

Here's more good news — and some bad — about taxes

You might lose much or even most of your tax savings from 1983's favorable tax changes if you were among the millions hit by fire, storm or other casualty losses in 1983. The vast majority of you no longer will be able to claim any casualty losses at all. The tax law has knocked out sharing the losses with the millions of you who suffered uninsured damages to a car, stolen bikes, losses of cash through muggings, other casualties.

And even if your losses from fire, storm and the like were substantial, the IRS now will bear only a fraction of your loss or none at all.

In contrast to previous years, you no longer will be able to deduct 100 percent of your personal (non-business) casualty losses in excess of \$100 for each casualty. For '83, you must not only deduct the first \$100 of every casualty loss, you also must reduce your total casualty losses in excess of the \$100 wastage by 10 percent of your adjusted-gross income.

"Adjusted gross income" is your gross income, unreduced by your itemized deductions or exemptions.

Say you have an adjusted gross income of \$30,000 and you were hit by a \$2,500 storm or other casualty loss to your home, car, boat or other personal property in 1983. In 1982, you could deduct the \$2,500 loss (\$100 for each casualty — or \$2,400, assuming you were in a 32



Your Money's Worth
Sylvia Porter

percent tax bracket, IRS shared your loss up to \$768 (32 percent of \$2,400). But for '83, you have no casualty-loss deduction at all. You bear the full loss. The 10 percent of \$30,000 "wastage" (\$3,000) wipes out your deduction.

Thus, if your casualty losses are less than 10 percent of your adjusted gross income, don't bother completing the casualty-loss section of your '83 Form 1040. Your casualty-loss deduction will be forfeited.

Your 1983 income tax may be increased also because of two new unfavorable changes in the medical expense deduction rules for '83.

- For '82, you could claim up to \$150 of medical insurance premiums even though the 3 percent

"wastage" reduction for medical expense eliminated any otherwise allowable medical expenses. This "complication" in filing your return has been eliminated for 1983. The entire medical insurance premiums are now added to your other medical expenses subject to the "wastage" reduction.

- The 3 percent of adjusted gross income "wastage" allowed in 1982 has been increased to 5 percent for '83. If your adjusted gross income for '83 is \$35,000, you lose \$1,750 (5 percent of \$35,000). In a 30 percent bracket, this could add \$210 to your 1983 taxes (30 percent of \$700).

Before completing your medical expense deduction schedule on your income tax return for '83, check whether your medical expenses will exceed the 5 percent "wastage" figure. If they don't, there is no sense in torturing yourself and completing this section of Form 1040.

There were several tax-return filing changes, generally good news.

- 1. Form 1040A is now available to more individuals. And you may be able to use the simpler Form 1040A, though you could not in 1982. If you made a contribution to an Individual Retirement Account, you had to use the longer Form 1040 for '82. If you

wanted to claim a child-care credit, you had to file 1040.

But for '83, the millions of you who made contributions to an IRA or had child-care credit can use the simpler Form 1040A to claim these deductions or credits. You must, of course, be otherwise qualified to use Form 1040A. But the simpler Form 1040A has become less simple. It's no longer a two-page Form 1040A but in 1983, it consists of a two-page Form 1040A plus a two-page schedule 1, Form 1040A.

- 2. You now have an automatic extension to Aug. 15, 1984, if you can't file your '83 Form 1040 on its due date of April 15, 1984. By filing Form 4868, you can get a four-month automatic extension to Aug. 15. In filing your '82 return, you were allowed only a two-month extension to June 15, 1983.

This four-month automatic extension now applies equally to filers of Form 1040A. Previously, the automatic extension could not be used by Form 1040A filers. Note: You have up to the extension time to make your '83 contributions to a new or existing IRA or to a Keogh existing on Dec. 31, 1983.

The extension does not give you the right to defer paying your tax, however. You must pay with the extension request on Form 4868 what you expect to be the balance of your '83 tax.

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Town firefighter Robert Martin (kneeling left), an unidentified Vernon medic (kneeling right) and paramedic training coordinator James Clark (standing right) administer oxygen as they pull Selina LaChance, 16, from the wreckage of the car she was riding in Wednesday afternoon. The car collided with another on West Middle Turnpike near exit 92 of Interstate 86. The unidentified man in the white shirt (left) assisted Miss LaChance, who died later at Manchester Memorial Hospital. Police officer Paul Lombardo (left) is investigating the accident.

16-year-old girl fatally injured in 2-car crash

A 16-year-old East Hartford girl died Wednesday afternoon from injuries she suffered when the car she was riding in swerved to avoid hitting a tractor-trailer truck on West Middle Turnpike and collided with a car coming from the opposite direction, police said today.

Selina LaChance, of 33 Elmer St., East Hartford, died at Manchester Memorial Hospital, about two hours after being pulled by town paramedics from the wreckage of the car in which she had been a passenger. She was conscious and talking at the time she was rescued, but died later on the operating table of multiple internal injuries, officials said after leaving the scene of the crash.

The driver of the car, Mark J. Pelletier, 16, also of 33 Elmer St., was admitted to the hospital pediatrics ward with a fractured thigh and is listed in satisfactory condition, police and hospital spokesmen said.

Manchester resident Donna Potter, 16, of 40 N. Elm St., who was reportedly sitting between Pelletier and LaChance in the front seat of the car, is in satisfactory condition with multiple injuries.

Half of food items in Bay State contain pesticide ETB

BOSTON (UPI) — Tests show nearly half of 96 food items commonly found on store shelves in Massachusetts contain "significant" amounts of the pesticide EDB — known to cause cancer in laboratory animals.

The state's chief health officer urged consumers to return all 96 products as a precaution.

"There is no safe level for a carcinogen (cancer-causing agent)," Public Health Commissioner Basil Walker said. "All products tested should be returned."

Walker told a news conference Wednesday cake mixes had the highest levels of ethylene dibromide. Cornmeal products and foods containing flour, corn, wheat and oats were found to have lesser levels.

He said the state's retail food stores had agreed to give refunds on all 96 items, even though 50 of the products tested showed only a trace or no sign of the pesticide.

Walker emphasized there is no immediate threat to public health. "This should not be a cause for panic or hysteria. The danger from this type of contamination is a long-term one of increased risk of cancer over a period of time," the commissioner said.

Florida recently removed from the shelves 77 types of packaged food products found to contain more than one part per billion EDB. No cases of EDB poisoning have been reported.

Some states, including California and Florida, have also banned some uses of EDB, while others are considering similar action.

Gov. Michael S. Dukakis urged the Reagan administration to ban all uses of the pesticide nationwide.

"This is a national problem which requires an immediate response by the federal government," Dukakis said. "Unfortunately, that response has not been forthcoming and so individual states, such as Massachusetts and Florida have been forced to act on their own."

Dukakis added that the Environmental Protection Agency has been considering banning the use of the pesticide since 1981. EDB has been in use since 1948 on grain and citrus products, officials said.

Walker said tests during the past month of food products from supermarkets statewide showed EDB levels greater than one part per billion — described as "significant" — in 46 of the 96 products tested.

Fourteen of those products had levels greater than 10 parts per billion and three showed levels greater than 100 parts per billion, Walker said. Thirty others showed trace amounts.

Democrats want vote on Marines

WASHINGTON — House Democrats are moving up the timetable for what threatens to become a major confrontation with President Reagan over the U.S. role in Lebanon.

Speaker Thomas O'Neill, D-Mass., said Wednesday a vote on a resolution calling for the prompt withdrawal of U.S. Marines from Lebanon could come next week — "if humanly possible" and if Republicans do not block the move.

O'Neill had indicated earlier that action by the full House would wait until Congress returns Feb. 21 from its Washington's Birthday recess, but during a Democratic caucus Wednesday several members urged faster action.

The caucus came amid White House complaints that the Democrats were "playing politics" and making it more difficult to achieve a peace settlement in Lebanon.

O'Neill rejected the charge by deputy press secretary Larry Speakes and said Reagan's policy was "a complete failure."

He said "the time has come" to withdraw the 1,600 Marines from Lebanon where 259 servicemen have been killed since the troops began their peace-keeping mission in September 1982.

"We're all unanimous Reagan has failed in his policy," O'Neill said as the Democratic caucus began discussing the withdrawal resolution.

"The Marines don't know why they are there," O'Neill said. "We believe there should be a change in policy. It's a mistake. Get them out of there."

O'Neill said that when he originally agreed to sending the Marines to Lebanon, it was because Reagan told him they were on a diplomatic mission: that a cease-fire had been agreed on and that they had an agreement with the Syrians that they would withdraw their troops.

He never mentioned that Marines were going there to train troops to guard the airport and to protect Lebanese troops, the Massachusetts Democrat said. "They changed the policy... Somewhere they messed up."

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Dupont named to succeed Pass

Gerald R. Dupont today was appointed Manchester's director of general services to succeed Maurice A. Pass, who retired at the end of December.

Dupont, 29, who has served as acting director of the department since Pass's retirement, was selected from among four finalists for the position by Director of Finance Thomas S. Moore.

"Jerry was the top among the four finalists," Moore said.

Dupont has worked for the town as a buyer since 1977. As director, he will act as the town purchasing agent and will supervise the town's printing and mail room operations. Dupont said he was pleased by the appointment.

"I hope to continue to have the department function as well as Mr. Pass did," he said.

Dupont is a graduate of East Catholic High School and holds a bachelor's degree in accounting from the University of Connecticut.

He resides with his wife at 239 Martin Road in Hebron, where they recently moved from Manchester.

Steven R. Werber, assistant general manager and personnel director, said that only one minority candidate — a black male — applied for the position. That candidate, however, did not qualify, he said.

The appointment of Dupont leaves the positions of chief building inspector and director of planning still unfilled. James Fitzpatrick, acting chief building inspector, said he is seeking a permanent appointment to that post.

However, Carol A. Zebb, acting director of planning, said she has decided not to apply for that post.

Rebels attack Lebanese army Full-scale war closer

BEIRUT, Lebanon (UPI) — Lebanese rebels demanding a greater role in the government attacked army positions around Beirut today with artillery fire, pushing the nation closer to a full-scale civil war.

The shelling by Syrian-backed Muslim Druse militiamen shattered a short-lived overnight lull following a day of similar attacks and shelling of Christian east Beirut residential neighborhoods and suburbs.

State-run Beirut radio said Lebanese government forces came under an artillery barrage early today and the troops returned the fire but there were no immediate reports of casualties.

Syrian President Hafez Assad, backing Lebanese opposition groups, said in an interview reported today the U.S. Marines should withdraw from Beirut to avoid greater American involvement in Lebanon.

Assad, in remarks reported by state-run Damascus radio, also indicated his government's recent contacts with the U.S. administration were unproductive. U.S. envoy Donald Rumsfeld and Assistant Secretary of State Richard Murphy were in Damascus earlier this week for talks with Syrian leaders.

On Wednesday, three government troops were killed in Beirut's southern suburbs by Shiite Muslim sniper fire. At least four other people died, including a retired Lebanese army officer and his wife, when a shell crashed into a street they were crossing.

Six more weeks of winter

Manchester residents can prepare for six more weeks of winter, according to Connecticut Chuckles, the weather-forecasting groundhog who resides at the Lutz Children's Museum.

Eric Thomas, animal curator at the museum, said that when Chuckles was removed from his cage at 6:57 this morning, he could sense what's outdoors," Thomas said.

He added that Chuckles' prediction matched that of Punxsutawney Phil, the Punxsutawney, Pa., groundhog who has become a national weather barometer on Groundhog Day.

"He determined it was too bright and too cold to come out," Thomas said.

Chuckles was not actually brought outdoors, he said. Instead, conditions inside the animal room were simulated to approximate those outside.

"Even though he was inside, he could sense what's outdoors," Thomas said.

This is the fifth year that Chuckles has made a prediction, Thomas said.



GERALD R. DUPONT
top of four finalists

Be prepared

How you can survive a tax audit

By Robert Metz
Newspaper Enterprise Association
(Lost of 14 articles)

Short of a scratch on a new car, there is almost nothing that can spoil your day like a letter from the Internal Revenue Service asking for an audit. If you get such a letter, be thoroughly familiar with your tax return before you leave the house to head for the district office.

Generally, the IRS agent will concentrate on items that were checked on the form letter informing you of the audit. Study your entire tax form, but concentrate on the items that the IRS has questioned.

If the IRS is asking for proof of deductions make sure you have it. Paid bills, canceled checks, paycheck stubs showing union dues check-offs are just a few of the many items that can help you.

If there is some item of proof you can't find, don't concede the point right away. If you no longer have a receipt for your attic insulation, for example, you might be able to get one from the contractor who installed it. Or the agent may accept some secondary form of verification. Generally, the agent may accept your word on a deduction or two if you fully verify other questioned items.

Under no circumstances should you ignore your appointment. If the chosen time is inconvenient, call the IRS and reschedule.

What you wear can be important, too. It is better to underdress than overdress. Work clothes might be preferable to Sunday best. The attitude you wear is even more important than the clothes you put on. Remember, the agent is only doing his job.

If you treat the agent like an enemy agent you're in trouble. Agents are used to taxpayers asking why they don't get after the millionaires who pay "little or no tax." Like any other agent, you might just open new lines of inquiry. Just answer the auditor's questions simply and fairly.

If the agent requests proof of a deduction and you have neglected to bring it but know you can obtain it quickly, tell him that. He'll arrange for you to come back and save you tax you don't owe.

