROUND THE SUN
- 38. USED FOR EMPHASIS
- 39. REACTIVE STRUCTURES
- 40. RECOMMENDATIONS
- 44. FEEL INTENSE ANGER

CLUES DOWN

- 45. PUKE
- 46. RURAL NORTHERN IRELAND COMMUNITY
- 47. NATURALLY OCCURRING SOLID MATERIAL
- 48. BRITISH WATCH BRAND
- 49. TODDLER
- 50. INTEGRATED CIRCUIT
- 51. BEING REVERED
- 55. "PETS" YOU CAN GROW
- 57. CONTINUAL
- 58. PUTS TOGETHER IN TIME
- 59. HOUSES TEMPORARILY
- 16. POPULAR R&B PERFORMER
- 17. REGRETTED
- 18. LEG (SLANG)
- 22. "NIGHT TRAIN" AUTHOR
- 25. MORE SUPERNATURAL
- 27. BALTIMORE BALLPLAYER
- 28. SHOE PARTS
- 29. SCORES PERFECTLY
- 30. MORE LUCID
- 32. TRIM BY CUTTING
- 34. DISREPUTABLE PEOPLE
- 35. DRAMATIC BEHAVIORS
- 36. DISORDER
- 37. PRIVATE BOX IN A THEATER
- 38. MORE DRIED-UP
- 40. RAW
- 41. IN OPERATION
- 42. PILLAGER
- 43. BUTTERFLIES WITH BROWN WINGS
- 45. DISALLOW
- 48. OWN UP
- 51. HUNGARIAN CITY
- 52. A WAY TO CONDEMN
- 53. TAX COLLECTOR
- 54. LEASE
- 56. NOT OUT

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

Jack Raves: If you have never gone in a Helicopter, you must go to Robertson Airport. I just wanted to take a Scenic flight of Plainville and Southington. It was amazing, I am now taking flying lessons and loving it! Try it you too will like it!!

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Share your Favos & Raves with everyone!

Let's hear what you have to say, we need your comments!

Make My Day by: Raymond Cormier

*I live alone and do not cook much. I eat prepared foods from Gnazzo's, Frozen dinners and eat out. The other day a friend stopped to visit and she brought me a case of Microwave Chef Boyardee dinners. They came in little bowls. She said after dinner no dishes just throw the bowls away. *"She made my Day!"*

Perhaps you would like to thank a neighbor for a kindness and we would like to help you give this person recognition for a job well done. If this person works for a local business, we are sure his or her employer is going that extra few steps to help their customers.

Mothers & Fathers, I am sure your child has "Made your day". Let us know about some little things they do to help around the home, empty the baskets, wash the dishes, and etc.

“Ask Sheila”

Q-1: My friend told me about a way to save money on my Medicare costs, called "The Medicare Savings Plan". If I apply for this, will I have to pay anything back ?

A-1: *The Medicare Savings plan is based on your income level. If you qualify, you will save money on your Part B premiums, drug coverage costs and possibly on medical co-pays. None of the benefits will have to be repaid.*

Q-2: I have a Medicare Advantage Plan. My doctor's office , which is in my network, sent me an Invoice for a balance due. I already paid the office visit co-pay, do I have to pay this additional charge?

A-2: *No, the Doctor's office is not allowed to 'Balance Bill' for any additional costs. You should call your Advantage plan and let them know this happened.*

Q-3: I have just Medicare and no Advantage or Supplement Plans. Can I see any doctor I want ?

A-3: *Not all Doctors accept Medicare. You should ask the Doctor when you call to make an appointment if he accepts Medicare. A doctor who has opted out of Medicare can't bill Medicare for services you receive and isn't bound by Medicare's limitations on charges. You enter into a private contract with the doctor, agreeing to pay his bills directly and in full. You can't claim reimbursement from Medicare under this arrangement.*

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In keeping with the Plainville Senior Center's over 30 years tradition, we will be offering Thanksgiving Dinner on Thursday, November 23 beginning at 11:30 a.m. This popular event is open to all Senior Center members, as well as any Plainville resident who is 60 years of age or older who will be alone on Thanksgiving Day. Registration begins on November 1st, ends November 21st.

OUR ANNUAL VETERANS' DAY CELEBRATION with a complimentary Veterans' Luncheon will be held Thursday, November 9th beginning 11:30 a.m. This event is co-sponsored by Gnazzo's. Sign-up ends November 7th.

DIAL-A-RIDE FUN FUNDRAISER Join us on Tuesday, November 14th, and Wednesday, November 15th, (9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.) for the Fundraiser. There will be the sale of gently used jewelry, Grandma's Cookies, raffles of various knitted and sewn items, along with our famous food basket and money tree raffle. We are collecting gently used jewelry now through November 9th. The proceeds from this event is to support our Dial-A-Ride Program which is essential to so many of our members who no longer drive.

Take time to look over all the other events, programs and classes being offered in November and December. On page 19

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CONNECTICUT VOTES ON NEW MOTTO: 'TRADITIONS ROOTED, FUTURE INNOVATED'.

*Poll of 3,000 respondents on what should be the alternative state motto.
Connecticut's choice of motto looks to the future.*

'In God We Trust' – it's more than just a saying, it's the officially endorsed motto of the United States, a sentiment etched into the collective memory of our nation back in 1956. Similarly, every state in the union has its unique motto, reflecting the specific values and ideals of which its residents draw comfort and strength. These mottos are not mere marketing jargon, unlike state nicknames or promotional slogans. They are historical codes, deeply ingrained in the state's identity. However, given their often-antiquated nature and the diverse languages they're written in, some say a modern refresh is in order.

BibleVerses101.com put this proposition to the test, polling 3,000 Americans on what they would choose as an updated motto, suitable for the 21st century. And the results were very interesting...

Take sunny California as an example. Its current motto, '*Eureka*', a memory from the Gold Rush of the mid-19th century, seems a bit outdated in the light of the state's evolution as the hub of Hollywood and Silicon Valley. So, Californians opted for '*From Dreams to Reality*', a more modern reflection of their state - where ambitious ideas transform into tangible innovations.

Moving across to Georgia, residents opted for a delightful revamp of their existing motto '*Wisdom, Justice and Moderation*'. Their choice, '*Peaches and Progress*', pays homage to Georgia's traditional identity (the Peach State) while simultaneously symbolizing its forward momentum in multiple industries.

Texas, keeping in line with its current motto '*Friendship*', desired to amplify its ethos while looking forward. The phrase '*Where Big Hearts Meet Bigger Horizons*' emerged as a popular choice, aligning seamlessly with the well-known saying, 'Everything is Bigger in Texas'.

Connecticut's official state motto is '*Qui transtulit sustinet*', a Latin phrase that translates to '*He who is transplanted still sustains*'. Nutmeggers chose '*Traditions Rooted, Future Innovated*' as their alternative state motto. An apt choice that captures the historical importance of Connecticut while also emphasizing its drive towards future innovation, particularly in industries like insurance and aerospace.

"A potential revamp of state mottos isn't just a matter of semantics. It reflects the evolving story of our nation, how we acknowledge our history, comprehend our present, leave our anxieties behind and envision our future. It's a testament to our resilience and adaptability, a shift from the rigid scripts of the past to a dynamic dialogue with the future" says Shaun Connell of BibleVerses101.com.

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Call-In Support Group

Looking for a safe space? Talk to a professional about the questions and or concerns you may have regarding dementia. Every Friday from 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. starting Friday, Dec. 1, there will be a call-in support group facilitated by Kristine Johnson, dementia specialist, Hartford HealthCare Center for Healthy Aging. Join Zoom Meeting: <https://hartfordhealthcare.zoom.us/j/92408181873> Meeting ID: 924 0818 1873 One tap mobile 1.646.876.9923, Meeting ID 92408181873#

Virtual: Dementia Caregiver Support Group

Do you care for someone diagnosed with dementia? A support group provides emotional, educational and social support. Topics include: communication techniques, caregiver support, benefits of activities, and stages of the disease, family dynamics and safety issues. Join the class on Tuesday, Dec. 5, from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m.

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

Virtual: Exercise and Stress Reduction

Join our interactive class on Wednesday, Dec. 6, from 1 p.m. to 2 p.m., right from the comfort of your phone, computer or tablet and learn more about: what stress is and when you are chronically stressed, and learn how physical activity can help reduce your stress and which exercises are best. Presented by Mitchell Nyser, exercise physiologist, Hartford HealthCare, GoodLife Fitness.

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

Open House at Cedar Mountain Commons set for Dec. 6

Cedar Mountain Commons, a member of Hartford HealthCare Senior Services, is a not for profit independent and assisted living community. To learn more, visit <http://cedarmountaincommons.org>.

Open House at The Orchards at Southington set for Dec. 13

SOUTHINGTON – The Orchards at Southington, a beautiful independent and assisted living community located at 34 Hobart Street, is hosting an open house on Wednesday, Dec. 13 from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. Visitors will be able to learn more about how the concerns of a personal home can be put aside for the perks of a senior living community, safety precautions, and supportive services.

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

Virtual: Staying on Your Feet on the Ice & Snow

On Friday, Dec. 15, from 1 p.m. to 2 p.m. join our interactive class right from the comfort of your phone, computer or tablet and learn more about: keeping yourself safe this winter, learn a few basic things we can do to prevent falls and injuries in the ice and snow with better shoes, clothing, and awareness. Presented by Christine Solimini-Swift, exercise physiologist, Hartford HealthCare, GoodLife Fitness.

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Otolaryngologist

Dr. Akshay Patel was born and raised in Rocky Hill, Connecticut. After graduating from the top of his class at the Chicago College of Osteopathic Medicine. Dr. Patel pursued his residency training in otolaryngology-head and neck surgery and facial plastics surgery at St. Barnabas Medical Center in New Jersey, where he also served as chief resident. Shortly thereafter, he obtained fellowship training in head and neck surgical oncology and microvascular reconstructive surgery at Case Western University-University Hospitals in Cleveland, Ohio. Dr. Patel's clinical interests include head and neck surgical oncology and reconstructive surgery, as well as program development, patient outcome, resident teaching and reconstructive techniques. He has presented nationally and published on subjects relating to reconstructive surgery and head and neck cancer.



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OCTOBER "ALL STARS" NAMED



The October Plainville Community Schools "All-Star" award winners, Technology Department members Kevin Ross, Instructional Technology Director, Dan Demur, Network Manager, Charles Warner, Data Integration Specialist, Karel Zettergren, Data Integration Assistant, Nick Midolo, Technical Assistant, and Zachary Santini, Technical Assistant, were recognized at the October 10th Plainville Board of Education meeting. The "All-Star" award recognizes students, faculty, staff and community members who go above and beyond in modeling the school district's Portrait of the Graduate characteristics and demonstrating excellence in alignment with school district goals.

In photo:
 From Left - Plainville Board of Education Chair Lori Consalvo, Karel Zettergren, Zachary Santini, Charles Warner, Dan Demur, Kevin Ross, and Interim Superintendent of Schools, Kevin Case. Missing from photo: Technical Assistant Nick Midolo

PHS HOSTS CAREER GALLERY 2023

More than 100 professionals from local businesses and organizations, representing the 16 National Career Clusters, participated in the Plainville High School "Career Gallery 2023" event held on October 13th. The Career Gallery event, held in the school's Wood Gymnasium allowed high school students to visit "career tables" organized by Career Cluster, to discuss vocational pathways of interest with visiting professionals. Additionally, Plainville High School will host a "Career Focused Learning Adventure Day" on November 8th, where students will have the opportunity to visit professionals on site at their workplaces and / or attend interactive vocational exploration sessions at the high school hosted by visiting professionals.

