

FROM THE ARCHIVES

THE WEEK OF JUNE 7

25 years ago:

June 8, 1984: It sounded as if a giant popcorn machine had come to Stamford as hundreds of people scrambled to pop thousands of balloons in search of dollar bills at the Holiday Inn Crowne Plaza.

As part of a publicity stunt marking the hotel's June 28 grand opening, 5,000 balloons containing dollar bills with stickers on them redeemable for \$10 worth of hotel services were released in St. John's Park.

As 2,000 helium-filled balloons lifted into the air, the crowd surged toward several plastic tarpaulins that contained the balloons.

"I'd never do this again," Diane Evans said. "It should be a little more supervised. There was an old man grabbing balloons out of my hands."

50 years ago:

June 11, 1959: For a second time in a week, a squirrel disrupted power from the Hartford Electric Light Co. that services the community.

The squirrel stepped on a "buzz bar" at the transformer at the South End station, short-circuiting the transformer and knocking out power throughout the city. Lights went out momentarily in several downtown buildings, but at Stamford Hospital the lights went out and stayed out. Fortunately, no operations were in progress.

When auxiliary motors were started, black smoke went through vents, much

pouring into a kitchen. The Central Fire Station was called, but the crew discovered no fire.

100 years ago:

June 9, 1909: The contested divorce case of Herbert N. Worth of Stamford came to a sudden end when Judge H. J. Curtis granted the decree. Worth alleged that his wife deserted him May 4, 1905. Mrs. Worth filed a cross-complaint alleging infidelity and named two co-respondents.

This was a case in which too much mother-in-law might have figured in. Mrs. Worth fell ill in 1903, and her mother and sister came to live with them to assist her. Mr. Worth finally did not like it, and told Mrs. Worth that her mother and sister had to live in a separate house. This caused more ill feeling. The husband told the wife she could choose him or her relatives. Mrs. Worth claimed he told her to leave.

In granting the decree to the plaintiff, Judge Curtis said that the husband had a right to select the home for his wife, and it was her duty to go to that home, even if it might be annoying to her.

June 9, 1909: After an accident in which an Italian peddler was seriously hurt, Paul Stokes, chauffeur for cartoonist Fred Opper, was arrested. Samuel Greenstein, the peddler, was hit when he stepped out from behind his wagon. The front mud guard hit the man and knocked him down. He suffered a bad scalp wound, a 3-inch cut on the top of



STAFF FILE PHOTO

June 13, 1984: Some of the crowd escapes the rain inside Deluxe Cleaners, while others seek shelter under umbrellas and awnings during Springdale Fire Company's parade, which was interrupted by sudden showers.

his head and a broken collarbone.

Opper, who had a farm at Turn-of-River, was the creator of such cartoons as "The Happy Hooligans" and "And her name was Maud." He looked up Connecticut law on the rules of the road and found them scanty. It appeared that the statutes covered the

rules only in the most general way. For instance, a driver must pull to one side to permit someone to pass, but the statutes do not designate which side he should pull to, although the ordinary rules of the road did.

— Erin Walsh
Advocate librarian

Area briefs

Glenbrook group to hold meeting

STAMFORD — The Glenbrook Neighborhood Association will hold its 10th annual meeting at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday at Glenbrook Community Center, second floor, 35 Crescent St. Short business meeting, election, refreshments, celebration of Village Commercial District zoning change. Guest speaker is John Breunig, managing editor of The Advocate. For information, call President Gloria Battinelli at 348-6392.

Shelter seeks clothing donations

NORWALK — The Norwalk Emergency Shelter needs summer clothing as well as underwear and socks for men, women and children. Donations may be dropped off at 4 Merritt St. in South Norwalk.

Student-athletes get scholarships

The Stamford Old-Timers awarded five high school seniors a total of \$20,000 in scholarships at its annual banquet Sunday at the Knights of Columbus Hall. The scholar athletes

are Lauren Beluk of Stamford High School, Julie Osipow of Westhill High School, Keelin Walsh of Trinity Catholic High School, Michael Santoro of King and Polinsky Guillaume of Wright Tech High School. Westhill baseball coach D.J. Mulvaney was honored as the Coach of the Year for leading the Vikings to the 2008 State Class LL championship.

Aquarium seeks more volunteers

NORWALK — The Maritime Aquarium at Norwalk will interview potential volunteers at 7 p.m. today and Tuesday, June 16. You need attend only one day. Knowledge about marine animals isn't necessary because volunteers will attend a two-day training course slated for noon to 6 p.m. Friday, June 26, and Monday, June 29. Attendance both days is mandatory. You must be at least 15, and volunteer shifts are four hours long. Volunteers work a mini-

mum of five shifts per month, which must include some weekend shifts. Most volunteers work as gallery guides, helping visitors learn more about the animals of Long Island Sound. Help also is needed in the office and at special events. For information, contact Dave Sigworth at 852-0700, Ext. 2232, or e-mail dsigworth@maritime-aquarium.org.