Let's say an item is disallowed. Arguing that it was never disallowed in the past won't wash. Yet the agent is anxious to avoid extra paperwork in your case. The agent may be open to some honest trade-offs, willing to forego proving all the added tax you might owe if you are willing to forego proving all added deductions you might take.

If you and the agent agree on all issues, the agent will tell you how much it's going to cost you and then suggest you sign an agreement form. Remember this: Once you've signed, you've given your rights to appeal. So you may wish to delay signing until you have yourself plenty of time to study the agreement, unless, of course, the amount in question is small. This housekeeping note: If you do sign, make sure all the numbers are written on the papers before you do.

Once you agree to a settlement, you'll receive a report by mail, along with a bill for the additional tax plus interest. If coming up with the additional cash all at once would constitute a hardship, ask the IRS to set up an installment payment schedule. The IRS will not volunteer to give you such a schedule — you have to ask.

But let's assume you don't agree to settle — that at some point in the inquiry you feel you are not being treated fairly or that the agent is not crediting proper documentation. You have a right to ask for a hearing before the IRS appeals level. Sometimes moving up to another level will restore a sense of balance and hasten some sort of a compromise. In any case, it will give you the opportunity to present your arguments to a higher authority.

At the appellate level, you will encounter more experience and, perhaps, a better chance of compromise. Many observers say that at the district level IRS representatives see things as black and

white. At the appellate level, the IRS personnel recognize gray areas and know that give and take hastens compromise.

Throughout the process, keep in mind that the IRS people are as eager to close the matter as you are. They have a quota to meet.

If you lose but are still convinced that you are right after your appellate level hearing, you have two more avenues open to you.

You can take your case to the U.S. Tax Court. If the total amount in question is less than \$5,000, your case can be handled under the so-called small tax case procedures. In that court you are allowed to act as your own representative, but you cannot appeal a small tax case decision.

If you are dissatisfied with a Tax Court decision your next move would be to the U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals. That gets complicated.

For more information about the small tax case procedures and other tax court matters, write the U.S. Tax Court, 400 Second Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20517.

If you have paid your tax and have filed a claim for a refund which has been disallowed, you can take your case to the U.S. District Court or the U.S. Claims Court.

Do keep this in mind. Once you reach the courts, you are probably dealing with a matter that is so important that the IRS is unlikely to give in. Or it may be that you are being stubborn.

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Peopletalk

'Most wanted man' found

The search for "the most wanted man in Connecticut" ended when a Bridgeport dock worker who bought a lottery ticket worth \$1.2 million with the latest Loto drawing turned up to claim his prize.

Lottery officials made the first of 20 installment payments on the winnings Wednesday with the appearance of Kenneth Larak, who bought the ticket with money pooled by seven other family members in what a lottery spokesman called a "family affair."

Lucas' winning ticket was drawn Friday night and lottery officials had been awaiting his appearance since their offices reopened after the weekend Monday.

The other winners include Lucas' wife Edith; John and Mary Ann Sicilian of Trumbull; Louis and Rosemary Sicilian of DeRay Beach, Fla.; and George and Phyllis Vitale of Boca Raton, Fla.

John and Louis Sicilian, Edith Lucas and Phyllis Vitale are brothers and sisters. They chose their six winning numbers by playing birthdays and anniversaries, lottery officials said.

Mary Pickford remembered

The Mary Pickford Theater at the Library of Congress in Washington has opened its 1984 season with an invitation-only discussion of "life and work during Mary Pickford's time."

Leading the discussion were Miss Pickford's husband, actor Buddy Rogers, and actress Jane Withers, one-time child movie star who has recently appeared on television commercials as Josephine the plumber.

Bravo Luciano Pavarotti!

When the Republicans open their convention in Dallas on Aug. 20, the downtown canyons will probably still be ringing with the echoes of opera superstar Luciano Pavarotti.

The Dallas Symphony Orchestra and Dallas Opera announced Wednesday Pavarotti will perform Aug. 19 in a benefit for the two organizations. Ticket prices will range from \$10 to \$1,000.

Glimpses

Britain's Princess Anne will visit Morocco, Gambia and Upper Volta in a 10-day trip this month as president of the international Save the Children Fund. Buckingham Palace said the Queen's only daughter will start the trip after attending the Winter Olympics in Sarajevo as head of the British Olympic Association.

King Fahd of Saudi Arabia is spending a brief vacation at his private villa at the Costa Del Sol resort of Marbella. Fahd's villa is a \$26 million replica of the White House.

Playwright-actor Sam Shepard and author William Maxwell are among recipients of the 28th annual Brandeis University Creative Arts Award. Awards Chairman Edward Albee said Shepard and Maxwell were chosen by jurists that included authors Irving Howe and John Updike.

Quote of the day

John Lawe, president of the New York Transit Workers Union, charging that mismanagement had caused New York's transit system to deteriorate: "Our workers have been caught in the maze of bureaucracy. There are too many managers."

Now you know

There are 30 major dams in the United States. The oldest is the Hoover dam on the Colorado River built in 1936 and the newest is the New Melones on the Stanislaus built in 1979.

Chancellor of Germany, Adolf Hitler ordered dissolution of the Reichstag — the German Parliament.

In 1982, Secretary of State Alexander Haig vowed that the United States would take any steps necessary to prevent a leftist rebel takeover in El Salvador.

A thought for the day: Roman poet Ovid said, "To be loved, be lovable."

Almanac

Today is Thursday, Feb. 2, the 33rd day of 1984 with 333 to follow.

The moon is new.

The morning stars are Mercury, Venus, Mars, Jupiter and Saturn.

There is no upcoming star.

Those born on this date are under the sign of Aquarius. They include French statesman Charles de Talleyrand in 1754, psychologist Havlock Ellis in 1859, Irish novelist James Joyce in 1882, and comedian Tom Smothers in 1937.

In 1848, Mexico signed the Treaty of Guadalupe Hidalgo, ceding Texas, New Mexico, Arizona and California to the United States for \$15 million dollars.

In 1876, the National Baseball League was formed, comprised of teams in Boston, Chicago, Cincinnati, New York, Philadelphia, St. Louis, Louisville, Kentucky and Hartford, Connecticut.

In 1933, two days after becoming

and actress Farah Fawcett in 1946.

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Because she prohibited the serving of alcoholic beverages at a White House function, Mrs. Rutherford B. Hayes earned the nickname "Lemonade Lucy."

Lottery

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Play Four: 0963

Rhode Island daily: 3256.
Rhode Island weekly: 729, 3268, 82781 and 043257.

Maine daily: 346.
Vermont daily: 010.
Massachusetts weekly: Yellow 199, Blue 24, and White 4.
Massachusetts daily: 3465.

Other numbers drawn Wednesday in New England:
New Hampshire daily: 5781.

At Highland Park, some students sad and some excited

By Sarah E. Hill
Herald Reporter

Some said they were sad, while others seemed enthusiastic. Some mourned rumors they had heard about Nathan Hale School, where many will be transferred; others dismissed the gossip.

One thing was clear: There was no consensus among Highland Park School students asked Wednesday about their feelings on the imminent closing of their school.

"I'll miss Highland Park. I don't want to leave," said one.

"I'm more excited than scared," said another.

"My parents don't want to close. They talk about it all the time."

"All the kids are talking about what school they're going to go to next year. I've heard bad things about Nathan Hale."

All of the students interviewed had heard about the June closing, approved by the Board of Education Monday. Even the three first-graders had some idea of what the three other schools (Martin, Buckingham and Nathan Hale) they would attend next year.

"NOBODY IS SURPRISED," Highland Park School Principal Gall Rowe said Wednesday.

The staff, she said, doesn't seem disgruntled. "Just a little bit relieved that they know for sure" about the closing and can make appropriate plans. More than two years ago, the school board identified Highland Park as the next school to close, leaving the question of "when" unanswered.

"You were on your toes, always wondering 'Is it going to be this year, or is it going to be next year?'" Dr. Rowe added. "Now, we know for certain."

At the moment, she's concerned about making the students' transition to new schools smooth. And judging from the students' remarks Wednesday, that's their concern, too.

"You'll have to find out where all the new classrooms are," Mark Howarth, a fifth-grader, complained.

"It's going to be hard, because you'll have to meet new friends and you don't know how they'll act," said Emily-Ann, a third-grader.

Apparently, even Emily's little

brother Kevin, in kindergarten at Highland Park, is upset about the closing.

"He said, 'I hate this school. I hate this school superintendent' because he's going to close the school," Emily reported.

"MY PARENTS ARE TRYING to keep the school open. Nothing works," said fourth-grader Kate Conde (daughter of Richard Conde, chairman of the committee appointed to study the future use of Highland Park).

Sean Keenan, a fifth-grader, said "my parents don't care, because I'm going to Martin School and my mother thinks it's a good school."

"But if I were going to be sent to Nathan Hale, my mother'd probably send me to St. James," he added.

When asked why a couple of other children volunteered the answers, "Because it has bad kids," said Amy Munsell. "Because it's known to be strict," said Lauren Hickey, another fifth-grader.

Mara Breen, a second-grader, said she'd "heard about" Nathan Hale from friends. "They say all these bad things about it, but I don't believe it. Like that the kindergarten and the first graders wear the third- and fourth-graders' smoke, and the fifth- and sixth-

graders drink drugs," she giggled.

REMAIN CALM AND IMPARTIAL and objective through the whole thing," said Nathan Hale Principal Leo Diana Wednesday. "I think Nathan Hale has a darn good reputation in town. We'll get over this. We have a lot of fine professional people here who take everything right in stride."

Diana said he does not understand why some people are complaining that class size at Nathan Hale will go up. "The figures I have indicate class size will run from 21 to 26 student," he said, "not any greater than it already is."

Dr. Rowe said that seemingly because of the school closing, a "significant number" of Highland Park parents are sending their children to private or parochial schools.

But she's not fearful for the future, or the possibility her position may be reduced to half-time. Neither is Highland Park PTA President Terry Bogh, who said she thinks the whole thing will blow over shortly.

"Children are changing just as easily. Parents don't," she said. "The most important thing to me is that we don't upset the children."

Manchester In Brief

Free skating for students

The Skating Palace East in East Hartford wants to give "Certificates of Award," good for free skating time, to elementary school students whose teachers request them.

"I think it's a good idea," Manchester Education Association President Peter B. Tognalli said when he announced the Skating Palace's offer at a recent meeting. "There are absolutely no strings attached that I can see."

Interested teachers should call the Skating Palace to request the certificates, which may be used to reward classroom achievement, he said.

FOI ruling stifling, he says

School Superintendent James P. Kennedy disagrees with a recent preliminary finding of the State Freedom of Information Commission which holds that the Somers Board of Education must release the evaluations of all their employees.

"I don't know of any enterprise anywhere that publishes evaluation reports. I'd think it would be necessary to be stalling," he said Tuesday.

He predicted that the ruling, if upheld, would inhibit the dismissal of teachers for incompetence — a rare occurrence in any year. Several years ago, the Manchester Board of Education became one of the few boards in Connecticut to actually dismiss a teacher for incompetence, after a long and bitter court fight.

Brindamour new NEA rep

William Brindamour, publicity officer for the Manchester Education Association, will soon become one of about 20 Connecticut Education Association representatives to the national teachers' union affiliate, the National Education Association.

Brindamour will represent the state group in Minneapolis and Washington, D.C., his year.

NEA President Peter B. Tognalli said. He said Brindamour nominated himself for the advertised opening, and was the sole contender.

Changes in store at ROTC

A driver's education course for handicapped students, a specially-equipped van and a new vocational counselor are among the new things in store for the Regional Occupational Training Center next year.

ROTC Director Jack Peak said Wednesday after a meeting of the center's advisory council that there's a "good chance" these improvements and others will become reality.

"I'm planning on them," he added. Most important, he said, will be the new vocational counselor, who will work to increase the number of student job sites and help develop a formal program to evaluate student's vocational aptitude.

Rates will be the same

The town Pension Board Monday reaffirmed its decision to apply to police officers the same rates it applies to other employees when those employees choose to reduce the amounts of their pensions and instead provide life insurance, with their spouses as beneficiaries.

The alternative would have been to charge higher rates for the police officers because virtually all of them are men. Thus the likelihood is that more of them will choose to provide the insurance and that more of them will die earlier because women outlive men.

The decision Monday conforms to a U.S. Supreme Court decision that calls generally for "unisex" insurance rates.

"The difference, had the board decided to set one, would have been in how much the lifetime pension of an employee would be reduced if that employee had chosen the life insurance option."

Backs drinking age of 21

State Rep. James R. McCavanaugh, D-Manchester, said today he supports legislation to raise the state's legal drinking age from 20 to 21 because the change would reduce alcohol-related traffic accidents.

"Given the magnitude of the drunken driving problem we face, it would be irresponsible not to take all and any action that could help turn this situation around," he said.

Most 20-year-olds "are good and mature people who do not abuse alcohol," but "a minority is abusing this privilege and their behavior is taking its toll on our highways," McCavanaugh said.

He also said the state's drinking age should match that of its neighbors to discourage underage people from driving across state lines to purchase alcohol.

"It only makes sense for neighboring states to have similar drinking ages and the move in the Northeast is toward making the age 21," he said.

Zinsser not sure about O'Neill plan

State Sen. Carl Zinsser, R-Manchester, Wednesday expressed some reservations about Gov. William O'Neill's 10-year plan for improvement to the state's roads and bridges, although he withheld judgment because he had not yet seen the details of it.

Zinsser is a member of the Transportation Subcommittee of the General Assembly's Appropriations Committee, which will be among committees that will consider the plan.