Photo 1 - Plainville High School senior Matthew Collado kicked off the Career Gallery event by welcoming visitors and sharing his experience as a student intern at the Municipal Center of Plainville through the high school's Fieldwork Experience Internship program



PHS STUDENTS VISIT GOODWIN UNIVERSITY MANUFACTURING EXPO

A group of Plainville High School students spent the day exploring Goodwin University and the world of manufacturing at the Goodwin University Manufacturing Pentathlon & Expo held on October 4th. The event, part of National Manufacturing Month activities, featured teams of students from various school districts who participated in a tour of the university facilities, followed by a series of interactive STEM related activities!



NOVEMBER CALENDAR

NOVEMBER 7
 Prof. Dev. Day (no students)

NOVEMBER 22
 Minimum School Day

NOVEMBER 23-24
 THANKSGIVING RECESS





Schools in Review

PLAINVILLE ROTARY DONATES TO MSP



Students in Laura Meehan's Art class at Middle School of Plainville were recently surprised with a generous donation from the Plainville Rotary Club. The Rotary Club members collected and donated art supplies and personal care items for Middle School students. Mrs. Meehan is the creator and organizer of the school's "Giving Shelf". The donations from the Rotary Club will fill the "Giving Shelf" with a variety of products for any student with a need. Mrs. Meehan and her students were overwhelmed with the generosity and support of the Plainville Rotary Club's donation and the positive impact it is having on the students.

In photo:

Middle School of Plainville students: Back row standing left to right Kaison Buxton, Sterling Porter, Brandon Japonis

Seated left to right: Ashley Mocarsky, Samantha Chaleunphone, Lyla Huang, Makayla Wallace, Maddox Mahoney-Miller, Quinn McCormack

Plainville Adult and Continuing Education Program Talks Financial Literacy



Students in the Plainville Adult and Continuing Education Program are participating in a Financial Literacy educational series sponsored by M & T Bank in Plainville. Representatives from M & T Bank are facilitating the sessions for the Adult Education students in both the fall and spring semesters.

COLLEGE FAIR COMES TO PHS

The Plainville High School Counseling Department hosted a "College Fair" for juniors and seniors at the high school on October 13th. Students were able to visit with representatives from nearly 100 colleges, universities and programs and learn about the admissions process, academics, campus life, career preparation and more.



9 Fun Facts About Thanksgiving Happy Thanksgiving!

As our marching bands prepare to take to the streets of Chicago as part of the Thanksgiving Day Parade, we decided to dig up a few fun facts about Thanksgiving! Do you know what was served at the first Thanksgiving? How about how many calories are consumed on average on Thanksgiving Day?

Here are nine fun facts about Thanksgiving to share around the dinner table.

- The first Thanksgiving was celebrated in 1621 over a three day harvest festival. It included 50 Pilgrims, 90 Wampanoag Indians, and lasted three days. It is believed by historians that only five women were present.
- Turkey wasn't on the menu at the first Thanksgiving. Venison, duck, goose, oysters, lobster, eel, and fish were likely served, alongside pumpkins and cranberries (but not pumpkin pie or cranberry sauce!).
- Abraham Lincoln proclaimed Thanksgiving a national holiday on October 3, 1863. Sarah Josepha Hale, the woman who wrote "Mary Had A Little Lamb," convinced Lincoln to make Thanksgiving a national holiday after writing letters for 17 years.
- The history of U.S. presidents pardoning turkeys is patchy. Harry Truman is often credited with being the first president to pardon a turkey, but that's not quite true. He was the first to receive a ceremonial turkey from the National Turkey Federation – and he had it for dinner. John F. Kennedy was the first to let a Thanksgiving turkey go, followed by Richard Nixon who sent his turkey to a petting zoo. George H.W. Bush is the president who formalized the turkey pardoning tradition in 1989.
- There are four towns in the United States named "Turkey." They can be found in Arizona, Texas, Louisiana, and North Carolina.
- The average number of calories consumed on Thanksgiving is 4,500.
- Butterball answers more than 100,000 turkey-cooking questions via their Butterball Turkey Hotline each November and December.
- The tradition of football on Thanksgiving began in 1876 with a game between Yale and Princeton. The first NFL games were played on Thanksgiving in 1920.
- More than 54 million Americans are expected to travel during the Thanksgiving holiday this year. That's up 4.8% from last year.



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

THE CONNECTICUT UNIFORM POWER OF ATTORNEY

EXTRA! EXTRA! READ ALL ABOUT IT!

Connecticut has a new Power of Attorney (POA) form that is in effect right now. Is my old POA still good? Will my old POA need to be changed? Does the law require me to get a new POA? I am sure these are just some of the questions everyone may have when first learning about this change in the law. Well, you have come to the right place. Answers to these questions and more are right below... so let's go!

First and foremost if you already have a POA it is still enforceable. This new law does not require you to get a new POA. The new law cleans up some of the deficiencies that have been on the books since 1965 while providing more flexibility for people granting power of attorney. Perhaps the most noticeable change is that the new POA does not need to be designated as "durable". In the past, you would have to specifically state that a POA would survive incapacity. Now it is presumed in the new POA, which makes sense because that is most often exactly when you need a POA.

The powers granted in the new POA are much more customizable than the old version. In the past, when an individual granted Power of attorney to someone and needed that person to undertake some specific act, not listed in the POA form, they would have to amend the POA to specifically state their desires. Even that may not have accomplished what they wanted and then they would be required to provide an additional certification or other required proof. All of which would be very cumbersome and potentially a fatal flaw if the person were to die during the process. Now, the new POA form lists additional functions and provides a catch-all section that can be amended right on the form to include the desired transaction. Essentially, the new

POA form consolidates all the precautions into one form.

So with all these new powers there needs to be extra safeguards. The principal granting the power now has the benefit of naming multiple agents so that each may watch over the other. Also, each agent is tasked with acting in the best interest of the principal. So if one agent is acting in a manner detrimental to the principal they can be stopped. There were obviously too many horror stories going around about people losing everything after granting power of attorney for the legislature to ignore any longer.

Agents will still be afforded the protection of "hold harmless" clauses, which protect them from being sued by unhappy creditors or family members of the principal. However, agents more than ever are liable to the principal if they act in a manner against the principal's desires. The new POA really seeks to provide checks and balance that were not there before.

Financial institutions will also be required to recognize these new POAs under the law. Under the old law POAs were merely looked at as private agreements between people. Now they are a more formalized act of law that must be followed unless the bank has a valid concern that the agent is not acting in good faith and/or there is some attempt at fraud. Again, the legislature was looking to clean up the red tape and streamline transactions where time is of the essence.

So there it is... all of the highlights from the new Connecticut Uniform Power of Attorney. While the new law does not affect old POAs, it certainly gives people a few reasons to go and get a new one. Whether you want to make sure your agent does not have too much power or you want to eliminate some of the red tape it might be time to update your POA. Everyone's situation is unique, so if you are not sure what you may need do not hesitate to contact a licensed attorney. Happy Thanksgiving!



CANNABIS CONVERSATION

with

**Dr. Paulina Miklosz
DNP, APRN**

Over the last decade, cannabis has gained popularity within healthcare as a potential treatment for a variety of pain conditions, psychological disorders, neurological conditions and more. In previous months, we discussed the role of cannabis in some of these disorders. More recently Cannabis and its active compounds including CBD (cannabidiol) and THC (tetrahydrocannabinol) have entered the skincare industry, touting many benefits for skin health. Below, we will review how and why these compounds are being added to our daily skincare regimens and how you may benefit.

1. **Anti-Inflammatory Properties:** Both CBD and THC have known anti-inflammatory properties. Inflammation contributes to various skin conditions including acne, psoriasis, dermatitis and eczema. By decreasing skin inflammation, cannabis-based skincare products may help reduce the severity and frequency of these skin issues.

2. **Promotes Hydration:** Dry, dehydrated skin is more prone to breakage, wrinkles and irritation. Cannabis-derived oils, such as hemp seed oil, are rich in fatty acids which are excellent for hydrating the skin and locking in moisture by protecting the skin's natural barrier. This promotes plump radiant skin cells and a healthy complexion.

3. **Antioxidant Effects:** Our skin (and bodies overall) are exposed to free radical damage as a result of UV radiation, pollution, stress and other environmental factors. The buildup of free radicals in our bodies contributes to premature signs of aging and cell damage. Cannabis compounds are potent antioxidants, meaning that they protect the skin from damage caused by free radicals.

4. **Pain Relief and Soothing:** Topical cannabis products, particularly those with CBD, can have pain-reducing properties that help soothe sore muscles, relieve joint pain, and other localized discomforts. This makes them useful in products like creams and balms for targeted pain relief.

5. **Acne Management:** Cannabidiol (CBD) shows great potential in the management of inflammatory acne. CBD helps to reduce local inflammation and regulate the production of sebum (oil produced by our skin). Additionally, due to its anti-bacterial properties, CBD may inhibit the growth of acne-causing bacteria.

6. **Allergies & Skin Sensitivities:** Those with sensitive skin or allergies may find relief with cannabis-infused skincare products because these compounds are generally well-tolerated and are soothing to most skin types.

7. **Potential Side Effects:** While cannabis-based skincare products are generally safe for most people, it's important to consider potential side effects like skin irritation or allergies. Patch testing a small amount of the product on a discreet area of skin is a good practice to ensure compatibility. Additionally, most topical cannabis products have low THC content (< 0.3% THC) and are not absorbed systemically in quantities that would cause psychoactive effects or impairment.

While more research is needed to fully understand the efficacy of cannabis-derived compounds in skincare, this is an exciting advancement in the world of skin health. If you're considering adding topical cannabis to your skincare regimen, it's advisable to consult with a health professional or dermatologist who can help determine the best approach for your specific skin concerns. *To learn more about Cannabis for skin health and our exclusive CBD Facials, please contact Higher Med at 959-900-8206 or check out our clinic websites at HigherMed.org and HMLive.org.*

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

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Connecticut Households Waste Over \$800 Worth of Food Per Year, Reveals Study.

Only 1/4 of people know what the use-by date means. South Carolinians are the most wasteful in the nation. West Virginians are the least wasteful. Winter tends to be a very foodie time of year; we've had Thanksgiving and Christmas, with all the turkey excesses. All across the nation, families have filled up the freezer, stocked up the fridges, and got supplies for each food-focused gathering. But what happens to everything we buy? Are we as good as we could be about using everything up? Or are we guilty of food waste?

Cherry Digital, a communications agency, wanted to find out just how wasteful we Americans are, and surveyed 3,200 of us to find out how much we throw away this past year...

The first discovery was that Connecticut households waste \$874 worth of food annually, or in other words, almost a quarter (22%) of their food each month – because it's gone past its expiration date*. The national average was \$907, meaning Nutmeggers are among the least wasteful in the nation.

Broken down by state, the survey found that South Carolinians are the most wasteful, who get rid of \$1,304.68 worth of food every year. The least-wasteful state is West Virginia, who's residents only throw away \$404.90 worth of their annual groceries.

So why are we being so wasteful? It seems that the misunderstanding of food labelling might be a huge factor. The survey found that nearly half of respondents (48.9%) won't eat food that's marked as past its sell-by date – but perhaps that's because they are misinformed about what the sell-by date actually means – it is the last date by which it must be sold in a store; however, after that, it's still good to eat (even if it's past what's marked as the use-by date).

Again, the label – use-by date – caused confusion: only one-quarter knew that it signifies the last date for use of the product at its peak quality. Nearly a third (30.4%) believed that it was the last date the product was edible, almost a quarter (22%) thought it meant that it was the last date the food product could be displayed and sold in a store, and finally, 21% thought it meant the date that the product would be at its best flavor and quality - when, in fact, this

is the 'best-by' date (interestingly, while these guides are in place, they don't actually say that this is the last date a product can be eaten by - that part is up to you, the consumer. You can eat something beyond the guidelines, but just give it a check over, or a 'sniff test' first before eating).

Over half (51.1%) of people believe that best before dates on fruits and vegetables should be scrapped altogether because they say it's easy to tell if something has gone off just by touching it. The survey also found that the foods Americans would be most likely throw away are dairy products (46.6%); followed by meat (22.3%); fish (19.2%); bread (5.1%) and vegetables (8.5%).