Stamford High to hold reunion

STAMFORD — The 25-year reunion of the Stamford High School Class of 1984 will be held at 6:30 p.m. Saturday, June 20, at the Grand, 15 Bank St., Stamford. Tickets are \$50 per person, \$55 at the door. Mail check payable to Stamford High School Class of 1984 to 58 Basking Brook Lane, Shelton CT 06484. For information, e-mail SHSClassof84reunion@gmail.com.

Bartlett to offer farmers' market

STAMFORD — The Bartlett Arboretum &

Gardens will offer a farmers' market from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Wednesdays, beginning June 24, at 151 Brookdale Road. The Bartlett farmers' market will carry fresh products grown and made in Connecticut. Products offered will be seasonal fruits and vegetables, cheese, chocolate, homemade pies, soaps, lotions and more. For information, call 322-6971 or visit www.bartlettarboretum.org.

Rippowam Class of '69 to meet

STAMFORD — The 40th reunion of the Class of 1969 of Rippowam High School will begin at 6:30 p.m. Friday, June 26, at Pellicci's Restaurant, 98 Stillwater Ave. The cost is \$65 per person. Checks or money order can be sent to Susan Brachfeld Washburn. For information, call Washburn at 770-8151 or e-mail with contact information.

Alive @ Five seeks helpers

STAMFORD — Stamford Downtown Special Services

District needs volunteers to bartend, take tickets, hang signs, deliver ice and do other work for the Alive @ Five concert series, running at 5 p.m. Thursdays, on June 25, July 2, July 9, July 16, July 23, July 30 and Aug. 6 in Columbus Park. Volunteers must beat least 21. Sign-up deadline is June 22. For information, call 348-5285 or e-mail events@stamford-downtown.com.

Quartette Club to host dinner

NORWALK — The Norwalk Quartette Club Singers will hold a Rouladen Dinner from 5 to 7 p.m. Tuesday. There is a \$15 fee per person prepaid, \$17 at the door. For information, call 838-0616.

Drumming program set at library

STAMFORD — The Ferguson Library will hold Drumming with Henry Jones at 4 p.m. Monday at the South End branch, 34 Woodland Ave. For information, call 351-8243.

King Low Heywood Thomas Class of 2009

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Scott Herbert Banerjee
Rebecca Hannah Bind
Gregory Edward Blanchard
Jesse Martin Buccolo
Sean Patrick Carney
Mary Brooke Conacher
Demetri Adam Damascus
Nikkia Tarisha Ellis
Emily Bridget Floyd
Noah Hisham Fouad

Levanie Simone Freeman
Dean Joseph Gestal
Peter High Gillies
Taylor Diefenbach Gray
Kinsey Zeller Greenfield
Christopher Michael-Kilbinger Hansen
Arlington Jamal Hendrickson
Rachel Marnie Hennessey
Joanna Danielle Jackson
Jesse B. Jacobs
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Daniel Henry Kang
Lauren Michelle Karp
Jacqueline Aline King
Madeline Elizabeth Kirk
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Theodore Martin Levene
Nicole Ann Wilson Levesque
Stephanie Chaitze Londono
Vincent Joseph Love, III

Brent Travis Luneburg
Kyle Trevor Luneburg
Andrew Peter Marcelle
Todd Andrew Martin
Aaron Ross Melviner
Amy Michelle Mitchell
Charles James Mosher
William Hadley Orenstein
Meredith Erin Packer
Hailey Baxter Pizzutello
Leah Jean Pratt

Allison Barrie Rand
Thomas Alessandro Ranocchia
Matias Maria Reyna
Madeline Louise Sachs
Michael Canio Santoro
Tiana Mireille Segalas
Robert Lindley Smith, III
Alexandra Patricia Smyth
Kishauna Elaine Soljour
Jennifer Irene Stern
Spenser Elizabeth Sussan

Michael Jedediah Toy
Wesley Martin Tryhane

Trinity Catholic High School Class of 2009

Ryan Michael Adkins
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Sasha Salomé Andrade
David Adrian Arana
Maria Juliana Bakaj†
Peter C. Ballo
Tevin Tyrone Baskin
Emily Kyle Bennetts†
David Francis Birkett
Raphael F. Bonhomme
Tomás Botero
Heather Ann Boyers
Maxwell Reid Burns
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Nicholas Pasquale Cortese
Matthew Adam Curry
Amanda Rose Darling
Christina Marie DeMaio
David Anthony Denaro
Mark Louis DePanfills
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John William Doherty*
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Adeline Duff
Rory Michael Durkin
Erin Elizabeth Ellwanger†
Edyne Emmanuella Exantus
Kristen Elizabeth Fajit
David Tyler Farris, Jr.*
Samantha Jo Murace Foti
Meredith Patricia Gannalo
Victoria Ann Gaudioso*
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Eduardo Gonzalez
Josiah Gonzalez

Angela Maria Guarino
Briana Leigh Guastella
Johana Jennifer Gutierrez
Elena C. Hagman*
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Lauren Brittany LaPolice
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Jordan Michelle Macari
Alyssa Catherine Maki
Kathleen K. Maloney
Michael John Manka
Juan David Marin
John Henry McDonald

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Gayle Anne Mould
Eileen Marie Mulhall
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