Zinsser said he wondered how much bonding would be required and if more work could not be done on a pay-as-you-go basis. The plan calls for \$1.5 billion in revenue bonding and \$338 million in work to be paid out of then-current revenues.

McCavanaugh acknowledged today that his Democratic colleagues are trying to curb in him his own. A key to the O'Neill plan is dedicating not only fuel taxes, but also motor vehicle registration fees and driver's license fees, to a fund to support the road and bridge work.

The taxes and fees would be increased to provide more funds.

No ECHS sanction on calls for money

A mystery caller who's been asking for money to "help finance a student at East Catholic High School" is operating without the sanction of school officials, it was announced Wednesday.

"I don't want to create a big scare or anything, but we're concerned," East Catholic Principal William Charbonneau said. "The school is not soliciting on the telephone."

Tuesday, at least three people called the school to report that they'd received a call from someone requesting donations, allegedly on behalf of East Catholic. School Secretaries handled the calls routinely, before a pattern was recognized: The list was then referred to Charbonneau.

Charbonneau said the third caller, aunt of an East Catholic student, told him an unidentified party had telephoned her to ask for \$16,500 "help finance a student at East Catholic." "Whether it was a student or not, I don't know," the school principal added.

The woman who reported the call told the solicitor she wasn't interested, Charbonneau said.

"This could be a totally legitimate thing, but it's not being done by the school," he added. For example, he said, the mystery caller could be attempting to give any solicited donations to ECHS once they're collected.

Charbonneau said he had no idea how many people the caller had contacted.

Exasperation

Mark Kaba displays his unhappiness about having to again shovel the sidewalks outside apartments on Congress Street after this week's snowfall. Kaba says the latest storm meant the 13th time he's had to clear the walks.

Another man, dressed in work clothes, said he was recently laid off after having worked all his life as a truck driver, carpenter, farm hand. "I can't afford to even run my car on the little I get for unemployment," he complained.

At 60 years old, he said, he's not ready to retire — although he suspects companies discriminate against him on the basis of age. Strain said that problem is widespread, though hard to prove.

Temporary employment agencies were another target of dissatisfaction at the meeting.



Herald photo by Tarquino

Mom still seeks bus for son

Ruth Miller may not give up yet.

Mrs. Miller, who lives at 66 Ambassador Drive, said Tuesday she would probably persist in seeking bus service for her son Eric, a seventh grader at Iling Junior High School, even though school officials have found the exact 66-foot under the 1/2-mile maximum walking distance from school to a state Department of Education hearing officer had ruled previously that school officials had to measure the distance to her home, foot by foot — not with a police cruiser odometer, as was the usual practice.

Mrs. Miller was someone who'd been the police cruiser odometer school bus manager Raymond Demers had used to determine she lived exactly 1/2 miles from Iling was not accurate enough.

But she was in for a let-down. Late last week, when Demers and school board member Francis Mallo paced out the distance, they found she indeed lived 73 feet over the 1/2-mile limit — via one route.

Via another, they found she lived 66 feet under.

Mrs. Miller is still not happy, and claims Demers and Mallo should have told her they knew of the alternate path.

"I feel it was sneaky on their part and I feel it resulted in a waste of taxpayers' money to know about that route and not tell me about it before," she said Tuesday.

She complained that the second route second route is "still a tremendous walk, and have to way of transporting him (her son Eric) either to or from school." A single parent, she works full time.

For now, Eric Miller is receiving bus service on a space-available basis.

Meanwhile, his mother is trying to establish grounds to continue her state appeal challenging the school board's denial of more permanent bus service. For starters, she said the new route Eric is supposed to walk includes a long stretch without sidewalks.

Jobless activist losing optimism

Bill Strain, a Manchester activist for the jobless, wants to put his new group for the "hard-core unemployed" into the legislative limelight. But when it comes to the nitty-gritty, like rounding up money and getting people out to meetings on cold winter evenings, he's having a hard time.

"I'm not so optimistic now. I've had a little bit of the wind taken out of my sails," he told a group of eight gathered at First Federal Savings Tuesday. In the meeting room, which was provided for free, the empty chairs far outnumbered the full.

"If we are to get on the map as a recognized outfit, we have to have money to work with," Strain went on to say. "I'm a little hot under the collar. Where the hell is the money for people like us?"

Strain complained that with state and federal budgets as large as they are, there should be enough

money to fund the set-up of a pilot program for the jobless in Manchester.

"I don't buy the argument there are no funds. We're not asking that much — \$110,000 for a 12-month program," he said. He has already approached state legislators with his idea, and they've been receptive, he said.

But to get needed public exposure, Strain said, the group will have to be more active. "The thing that I'm thinking about is to try little demonstrations at the Capitol," he said, suggesting a "small-scale picket."

Others at the meeting seemed more concerned about their immediate problems.

One man said he's on welfare and unable to get a good job because of his background. "If I can't even get work as a janitor, what's wrong," he said.

He went on to talk about street

people and "those who have given up on life itself," saying they need help the most.

Strain replied that the group risked becoming a catch-all if it reached out to everyone.

"We could become a rehabilitation agency, and I don't want to do that," he said.

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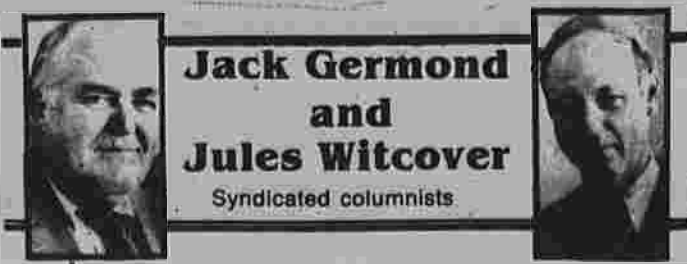
Alan Cranston has high hopes in Iowa

AUDUBON, Iowa — Alan Cranston concluded a lunch speech to 35 local Democrats here the other day by giving them his formula for victory in the presidential nomination contest that kicks off in Iowa's precinct caucuses on Feb. 20.

"My goal in Iowa and New Hampshire," he said, "is to show I am the alternative to the alleged front-runners, Walter Mondale and John Glenn." He said, "I want to establish that I am the winner of the so-called second tier."

Cranston was referring to the unofficial pecking order of candidates established by the polls, the political wisdom and the press wise-men who cover them. It puts Mondale and Glenn in the first tier and the other six in the second, and most of the dark horses in that second grouping would agree that only one of them is likely to survive.

HERE IN IOWA, the early favorite to be that survivor is Cranston, who is rated to have an Iowa organization second only to Mondale's and an emotional issue — the nuclear freeze — that



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can turn his troops out on caucus night, regardless of the weather, which has been bitterly cold of late.

Three other longshot Democrats — Gary Hart, Reubin Askew and George McGovern — are seriously contending for a third-place finish each but will bring him enough news media attention to enable him to elbow into the spotlight now hogged by Mondale and Glenn. And, barring the unexpected, this Battle of the Iowa caucuses are really all about this year.

The most overworked word in these early tests is "expectations." But the raising and lowering of them is a key objective of the competing cam-

wonder whether the Cranston campaign believes he may really exceed that goal — by beating out Glenn.

Cranston's Iowa coordinator, John Law, says he can't see that happening, but other professionals in the state say Law, former state party executive director, will squeeze out every possible vote for Cranston and at the least should achieve the stated goal.

Among a flurry of new Cranston television ads is one in which he pointedly ridicules Glenn's ads showing him going into space in 1982, as well as Mondale's showing him at play. "Can you believe some of my opponent's commercials?" Cranston asks. "They think the way to get you to vote for them is to show them out fishing, or playing tennis, or blasting off. Hey, come on. That kind of stuff isn't going to beat Ronald Reagan..." Incredulously, he asks again, "Blasting off?"

IN CRANSTON'S CASE, his national campaign manager came to Iowa the other day and did a rare thing. He specifically said Cranston had to finish a clear-cut third here and in New Hampshire to become a serious challenger. If he doesn't, he will have failed by his own yardstick — a fact that leads some to

IN THIS PERIOD before a single vote has cast a real vote, the expectations game is in full swing, and in this state the Iowa Poll by the Des Moines Register is a touchstone. Thus, when



Jack Anderson
Washington Merry-Go-Round

Behind Feldstein's rosy ideas

WASHINGTON — Two things will happen today. The famous groundhog will pop out of his hole in Punxsutawney, Pa., and the President's Council of Economic Advisors will release its annual report in Washington, D.C.

I won't predict whether the groundhog will see his shadow or not, but I can tell you there'll be enough sunshine emanating from the economic report to dazzle every groundhog in the country.

The council's chairman, Martin Feldstein, will predict continued economic growth, declining unemployment and a low rate of inflation. Last year, when Feldstein wrongly forecast a historically weak recovery from a recession, some of his fellow economists labeled him Dr. Doom. This year, they'll be calling him Mr. Sunshine.

But behind the rosy report, the president's top advisers are bitterly divided over economic policy. Most Americans will shrug off this high-level disagreement as nothing more than a philosophical pillow fight. But unfortunately, the president's decision on which advice to follow will affect the pocketbook of every businessman, wage earner, pensioner and taxpayer in the nation.

THE SPLIT AMONG top economists is deep and unbridgeable. As one insider described it to me, it would be only a slight exaggeration to say that the differences in economic policy within the administration are as fundamental as if the CIA and the Pentagon disagreed over whether the Soviet Union existed.

Basically, the most critical problem Feldstein sees for the economy is continued \$200 billion budget deficits, which he wants to reduce by a combination of spending cuts and tax increases. This will assure the durability of the economic recovery, he feels.

But other senior economists disagree. They believe the Federal Reserve Board's tight-money policy, in force since last summer, is not only choking off the recovery but is sowing the seeds for another recession by the end of the year. They believe that a slow, steady growth in the money supply is the best way to achieve a healthy economy and avoid the unsettling postwar cycle of boom and bust.

These monetarists were the only economists who correctly forecast last year's recovery.

WHAT PARTICULARLY infuriates them is that the Feldstein report will give gold stars to the Fed and its chairman, Paul Volcker. The Fed's erratic manipulation of the money supply last year resulted in a confidential Cabinet-level report critical of the agency.

"We are really concerned," one administration official told my associate Michael Binstein, "and we are conveying that to the Fed. What happens in the next month or two will determine whether it will be the death knell for the recovery or whether the Fed will bring us back from the brink of disaster."

Feldstein's critics are also bitter at his tendency to ignore divergent views in preparing the economic report. "The hidden agenda of every chapter is to sell the Feldstein line, which is that high deficits raise interest rates, and therefore you have to raise taxes," says Binstein.

In an election year, Feldstein is unlikely to get the budget cuts and tax increases he feels are necessary. He would like, therefore, to insist on having to the Fed's tight-money policy. Then, neither Feldstein's nor the monetarists' suggestions would be followed, and the public would wind up with the worst of both economic worlds.

If there is indeed a recession this year, one official pointed out, both sides will howl "I told you so!" — and use the disaster as a vindication of their theory.

So the economists' argument will probably continue ad infinitum, with the American people caught in the middle.

Connecticut In Brief

D'Amore lauds O'Neill plan
HARTFORD — The state's Republican chairman, an expected frequent critic of Gov. William O'Neill, has praised the Democratic governor for his program to rebuild the state's transportation network.

GOP Chairman Thomas J. D'Amore Jr. said the \$5.5 billion program unveiled Tuesday by O'Neill to cover the next 10 years appeared to be sound and to cover all of the state's transportation needs.

"The unveiling of this 10-year plan solves a decade of neglect," D'Amore said in a statement Wednesday.

The program calls for spending \$5.5 billion on highways, bridges, buses, railroads and the state's smaller airports, including funds for construction, purchases and repairs and maintenance.

Officials want new power
HARTFORD — State officials have asked a legislative committee for the authority to automatically deny waste licenses sought by companies with key officials who have been convicted of a serious crime.

The attorney general and Department of Environmental Protection also asked the Legislature's Environment Committee Wednesday to approve a bill requiring that land records show potential sources of pollution on the land involved.

"Disposal of hazardous and solid waste is the most significant environmental problem we face," Attorney General Joseph I. Lieberman told the committee at a public hearing.

Union-busting charged
NEW HAVEN — Yale-New Haven Hospital's unwillingness to come to terms with striking food service workers is an attempt to break the union, the head of the Greater New Haven Central Labor Council said Wednesday.

The union-busting charge by council president Frank Carrano was denounced by Vincent S. Conti, hospital vice president for administration.

"The union's charges are outrageous. They're so ridiculous that they really bear no resemblance to our part. They simply are not true," Conti said.

About 188 members of the New England Health Care Employees Union struck the hospital in a dispute over a new contract. The workers are the only unionized employees among the more than 4,000 non-supervisory personnel at Yale-New Haven.

Death called homicide
BERLIN — The death of an unidentified white female, whose body was found Wednesday night in her room at the Dunes Motel on the Wilbur Cross Turnpike, was being investigated as a homicide, state police said today.

The victim, who police said apparently was in her 40s, was discovered by the motel manager, who called Berlin police about 8 p.m., police said. The woman had lived at the motel for some time, police said.

The body was taken to the chief state's medical examiner's office in Farmington for an autopsy and to confirm her identity, police said.

State woman heart donor
BRIDGEPORT — The heart from a nursing supervisor, described by co-workers as "a truly giving person," was used today in New England's first heart transplant operation.