Cherry Digital have provided advice below on how you can be more resourceful with your food, and so hopefully will be able to throw less away in the future:

Freeze your food. You can actually freeze the food right up till the use-by date, and it will be good to eat months later! (Just double check what you can or can't freeze - not everything can go in, like soft cheeses).

Freeze milk into an ice cube tray! As the survey revealed, most people will throw away dairy products first - well now they can use this handy tip instead of wasting. Use the frozen milk cubes in coffee or tea!

Put your herbs into a glass of water to prevent them from wilting quickly, they will last much longer!

If yogurts are getting near their use-by date, you can mix them up with some over-ripe fruit for a smoothie or even freeze into ice-lollies!

Turn stale bread or crusts into breadcrumbs by putting them in a food processor. Fantastic when mixed with herbs or onions as a stuffing for chicken or to top baked fish!

When cooking with foods such as potatoes, broccoli, or carrots, use it all. You don't need to remove the peel or cut the stems off, as they often have additional nutrients in! And if you don't like the peel or stem, you can compost what you don't use.

Donate the items you might be close to throwing out which aren't yet out of date. There will be plenty of food kitchens nearby that would really appreciate anything you have which is going spare.

*data calculated by using the amount spent annually by each American household (figure taken from the Bureau of Labor Statistics), and asking households how much food they throw away at the end of every month (%). Content free to use.

A link credit to Cherry Digital would be appreciated. Here it is!! freshly ground media | food | info@freshlygroundmedia.com

Thank You!!

Life With Wanda



As you get on in years, I find you must be able to smile about things that used to strike fear in your heart.

My neighbor called me some time ago in tears. I couldn't understand a word she said so I jumped in my car and drove over to her house. I found her sitting at her kitchen table with a canning jar in front of her. In a soothing voice I asked her what was wrong. She said a salesman from an exterminating company had just left her house. It seems as she was cleaning her garage and found, what she thought, was a termite. She captured it and put the little thing in the canning jar. She called the exterminating company to confirm if it was indeed a termite, according to the salesman it was. He measured her home and recommended his company get started right away, tent her home and decontaminate the property. Her and her pets would have to move out until the process was completed. He said the cost might be in the thousands but the good news was their company had a finance plan. Isn't that great, lucky her. I asked her if she had seen any other termites or could the salesman show her any signs that termites had invaded her home. She said no but he said it could happen. Knowing how contractors and ruthless sales people seem to pray on widows and the elderly in Florida I suggested we wait a few weeks, keep an eye out for additional signs of the little creatures and don't jump to any conclusions. She kept the little creature in the canning jar and even made him a little bed with some straw. It's been some time now and my neighbor has not seen any signs of additional termites and has had friends inspect her house from top to bottom. No Termites!

The good news is she has a new pet that lives in the canning jar.
She named him Clint-Eats-Wood.

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Physical Therapy and Pain Management: A Guide for Fall

Many people experience more pain during colder months – especially joint and muscle pains in the knees, hips, and lower back. This is true, as the drop in barometric pressure due to temperature drops intensifies the pressure on nerves, which send pain signals to the brain.

Can something be done about this to alleviate intensifying pain during Fall?

Yes, physical therapy can effectively assist in managing pain during colder months!

In this article, we will give you some idea why Physical Therapy will help with pain management during fall and some tips on how to deal with it.

Why do people have chronic pain?

It is estimated that 116 million Americans suffer from chronic pain. Chronic pain has many causes, such as illness, injury, and arthritis. Some people even suffer from chronic pain without evidence of past injury or disease. Chronic pain leads to decreased activity levels, job loss, financial difficulties, anxiety, and depression. Chronic pain is experienced differently with each individual. The most common complaints include:

It hurts everywhere.

I experience pain but cannot remember an injury.

The pain spread from place to place.

I cannot do my normal activities.

I feel sore and stiff after being in one position for a time

Most injuries that cause chronic joint pain result from injuries to tissues, bones, muscles, or tendons. The pain might recur after treatment in cold weather, and that is why a physical therapist is needed. Physical therapists are movement experts who treat pain and the cause of pain in various ways, helping pain management or elimination.

What do Physical Therapists do to help Pain Management?

Physical therapists are experts not only in treating pain but also its source. The physical therapist will perform a thorough evaluation to determine the best treatment. That includes:

Ask questions about previous illnesses, treatments or diseases.

Determine the pain's location, intensity, symptoms, and occurrence.

Evaluate your daily activities.

Perform tests and movements with you to determine your posture, flexibility, muscle strength, joint mobility, and movement.

Observe how you use your body in everyday activities. Design a program to improve flexibility and move more efficiently with less discomfort.

Pain relief through physical therapy is based on the knowledge that all forces in the body affect each other. Treatment and therapy involve techniques like aquatic therapy, hands-on joint and soft tissue massage, functional movement therapy, active release therapy, joint mobilization therapy, and whatever is needed for personal healing and pain management.

The physical therapist will improve your knowledge and understanding of your pain, why it occurs, what to do when you experience it, and how to manage it. The training and education will help to improve better movement and posture. A physical therapist will give exercises like low-impact aerobics training, which people typically tend to do less often during fall, to help restore movement, rebuild strength, and eliminate the pain. They will give you exercises for the target areas where you often hurt to make everyday living easier and pain-free.

Studies have shown that physical therapy can be as effective as surgery for relieving chronic pain. It is, therefore, vital to seek the help of experienced physical therapists when you start experiencing seasonal pains in fall.

Contact our experienced therapists at Physical Therapy & Sports Medicine Centers of Plainville to get access to the best physical therapy equipment and treatment before we hit winter to help you manage your pain.

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Letters to the Editor.....

Hello Plainville, I am writing in support of Rosemary Morante who is running as a Democrat for the Plainville Town Council. Rosemary is currently serving our town in this capacity and has done so previously in an exemplary manner. In addition to her Town Council responsibilities, she is a very active member of the Plainville Historical Society. When there's work to be done, Rosemary jumps in head first. Once the work is sorted out and organized she is on her feet to achieve the goal. I am honored and proud to vote for Rosemary Morante. She is a number one choice for me and should be for you also.

Susan Cavanna

Re-Elect Rebecca for Board of Education

I support Rebecca Martinez for re-election to the Plainville Board of Education. Rebecca works diligently and tirelessly on the Board of Education. Rebecca, as a working wife and mother with 2 children in the school system, understands the financial issues facing families and the educational and safety needs of Plainville's students. She will continue to push for a referendum on the renovations needed for the Plainville Middle School. Please support Rebecca for the Board of Education.

Thanks, Michael Verrett

To the Editor,

Each candidate in this year's municipal election has given many hours of service to our community contributing to our quality of life in Plainville. On Nov 7th it will be your choice to vote for who you believe will best lead our community for the next two years.

Democrat candidates want to bring back the open-minded, straightforward, transparent, common-sense approach, that includes the citizens of our town's voices to today's Council decision-making process. To make timely, responsible, and complete decisions when called to do so. Not months or years later. Delays cost additional monies to projects. These costs get passed to our tax paying community.

Vote Row A to Have Your Voice heard! *Dan Hurley*

Dear Editor,

One of my mother's favorite sayings was "sometimes you need a woman to grab the bull by its horns to get something done". Rebecca Martinez is that woman. That is why I am voting her for the Board of Education. I am urging the voters of Plainville to join me in supporting Rebecca. I have known Rebecca for several years and she has always been a can-do person. Always willing to lend a helping hand and is a good listener. She is a mother of two and a Health Care Professional. So, she knows what is confronting working families today and understands their issues.

As a BOE member she has fought tirelessly and passionately for what is best for our children, so they are prepared for the challenges of today's emerging careers. I know if reelected Rebecca will continue the fight for our children's future. She will always put the needs of Plainville first.

Rebecca is a person of the highest moral and ethical standards; she has compassion and empathy and is not afraid to roll up her sleeves and jump into the fray and fight for what is best for Plainville.

On November 7th I am urging the voters of Plainville to re-elect Rebecca Martinez for another term on the Board of Education.

Tony Tarascio

Dear Editor

I am voting Republican in the upcoming municipal elections. We cannot afford for Plainville to be run by Democrats. Can you imagine if Plainville was run the way our country & state are currently being run? Rampant spending, education steeped in "woke" ideology, censored language, thoughts & ideas monitored by "fact checkers", soft on crime legislation making us all less safe, the list goes on! The Democrats of today are not the same as yesteryear and yes, this HAS trickled down into our small town politics. This is evidenced by outrageous, disrespectful behavior by some at our local meetings and the cherry picking of facts when it comes to important local projects like the middle school. We all want our schools to be their best for our towns kids & I was upset when I learned that the Democrats along with the former school administration decided to "defer maintenance" on M.S.P. My child was one of the kids getting stuck in the elevator every other day when she was there, but I guess it was all in the name of getting to renovate a 30 year old building "like new". The Covid disaster certainly threw a wrench into this terrible idea and now here we are on the precipice of a recession facing huge decisions like this one. Plainville needs strong, experienced leadership during these tough times and that is Republican leadership. Vote Row B!

Dave Buchanan

Dear Editor:

We are excited to vote for Dave Underwood again this November! Dave is an active and involved Town Council member in Plainville and was instrumental in keeping our mill rate as low as possible. We have known Dave Underwood for over 20 years, and we know Dave will work hard for all the citizens of Plainville. We hope all our friends and neighbors will vote for Dave Underwood for Town Council and the endorsed Republican team on Nov 7th, 2023.

Sincerely, Joe & Marrie Raynock

To the Editor,

I lived and taught in Plainville before retiring out of state. My husband Robert served on the Town Council and worked with both sides for the good of our town. I returned to Plainville recently and it is not the same town. The Republican majority values power over proper governance.

Support Ben Gediman for Town Council and bring thoughtful governance back to Plainville.

He exemplifies leadership and has served our town on Parks and Rec, Athletic Backers, Little League and Coalition for Positive Youth Development. He puts the good of our town first. This is sadly missing with the current Republican majority.

We need honest, intelligent people in positions of leadership and Ben will represent all of us. Please support Plainville and Ben Gediman for Town Council

Josephine Provost

Dear Editor:

I'm writing to recommend Rosemary Morante be re-elected to Plainville's Town Council. She serves on the Town Council and is a marvelous asset. She comes prepared to meetings with research that support positions in the best interest of everyone. She's a board member of Plainville's Historical Society instrumental in the preservation of Plainville's history and treasures. She's a member of Plainville's Anti-Racist Task Force, advocating for citizens young and old.

Please join me, Gail Williams, a lifetime resident of Plainville, on Election Day and vote for Rosemary Morante, the most qualified, dedicated, reliable human being.

Gail Williams

Dear Editor:

Plainville should support the Republican candidates for the Town Council. The Republican led council has kept our taxes down by keeping the town budget under control.

Our local businesses need the fiscal management the Republican led Town Council has shown in order to grow our town's economy.

If only the State of Connecticut was run as efficiently as Plainville.

Sincerely, Deb Hardy

Dear Editor,

Rebecca Martinez is dedicated to the citizens, families and children of Plainville, understanding the issues involving our schools as a parent, homeowner and member of the BOE.

She has worked tirelessly to promote the common sense decision to allow the citizens to vote on the renovate as new project for MSP, knowing that a partial repair will actually cost more than a complete renovation.

Strong schools are important to a strong town and Plainville deserves leaders who represent all of us without exception. Please support Rebecca Martinez and the Democrats by voting Row A November 7th.

Rob Cayer

Dear Editor,

I strongly support Rosemary Morante for re-election to the Plainville Town Council. Rosemary is a lifelong Plainville resident who has tirelessly served our town with intelligence, professionalism, and vision. She has been a vocal supporter of the MSP renovate like-new project - standing up for our schools and our right to vote on issues despite resistance from the majority. She has prioritized education, public safety, infrastructure and economic development. Rosemary is committed to finding ways to save money or increase revenue; however she always keeps in mind the goal of making Plainville a better place to live.

Please vote for Rosemary and Row A on November 7th for a brighter future for all residents.

Sincerely, Katherine Curtis

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Young at Heart.....Plainville Seniors

PAINVILLE SENIOR CENTER ACTIVITIES **Maxine Kollar, Editor/Office Assistant**

November 7, 2023 1:30 PM To 3:00 PM A Funny Program About Funny Programs: The Greatest Sitcoms of All Time by pop culture historian Martin Gitlin. Call to register.

November 9, 2023 11:30 AM Veterans Thanksgiving Luncheon co-sponsored with Gnazzo's. Call to register by November 7.

November 13, 2023 11:00 AM Meet the Drivers. Join us as we welcome all our new drivers to the Plainville Senior Center team and enjoy a sweet treat. Call to register.

November 14, 2023 10:00 AM Caregiving Connections support group. Call to register.

November 14 and 15, 2023 9:00 To 4:00 PM Dial-a-Ride Fundraiser. Gently used jewelry, cookies and raffles. Jewelry donations accepted until Nov. 9.

November 16, 2023 10:00 AM Snappy Seniors Photography. New members welcome. Call to register.

November 16, 2023 2:00 PM Memory Café at the Senior Center - open to the public. Call for more information or to register.

November 17, 2023 10:00 AM Book Buds. Members Only. Enjoy a great book discussion on "The Dream Lover: A Novel of George Sands" by Elizabeth Berg. Call to register.

November 21, 2023 10:00 AM Help for Veterans. Call Jason Coppola at 203-805-6340 to make an appointment.

November 21, 2023 10:30 AM Grandparents Raising Grandchildren support group. Open to the public. Call Stephanie at the Senior Center for more information.

November 23, 2023 11:30 AM Thanksgiving Dinner at the Senior Center. Open to all Senior Center members and any Plainville resident who is 60 years of age or old who will be alone on Thanksgiving Day. Call to register.

November 28, 2023 10:00 AM Veterans Social Hour. For all veterans over 60 and their spouses. Call to register.

November 28, 10:00 AM—12:00 PM Memory Screening by a Memory Care Advisor from Arden Courts. By appointment only.

November 30, 2023, 11:30 AM Sad and Don't Know Why? Lunch and Learn about Seasonal Affective Disorder. Call to register by November 20.

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If you are a Veteran and a member of the Senior Center or a Veteran and Plainville resident 60 years and over or a member of the Senior Center Veterans' Coffee Hour, you and your spouse are invited to join us on Nov. 9 at 11:30 AM for a complimentary Veteran's Luncheon. We are grateful for your service and sacrifice and look forward to celebrating your contribution to our freedom. Please call the Senior Center to register by November 7 at 860-747-5728.

MEET THE DRIVERS

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 11:00 AM

Join us as we welcome all our new drivers to the Plainville Senior Center team. This will be a fun opportunity to learn about our Dial-a-Ride drivers and enjoy a sweet treat. Please call the Senior Center to sign up.

CAREGIVING CONNECTIONS

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 10:00 AM

Join your caring friends at the Senior Center as we support one another on our journeys & recognize the challenges & frustrations of 24/7 caregiving. You must register to attend. Call the Senior Center to register.

DIAL-A-RIDE FUNDRAISER

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 14 AND WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 9:00 AM—4:00 PM

Join us in support of our great Dial-a-Ride program. We will be hosting fundraiser featuring: Grandma's Cookies, gently used jewelry, raffles of various knitted and sewn items, along with our famous food basket and money tree raffle. There is sure to be something for everyone. Stop by and have a complimentary cup of coffee while enjoying some of Grandma's Cookies and do some holiday shopping. We will be collecting gently used jewelry now through November 9. Your support is greatly appreciated.

SNAPPY SENIORS PHOTOGRAPHY

THURSDAY, Nov. 16, 10:00 AM

This month we will explain how members can better show stunning fall colors in their photographs. This is the most colorful time of the year, from now until Thanksgiving dinner. Also, members will show pictures they have taken recently. We've been getting a lot of participation in showing pictures, giving each other positive feedback and helping others look for ways to take better pictures. Members with all kinds of cell and digital cameras, and various level of photography experiences, are welcome.

MEMORY CAFÉ AT THE SENIOR CENTER

THURSDAY NOVEMBER 16, 2:00 PM OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Memory Café is a social gathering with a safe, supportive, & engaging environment that gives everyone a place to make new friends and interact with others. Enjoy appropriate activities such as crafts, games, music & conversation. For more information about or to sign up, please contact Karen Pagliaro or Stephanie Soucy at the Senior Center. This program is funded in part by Title III of the Older Americans Act through the North Central Area Agency on Aging, Inc. & the CT State Unit on Aging.

BOOK BUDS NOVEMBER: "THE DREAM LOVER: A NOVEL OF GEORGE SANDS" by Eliz. Berg

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 10:00 AM FOR MEMBERS ONLY. INSTRUCTOR: KATHLEEN MARSAN

Elizabeth Berg transports the reader to Parisian life in the nineteenth-century as Aurore Dupin leaves a loveless marriage and her family's estate to start a new life as George Sands, writer. The author shadows Sands' unconventional life-style and trails and tribulations as she becomes one of the most gifted writers of her time. Please be sure to register as there is limited space. The book is available at the main desk at the library.

HELP FOR VETERANS

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 10:00 AM—BY APPOINTMENT

Our Veterans Service Officer, CT Department of Veteran's Affairs, Jason Coppola, will be at the Senior Center at 10:00 AM BY APPOINTMENT ONLY. To schedule an appointment, call Jason at 203-805-6340.

GRANDPARENTS RAISING GRANDCHILDREN

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 10:30 AM

If you are a grandparent or relative who is raising a grandchild, niece or nephew, you are not alone. Come to the support group at the Senior Center and share resources, ideas, struggles, joys and more with others who are raising their grandchildren. Funding for this program is made possible in part by the Older Americans Act through the North Central Area Agency on Aging. You must register to attend. Call the Senior Center or register online at www.schedulesplus.com/plainville.

THANKSGIVING DINNER AT THE SENIOR CENTER

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 23, DOORS OPEN AT 11:30 AM—LUNCH SERVED AT 12:00 PM

We are excited to once again be hosting our annual Thanksgiving Day Dinner. This special holiday meal is open to all Senior Center members and any Plainville resident who is 60 years of age or older who will be alone on Thanksgiving Day. Please join us for a wonderful, homemade, traditional Thanksgiving dinner with all the trimmings. Please register by Tuesday, Nov. 21. Volunteers will provide transportation for those who need a ride to the Senior Center. Let us know when you register if you will need a ride. We do not provide "meals to go". However, if you are homebound and would like dinner delivered to your home, please call and inform us. There is no charge, but donations are greatly appreciated. We are so very thankful for our volunteers and everyone who makes this day possible, along with all those who join us on this day.

VETERANS' SOCIAL HOUR

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 28, 10:00 AM

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

MEMORY SCREENING:

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 28, 10:00 AM—12:00 PM, FREE BY APPOINTMENT

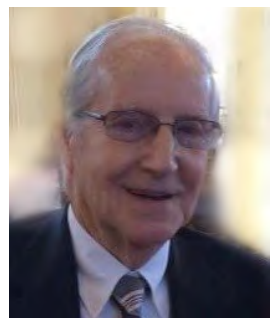
Valerie Bartos, Memory Care Advisor from Arden Courts will conduct memory screenings. A memory screening is a series of questions and tasks designed to gauge memory, language and thinking skills. Screenings last just 5—10 minutes, and while the results are not a diagnosis, scoring below threshold can signal that someone should follow up with a clinician for a full evaluation.

SAD AND DON'T KNOW WHY? LUNCH AND LEARN THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 30, 11:30 AM REGISTER BY NOVEMBER 20.

Seasonal Affective Disorder, commonly known as SAD, is more than just the "Winter Blues". SAD is a real type of depression that is associated with the change of seasons. Join us as Heather Hitchcock, Community Education manager for Bristol Behavioral Health, discusses causes, preventative measures for, signs and symptoms of, and available treatments for SAD. Complimentary lunch provided by The Pines of Bristol/National Health Care.

OBITUARIES

~ Wallace (Wally) Orion Brackett ~



86, of Palm Coast, FL, formerly of Bristol, CT and Southwick, MA, widow of Betty Jane (Salley) Brackett, passed away peacefully to rejoin the love of his life on their wedding anniversary September 28, 2023, surrounded by his loving family. Wally and Betty

were happily married for 64 years before her passing on July 1, 2021.

Wally was born in Bristol, CT on April 13, 1937, son of the late George and Alice (Merrill) Brackett. Wally was the youngest of ten children and he was predeceased by all his siblings: two brothers and seven sisters.

Wally married the love of his life, Betty in 1957 and in 1961 they started their family, had three children, and raised them in Bristol, CT. In 1984, when their family was grown, Wally and Betty built their dream home on Congamond Lake in Southwick, MA, and lived there until moving back to Bristol in 1995. Together they spent the next several years back in Bristol, helping to watch their grandchildren and spending time with family. In 2014 they retired to Palm Coast, FL.

Wally was part owner of Eastern Plastics, Inc. in Plainville, CT for many years with his brother Morris (until his passing) and his nephew Ernest Brackett, until Wally's retirement in 1987. He decided to go back to work and worked for Raym-Co, Inc. until April 2002, then he and his son Todd started TW Machine and worked there until he decided to retire for good.

Wally enjoyed watching both the men's and women's UCONN basketball teams, the Patriots and the Red Sox's. He enjoyed the casino, fishing, camping, traveling with his wife and family, and with friends; whether it be cruising, flying somewhere, or camping. He always enjoyed spending time with his family and with his dogs and cats throughout the years.

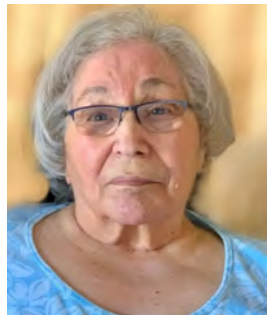
Wally is survived by his children, Karen Brackett Motta (Sam Jr.), Penny Brackett Ives (Gary), Todd Brackett (Tammie); his grandchildren, Samantha Motta Angelillo (David), Nicholas Motta (Ashley), Rachel Motta (Gary), Kyle Raymond (Brandi), Jamie Raymond (Kate), Amber Raymond (Rob), Katherine Ives (Jordon), Jeff Hinds-Brackett, and Margaret Stacey. He also leaves behind 17 great-grandchildren (1 predeceased), with the 18th great-grandchild due in January, his very special niece, which was like a daughter to him, Jennifer Sloan (Rob) and their children Collin and Kiersten and many other nieces and nephews.

Family and friends gathered at Plainville Funeral Home, 81 Broad St., Plainville, CT 06062. Funeral services in celebration of Wally's life were held at the funeral home. Burial followed in Forestville Cemetery, Circle Street, Forestville, CT 06010. In lieu of flowers donations would be appreciated to Alzheimer's Association (www.alz.org) or St Jude (St.jude.org). The staff at Plainville Funeral Home extends their gratitude to the Brackett family for their trust. For more information or to leave online expressions of sympathy, please visit www.PLAINVILLEFUNERALHOME.com

NOTICE: SAINT JOSEPH CEMETERY

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

~ Rena (Bouchard) Charette ~



86, passed away on Friday, October, 13 2023, surrounded by her family. She was born on February 22, 1937 and was the second born of 11 children to the late Albert and Clara (LaFerriere) Bouchard. She was born and raised in Wallagrass, Maine, on Soldier Pond and married her

beloved husband Edmund Charette in 1955.