Rita Barker, 38, of Stratford, a nursing supervisor at St. Vincent's Medical Center in Bridgeport, was announced brain dead at 12:45 p.m. Wednesday of injuries suffered in a traffic accident Friday evening, said St. Vincent's spokesman Ronald Bianchi.

The transplant on a South Hadley, Mass., pharmacist began at 6 a.m. today at Brigham and Women's Hospital in Boston.

Records set in January
HARTFORD — Temperatures dipped lower and snowdrifts piled higher than average across Connecticut this January, the National Weather Service has reported.

The lowest temperature ever recorded during January in Connecticut, the weather service said Wednesday.

"On the average, temperatures across the state were 3 degrees lower than normal for the month," officials said.

At Bradley International Airport in Windsor Locks, daily temperatures during the month were 21.8 degrees, compared with 25.2 degrees normally.

House fire kills woman
BETHEL — A Bethel woman who failed to follow her husband and young son out an upstairs window died in a fire at her home, fire officials said.

Helen Richardson, 39, was found by Bethel firefighters beneath a window in a southwest bedroom of the 1½-story home Wednesday, said Dr. Albert Trimpert, assistant medical examiner.

Mrs. Richardson was pronounced dead at Danbury Hospital and her body removed to the chief state's medical examiner's office in Farmington for an autopsy.

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As of Tuesday, 9,540 non-jury civil cases were pending in the state Superior Court system, said Judge Angelo J. Santoliello, chief administrative judge for the Superior Court civil division.

Another 16,483 civil cases were awaiting trial by jury, Santoliello said, noting the courts have taken other steps — including farming out cases to less busy courts — to reduce the backlog.

The attorney-referees will hear non-jury civil cases that previously were assigned to judges and will issue decisions for review and approval by Superior Court judges.

Speziale stressed the program was experimental and should not be considered a substitute for the additional judges needed for the state's courts.

"I want to emphasize this program is not a substitute for our urgent need for more judges," he told the attorneys before they stood and swore in unison to "faithfully discharge" their new duties as trial referees.

"It's not secret that we don't have the funding we need or deserve," the chief justice said later. "Because of the

resources available we have had to come up with various innovations. This is another innovation."

Among the first group of lawyers were former House Speaker Francis J. Collins of Brookfield and at least three former Superior Court judges: Henry J. Naruk, Francis J. McCarthy and John Shea.

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NORWALK (UPI) — Scrapes, bruises and stomach aches should make school nurses suspicious since minor complaints from children may be a sign of physical or sexual abuse, a hospital pediatrician says.

Dr. John R. McNamara, chief of pediatrics at Norwalk Hospital, said school nurses may provide many children with their only medical care and must remain alert when handling thousands of cases of injury and illness each year in Connecticut.

"Sometimes school is the only avenue a child has to medical care. The school nurses do a tremendous job," McNamara said Wednesday.

Nurses may be faced with problems ranging from a minor fall in the lower grades to the anguish of teenagers coping with the emotional strain of

adolescence or drug and alcohol abuse, he said.

Deep-rooted problems often are disguised or hidden by children who complain of ailments that might seem minor at first glance.

A lot of children come in and have a bellyache and it may be because they are having trouble in class or they are being abused at home. How do you read these kids?" as ed McNamara.

School nurses in some cases offer the only hope students have of receiving timely treatment or counseling, especially in the physical and sexual abuse of children, he said.

"It's been there a long, long time, but people are starting to recognize and report it," McNamara said. "I've seen a president of a big company abuse his little boy. It's important to treat the family. It is not our job to accuse or punish, it is to help."

State will hire minority troopers

HARTFORD (UPI) — The state has agreed to double the number of minority state troopers conceding its hiring practices have had "adverse impact" on minorities.

The state also agreed to upgrade a 1981 written examination for trooper candidates to eliminate racial bias. The agreement grew out of an April 1982 class-action suit, alleging discrimination in state police hiring and promotion.

"We're very happy — it's been a long struggle," said Ken Wilson, treasurer of Men and Women for Justice, an organization of minority troopers who first complained of discrimination to the state Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities in 1979.

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The racial breakdown of the state's sworn troopers shows 28 black males, one black female, 29 white females, 15 Hispanic males, one American Indian and 82 white males, said state police spokesman Adam Bertoli.

Blacks and Hispanics make up 4.85 percent of the force. The 10 percent goal does not include white females or American Indians.

The 10 percent quota reflects the percentage of minorities in the state, said David Rosen, a New Haven lawyer. Rosen and the Connecticut Civil Liberties Union, represents the troopers.

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An editorial

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"I'm glad to see that the Democrats, with Bill O'Neill as the chief cheerleader, have finally decided to see it our way."

That was the response of Connecticut Senate Minority Leader Philip Robertson, R-Cheshire, to the governor's proposed infrastructure repair plan, and it was a good one, if somewhat self-serving.

When combined with the positive reception Democratic House Speaker Irving Stolberg, GOP State Chairman Thomas D'Amore Jr. and other leading politicians and lawmakers have given O'Neill's \$5.5 billion plan, Robertson's comments indicate that the measure is likely to receive a favorable hearing on both sides of the aisle, in spite of the fact that this is an election year. And that's fortunate, because the repairs O'Neill is seeking are both comprehensive and sorely needed.

One good thing about the proposal is that it calls for the state infrastructure monies, which would be derived from increased fees and taxes, to be kept out of the Legislature's general fund, and would impose stringent requirements as to their use.

With such protection — on which the plan's approval in the Legislature should certainly be conditioned — the funding would end up where it was supposed to go. It is a major reason the plan deserves support.

Another is that the federal

government would foot about \$3.25 billion of the cost while state and local governments would have to come up with less, somewhere between \$2 and \$2.5 billion.

While new taxes are never pleasant, this is one case where they're needed.

And the governor's proposed method of deriving the revenues is fair. Most of the monies paid by the state would be taken from those who use the roads, in the form of increased motor vehicle fees and higher gasoline taxes. Thus the motorists and transporters who use the roads and bridges and lead to their deterioration would be the ones to foot Connecticut's share of the bill.

The true test of the plan will be whether both Democrats and Republicans in Hartford both remain warm toward it after O'Neill unveils his entire proposed budget next week, parts of which are bound to meet with opposition. We hope the repairs won't end up as a bargaining chip in a partisan battle — the plan offers a type of insurance that doesn't split along political lines, as the Mianus Bridge disaster in July helped to prove.

And though, as the Connecticut Conference of Municipalities is quick to point out, the plan won't make Connecticut's roads, rails, bridges and airports brand new, it does offer, as O'Neill says, "to modernize the very life-line of the Connecticut economy."



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Concerned

To the Editor:
As a citizen, father of six children, pediatrician, and member of the Manchester Board of Education, I am concerned about education in general and Student Achievement Tests in particular. This may well be the first generation in over 200 years that is not as well educated as its parents.

We should all board of education members, supervisors, teachers, parents and students have introspection and try to determine our shortcomings. Perhaps, if the ideas in this "open letter to parents" were followed, the picture would start to improve in the parents' portion.

An open letter
Teach honesty to the children. Don't write notes to school that are false and explain away homework not done, etc. Be honest with your own life's activities.

Homework: It is necessary and should be done in a quiet, "away" place — no TV or other distractions. Check the homework for completeness and neatness.

Value education: Read books in the presence of your children; go to the library; study. Never show a contempt for education.

Respect of authority: Teach your children to respect teachers; don't resent laws and government; have a high regard of authority yourself and follow the rules (speed limits, etc.); have respect for the nation's leaders and the flag. Minimize domestic strife in front of the children. Back up teachers on discipline.

Communicate with teachers: Meet them and show up for open houses and other school events. Parents and teachers should not be adversaries.

Television watching: This is a passive activity. It is pseudo-learning. It does not teach, it programs. It decreases concentration and dulls the senses. The average student works and studies 11,000 hours for a high school degree, and during the same time he has spent 15,000 hours watching TV.

Train your children to listen and act: Give them instructions and make them follow through. Love them, give them good examples, and a faith in God.

Dr. H. John Malone
84 Prospect St.

High standards

To the Editor:
We would like to clarify a few points raised in your Jan. 3 article concerning educational programs on student recognition programs.

Contrary to the National Association of Secondary School Principals report, "Who's Who" does not include biographies of almost any student who submits personal data." In fact, our most recent annual audit (by an outside accounting firm) revealed that 17,286 applications were rejected for the 1982 edition, necessitating the return of nearly \$500,000 in orders. Clearly, "Who's Who" does not compromise its standards for the profit motive.

Also, contrary to the beliefs of Manchester High School Principal Jacob Ludes, "Who's Who" never buys or otherwise obtains student data from commercial lists or other unofficial sources. Only schools and qualified youth organizations (civic, service or church affiliated) may nominate students based on academic achievement, leadership and accomplishment in other areas. "Who's Who" does not "ask for the names and addresses of close relatives" and never solicits grandparents.

Unfortunately, the unscrupulous practices of some organizations have reflected badly upon programs such as Who's Who Among American High School Students, which have strict standards. That is why "Who's Who" has been encouraging educational organizations to adopt uniform standards for evaluating recognition programs so members, parents and students can determine which programs are worthwhile. Those who are interested in a copy of these standards may contact "Who's Who." Its standards served as the model for those adopted by the National Association of College Admissions Counselors and three state school executives associations.

Thank you for this opportunity to respond.

Tari Marshall
for "Who's Who Among American High School Students"

Editor's note: Ms. Marshall works for Public Relations Network International, a Chicago firm that represents the publishers of "Who's Who Among American High School Students."



"Hey, toxy lady, didn't I see you in Michael Jackson's Thriller?"

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4- Benny Hill Show
5- News
6- ESPN's SportsWeek
7- Dragnet
8- Crossfire
9- M*A*S*H
10- State Lottery
11- Veronica, El Rostro del Amor
12- Wheel of Fortune
13- NHL Hockey, Boston at Buffalo
14- People's Court
15- Dr. Who

7:30 P.M.
1- PM Magazine
2- All in the Family
3- Muppet Show
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8:00 P.M.
1- Magnum P.I.
2- Royal Variety Performance
3- News
4- Automaniac
5- Mystery World
6- Sneak Previews Co-hosts Neil Gaiman and Jeffrey Lyons take a look at what's happening at the movies.
7- Mystery! Really. Ace of Spies. Really is sent on a mission to a German spyring to obtain the plans of a new Krugger naval gun (60 min) [Classified Captioned]

8:30 P.M.
1- Encounter in Amsterdam with Billy Graham
2- Family Ties
3- Enterprise: The Color of Fear
4- NBA Basketball: Detroit at Washington
5- MOVIE: "True Girl"
6- Radio 1990 Today's program looks at the hottest trends and performers in the world of entertainment.
7- Star Trek
8- Moneyline
9- Business Report
10- El Malefico
11- Entertainment Tonight
12- Family Feud
13- Wild World of Animals

9:00 P.M.
1- Simon & Simon: An emerging ballerina hires Rick and A.J. to find out who is threatening her life before her big debut (60 min)
2- Masquerade
3- To Be Announced

9:30 P.M.
1- NHL Hockey: New York Rangers at Calgary
2- Buffalo Bill: Jo-Jo, appearing over a discussion on whether to have an abortion, is unaware that Bill has decided that he should be the one to determine the fate of the child.
3- International Edition Ford Focus
4- Noche de Gala
5- Knots Landing
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1- Independent Network News
2- Countdown to '84 Today's program looks at the hottest trends and performers in the world of entertainment.
3- Dr. Gene Scott
4- Thick of the Night
5- Newsline
6- MOVIE: "A Night in Paradise"
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11:15 P.M.
1- ESPN's Ringside Review
2- MOVIE: "The Towering Inferno"
3- Barney Miller
4- Thick of the Night
5- Benny Hill Show
6- Backlog Files
7- Growing Up Stopped: This documentary focuses on drug abuse
8- Leave It to Beaver
9- Crossfire
10- Tonight Show
11- Pellicola: "La Encadenada"
12- Bob Newhart Show
13- Ten O'Clock News
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1- Lawrence & Shirley & Co.
2- CNN Headline News
3- Independent Network News
4- Pick the Pro Sportsweek preview games and viewers can vote for the 1982 offer as a charitable gesture and expected no profit at the time.
5- Bob Newhart Show
6- Newsline
7- MOVIE: "Death: The Ultimate Mystery"
8- Newswatch Game
9- Despedida
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2- An Army corporal



BUFFALO BILL BATS

Bill (Dabney Coleman) pretends he is a New York Yankee slugger in a fantasy segment of "Buffalo Bill," airing THURSDAY, FEB. 2 on NBC.

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Lake Erie finder is elusive

VERMILION, Ohio (UPI) - Ted Wakefield, a retired businessman and history buff, says he is not surprised to be told he has not claimed the \$1,000 prize he offered to determine who discovered Lake Erie.

Area Towns In Brief

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Ryba taking Bolton field plan to voters despite finance rejection

By Sarah Passell
Herald Reporter

recent years, taking a correspondingly larger chunk of the town budget each year. But, Cheney said, he would just as soon pay to keep Bolton youth occupied in recreation programs as pay to repair damage on idle youth population might cause.

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GEHA, YOU DON'T KNOW HOW MUCH YOU'RE MEANING TO ME! I NEED YOUR STRENGTH NOW MORE THAN EVER... THE NEWS OF WHAT I DID MUST'VE BEEN A SHOCK. I'M SURE MOST WIVES WOULD'VE DESERTED THEIR HUSBANDS IN THIS SITUATION... THAT REMINDS ME OF THE A COMMUNITY PROPERTY STATE? YOU'RE A REGULAR MODERN GEHA...
ECHO CANYON? SURE, TAKE A LEFT ON DEJA VU DRIVE THEN A RIGHT ON FLASHBACK LANE.
I HAVE GOOD NEWS FOR YOU TODAY!... I'VE DECIDED TO HAVE MYSELF CLONED!...
ARE YOU HAPPY THE WAY YOU ARE, WINTHROP?... WOULDNT YOU LIKE TO IMPROVE YOUR POSITION?... YOU'RE RIGHT... THIS IS MUCH BETTER.

Obituaries

Evelyn M. Porter
The funeral was held in Florida for Mrs. Evelyn Porter, formerly of Manchester and South Windsor, who died Jan. 20 in the New Port Richey (Fla.) Hospital after a short illness. She was the wife of Richard C. Porter.

Besides her husband she leaves four daughters, Barbara Irons of New Port Richey, Virginia Heron of Ellington, Beverly Flynn of Williamstown, and Shirley Bengtson of Middletown. She is survived by her Butcher of Manchester, nine grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren.
Local memorial services will be held in the spring.

Jacob Engel Sr.
Jacob Engel Sr., 92, of Marlborough, died Wednesday at a convalescent home. He was the father of Mrs. Norman (Martha) Duseault of Coventry.

He also leaves a son, Jacob Engel Jr. of Boghelt, Wash.; three other daughters, Mrs. Robert (Caroline) Durrig of Marlborough, Mrs. Leo (Marty) Hughes of Rockville, and Mrs. John (Evelyn) Harbut of Windsor; a sister, Miss Anna E. Engel of Pittsburgh, Pa.; 11 grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

The funeral will be Saturday at 9:15 a.m. from the Glastonbury Funeral Home, 450 New London Turnpike, Glastonbury, with a mass of Christian burial at 10 a.m. in St. John Fisher Church, Marlborough. Friends may call at the funeral home today from 7 to 9 p.m. and Friday from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m.

In-Memoriam

In loving memory of Julius Dubaldo.
Your memory is as dear today. As in the hour you passed away.

The Dubaldo Family
IN MEMORY OF
Thomas J. Kelly

It's only been a little while
But still so hard for us to smile
Things just haven't turned out
Right
I lie and think all through the night
Why I'd seen so young with a love for
Me
From your four children and loving
wife
We miss you Dad and we always
will
Our hearts and minds you'll always
fill
We hope to see you when our day's
near
For then we will shed no more
tears
As you look down from Heaven
above
You'll know we care and send our
love!!!!!!!!!!!!

LOVE ALWAYS
MOMMY, Linda, Colleen,
TJ and Donna

Certain types of bamboo are the world's tallest grasses, some of which grow to 100 feet or higher.

Fire Calls

Manchester

Tuesday, 9:24 p.m. — medical call, 58A Ambassador Drive (Paramedics).
Wednesday, 1:24 a.m. — medical call, 71 E. Steamers Lane (Paramedics).
Wednesday, 4:33 a.m. — medical call, 709 Main St. (Paramedics).
Wednesday, 11:41 p.m. — smoke investigation, Spruce and Charter Oak streets (Town).
Thursday, 5:54 a.m. — alarm, police headquarters, East Middle Turnpike (Town).
Thursday, 7:08 a.m. — bedroom fire, 14 Horace St. (Town).
Thursday, 7:21 a.m. — alarm, Manchester Memorial Hospital (Town).
Wednesday, 1:23 p.m. — service call, 58 Robert Road (Town).

Lung disease rises as cause of death

HOUSTON (UPI) — Lung cancer has surpassed breast cancer as the leading cause of cancer deaths among women in at least eight states and officials said Wednesday it appears the trend is accelerating nationwide.
Although the change occurred in 1982, it could not be confirmed until data from the 1980 U.S. census and the state health departments could be analyzed, said officials with the

National Cancer Institute in Bethesda, Md.
Dr. Vincent Guinan of University of Texas M.D. Anderson Hospital and Tumor Institute said the trend in lung cancer deaths in women began in the late 1970s.
Data collected in Alaska, Florida, Hawaii, Nevada, Vermont, Washington, Texas and West Virginia indicate the statistics to be a national trend.

Fire damages bedroom of Horace St. duplex

Three residents of a Horace Street duplex will have to find new living quarters since a fire gutted one bedroom this morning and left the rest of the apartment with heavy smoke and heat damage, a Town of Manchester fire official said.
Firefighters were summoned to 14 Horace St. at 7:08 a.m. after a neighbor saw smoke coming from an upstairs window, according to Capt. Jack Hughes, who was at the scene. Firefighters brought the blaze under control within 20 minutes but remained at the scene for another two hours, Hughes

said.
One of the duplex tenants, Patricia Zurewick, told firefighters she had emptied an ashtray into a trash can in the second floor bedroom before leaving the house around 6:55 a.m., Hughes said. Her statement tentatively established the cause of the fire as an unextinguished cigarette, he said.
The house is owned by East Hartford resident Roger Soucy. The apartment in the other half of the duplex suffered minor smoke damage, but remains habitable, Hughes said.

Opponents seek to block Pilgrim 2 'test'

CONCORD, N.H. (UPI) — With the possibility of a cancelled Seabrook II in New Hampshire's future, opponents are trying to block the Public Service Co. from using its smaller investment in the defunct Pilgrim II nuclear plant in Massachusetts as a test case.
New Hampshire's largest utility went before the Public Utilities Commission Wednesday to try to collect \$18.5 million from customers to pay for its 3.47 percent share in the Plymouth, Mass., plant which was abandoned by its prime owner, the Boston Edison Co.
Opponents and proponents agreed the request may be barred by a state law that prohibits utilities from passing the cost of "construction work in progress" — or CWP — to its customers until a plant is completed.
Public Service contended the law is unclear and the request should

immediately be transferred to the state Supreme Court for a ruling. Opponents said the law clearly prohibits rate hikes from cancelled plants.
PUC Chairman Paul McQuade said the commission would give participants until Feb. 24 to submit legal arguments pertaining to the CWP law, before deciding whether to send the petition to the Supreme Court.
The decision on Pilgrim II could have broad ramifications if Public Service and other Seabrook owners decide to cancel Seabrook II with the hope of recouping the loss from customers.
A Public Service spokesman said the utility has invested \$290 million in Seabrook II, which has been postponed, but not cancelled.
Public Service attorney Martin Gross said Pilgrim II costs were incurred in a legitimate attempt to provide the "safest and adequate ser-

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Board unprepared for talks on lease

Members of the Board of Directors' country club subcommittee learned of a proposed new lease for the town and the Manchester Country Club only two days before a meeting last week that ended in impasse, subcommittee member James Fogarty said this morning.
Fogarty said the subcommittee went into the meeting with club representatives prepared to talk only about a proposed 10 percent increase in membership fees. The club has asked that increase in December and unless the town's Board of Directors intervenes, it goes into effect automatically.
The club leases the land from the town under terms that require allowing non-members to play at certain times by paying greens fees.

The Democratic majority on the Board of Directors held no caucus on the proposed lease, and no consensus seems to have developed.
When club representatives met with General Manager Robert B. Weiss and a three-member subcommittee from the town Board, Directors Jan. 25, they expected to discuss a lease that would run to 2014. They now operate under a lease which has seven years to run. The club wants the longer lease so

FOCUS / Family



Rebecca Tanner, 32, of Tolland. She's starting a VBAC support group in her home.

Second birth was a VBAC

Rebecca Tanner, 32, doesn't just believe in vaginal birth after caesarean. She had one.
Her first, Paul, 2, was born by scheduled Caesarean section at Manchester Memorial Hospital.
Her second, Patrick, 1, was born vaginally at MMH. VBAC — vaginal birth after caesarean — is a concept still controversial with many doctors.
For Mrs. Tanner, a Tolland resident, VBAC was an idea she thought researched beforehand. "I felt the risks were minimal," she said.

SHE REMEMBERS her first birth with a mixture of sadness and anger.
She hadn't been able to prepare for it because the caesarean had been a last-minute decision.
"The week she was due to deliver, she'd gone into Manchester Memorial Hospital at 9:30 a.m. on a Friday for an x-ray. Earlier in the week her doctor determined that the baby was facing in the wrong position. That fact — and the fact that x-rays that week confirmed her doctor's belief that her pelvis was too narrow for her baby's head — resulted in a caesarean scheduled shortly after noon that Friday.
Her baby was delivered at 12:45 p.m. by caesarean section. She had no labor."
All in all, she said, it was an uneventful caesarean.
"If you have to have a caesarean section, I suppose I had a good experience. My husband was allowed to be with me. Afterward I didn't get infected. I didn't get a spinal headache afterward. A lot of people get that from the anesthesia."

MRS. TANNER SAID she experienced severe depression after the birth of her first child, much worse than after the second birth.
"When I get depressed, I get tired. All I want to do is sleep. For like two months, all I wanted to do was sleep. I didn't want to face a lot of things."
She is a former state employee.
"They would call me from work and ask me things. I'd have to sit there and try to remember and focus on things. I just wanted the world to go away and leave me with my baby."
She has gone over and over the details of her first birth.
"At the time I felt they (the doctors) knew best."
"My husband was really angry. He felt they were knife-happy and we just let it go... but I felt we had a healthy baby, and so we went to sleep."
"It wasn't until after I had the second one that I realized what a high it was and how depressed I'd really been."

SHE FINDS IT hard to describe the first birth.
"There was nothing after that first birth. Yes, I had a baby, but there was no emotional feeling. It was like reading about it in a book as opposed to actually having it."
"It's really hard to describe. It was just like a big nothing. People would say things to me afterward like, 'Weren't you scared?' Or, 'Wasn't it great?' ... but it was nothing. There was no emotion at all. It was like I went to the supermarket and picked up the kid."
Several friends of hers had babies about the same time she did.
"When they talked about their experiences, it

By Adele Angio
Focus Editor

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had given her a deadline to deliver.
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Cindy Grillo of Coventry had her son, John, by caesarean at Rockville General Hospital.

Connections

Susan Plesch
Herald Reporter

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Drawing by Charlotte Yale Chaffin

'My son wasn't born; he was taken from me.'

It's become something of an obsession, Cindy Grillo admitted.
Mrs. Grillo, 28, a Coventry resident, wants her second baby to be born naturally. She wants no drugs. She wants no forceps. And, most of all, she wants no knife.
Her first baby, John, 14 months, was born by caesarean section at Rockville General Hospital.
It was a procedure she insists was not necessary. She said she still feels cheated of her son's birth.
"It (John's birth) felt as though someone was sitting on me — and then they got off. That's just what the delivery was like to me," she said.
"You have a feeling of pressure. That's about all you can feel."
"When you think about it, nine months is a year out of your life," she said. "It's a year to wait for one moment. You can get awfully hyped up about it. When you have a caesarean it's like nothing at all what you expect. It's devastating."
THE DEPRESSION she experienced afterward, she said, was like nothing she'd ever gone through before.
One of the things she did to try to combat that depression was to read extensively. Part of her reading included her own medical records.
"There was simply no reason for it... no fetal distress, no cephalopelvic disproportion (head too large for the mother's pelvis) ... no reason for it at all." The reason given: "Failure to progress."
She was at Barbara Soderberg's VBAC support group meeting last Friday. She was also at a recent VBAC meeting sponsored by the Family Oriented Childbirth Information Society, a consumer group. Earlier in the month, she drove to a midwifery seminar in Middletown.
"I'd go to Boston to have a baby if I have to. Driving means nothing to me," she said.
Mrs. Grillo's son was born at Rockville General Hospital. It was a Friday night.
She arrived at the hospital about 7 p.m. Her water had broken about an hour earlier and her pains were two minutes apart.
About 9 p.m. — shortly after her doctor arrived — he told her he'd do a caesarean. At that point, her pains were still two minutes apart, and she was dilated to two centimeters. "An hour later, I was four centimeters. I was making progress," she said.
BUT THE DOCTOR told her that the baby was still high in her pelvis, and was not engaged in the birth canal. He told her that she was still in very early labor.
Mrs. Grillo did not want a caesarean, and asked for more proof that it was necessary. The doctor did an ultrasound test and told her the baby's head was too large to fit through her pelvis opening.
At 10:34 p.m. Mrs. Grillo's son was born by C-section. His weight was 8 pounds, 1 ounce. His head was 14 1/2 inches in circumference. Mrs. Grillo is 5 feet, 5 inches tall, and her normal weight is 135 pounds.
Today — after thoroughly researching the topic — Mrs. Grillo disputes the reasons given for her surgery. She said that if she had been allowed to walk around during labor, she was strapped to an external monitor — she probably could have birthed the baby normally.
"I thought I was doing wonderfully.