As a young couple with four children and a newborn, Rena insisted on moving in search of better opportunities. They eventually settled in Plainville, Connecticut, where they welcomed two more children and made a beautiful home where everyone felt loved and welcomed. Rena's home was a place in which her children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren all knew everyone was welcome. Friends and family gathered frequently. Because of Rena's tenacity and drive, her children were provided with more education and opportunities than she had. She had the unique ability to be bold and outspoken, while at the same time displaying empathy and acceptance. This rare combination is what empowered and inspired people around her. Despite the hardships she experienced, she was always smiling and truly enjoyed life. Much of her amusement came from watching others experience joy. Her laughter, along with the many memories she created with her family, will live forever in everyone's hearts

Rena is preceded in death by her husband of 57 years Edmund, son Brian, and siblings Blanche Nadeau, Pricilla Jandreau, Normand Bouchard, and Wallace Bouchard.

She is survived by her children, Greta Cousins of Augusta, ME; Gary (Lisa) of Cromwell, CT; Edmund Jr. of Eagle Lake, ME; Lisa (Steve) Rowe of Plainville, CT; Lynn (Scott) Calloway of Simpsonville, SC; and Bruce of Farmington, with whom she shared an unbreakable bond and made her home for the past eight years; and Dan Bailey; 12 grandchildren and 19 great-grandchildren.

She also leaves behind siblings Nancy Shampang, Sally Siemiatoski, Melford Bouchard, Joseph Bouchard, Roger Bouchard, and Albert Bouchard Jr., many nieces, nephews, friends, and her two cats Camille and Clara.

Special thanks to her two incredible caregivers Janet Emmanuel and Pascual Ruiz who provided Rena not only with support but love and true kindness.

In lieu of flowers, Rena may be remembered with contributions to the Services for the Elderly, Inc., 321 New Britain Ave., Unionville, CT 06085; or to the charity of the donor's choice, preferably one to benefit our veterans or animals.

A Mass of Christian burial in celebration of Rena's life was held at the St. Patrick Church, 110 Main St. Farmington, followed by a burial at St. Joseph Cemetery, 151 Farmington Ave, Plainville. The staff at Plainville Funeral Home extends their gratitude to the Charette family for their trust. For online expressions of sympathy, please visit www.PlainvilleFuneralHome.com



MOM

*She brightened the sky on a cloudy day,
and brought happiness and friendship*

~ Ralph Orville Porter ~



88 of Plainville, passed away on September 28, 2023, with his wife of 60 years, Gloria, by his side following a lengthy illness that he fought with an admirable strength and determination.

Born in Bristol on April 27, 1935, "Ralphie" as he was known to many, was the son

of the late Orville Arthur and Emma (Stehr) Porter. One of three children, Ralphie's journey began in Terryville, where he graduated from high school in 1953. A natural leader, he served as the team manager for both the baseball and basketball teams. His academic achievements were recognized with the prestigious Bausch & Lomb Honorary Science Award, marking the beginning of a lifetime dedicated to continuous growth and knowledge. After passing the entrance exam on his first try, Ralph was admitted to UCONN, where his leadership skills shone once again as he became the team manager for both the basketball and football teams. His love for UCONN sports endured throughout his life, becoming an ardent supporter and lifelong fan.

At the age of 19, Ralph began his professional career with a surveying and engineering firm in Unionville as a rodman, working on several notable statewide projects. Two years later, he was drafted into the U.S. Army and stationed in Munich, where he served as a vital asset in the railroad operations and supervisor of German civilians. After 18 months of honorable service, Ralph was discharged as a Sergeant and received a sharpshooter medal.

Returning to his true passion, Ralph resumed his career in the surveying and engineering field. For close to 30 years, he worked as a licensed surveyor for the Town of Farmington, leaving an indelible mark on the community he served. In 1966, he became a founding member of the Connecticut Association of Land Surveyors, reflecting his commitment to advancing the profession.

In 1963, Ralph married the love of his life, Gloria. Together, they raised three wonderful boys and shared 60 years of incredible memories filled with love, laughter, and unwavering support for one another. Ralph's dedication to family and his role as a husband, father, and grandfather will live on in the hearts of those he leaves behind.

Ralphie was a lifelong sports enthusiast; an avid Red Sox fan, he reveled in their triumphs and shared in their trials. He also found joy in watching NFL football games, NASCAR racing, stock car events, and of course, UCONN men's and women's basketball, with March Madness being his favorite time of year. A pivotal moment in his thrill of gambling came during a trip across the country in 1960 with his Army buddies when he visited the Star Dust Casino in Las Vegas. This passion for the slots remained with him into retirement, frequenting local casinos and Atlantic City with his family and friends whenever the opportunity arose.

In addition to his wife, Gloria, he leaves his sons, Jeffery of Plainville and Shawn, his wife Paula and their two children, Kyle and Daniella of Texas; his sister, Nancy McCampbell and many nieces and nephews. He is now reunited with his son Christopher, who predeceased him in 1985, and his sister Joan.

Ralphie's love for sports may be remembered with contributions to the Bristol Little League, 20 Spruce St, Bristol, CT 06010

Family and friends gathered at Plainville Funeral Home, 81 Broad St, Plainville. Words of remembrance were shared. Committal services and military honors were held at St. Joseph Cemetery, 151 Farmington Ave, Plainville. For online expressions of sympathy, please visit www.PlainvilleFuneralHome.com

OBITUARIES

~ Patricia J. (Dulac) Roy ~



84, of Bristol passed away peacefully on October 2, 2023 at the Hospital of Central CT New Britain General Campus. She was the devoted and loving wife of Raymond L. Roy for 57 years.

Patricia was born at home on January 30, 1939 in Plainville daughter to the late Eugene and Ruth (Jones) Dulac. A longtime communicant of Our Lady of Mercy Church, Patricia was a devout Catholic, keeping her faith prominent to her last days, consistently praying for her loved ones. She worked at General Electric in Plainville for 40 years in the shipping and receiving department, retiring after many dedicated years. Patricia enjoyed attending antique car shows with her husband throughout the years. Every summer, Patricia, Raymond and their family would go on their annual summer trips to Skowhegan, Maine where they made many everlasting memories. Family was the center of Patricia's life and she supported her children and grandchildren's endeavors, never missing an important event. She enjoyed visiting with relatives and being surrounded by those she loved most. A woman full of faith, love, and devotion, Patricia will be missed deeply by her family leaving them with many very special memories.

In addition to her husband, Raymond L. Roy, of Bristol, Patricia is survived by her sons, Raymond J. Roy and his wife, Christina, David E. Roy and his wife, Christine, and Michael Roy and his wife, Nancy, all of Plainville, her daughter, Holly Borden and her husband, Eric, of Bristol, her grandchildren, Alyssa and Noah Roy, Ashley and Rayne Roy, Brianna and Christopher Roy, and Eli and Liam Borden, her sister, Jean Lombardo, her brother, Thomas Dulac and his wife, Andree, her sister-in-law, Nancy Dulac, and many extended family members and a large circle of friends. She was predeceased by her brother, Fred Dulac and her sister, Annette Dulac.

Family and friends gathered at Plainville Funeral Home, 81 Broad St., Plainville. A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at Our Lady of Mercy Church, 94 Broad St., Plainville. Burial will follow in Saint Joseph Cemetery, Plainville. Donations in memory of Patricia can be made to the Plainville Community Food Pantry, 54 S. Canal St., Plainville, CT 06062. For more information or to leave online expressions of sympathy, please visit www.PlainvilleFuneralHome.com.

~ Alice Marie Vironique (Labbé) Roy ~



86, of Plainville passed away peacefully on Thursday, October 12, 2023 at the Hospital of Central CT New Britain General Campus. She was the devoted and loving wife of Rene Roy for 61 years.

Alice was born on April 20, 1937 in Québec, Canada one of nine children to the late Joseph and Demerise (Comeau) Labbé. Alice grew up in Canada and worked as an elementary school teacher prior to moving to the United States where she worked for the State of Connecticut Revenue Division as a financial clerk, retiring in 2002 after 16 dedicated years of service. She loved to cook and sew and was famous for her lasagna, which was requested every holiday. She spent several years after retirement volunteering at the Plainville Senior Center, crocheting clothes for a variety of special needs. Alice and her family loved spending time at the Connecticut shore and could often be found hunting for sea glass on sunny summer days. Family was the center of her world and she delighted in spending time with those she loved most. She was a devout Catholic and a parishioner at Our Lady of Mercy Church in Plainville for many years. A classy, lovely lady with a heart of gold, Alice will be missed deeply as her family cherishes the memories they have shared together over the years.

In addition to her husband, Rene Roy, Alice is survived by her daughter, Denise Kaye and her husband, Bruce, her son, Alain Roy and his husband, Mike Zimmer, her grandchildren, Brian Kaye and his wife, Victoria and Kevin Kaye and his wife, Allyson, and her four beautiful great-grandchildren who she adored, Murphy, Charlotte, Samuel and Xander Kaye.

Family and friends gathered at Plainville Funeral Home, 81 Broad Street, Plainville. A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at Our Lady of Mercy Church, 94 Broad Street, Plainville. Committal followed in Saint Mary Cemetery, New Britain. Donations in memory of Alice may be made to the Alzheimer's Association Connecticut Chapter, 200 Executive Blvd. S #4b, Southington, CT 06489.

For more information or to leave online expressions of sympathy, please visit www.PlainvilleFuneralHome.com.

~ Jeffrey P. Sherman ~

65, of Bristol passed away Friday, October 27, 2023 at Bristol Hospital after a brief and courageous battle with pancreatic cancer.

Jeff was born in Bristol, CT on June 13, 1958; the youngest son to the late Kenneth and Marlene (Fiorillo) Sherman. He lived in the Bristol community nearly his entire life, attending Bristol schools, and graduating from Bristol Central High. A born leader, Jeff went on to own a painting company and ran a very successful business as a painting contractor who was exceptionally meticulous and skilled in his trade. Known for his quick wit and down to earth personality, Jeff had a way of making everyone laugh and making every person he met feel better by just being present. In addition to his parents, Jeff was predeceased by his Grandmother, Rose (Cercone) Fiorillo and his brother, David Sherman.

In lieu of flowers, and in memory of Jeff and his selfless demeanor, donations may be made to Make-A-Wish Foundation, St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, or to your local animal shelter.

Family and friends gathered on Friday at Plainville Funeral Home, 81 Broad St., Plainville. Burial was held privately by the family.

For more information or to leave online expressions of sympathy, please visit www.PlainvilleFuneralHome.com

~ Vasco Vincenzo (Vincent) Senese ~



89, of Southington, passed away on 9 October 2023. Papa was born in Colli, Province of Frosinone, Italy on 1 March 1934. Growing up in Italy during World War II forged his character in steel. He spent time in the Italian Army

as a blacksmith before meeting the love of his life Rose Marie (Calderoni) Senese. Papa emigrated to the United States in 1956 with his new bride and settled in Bristol, CT. They raised a large family of six children and moved to Bloomingburg, NY, in 1975 where Papa opened a successful welding business ... Vincent's Welding ... crafting all sorts of ornamental welding products including railings and fireplace doors. One of his finest fireplace doors is still evident in the lobby of the Hotel Thayer at West Point, NY. Papa and Rose Marie missed their family in CT and moved back to Southington in 2011 when he retired. Papa was a master mechanic and could build and repair anything with minimal instructions. In his spare time, he enjoyed cycling, playing cards, drinking fine wine, watching soccer, and listening to Italian music.

Papa is survived by his wife of 67 years, Rose Marie Senese, his four sons, John Senese and fiancé, Gina Monteleone of Farmington, CT, Rocco Senese and his wife Marie of New Hampton, NY, Antonio Senese of Southington, CT, and Vincent Senese of Fort Lauderdale, FL, and his two daughters, Anna (Senese) Gibbons and her husband Tom of Stonington, CT, and Maureen (Senese) Rossi and her husband Victor of West Granby, CT, and daughter-in-law, Gina Senese, of Bristol, CT.