Sick kids, sick mom make for a crowded couch

So you think you're coming down with the flu, eh? Think you'll bundle yourself up on the living room sofa, spoon-feed yourself chicken broth and aspirin and ginger ale, and suffer gloriously for at least a day?
Suffer alone.
Do not, under any circumstances, be tempted to suffer the same way as all three children. Don't even suffer the same way as one child and the dog. Get sick by yourself.
Sick mothers must not try to share the living room sofa with three sniffling, hot and hacking kids holed up for the duration of the latest flu bug. Mothers must time their illnesses.
When children and mothers are sick, the living room ends up looking something like a flop house. Or a bus station at 3 in the morning. You know, various diarrheas draped all over the furniture in various states of consciousness.
There are two on the sofa, fighting over who gets the blanket. One hanging off the rocking chair, moaning. One prone on the carpet, making muffled sick sounds.
"Why don't you go to bed?" the sick mother asks the one on the carpet, all 3 foot 7 of her stretched out like a human coffee table right under everyone's

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They're back in the living room, fighting over the Monopoly money. One of the kids owes the other \$20. Another one wants to build a house on Park Place but he's in jail. Someone has landed on the Reading Railroad and has to pay \$200, and he hasn't even passed Go yet.
"Fork over the money," says a kid.
"OK, Miss," says another.
"Don't call me Miss," he says.
The sickies start hand-to-hand combat. The mother drags her fever-wracked body off the sofa. With all the strength she can muster, she shoves up the Monopoly money and jams roughly \$16.35 under the sofa cushion. Then she plops back down on top of it.
The sickies circle the sofa.
"Whatta matter with HER?" somebody says.
"She doesn't like to be around PEOPLE," someone else explains.
"Maybe she wants to be the banker," says a third. "Anybody want to play Life?"

Advice

Woman's fear of getting fat had weight consequences

DEAR ABBY: I am a young woman who, like many other women, became obsessed with the fear of getting fat. It started while I was in college. I would eat (and drink) whatever I wanted, then induce vomiting. I also used laxatives to excess. I became addicted to this kind of weight control for four years. Everyone remarked on my "beautiful" pencil-thin figure, but nobody knew how I maintained it. When my menstrual periods stopped, I became frightened and saw a doctor. That's when I found out I was suffering from anorexia and bulimia.



Dear Abby
Abigail Van Buren

Those interested in learning more about this eating disorder may write to: ANAD, P.O. Box 271, Highland Park, Ill. 60035. It's a non-profit organization, so please include a long, stamped (37 cents), self-addressed envelope for its material.

DEAR ABBY: Will you please tell me why a woman says she's been shopping when she hasn't bought anything?

WILBUR: For the same reason a man says he's been fishing when he hasn't caught anything.

DEAR ABBY: I am in my 40s. My father died a few years ago and my

mother married a man I absolutely adore. I do not regard him as my stepfather because I was already grown when he married my mother, so I introduce him as my mother's husband. When I introduce him in this manner, I always feel that I might be giving him the impression that I don't consider him family.

What is the correct way of introducing him?

FEELING AWKWARD: Introduce him by your introduction and ask him how he wants to be introduced.

However, since you absolutely adore him, just guess and ask him how he wants to be introduced.

WILBUR: Whether you want a formal church wedding or a simple, "do-your-own-thing" ceremony, get Abby's booklet. Send \$1 plus a long, self-addressed, stamped (37 cents) envelope to: Abby's Wedding Booklet, P.O. Box 38923, Hollywood, Calif. 90038.

Mid-life crisis at age 28? Why do I always feel tired?

DEAR DR. LAMB: I have periods when I get so tired I can barely get through the day. I feel great about my life and have no apparent emotional problems. I have a good marriage, a baby girl and a comfortable home and life.

I'm only 28, but I feel so old since I graduated, started working and had a baby. The very few things that give me pleasure — aerobic classes and catnaps for the day — remind me of how old I feel.

I feel like I've been going through a mid-life crisis since my 1-year-old daughter was born. Before that I worked as a teacher for five years. I don't miss my work, enough to go back because of the time and stress involved.

I'm also 30 pounds overweight. I gained the weight after my daughter's birth. I was on thyroid medicine until her birth but I quit taking it because I couldn't sleep.



Your Health
Lawrence Lamb, M.D.

My gynecologist prescribed it for hair loss. I have allergies, hay fever and asthma, but I have quit taking shots and drugs because they don't help.

Right now I'm concerned with my fatigue and lack of deep sleep, my hair loss and occasional feelings of shakiness. I have to live to the fullest — and I don't want to take any more useless medications.

DEAR READER: You should have a family physician help sort out your various problems. It's important to know why you are overweight

and to do something about it. If you really are low on thyroid, thyroid medicine will help and could correct your fatigue problem. Hair loss can be associated with thyroid deficiencies, although many women lose hair after childbirth.

It's important to remember that one reason for feeling tired is underlying medical problems. I hate to assume your fatigue is due to life situations, without first knowing that you have had a complete medical evaluation.

It's possible that much of your fatigue is associated with changes in your life. You may miss your teaching more than you realize. You may be disappointed in yourself because of your increase in weight. Changes which include quitting your job and having children, certainly can contribute to depression and fatigue.

About 85 percent of the people who have fatigue don't have an underlying medical problem. I discuss these feelings in my Health Letter #4, Fatigue: Feeling Tired and Heavy, which I'm sending you. Others who read this issue can send 75 cents with a long, stamped, self-addressed envelope for it to me, in care of this newspaper, P.O. Box 1551, Radio City Station, New York, N.Y. 10019.

If your family doctor finds no medical reason for your fatigue, he may want to seek professional counseling. Some alterations in your life may increase your enthusiasm and help eliminate your tiredness.

Woman balks at the thought of caring for mother-in-law

DEAR DR. BLAKER: I am married to an only son. He is very close to his 80-year-old mother who is now in the hospital. He wants her to convalesce with us. But I am afraid that once she moves in, that will be it. She will stay until she dies. I would die if that happened.



Ask Dr. Blaker
Karen Blaker, Ph.D.

DEAR READER: That would be a bit drastic! There is a better way to handle the situation. Talk with your husband before your mother-in-law is discharged from the hospital. Agree on a time limit for her convalescence, after which you and he will talk again and renegotiate. Take it one step at a time. But remember, you have some say in this. It is like most similar situations, you could be doing most of the care-taking.

Our 40th wedding anniversary is rapidly approaching, and my husband and I want to try something new for a change. Instead of inviting the family to a Broadway show and dinner, he wants to rent a hall and have lots of friends and business associates for a sit-down dinner. I am a nervous wreck about it. I remember hearing about an acquaintance who celebrated a wedding anniversary in a big way and two weeks later lost her husband to a heart attack.

I am afraid something bad will happen if we change our traditional kind of celebration. Am I crazy?

DEAR READER: Crazy? No. Superstitious? Yes.

People usually rely more on superstition when they are facing something new. The unknown brings out the superstitions in the best of us. Why? Because that kind of thinking focuses our fears.

Your superstition pins your fear of the new kind of celebration on the possibility that you will lose your husband. That is unlikely, isn't it? And even if something were to happen to your husband, it is even more unlikely that you could blame the sit-down dinner.

So, try to think more about what really frightens you when you consider your husband's suggestion. Perhaps there will be more pressure on

Where to write

Here's where to write for advice from the syndicated columnist featured in the Manchester Herald:

- Dear Abby — Abigail Van Buren, P.O. Box 38923, Hollywood, Calif. 90038.
- Dr. Lamb — Dr. Lawrence Lamb, M.D., P.O. Box 1551, Radio City Station, New York, N.Y. 10019.
- Dr. Blaker — Dr. Karen Blaker, P.O. Box 475, Radio City Station, New York, N.Y. 10019.

Adopt a pet

Take home cuddly pup

By Barbara Richmond Herald Reporter

This week's featured pet is like a cuddly teddy bear — hence the name Teddy. He's about 2 months old. Dog Warden Richard Rand said Teddy appears to be mostly shepherd. His soft coat is black and tan. He was picked up Jan. 25 on Agnes Drive and will be ready to be adopted in a few days.



Herald photo by Richmond

He may be a puppy, but he thinks he's a teddy bear. And he'll cock his head and listen no matter what name you call him. Teddy poses with Dog Warden Richard Rand.

About Town

Scandia Lodge to meet — Scandia Lodge 23, Vasa Order of America, will meet tonight at 7:30 p.m. at Emanuel Lutheran Church, Church Street.

Officers will be installed by a degree team from Norden Lodge 1 of Hartford. A program will follow.

Ballet presents 'Aladdin' — The Center Ballet Theater of Manchester will present 'Aladdin and His Wonderful Lamp' Saturday at 2:30 p.m. at Manchester High School.

Elizabeth Duma of Manchester and Leigh MacRae of Wetherfield will alternate performances as the Princess. Aladdin will be danced by Brenna Götting of Vernon and Susan Prokop of Glastonbury. The program will be presented in several other towns from February through April. Tickets will be sold at the door at \$7.

Club plans potluck — The Fellowship Club of Manchester Lodge 73 of Masons, will have a potluck supper Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. at the Masonic Temple, East Center Street.

Masons and families are invited. Those attending should bring a hot or cold dish to share. After the supper Ambrose Dietl will narrate a slide show on the Hawaiian Islands.

For more information call Warren Maheu, 646-1733.

Center Bridge results — The following are the results of the Jan. 27 games of the Center Bridge Club:

North-South: Mr. and Mrs. Erwin Goldberg, first; Joe Capece and Dick Vizard and Marilyn Jackson and Ken Kozak, tied for second and third.

East-West: Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hughes, first; John Greene and Dick Jaworski, second; and Anne Best and Philip Best, third.

Grange to have auction — East-Central Pomona Grange 3 will meet Saturday at 8 p.m. in the Masonic Hall on Main Street, South Glastonbury. Glastonbury Grange 26 will host the meeting.

Hillstown and Andover Granges are asked to bring items for the auction table.

Group to exchange books — Gamma Chapter of Alpha Delta Kappa will meet Monday at 3:30 p.m. at the First Federal Savings Bank, West Middle Turnpike.

There will be a book exchange. Hostesses will be Jill Gelinas, Mary Keenan and Linda Hennigan.

Amaranth to meet — Chapman Court 10, Order of Amaranth, will meet Friday at 7:45 p.m. at the Masonic Temple, East Center Street.

Officers will wear colored gowns. Refreshments will be served after the meeting.

Will held festival — Ferné Pasternak and Marilyn Neumayer of Manchester have been named chairmen of the American Cancer Society's 1984 Daffodil Festival in the Manchester Unit area.

They will coordinate the distribution of 40,000 freshly cut daffodils, shipped to Connecticut from the state of Washington. The event is scheduled for March 14 through 17.

Others serving on the festival committee are: Karen Chochos, Leslie Weinstein, Lisa Collier, Elsie Tartaglia, Len Horvath, Marion Moore, Mary Ann Sklar, Tom Tierney, Dr. Ludmila Mitrevics, Mim Snyder, Anne Sobolewski, Alice Rodner, Sally Zocco, Jodi Zocco, Barbara Frances and Lucy Ordevay.

Daffodils will be available individually and in bouquets of 10. The cost is 35 cents per flower and \$3.50 per bouquet. Advance orders may be placed by calling the Manchester Unit at 643-2168 or Mrs. Pasternak, 643-7222 or Mrs. Neumayer, 643-1117.

School taking registrations — St. James School is accepting registrations for new students in kindergarten through Grade 7, for the 1984-85 school year during the week of Feb. 5.

Registrations will be taken Monday through Thursday from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. at the school.

In conjunction with registration there will be open houses between 8:30 and 11:30 a.m. on Feb. 9 to give interested parents an opportunity to visit the school.

Cinema

Hartford
Alpham Cinema — The Godfather (R) 7:30, 9:30.
Cinema City — Villages (PG) 7:30, 9:30; Silkwood (R) 7:30, 9:30; The Silence of the Lambs (R) 7:30, 9:30.
Cinemasville — Sudden Impact (PG) 7:30, 9:30; Prur Here and Now (R) 7:30, 9:30; Schedule unavoidable.

East Hartford
Eastview Cinema — Educating Rita (PG) 7:15, 9:15; D.C. Cab (R) 7:30, 9:30.

West Hartford
Poor Richard's Pub & Cinema — D.C. Cab (R) 7:30, 9:30.

Westchester
Showcase Cinemas — Scarface (R) 7:30, 9:30; Sudden Impact (PG) 1:40, 7:40, 9:40; Venetian (PG) 1:30, 7:30, 9:30; Gorky Park (R) 1:45, 7:15, 9:15; Never Cry Wolf (PG) 1:10, 7:35, 9:45; Uncommon Valor (R) 1:15, 7:40, 9:40.

Manchester
Uk Theater East — Two of a Kind (R) 7:30, 9:40; Silkwood (R) 7:15, 9:45; The Lonely Guy (R) 7:30, 9:30.

Westchester
Transit Cinema Twin — Hot Dog (R) 7:15, 9:15; Lo Copo Aka Folies (R) 7: with Something for Evyone (R) 9:30.

Vernon
Cine 4 — Educating Rita (PG) 7:15, 9:15; D.C. Cab (R) 7:30, 9:30.

West Hartford
Elin 1 & 2 — D.C. Cab (R) 7:15, 9:15; The Man Who Loved Women (R) 7:30, 9:30; The Movies — To Be or Not to Be (R) 1:30, 7:30, 9:30; The Lonely Guy (R) 1:30, 7:30, 9:30; Silkwood (R) 2:10, 4:40, 7:30, 9:30.

Westchester
Square Cinema — Hot Dog (R) 7: 9:30; The Lonely Guy (R) 7:30, 9:30; Hot Dog (R) 7:10, 9:30.

Public records

Warranty deeds — Ronald and Elizabeth Mattram, 36 Horace St., \$316.63. Town of Manchester continues for 10 years lien against property of John and Eleanor Ziemak, 378 Hartford Road, \$883.50.

Quitclaim deeds — State of Connecticut to Town of Manchester, land on Main Street.

Liens — Town of Manchester continues for two years lien against property of Gerald P. Rothman, 263 Main St., \$648.99.

Marriage licenses — Anthony W. Taraschio, Coventry, to Denise A. Zepke, South Windsor. Craig B. Kostant, Manchester, to Joan M. Lacey, Manchester. Vasilis Paspalakis, Manchester, to Fren S. Danowicz, Manchester, Feb. 4.

Deaths — Anthony W. Taraschio, Manchester, to Corinna M. Shenale, Manchester, March 3. Michael K. Remesch, Andover, to Donna L. Maneggia, Bolton, Feb. 11. Donald F. Warren, Manchester, to Alice D. Belcher, Manchester, Feb. 10.

God weather brings out foolishness, but it's fun

Before I get into the meat and potatoes of this column, I thought I'd spring the word that, as of this moment, the city of Springfield will not be dumping its sewage into the Connecticut River in March, as planned.

It seems that the hue and cry raised, plus a threatened lawsuit changed some people's minds, and the Feds came through with over a million dollars for a bypass to one of the other sewage treatment plants.

To get back to more mundane, but interesting tidings, it's February.

February for some outdoorsmen can be a month of doldrums if they sit back and let the weather rule them. A good many of us manage to keep busy even in the cold and the snow.

THE BIRD AND DUCK hunters, once the season is over and over with, usually go on to keep their "eye in" with skeet and trap.

Crazy as it may sound, there's an awful lot of enjoyment to stepping up on a station to shoot skeet in lousy weather. The cold and snow generates a camaraderie, and a feeling of foolishness and jocularly among the shooters that is as strong in good weather. Maybe we're all a little ditz to start.



Joe's World
Joe Garman

It didn't go too bad, we used to build a fire on shore, and toast one side, and then the other, of our frigid bodies. Feet never did seem to get too much above freezing. Crazy? Maybe. But we sure had a good time.

SINCE I'VE MATURED, and become wiser, I live my tootsies on the skeet field, shoot, eat, drink, and can't wait to get into the warming house, and stand next to the woodstove.

I don't know, but maybe we're masochists, and it's not to hurt first, or freeze first, and then it feels so good when you get warm.

Of course, we have lots of warm indoor activities we can do. Cleaning guns, fish rods, reels, tackle, etc., are great indoor activities for the hunter and/or fisherman. This is also the time of year when the fly tyers really get cranked up.

The fly fishing schools all start around this time. The flies for the coming season start to get put together, and most fly fishermen who are tyers, are real busy at their benches or desks, turning out classic patterns and "secret weapons."

One of the things we all do best however, is "shoot the bull".

And then there are the washing sessions. You can't imagine how many trips are planned in our minds (mostly) to Alaska, Norway, Scotland, Labrador, Montana, New Zealand, Argentina, etc. These plans always come up when someone asks "What would you do if you won the lottery?" The answers come thick and fast.

And if we can't go fishing, there's always the parking lot to cast over. Snow, or no snow. We did last Saturday. Ridiculous! Maybe. But look at the fun we have.

Social Security

At what age benefits stop for children?

Editor's note: If you have a question you'd like to see answered here, write to Sol Anello, Box 591, Manchester Herald, Manchester, CT. 06040.

QUESTION: When I began getting Social Security benefits for myself and my five children when my husband died six years ago, I was told that the benefits would continue until the youngest child turned 18. Now I understand that the benefits may stop at age 16 under a change in the law. Is this true?

ANSWER: Your unmarried children may receive benefits up until age 18, or 19 if they are still in high school. Your benefits as a mother will stop when the youngest child turns 16.

QUESTION: I understand Social Security has a program that makes payments to disabled or blind children even if the parent has never worked under Social Security. Is this true?

ANSWER: Yes. The supplemental security income program makes payments to disabled and blind persons of any age who have little income or resources. For children under 18, some of their parents' income and resources are considered when eligibility is decided. The payments are made from general revenues, not from the Social Security taxes.



Herald photo by Tarquinio

QUESTION: I need corrective lenses for my eyes because I recently had cataract surgery. Will Medicare pay for the optometrist I had to go to?

ANSWER: Under certain conditions, Medicare medical insurance will pay for optometrist's services for fitting of corrective lenses.

QUESTION: I visited Verplanck School last week to tell Mrs. Will's grade 5 students about his winter mountain-climbing experiences. Checking out his gear are Matt Roman, left, and Gott's daughter, Shelly, grade 3. Gott climbed Mount Washington Jan. 13. All grade 5 mounts have been invited to visit Mrs. Will's class to speak about occupations, interests or hobbies.

Mrs. Tanner's second birth was VBAC

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33, shared her anger. He'd grown up on a dairy farm; he was more than familiar with the process of birth. He had argued with her doctor. He'd felt she could have had the baby naturally.

"He felt it was for the doctor's convenience. And they get more money," she said.

FOR HER SECOND birth, she consulted with six doctors before she found one she liked in Manchester. She estimated obstetrician shopping cost her about \$180.

She also employed Barbara Soderberg of Tolland, a registered nurse who is a labor coach. Most of the labor for her second son took place at home, under the supervision of Mrs. Soderberg.

On Jan. 22, 1983 she said she felt the first pains about 3:30 a.m. Mrs. Soderberg arrived some hours later. We had a couple of cups of tea. We took a walk. We visited," she said.

The trip to MMH was delayed because her husband had been delayed getting home from work. She delivered at Manchester Memorial Hospital about 8:45 p.m., about 20 minutes after the Tanners and Mrs. Soderberg arrived at the hospital.

How did the second birth compare with the first?

"There's just no comparison," she said. "During labor, there were times when it was very uncomfortable, but I knew it would be over. And it (the pain) was intermittent. After the cesarean section, it felt as though I was never going to get over it. It hurt to move. It hurt to sit still. With the second there was an end in sight."

She's starting a VBAC support group at her home, 693 Bug Cap Road, Extension, Tolland, at 7:30 p.m. Feb. 17.

"I feel that, first of all, Connecticut is behind most of the country. Any information I've been able to get is VBAC is a fairly normal thing most other places. When I think about what I went through... I just want to educate people as to the possibilities," she said.

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Once a section, always a section?

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ing the lives of mother and baby.

Those who believe in VBAC say such a danger is minimal — less than five percent. But for years, conventional medical wisdom has been, "Once a C-section always a C-section." The danger, doctors said, is that the surgical scar might rupture during birth, endangering northeast quadrupling in the last 20 years — Manchester Memorial Hospital is said to have the second highest cesarean section rate in the state, according to the National Center for Health Statistics — the concept is bound to get more attention, however.

DURING a cesarean section, an incision is made in the abdominal and uterine walls, and the baby is lifted out. VBAC — a layman's term — means a vaginal birth after a cesarean section. A cesarean surgery is often an emergency life-saving procedure. The operation may be performed to save the life of the baby, especially if the doctor thinks the unborn infant is in distress. percent — and that a cesarean might be more dangerous.

Most doctors today acknowledge that the danger of rupture probably is less than 5 percent. However, they remain against VBAC. Why risk even that 5 percent, they argue.

Many Hartford-area hospitals — including Hartford, St. Francis Hospital and Medical Center and the University of Connecticut — have offered VBAC for at least two years, according to Mrs. Soderberg.

MANY WOMEN in the group said they'd gone to New Britain General Hospital for their VBACs. Others said they were planning to.

Two weeks ago, Manchester Memorial Hospital changed its policy to allow VBAC deliveries.

In Mrs. Soderberg's basement, skepticism ran high that much would

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Artificial hearts could be common in 20 years

By Gino Del Guercio
United Press International

BOSTON — Barney Clark may have felt like an oddity during his 112-day ordeal with the first long-term artificial heart implanted in a human, but because of his contribution, artificial hearts may be commonplace within 20 years, doctors said today.

However, the acceptance of the artificial heart will ignite scientific and cultural debate, of which only the beginning was heard during Clark's struggle for life, predicted Dr. Pierre Gallati, dean of the Brown University Medical School. Gallati based his prediction on a complete medical report on Clark's operation published in the latest issue of the New England Journal of Medicine. The report, written by Dr. William C. DeVries, head of Clark's transplant team, said that despite some complications that prevented Clark from recovering, the results "should encourage further research in artificial-heart transplantation."

Gallati said experience with the artificial kidney and other mechanical devices used to replace human organs indicates artificial hearts will not be used widely for at least 15 to 20 years. However, he said it is very hard to predict how long the process will take.

Gallati also predicted the artificial heart won't make organ transplants obsolete. He said the device and transplants would complement each other, just as dialysis machine and kidney transplants complement each other today.

"There are a number of issues that still must be addressed, some of them scientific and technical and others cultural," Gallati said in a telephone interview. "Treatment decisions will be buffeted by unprecedented emotional and moral forces and open to challenge from countless directions," he said.

According to the report, Clark's long-time smoking habit, which he quit about eight years before the operation, had reduced the capacity of his lungs to the point where they could no longer perform well enough to help him recover.

A malfunction in one of the heart valves on the 11th day, requiring a second operation, also complicated the recovery, the report said. The report indicated the heart may have been run at too high a pace, which could have caused it to malfunction, prompting the surgeons to say they would probably slow the speed down in the next transplant.

The Jarvik-7, the type of heart used in Clark, has kept animals alive as long as nine months. DeVries and his team believe the same or better can be achieved for humans.

"The initial experience reported here indicates the feasibility of relatively long-term cardiovascular support with a totally implanted artificial heart in a human being," the report said.

"Despite the relatively complicated postoperative course in our patient, the overall experience of 112 days nonetheless leads to an optimistic appraisal of the future potential for total artificial-heart systems," the report said.

Candy can help people suffering from heartburn

By Gino Del Guercio
United Press International

BOSTON — When an occasional bout of heartburn strikes, sucking on hard candy may do a world of good, doctors said today.

Heartburn is caused by acidic juices in the stomach sloshing up into the sensitive areas of the lower throat. According to a report in the New England Journal of Medicine, the body's natural mechanism is to push the juices back into the stomach and neutralize the effect with saliva.

"This theory of neutralizing the acid with saliva was originally considered a myth and rejected because people calculated that it would take large amounts of saliva to neutralize the amounts of acid that reflux into the esophagus (the throat)," Dr. Wylie J. Dodds said in a telephone interview.

"What they didn't realize was that normal individuals usually clear most of the acid and then the saliva is enough to neutralize the rest," he said.

Little can be done about improving the body's automatic response to push the acid back into the stomach. But by sucking on a candy or chewing gum a heartburn sufferer can increase his production of saliva by eight or nine times, thereby increasing the acid neutralizing effect.

Heartburn is one of the most common of all ailments, occurring in 50 percent of all pregnant women and the majority of people sometime during their life.

Dodds said the candy trick is likely to be effective only in people without any trouble with the first half of the two-step process. If for some reason a person is not able to purge the acid from their throat in the first place, then the saliva is not likely to be enough to be effective.

Dodds' other advice to avoid heartburn includes: "Don't eat excessively large meals. "Don't lie down after eating. "Don't eat before going to bed. "If overweight, lose some weight. "Don't eat spicy food or drink citrus juices.

Genetic research a 'major trend' in assessment of leukemia patients

BOSTON (UPI) — Doctors will have to begin learning more about the indications of genetic disease in order to keep up with rapid advances in this new field, Canadian medical researchers said today.

"This is a major trend we are going to see over the next five years," said John L. Hamerton, a genetics specialist at the University of Manitoba, Canada. "By being able to look at the DNA (the body's genetic material) itself, this is clearly a very powerful technique."

"We can now tell whether a piece of a gene is deleted from a chromosome or whether it is actually causing the genetic defect," he said.

Citing a new technique that can predict the longevity of some leukemia victims, he predicted that advancements in human genetics will revolutionize the study of disease within five years.

Hamerton wrote of a study conducted at Roswell Park Memorial Institute in Buffalo, N.Y., also published in the journal, that found changes in the chromosomes of cells help predict how long patients with chronic lymphocytic leukemia will live. Chromosomes carry the genes that convey hereditary characteristics.

Chronic lymphocytic leukemia most often occurs in people over 50 and develops at a rate of 2.5 per 100,000 people. The study was conducted by a team led by Dr. Tin Han of the Buffalo institute's department of medical oncology.

New techniques that predict windows to abnormalities in human genetic material will enable doctors to predict which congenital diseases that until now have gone undiagnosed, predicted Hamerton.

He said prenatal genetic testing will progress from its infancy into a highly accurate science. Scientists will learn why and how certain diseases affect the body, rather than just what their effects are, he said.

Many genetic diseases don't show themselves as birth defects, but only become obvious later in life. Hamerton said some cancers, even seen to have a prenatal genetic origin.

Shock training for rural EMTs would save lives, researchers say

BOSTON (UPI) — Many lives could be saved if emergency medical technicians in rural areas were given a short course on administering electric shocks to people whose hearts have stopped, said University of Iowa researchers.

Although major efforts to establish advanced-level paramedic care in ambulance services in the nation's cities have resulted in dramatic improvements in survival after out-of-hospital cardiac arrests, the chance of survival after this even in communities with basic-level care remains poor," said Kenneth R. Stults during a telephone interview.

At the University of Iowa, Stults teaches emergency techniques to all levels of people who respond to emergencies. Most large cities maintain a highly trained group of paramedics whose training often takes years. These people can perform defibrillation, as the electric shock treatment is called, and a variety of other major medical procedures.

Currently, emergency medical technicians, who usually only receive training measured in hours or days, are not generally taught this technique. Smaller communities, which cannot afford the highly trained paramedic teams, therefore usually are unable to provide this service to their residents who have heart attacks at home.