Papa is also survived by his 9 grandchildren John Gibbons and his wife Alexa of Duvall, WA, Meaghan (Gibbons) Silverman and her husband Jake of Jersey City, NJ, Justin Rossi and his wife Lindsey of Tom's River, NJ, Alex Rossi of New Jersey, Joshua Senese of Bristol, CT, Briana Senese of Southington, CT, Kyle Senese, Jake Senese, and Angelina Senese of New Hampton, NY.

He also has 4 great-grandchildren Allison and Matthew Gibbons of Duvall, WA, and Dominic and Amelia Rossi of Tom's River, NJ, and several nieces, nephews, and cousins.

Papa was predeceased by his mother, Anna Simone Senese, and father, Giovanni Senese, his four sisters, Maria Senese Spaziani and Lina Senese Spaziani, and two younger sisters as a child.

Papa lived life to the fullest every day and his legacy lives on in each of us.

In lieu of flowers, please make donations to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital at <http://www.stjude.org>

Family and friends gathered at Plainville Funeral Home, 81 Broad St, Plainville. Funeral services were at Plainville Funeral Home, with a Mass of Christian Burial at at St. Joseph Church, 33 Queen St, Bristol. Committal followed at St. Joseph Cemetery, Bristol. For online expressions of sympathy, please visit



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PUMPKINFEST

So sorry we were unable to greet you at the Pumpkinfest. The forecast of windy conditions caught us last minute without adequate tie-downs for our tent, required to insure your safety, thus preventing our participation. We missed you, too.

PROGRAMS

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 9

at 2:15-4:00

Sue Marinelli presents

“TREASURES FROM

THE CHILDREN’S ROOM”

OPEN HOUSE FOLLOWING

Snow date December 10

OLD BUSINESS

We are still looking for information on House #2, identification of two Powder Puff Girls , a vintage umbrella stand and a 2000 Plainville High School yearbook.

THE HILLS MANSION

By: Lucie B



When driving on Washington Street, there are two massive granite gate posts on the corner of Washington and Hillscres Road. They were built in the 1890s. It was the entrance to the Edwin Hills Mansion. Hillscres Road was not in existence in the 1890s. There were also iron fences on the estate attaching to each post. All you can see now is where the scars of the fences bordered the property.

At 15 Washington Street in Plainville, sat a beautiful mansion that belonged to Mr. Edwin Hills. It was built in 1872, shortly after Mr. Hills married Miss Emma Bullen. The couple had one son, Edwin Hiram Hills, born in 1883. Edwin Hills Sr., died in New York City in 1909. His son passed away in 1927 in Connecticut. Emma and her daughter-in-law and grandchildren continued to live at 15 Washington Street. The home/estate was sold in August, 1952.

On October 18, 1952 Carl W. Hartmann, Auctioneer and Appraiser, held an auction including antiques, modern furnishings, kitchen wares, and garden tools at the former Hills Washington Street home. Lunch was served on the premises.

According to the 1953 Plainville City Directory, Mrs. Emma Hills and her family were living on Welch Street in Plainville. In March 1953, construction of the homes that now stand on Hillscres Road began.

The two granite pillars were to remain in place. They served as a reminder/memorial to the family that used to live on the Hills estate. There used to be a decorative ball that sat on the top of each pillar. They were removed and set aside during the construction on the estate. And since then, the ornaments went missing.

HISTORIC NOTE: The massive mirror hanging over the mantel in the Victorian Parlor at the Historic Center survives from the Edwin Hills mansion.

Update in a Jiffy

On Monday and Wednesday mornings between 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. (excepting holidays) we receive visitors, do research and generally take care of business. Our volunteer staff does a phenomenal job under the guidance of research specialist, Rosemary Morante. We have contact with Plainville natives from all over the country who never left us behind. We love it. Lucie B is our vintage house specialist and is kept busy researching the history of private homes at the request of the owner and Mike Buckler is available to do individual searches. He also does tours if you drop in . If you are curious about a “townie” legend let us know.

FOLLOWING UP:

Food traditions in Plainville.

After remembering Perrotti’s and Rogers, we can be thankful for Gnazzo’s and their meat department where you can still buy fresh store-ground hamburger. They will cut and trim your meat choice, and you can order the perfect holiday turkey for your needs. You can even buy Mountain White bread for your basket.

Happy Thanksgiving.

..Janice

THANKSGIVING TRADITION

By the 1800s, football had become the national Thanksgiving sport. College games dominated, the star attraction being Yale vs. Harvard at the polo grounds in NYC. In 1934, the Detroit Lions broadcast on the radio the Thanksgiving pro-football game for the first time.

We remember when for so many years the Plainville-Southington football game on Thanksgiving morning was a ritual.

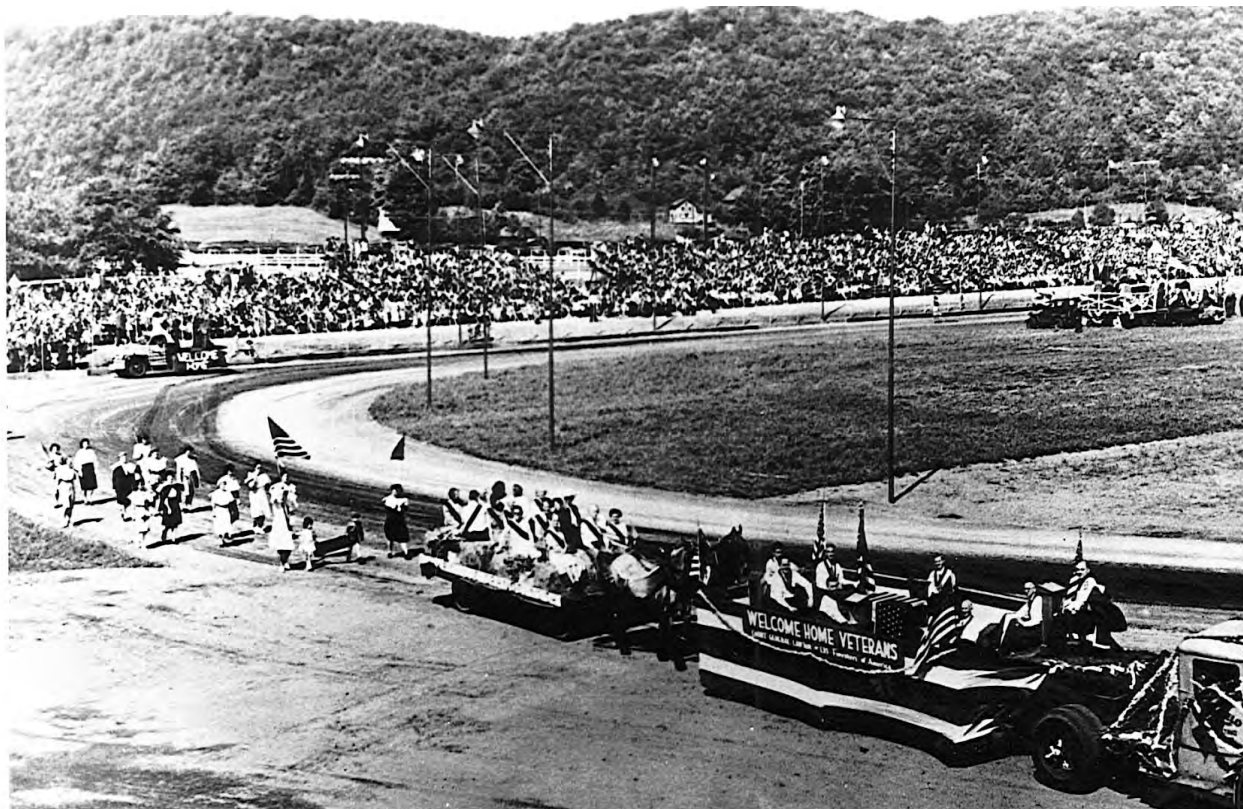
“May we ask guidance in more surely learning the ancient truth that greed and selfishness and striving for undue riches can never bring lasting happiness or good.”

President Franklin Delano Roosevelt
Thanksgiving 1933

Veteran’s Day November 11th

Pictured Below

**W.W. 11- Homecoming
Plainville Stadium 1946**



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Remembering.....Rogers Bakery

Remembering....ROGERS BAKERY

Front and center downtown Plainville, the kitty-corner wooden green screen door with the metal pull, slams shut behind us as we enter. Oh, that aromatic sweetness. It's Saturday and always busy. Inside, a smiling Ma "Helen" Rogers, in her big white apron greets us. She's placing cookies on huge sheets to be baked, all the while waiting on folks, who suddenly feel hungry.

Mrs. Rogers mentored a succession of local teenagers who worked part-time after school and on weekends to help her dispense goodies and learned about responsibility, serving the public, and the joy of earning their own money.

We remember, white mountain bread, Thanksgiving pumpkin pies, (perfectly spiced), apple and mince, too.

On Fridays there was Yankee pizza, plain cheese and sauce on thick Rogers bread dough, sold in big squares. Who can forget the honey dipped donuts for a nickel? What was your favorite?

It's Saturday late afternoon and people are picking up their bean pot full of Rogers' recipe baked beans. They were sold by the pound in containers, of course, but if you left your pot on Friday, the baker would fill it for you and place it separately in the big oven. That oven produced more gas over the years than the Atlantic pipeline.

Then, of course, were personal birthday cakes and those "made to order" elegant wedding cakes.

Maybe you have the picture of one in your wedding album. We would love it if you would like to share it with us.



Pictured (L-R) Employees and owners of Rogers Bakery Art Osgood, Myron Rogers, Tessie MacLead, Gladys Daniels, Marie Morse, and Melvin Rogers.



Horse drawn delivery wagon traveled the streets of Plainville serving the residents with fresh bake goods.

JOE FROGGERS

These cookies were baked every election day in colonial America.

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| 1/3 cup hot water | 3 1/2 -4 C flour |
| 2 tbs. rum | 1/8 tsp. salt |
| 1 tsp. baking soda | 1 tsp. ginger |
| 1 C molasses | 1/2 tsp. powdered cloves |
| 1 C sugar | 1/2 tsp. ground nutmeg |
| 1 C butter | 1/2 tsp. allspice |

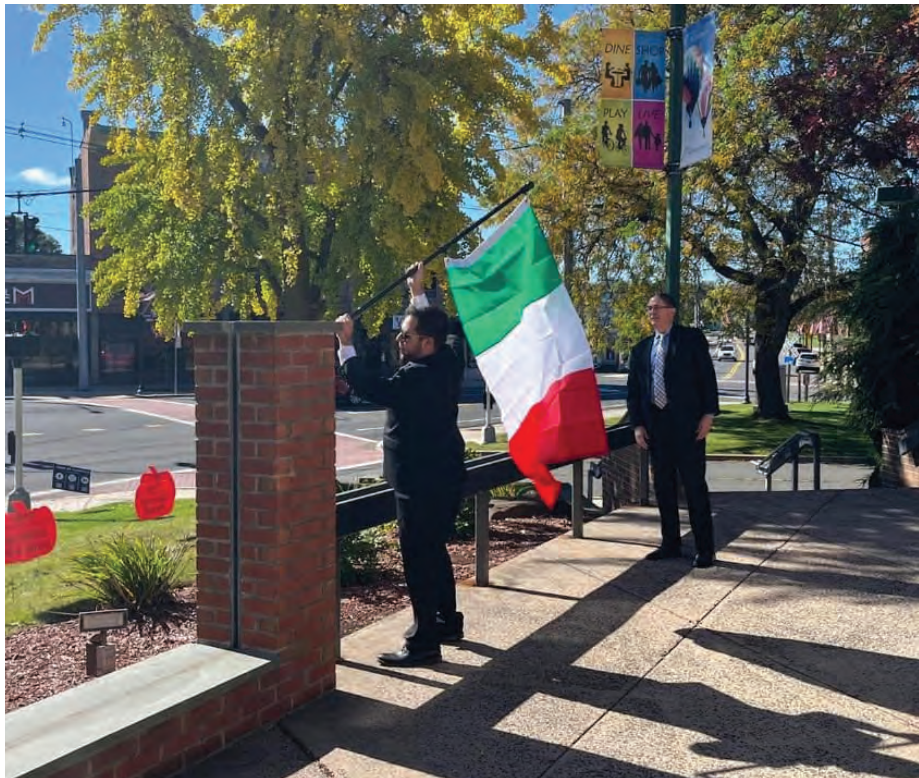
Stir the rum into the 1/3 cup hot water and set aside. Stir the baking soda into the cup of molasses and set aside. In a large bowl, cream sugar and butter until light and fluffy. Sift dry ingredients together and add to sugar-butter mixture. Blend in hot water/rum, then soda/molasses. Cover bowl with damp cloth and refrigerate overnight. Roll out dough on pastry cloth or lightly floured surface to 1/4 or 1/2 inch thickness and cut into rounds with 4" cutter. Bake at 375 for 10-12 minutes.

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OBITUARIES

~ Tyler Francis Corriveau ~



left his family and friends heartbroken when his earthly journey came to an end on October 16, 2023 following a hard fought battle with Guillain-Barré syndrome.

Born on November 3, 1999, he was one of two children to Jennifer Grzeszczak of New Britain and the late Nathan Corriveau. Tyler was raised and educated in Plainville, having excelled on the track and field team during his years at Plainville High School, and attended Goodwin University. Tyler

pursued his passion in the field of Physical Therapy, recently working as an aid at Bone and Joint Institute at Hartford Hospital, where he made a lasting impact on countless patients, and was currently enlisted in the US Army Reserves, proudly serving his country on active duty.

Tyler had a love for cooking, and an infectious enthusiasm for sports as a loyal fan of the Seattle Seahawks, NY Yankees, and the Boston Celtics. His eclectic taste in music and collectibles reflected his vibrant personality and unique character. Tyler's fashion-forward sense was showcased by his bold choice of attire, with pink being his go-to color, symbolizing his confidence and zest for life. Gone from our sight, he will never be gone from the hearts of those who knew and loved him.

In addition to his mom, he leaves his little sister and best friend, Tori; his soul mate, Brianna Pintavalle with whom he was set to spend forever with in April 2024; his "Gram and Poppie" Francis and Debbie Cawley; his grandmother Sandra Corriveau; his aunts Amy Corriveau and Rebecca Voisine and her husband Rodney; his uncle, Kevin Corriveau; cousins Alexis and Ari Corriveau and Sarah, Jake and Kathryn Voisine; countless friends and extended family, including his future in-laws, Lynn and Brian Pintavalle and John Pintavalle; and his adored cats, Gus, Stormi and Lily.

Family and friends gathered to celebrate the remarkable life of Tyler at Plainville Funeral Home, 81 Broad St, Plainville. Prayers and words of remembrance were shared followed by military honors. For online expressions of sympathy, please visit www.PlainvilleFuneralHome.com



~ Dr. Francis ("Rusty") P. Camp ~

78, beloved Dentist, Husband, Father, Grandfather, Friend, name all the titles, he held them all strongly, passed away peacefully on October 26, 2023 due to the results of an accidental fall at home. He was the loving and devoted husband of Nora (Francis) Petroski Camp.

Rusty was born in New Britain on December 26, 1944 son to the late Frank and Clara (Morante) Camp. He attended Plainville schools, graduating from Plainville High School in 1963, where he was a star athlete excelling on the basketball court prominently. Rusty attended Providence College prior to Dental School at Temple University in Philadelphia. From there, he proudly joined the U.S. Army and was stationed in Monterey, California, serving from 1971 to 1973 and was honorably discharged.

In 1974, Rusty returned to Plainville, where he joined Dr. Andrew Basile's dental practice and "the rest is history." Rusty truly loved going to work every day, taking care of his patients while creating everlasting friendships, and working alongside his best friends and associates, Dr. Stephen Lupini and Dr. Ralph Sambor. Rusty was working right up to the day of his tragic accident.

Rusty loved playing golf and spending time with his many, many friends. He was a member of Chippanee Golf Club before joining Farmington Country Club, where he enjoyed the 19th hole nearly as much as holes 1-18. Rusty also enjoyed spending summers in Old Lyme and more recently winters in Florida.

For the last 14 years, among Rusty's greatest joys, was spending time with his beloved grandson, Joey.

In addition to his wife, Nora, Rusty leaves behind his son, Peter Camp, his grandson, Joey Camp, his sister, Kathryn (Camp) Lickwar (Paul), his special cousins that were as close to him as if they were his sisters, Christine Gawrys and Kathy Jane Kershaw (David), his stepson, Todd Petroski (Lindsay) and their children, Emily and Timothy Petroski, his mother-in-law, Katherina Krucpzak, his special nieces, Audrey Alt (Daniel) and Cara Cavanaugh, his business partners and best friends, Dr. Ralph Sombar (Camille) and Dr. Stephen Lupini (Heidi), and many, many, many cousins, nieces, nephews, extended family members, along with a very wide circle of friends.

The family would like to thank all of Rusty's amazing, skilled, and compassionate caregivers at Hartford Hospital, Gaylord Hospital, and Cherry Brook Health Care Center, where he not only received top-notch care, but also developed several new close relationships over the last several months.

Family and friends are welcome to gather to celebrate Rusty's life on Wednesday, November 1, 2023 from 4 to 7 PM at Plainville Funeral Home, 81 Broad St., Plainville. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated on Thursday, November 2, 2023 at 10 AM at Our Lady of Mercy Church, 94 Broad St., Plainville. Everyone is asked to meet directly at the church. In honor of Rusty's service to our country in the U.S. Army, full military honors will be accorded following the Mass. Burial will be held privately. For more information or for online expressions of sympathy, please visit:

www.PlainvilleFuneralHome.com. In lieu of flowers, donations in memory of Rusty can be made to any charitable organization that supports Autism Awareness. A scholarship fund to remember Rusty will also be established and more information will be provided.

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Maine Shooting Suspect Found Dead

The man accused of killing 18 people in Lewiston, Maine, was found dead; he appeared to have died from a self-inflicted gunshot wound.

Robert Card's body was found next to a dumpster at a recycling plant he previously worked at in Lisbon Falls, ME, about twenty minutes from the scene of Wednesday's mass shooting.

Card's vehicle was found seven miles southeast of Lewiston, next to a boat launch, where police believe he boarded a jet-ski and made his way down the river to Lisbon Falls.

All 18 victims of the shooting have been identified. Their ages range from 14 to 76.

Robert E. Lee's Statue Melted Down

A statue of Confederate General Robert E. Lee was melted down at a secret ceremony, part of a project called Swords into Plowshares.

Plans to remove the statue sparked the Unite the Right rally in 2017, and the removal was completed four years later. A team from the University of Virginia and a local museum created the plan to melt the statue into bronze ingots and create a new piece of public art.

The plan was kept quiet in order to avoid "threats and legal action," according to one report.

Hi! there, Everyone,

It's Speaker of the House, Mike Johnson. I wanted to reach out and introduce myself because, I hear you are one of our most dedicated grassroots supporters.

I was raised in Shreveport, LA. My father was a firefighter who taught me early the importance of service and sacrifice.

I attended Louisiana State University, where I received a degree in business and later my law degree.

As a constitutional lawyer, I worked tirelessly to protect religious freedom, the sanctity of human life, and biblical values.

But most importantly, I am husband to my wife Kelly and father to our four amazing children.

I'm honored to serve as Speaker of the House and to work with you to expand our conservative Majority in 2024.

We have so much work to accomplish, and I can't wait to get started. But I need to ask you one favor.

Will you join my team today and help me fight for our conservative values by expanding our Majority in 2024?

JOIN MY TEAM

Thank you for your unwavering commitment to our conservative movement.

God Bless, Speaker Mike Johnson

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Letter to the Editor:

Most people know Mike Johnson as the new Speaker of the House, a constitutional law attorney, and small business owner – but to our family, he's husband, dad, and role model.

My name is Kelly Johnson, and I'm Mike's wife and his number one supporter. We've been married for 23 years now, and I have never known anyone who is more tirelessly committed to serving God, our country, and its people—or who fights as hard for our principles every single day. He was born with that servant's heart.

Mike is respected for his courage and integrity and trusted for his wisdom and insight. He is honest, principled, smart, and unshakeable. That's precisely what America needs in these times of unprecedented challenge.

I wanted you to hear a bit more about my husband Mike, from me, the person who knows him best.

I am grateful every day that our four beautiful children have such a strong role model and devoted father. We are in the greatest fight yet for the heart, soul, and direction of our country. As you know, the future that some have envisioned for America is horrifying.

Sincerely, Kelly

Answers

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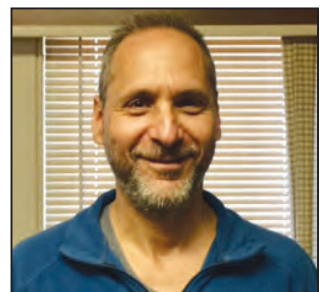
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Letters to the Editor.....

I'm writing to recommend Rebecca Martinez be re-elected to Plainville's Board of Education (BOE).

Rebecca currently serves on the BOE and is a tremendous advocate. Rebecca is passionate about our children. She isn't afraid to say and do what's right. She is a mother, caretaker and a leader. She knows how to keep us informed when others want to push their personal agendas. She keeps us informed. Plainville needs Rebecca.

Please join me, **Dayna R Snell**, a lifetime resident of Plainville, on Election Day and vote for Rebecca Martinez, the most qualified, experienced, dedicated person for the job.

To the Editor:

Plainville should have a Town Council that believes in and supports the voters right, to approve or reject, the process approved by the Plainville Board of Education to make renovations to Plainville Community School's buildings. Quinn Christopher, Ben Gediman, Dan Hurley, Rosemary Morante and Christopher Wazorko all believe in and support this basic right of the people. I believe they have earned your support and vote on November 7, 2023.

Foster S. White

Dear Editor:

We are excited to vote for Dave Underwood again this November! Dave is an active and involved Town Council member in Plainville and has worked hard in keeping our mill rate as low as possible. We have known Dave Underwood for over 10 years, he's a dedicated parent and a wonderful neighbor and we know Dave will work hard for all the citizens of Plainville.

Dave grew up in this town and raised his family here. He has served his country as a member of The Connecticut's Army National Guard and he has always served the people of Plainville proudly. We hope our friends and neighbors will vote for Dave Underwood for Town Council and the endorsed Republican team on Nov 7th, 2023.

Sincerely, Bill & Karen Morrison

Dear Editor,

My name is Roberta Lauria and I am running in this year's election for the Plainville Board of Education. I attended and graduated from the Plainville school district. I was appointed to the Board of Education in January 2023 after the retirement of a beloved Board member. During my time on the Board, I have been part of the budget process, part of the hiring of the interim superintendent, and part of the hiring of the new superintendent for Plainville Community Schools. I would like to continue and be the voice for our youngest residents, our children, and would appreciate your support and vote on November 7th. **Thank you. Have a good day!**

Regards, Roberta

Dear Editor,

I strongly support our REPUBLICAN endorsed slate and ask you to VOTE ROW B on November 7th.

Plainville Republicans will always focus on fiscal responsibility first. Plainville Republicans will always ensure proper use of your tax dollars.

Plainville Republicans will always advance efforts to improve academic excellence and overall achievement and prioritize safety of our schools.

It is my hope that you will join me to vote Row B on November 7th to continue with Republican leadership, and bring careful and thoughtful options to our voters.