Why the technique isn't taught to EMTs is unclear, except that it involves administering a large shock to the chest of victims, who would be severely injured if they didn't need treatment.

Stults says the protocol for giving the shocks is extremely tight and only people who are clinically dead would be given the shocks. Without the shock the patient would probably die.

Stults found that by training EMTs to give the shocks under these tight conditions the number of people who survive heart attacks dramatically increased.

Pope Paul VI toured the Holy Land in 1964. He was the first pope to visit the region where Christ was born, and the first to leave Italy in over 150 years.

Gift helps restore Shaker town

HANCOCK, Mass. (UPI) — When A. Haydn Mason was growing up in Pittsfield in the late 19th century, he used to drive his mother's buggy when she bought shawls and boxes from the Shakers for her gift shop.

"She would buy and he would get to know the Shakers," Amy B. Miller, 76, said Wednesday. "They were good neighbors and he liked them."

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He used to sing with the Shakers when he was a boy," she said. "He was a very musical man. His father taught music and was an organist in a church here. He like to sing with their choral entertainment."

Mason's donation put the group's fund-raising efforts at about 60 percent of its goal, she said.



A lack of funds is threatening the operation of Wolf Haven in Tenino, Wash., where these two wolves live. They are among 25 wolves being cared for at the 30-acre sanctuary, which is operated by volunteers.

Wolf sanctuary in hard times

By Robert McDaniel
United Press International

TENINO, Wash. (UPI) — If the financial drain at the 30-acre sanctuary for wolves called Wolf Haven gets any worse, the people will be at the door.

Where once the non-profit organization accepted all wolves without question, a lack of funds is threatening the operation.

The 25 wolves at the sanctuary in mid-December came from state agencies in Washington and New York, an abandoned private animal farm, individuals and Cornell University.

Feeding and caring for the animals, plus the monthly \$500 rent for the sanctuary land are draining the organization's meager treasury.

Stephen Kuntz, Wolf Haven president, said all the help at Wolf Haven is volunteer and money is very scarce.

Kuntz said his wife works to support the family. Jack Lauffer, wildlife biologist for the project, said he is living on savings that will soon be exhausted.

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2013 East cagers getting healthy

By Len Auster
Sports Editor

BRISTOL — They're getting healthy in a hurry. "The patient is alive and recuperating and going home," happy East Catholic coach Jim Penders said Wednesday night as the Eagles climbed back to the 500 mark with a 67-59 victory over St. Paul in HCC basketball action here.

It was a rocky road for the Eagles back to the 500 level. Just four games ago they sported a 3-7 mark and their season appeared to be in shambles.

Four games later — all victories — East is 7-7 and right back in contention for HCC laurels at 4-2.

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East's frontcourt includes the 6-6 Bruno and 6-4 John Theriault. The former also latched onto 10 rebounds while Theriault dumped in 16 points as third-leading Eagle scorer.

The Eagles climbed back to even ground against a club its done well with in recent history. In fact, East has not lost to St. Paul since the last game of the 1975-76 season. It has won 18 in a row, including two this

twice more against a discouraged East defender before the final buzzer sounded.

Twenty-four minutes in penalties led to four power-play goals by Notre Dame. Most of those penalty minutes came in the second period, when play got a little chippy. The Eagles scored one goal on the power play, as Notre Dame was whittled for 16 minutes in penalties.

Undisciplined Eagles iced by ND

By Rich Cahill
Herald Sports Writer

BOLTON — The East Catholic hockey team got a lesson in discipline Wednesday night at the Bolton Ice Palace, as too many penalties and defensive breakdowns led to a 9-5 setback at the hands of Notre Dame of West Haven.

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Cheering is loud for vintage Bird

BOSTON (UPI) — Larry Bird went over the 1,000-point mark in scoring this season and won another round of accolades Wednesday night after he led the Boston Celtics to a 119-110 victory over the Kansas City Kings.

"It was vintage Larry Bird out there tonight — rebounds, assists and outside shooting," said Boston coach K.C. Jones of his star player. "He's just a real winner. He's got the fourth quarter after he got hurt was a big play. I thought Robert Parish played really well, and Kevin McHale added 22 points, Parish 21 and Johnson, who twisted an ankle but stayed in the game, had 19 for the Celtics, who beat the Kings for the second time this year and extended the Kings' road losing streak to 10 games.

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Huskies need quick fix

UConn basketball is in need of a quick fix. The Huskies have seen their transition game go by word and slow to a crawl. Their offense bogged down without the explosive possibilities of Earl Kelley, who has missed the last four games with a strained left ankle.

Kelly, the 6-1 sophomore guard out of New Haven, is the outside threat UConn does not offer for the moment. Senior Vernon Giseombe, all 11 of him, can fill the bill once in awhile but he is not the consistent outside shooter like Kelly.

And the other Huskies have been reluctant to let fly in the last two outings. That has allowed their opposition to close up the middle and not allow anything inside.

Thus the Husky dilemma. The latest Mace was Tuesday's 82-57 loss to Boston College. The closest Connecticut came in the second half was seven points (42-35). That came before a 10-2 Eagle spurt that virtually assured the Stors' boys their fifth loss in eight Big East outings.

UConn has gotten off to poor starts in their last two Big East tests against Villanova and BC. Each time it cost them severely. "We cannot get out of the blocks and it has caused us a lot of trouble," UConn coach Dom Permo said.

Connecticut is not really a catch-up team. Despite the desire to run whenever possible, UConn does not have the firepower to match most clubs. Its arsenal is limited. It has to be very strategic in its game plan, just like the one conceived against Pittsburgh in the Steel City.

Whalers grateful for point

DETROIT (UPI) — Both teams scored six goals and earned one point in the standings but the Whalers know it from listening to the opposing coaches.

"We should have had two points tonight," Polano fumed after the Red Wings blew a 4-3 lead in the last 10 minutes of the third period.

"We have to improve in the checking department and do on a consistent basis. You can't do it for two or three games and then slack off. That's been the problem with this team for years."



Red Wing goalie Ken Holland (center) gets caught in the struggle between Hartford's Mike Zuke (left) and Detroit's Randy Ladouceur in first period action. Clubs struggled to 6-6 tie.



MCC's Drexel Porter (4) goes after the basketball along with teammate Winston Brooks (30) and Mattatuck's Jeff Bush (42) in CCAA basketball action Wednesday night at East Catholic High gym.

Mattatuck shows why it's top club

Showing why its No. 1 in New England NCAA play, Mattatuck Community College overwhelmed Manchester Community College, 116-82, Wednesday night at East Catholic in CCAA play.

The win for Mattatuck, number 38 in a row in regular season play and its 60th in 64 outings, pushed the Chiefs to 13-0 overall and 6-0 in conference play. The Cougars fell to 2-1 overall and 2-1 in the league.

MCC will have little time to recover from the defeat as it is scheduled to face the Eastern Connecticut State University junior varsity team today at 4 p.m. in Willimantic.

The locals stayed even with Mattatuck through six minutes, trailing 12-10 with 13:55 left in the first half. The Chiefs then scored 18 of the next 22 points and led 30-14 with 10:27 showing in the half.

Terry Fisher's inside play and the outside shooting of Mike Robinson sparked Mattatuck. Steve Emerson's hot hand from the outside kept MCC in range.

The Chiefs, with a strong bench, were the Cougars down and moved to a 28-38 halftime lead. Emerson and Drexel Porter helped the Cougars to close to 60-41 with 17:17 left but Fisher and Robinson, along with Joe Saffell and Wayne Buck took control and Mattatuck led 74-45 with 13:36 to go. The victors cruised home.

Fisher, the 6-6, 214-pound center out of Bassick High in Bridgeport, had 25 points and eight rebounds to lead the Chiefs. Robinson added 24, Salafia 16 and Buck 14. Emerson and Porter netted 20 and 20 markers respectively for the Cougars with Chuck Garco also in twin digits with 15.

MATTATUCK (116) — Salafia 8 0-1-16, White 4 0-0-8, Buck 6 2-3-14, Garco 4 0-0-8, Berube 2 0-0-4, Fisher 4 0-0-8, Fisher 13 2-4-28, Williams 1 0-0-2, Robinson 6 7-24, Joseph 2 0-0-4. Totals 53 10-15-116.

MCC (82) — Tenno 2 0-0-4, Porter 16 2-2-20, McAuley 1 0-0-2, Brophy 1 1-2-3, Carr 2 0-0-4, Emerson 13 0-0-26, Garen 7 1-2-15, Orlowski 1 0-0-2, Brooks 3 0-0-6. Totals 40 26-82.

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BUSINESS

Take advantage of new IRS rules on offices in home

If you're among the hundreds of thousands (at least millions) who run or expect to run your own separate business at home, favorable rule changes for deducting office-at-home costs in '83 will help you save on your '83 income taxes. You are allowed to deduct an allocable portion of the expenses of running your house or apartment for that part of your house or apartment you use regularly and exclusively as:

1. Your principal place of business for carrying on any trade or business; or
2. A place of business for meeting and dealing with your customers, clients or patients in the normal course of your trade or business; or
3. A separate building you use in your trade or business that is not attached to your home.

This deduction is not just for lawyers, doctors, etc., who carry on their entire business or professional activities from their office-at-home. If you moonlight at home with your own separate business in addition to your regular job elsewhere, you, too, can qualify for your office-at-home deduction for your own separate business.

If, say, you are a schoolteacher who has an income tax preparation business at home during the tax season, you may qualify for the deduction. You even can qualify for the deduction if you use the office-at-home for carrying on your regular job, but in this case, only if you do this for the convenience of your employer.

Until recently, the Internal Revenue Service had made it impossible for you who had a regular job to claim an office-at-home deduction for your own separate business at home. The IRS claimed that if you already had a principal business at home, you couldn't have another principal place for your separate business at home.

But the law has been changed so the IRS now says you may have a principal place of business for each activity in which you engage. As a teacher, for instance, your principal place of business is your school. But as an income-tax preparer at home, you use your home office as your principal place of



Your Money's Worth
Sylvia Porter

business for your separate tax-return business at this season.

MORE GOOD NEWS: In 1983, the IRS removed another obstacle to an office-at-home deduction. It had interpreted "exclusive use" of the premises for the qualifying business purposes meaning a room or a physically separated portion of a room had to be set aside exclusively for business use. This created a problem for you if you couldn't set aside one room of your home for exclusive business use and you couldn't afford to wall off or otherwise physically separate one

part of a room. But now the IRS will accept any "separately identifiable" area as your office-at-home that you use exclusively for business.

You could place your desk, files, etc., together in one corner, or elsewhere, in your bedroom, living room, or other location — and you would qualify for an office-at-home deduction as long as the office area is separately identifiable.

Assuming you set up your office-at-home for your own separate business, the IRS declares now you also can use it for work connected with your regular employment.

Thus, as a teacher who uses an office-at-home for preparing tax returns, you also can use it to check test papers of your students without losing the office-at-home deduction.

You would lose the deduction, though, if you used your office area for such personal matters as social correspondence or a diary. Just apply common sense to your activities — and you'll win.

If your office-at-home qualifies for deduction under the rules I've described here, the amount of your deduction will be a percentage of the expenses of running your house, apartment, condo — such as

maintenance, insurance, utilities. For houses, condos, coop apartments, an allocable amount of depreciation is deductible, too. The deductible percentage of expenses allocable to the office generally is the ratio of the area you use for office to the total area of your home. This deduction also is generally limited to the amount of the gross business income from your office-at-home.

What a relief!

Clinic to open in summer
FARMINGTON (UPI) — The Kaiser Foundation Health Plan of Connecticut, the area's largest health maintenance organization, will open a new clinic in Farmington this summer.

The principal medical facility of the 20,000-member HMO, the Kaiser-Permanente Health Center, is in East Hartford. The plan's administrative offices are in Hartford.

The new 8,625-square-foot office will provide internal medicine, pediatric and obstetrical/gynecological services and a pharmacy. Kaiser officials said they are still discussing whether X-ray services will be included.

Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon, acclaimed as one of the vineyard's best vintages.

This year's offerings include an 1896 Chateau LaFite, made the year Napoleon I forced Francis II to renounce his title as Holy Roman Emperor, and a 1791 Gallier Rhone, the oldest dry red wine in the world as of the auctions.

American offerings include a single bottle of 1894 Inglenook Red Pinot, the vineyard's first vintage, and double magnums of 1979 Beaulieu Private

Heublein plans next classic wine auction May 31

FARMINGTON (UPI) — Wines dating from Napoleon's defeat of the Holy Roman Empire will be the highlight of the Heublein May 31 in Atlanta at the 16th Heublein Premiere National Auction of Rare Wines. Heublein Inc. has announced.

What the company calls the world's largest one-day sale of classic European and rare American wines will offer buyers more than 17,000 bottles of

over 250 different wines. Heublein officials said Wednesday.

There will be preview tastings May 10 at the Fairmont Hotel in San Francisco and May 30 at the Ritz-Carlton Buckhead in Atlanta, where the auction will be held.

More than \$4 million worth of wine has been sold at Heublein auctions since the first in Chicago in 1968. Very rare wines usually draw bids in the thousands of dollars, although others

have gone for \$5, the company said.

The auction will be conducted by Alan Taylor-Trestell, a third-generation wine auctioneer and principal wine auctioneer for Christie, Manson & Woods Ltd. of London. The company said he has conducted more wine auctions than the rest of the world's wine auctioneers combined.

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