Gayle Dennehy

Plainville Republican Town Chair

Dear Editor:

I support Jacob Rocco for Town Council. Jacob has brought his expertise in accounting to help the Plainville Town Council keep the budget and our taxes under control. Plainville needs his expertise on the Town Council.

Sincerely, Barbra Davison

Dear Editor,

I'm writing to you to endorse Roberta Lauria for Plainville Board of Education in the upcoming election on November 7th, 2023. Roberta is a very caring person who has the best interest in our little town in mind. She had taken over the position in January 2023 and deserves to hold the position on the board on her merits. She was heavily involved in hiring our interim superintendent and was involved in the hiring process of our new superintendent. She was also involved in the Board of Education budget. I believe she will continue to have the best interests of our town's children if allowed to continue.

Thank you, Cathy Romano

Dear Editor,

I am writing to support the Plainville Republican candidates running for the Town Council. Over the years the Republicans have shown their financial responsibility and restraint in spending, which has led to keeping any tax increases to a minimum.

This has been most important over the past several years with the repercussion of the COVID pandemic and inflation. An example of their responsibility to the tax payers would be for a request in June of last year, at a Council meeting, by the education system to rush through an approximate \$60,000,000 project for the Middle School to start a state grant process. This would have been the town's largest bonding package ever. They wanted the Council to move forward that night to meet a state grant dead line in two weeks after only receiving the package that night and not having the chance to look at it. The Republicans, not the Democrats, on the Council decided not to go forward with the request so that the Council could take time to look at the proposed project as to costs, necessity and/or other alternatives. **That's financial responsibility, by the Republicans. Please vote Row B.**

George Fensick, II Plainville

Dear Editor

I am looking forward to voting for the Plainville Republican slate on Tuesday, November 7th! As the Vice Chair of the Plainville B.O.E., I could not be any more thrilled with the caliber of candidates that we have in Jered Bruzas, Roberta Lauria and Jonathon Onisto. Their combined resumes and skill sets have raised the bar on candidate expectations. We need qualified and capable Board of Education members in place as we approach this next budget season and look over the "fiscal cliff". In addition to this, we are working with the Town Council on the most expensive, school renovation project Plainville's history. We need to keep our steadfast Republican leadership in place on the Town Council during this process. By doing so, I have confidence that the Plainville voters will get to have their say on the best path forward!

Vote Row B!

Rachel Buchanan



To the Editor,

This is not the town I grew up in. Those elected officials worked together for everyone. No longer the case for the Republicans. Republican council members have cost us money by refusing to allow a vote on a renovate as new, state funded project for MSP.

They propose repairing 60% of the problems at a higher cost. Defies logic and hurts our home values.

Several Republican council members use hateful language to describe some of our students and citizens. If you value kindness, respect and diversity, pay attention to these Republican "leaders".

The Democrats running are fiscally responsible, supportive of strong schools and they value our voices as voters. Vote for Plainville. Vote Democrat.

Cheryl Provost

Dear Editor

This is in response to Cheryl Provost's letter, here and in the October 13th Citizen.

Cheryl, where have you gone - you are better than this. When I was first elected to the Town Council many years ago, I served with your dad, Bob Provost. He was a kind and thoughtful man with a wonderful sense of humor. Although my service with him was brief, I respected his position and service to Plainville. Indeed, I agree, the political atmosphere has changed and the spirit of respect has deteriorated. Thanks for pointing out the decline in civility by your fellow Democrats.

Regarding the Middle School project, your statement about the Republican Council members "they propose repairing 60% of the problems at a higher cost" **is absolute fiction.** The Republican Council asked the administration for an \$11 million proposal for a maintenance upgrade but were presented an astonishing \$36 million proposal. This would of course result in a higher local cost. However, we are all painfully aware the money the state reimburses a town comes from one source - TAXPAYERS. The Middle School conversation shall continue with the Administration and a reasonable, fair solution will be forthcoming.

You stated "Several Republican council members use hateful language to describe some of our students and citizens." **This is again a fictitious claim** devoid of any examples or proof of such action. Shame on you Cheryl!

I look forward to a return of respect and civility within the political arena in Plainville. By honoring our oath of office to serve all our resident to the best of our ability, I shall work diligently to create a fair, honest and reasonable solution all our residents can support.

Kathy Pugliese

Dear Editor:

As Plainville's State Senator and State Representative, we enthusiastically endorse the Plainville Republican candidates for Town Council, Board of Education, Library Board and Constables.

The Town Council candidates Kathy Pugliese, Deb Tompkins, Jacob Rocco, Joe Catanzaro and Dave Underwood have done an outstanding job. They have continuously supported services and public safety initiatives vital to Plainville's residents while ensuring proper use of taxpayer dollars.

The Board of Education candidates Roberta Lauria, Jered Bruzas and Jonathan Onisto are focusing on advancing efforts to improve academic excellence and overall achievement, prioritizing safety of the schools and moving the Middle School renovation forward. Additionally, they continue to support fiscal responsibility and will address ideology taught in the classroom.

The Republican team will continue their fair and reasonable approach to governance. Please join us on November 7th and support the Plainville Republican team.

State Senator Henri Martin

State Representative Francis Cooley

IMMEDIATE NEEDS OPTION FOR PLAINVILLE MSP

MSP IMMEDIATE NEEDS - FACILITIES

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Replace chillers	Professional condition assessment	850,000
New flooring throughout building	End of life operational issues	650,000
New roof	Portions need replacement	600,000
AC for gymnasium	Includes piping, ductwork	420,000
Replace elevator	Safety - occupants stuck	250,000
Drainage at front entrance	Potential safety issue	200,000
Replace student lockers	End of life operational issues	164,000
Refurbish both gym floors	End of life operational issues	125,000
Replace cooling tower	Based upon professional assessment	120,000
Upgrade main gym bleachers	ADA accessibility end of life	110,000
Replace walk in refrigerator boxes	End of life, experiencing failures	70,000
Remove UST	During renovation	40,000
Replace all ext. door hardware	Security risk, parts unavailable	35,000
Window replacement	End of life operational issues	TBD
Estimated Total		10,891,000

Information presented to Town Council by School Administration February, 2023

QUESTION

What does it mean to “bond” a project in town?

ANSWER

Bonding is the method which municipalities borrow to fund large capital projects. This is similar to a mortgage for homeowners. Interest is accrued during the life of the borrowing.

QUESTION

What is the cost of the Middle School project?

ANSWER

The most current cost of the project is \$61,913,406.

QUESTION

Does the Town receive a reimbursement from the State?

ANSWER

The town is projected to receive 65.36% reimbursement for eligible expenses. The local cost is projected at \$26,245,088. However keep in mind the actual local cost including interest for 20 years will be **\$41 million.**

QUESTION

How does the State of Connecticut fund school building projects?

ANSWER

The State of Connecticut follows very similar borrowing as municipalities. As the state bonds for these projects, all taxpayers will eventually pay for these large, long term bonding requests.

QUESTION

Will the taxpayers of Plainville need to vote on the MSP project?

ANSWER

Yes

St. Paul Catholic High School Holds Open Houses and Placement Exam!

St. Paul Catholic High School has announced its' in-person open house dates and Placement Exam date for this fall. If you or someone you know has a prospective student looking to attend St. Paul in the 2024/2025 school year this is the open house you'll want to visit.

All tours are by appointment with a student-led guided tour of our campus. Students and faculty will guide you through the halls of St. Paul and answer any questions you might have. You'll also have an opportunity to meet with other students and faculty and see what St. Paul is all about.

Visit spchs.com/openhouse to register for an appointment time on Saturday, November 18 starting at 10:00am with the last appointment being 1:00pm.

Also, St. Paul Catholic High School has scheduled a Placement Exam date for prospective grade 9 and grade 10 students. The Placement Exam is a standardized test that incoming students take as part of the admissions process that evaluates their performance levels in math, language and reading. This exam will be held at the school on Saturday, December 2 beginning at 8:00am. When students take the exam they will be eligible for merit scholarships. To register visit spchs.com/placementexam.

Please contact the Admissions Office at 860-584-0911 x434 or admissions@spchs.com with any additional questions.

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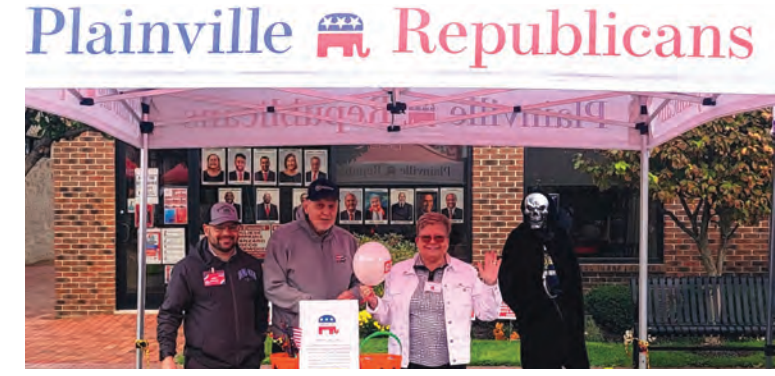
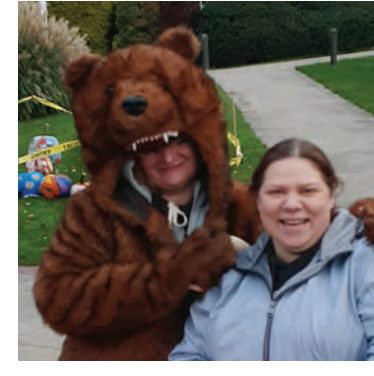
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Dear Valued Patients,

It is with a heavy heart that I share the news of the passing of my esteemed colleague and dear friend, Dr. Francis Camp.

As many of you know, Dr. Camp encountered an unfortunate accident earlier this spring. He was deeply touched by the outpouring of love and support from many of you during these past months.

He often expressed his profound gratitude and love for having had the opportunity to provide dental care to you, your families, and friends over the years. His compassionate service, dedication, and the warm smiles he shared with us all have left a lasting mark.

We will continue to cherish Dr. Camp's memory by upholding the values he stood for in our practice. Our team is here to support you, and we thank you for being a cherished part of our practice family.

We kindly request that, to support the well-being of our staff during this difficult time, you share your condolences and memories of Dr. Camp with us in person at your next appointment, rather than over the phone. We look forward to hearing your cherished memories and sharing in the celebration of Dr. Camp's wonderful life and career the next time we see you. Your understanding and support during this time are greatly appreciated.

For those interested in funeral service details, information will be available in the Hartford Courant.

Warm regards,

Dr. Stephen Lupini and the Central CT Dental Group team

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For helping to prepare our raffle baskets: Eli McGhee, Riley Marquez, Konrad Werpachowski

For moving the heaving grills and helping with setup on Saturday and cleanup on Sunday: Football Players: Dom Abarno Anthony Abarno Bobby Wright CJ Wright Joe Vasquez Shane McCormick Brucenell Bonsu Josi Pacheco

For serving our patrons, and for cleanup: Jayden Dipinto Konrad Werpachowski London Porter

For running our basket raffle:

Donjeta Doroci and Arjeta Doroci
London Porter (for calling our winners)

For working with our kids with arts, crafts and games:

Georgia Incognito and Mia Huppenbauer

We would also like to thank Sara Wartonick and Coach Tim Shea for helping to organize this group of fine students and athletes.

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People can register online at www.parcdisabilitiesct.org. To sponsor or for more information, call the PARC office at (860) 747-0316 or email edonovan@parcdisabilitiesct.org. PARC is a 501 (c) (3) organization.

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Gladys Floyds Missionary Society (2nd Sun)
Deaconess Board (3rd Sun)
Lay Council (1st & 3rd Sat) 9:30 a.m.
Christian Education (3rd Tues) 7:00 p.m.
Men's Meeting (2nd/4th Sat) 9:30 a.m.
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 We miss the outings with our friends,
 We miss the busy cheer of children around us,
 We miss driving around to far-off places.
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