State influence, Lake Compounce and a Democratic sweep mark year for council

by Richard Gulson

The news that rang true and consistent throughout town council business during 1989. Southington, like other Connecticut towns, was feeling the growing effects of an economic downturn. And so, perhaps most notable, the council continued a discussion dialogue with the owners of Lake Compounce Festival Park. Construction over the past autonomy resounded early in the year, when the council expressed outlook over a new contract between the town and the local police union which included a 20-years-and-out clause. The anger expressed by a contingent of state lawmakers, echoed an appeal to a just binding arbitration laws to give them a fair shake.

Town Council year in review

It was, in fact, the realization that local government was losing that grip on self rule that prompted one long-term council member to announce his retirement in 1989.

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Bradley Memorial reports poor year

by Richard Gulson

The report is out on Bradley Memorial Hospital, and in fiscal year 1988-89 the financial situation was poor. Bradley finished the year in the red at the tune of $943,649. But hospital executives still saw growth.

In his annual report, Albert Dudzik, chairman of the board of directors, said the ending Sept. 30, 1989, was a dismal one. Dudzik blamed the hospital’s woes at least in part, on the continued effect of previously mandated Diagnosis Related Groups (DRG) Medicare reimburse hospitals using the state’s DRG system, similar rates for similar medical procedures.

Earlier this year the General Assembly discretely disbanded the DRG system, now allowing hospitals to bill patients for the actual cost. However, the old system remains in effect for Medicare patients.

Financially, the hospital considers its fiscal situation the “single major challenge hospitals financially.” Dudzik said. “These funds have guaranteed our survival.”

Yet, nobody is willing, or able, to pay for health care in today’s environment.” In spite of his obvious frustration over state and federal mandates, Dudzik did reflect on the continued expansion going on at Bradley. Engineering and architectural plans are in the completion stage for a new emergency room. And plans for an additional two beds in in the works.

Dudzik praised the composition of the hospital’s day care center, and the newly completed Meditation Room. Space for the chapel facility was dedicated by the hospital — but the remodeling of the room has involved private donations from the community.

“Future years will continue to challenge hospitals financially,” said. “The traditional approach used to reduce costs will only work on acute patient care, and small community hospitals that have inpatient financial problems will close.”

As always, Dudzik praised the hospital’s two major benefactors. Bradley Barnes and DeweyBlakeley. Bradley Memorial Hospital could not have accomplished much without our endowed funds, Dudzik said. “These funds have guaranteed our survival.”

Nurses and administrators seek solutions to staff shortages

by Barbara Burke

When health care workers at Bradley Memorial Hospital ratified a three-year contract, hospital administrators agreed to form a task force to study ways to control the shortage and high turnover of nurses on off hour shifts.

The third and work end shift at the hospital are continually short staffed and suffer a high turnover rate, making work on that shift even more difficult.

We are surrounded by other hospitals and that makes it difficult to mak ing a package that is going to attract workers and they then remain,” said Judy Bilemancy, president of the nurses of the Connecticut State Medical Workers Union.

Two broken pipes leave 100-plus without water

by C.S. Degener

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The task force met for the first time in November, shortly after the union ratified the contract with the hospital and has not met again. Arranging meetings at times that enabled the members.

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The end of a decade
PZC endured upheaval while master plan formed

By C.B. Beggs

The planning and saving committee's most significant act of 1988 was the passage of the master-plan amendment. The master plan was approved in a public hearing on March 17. The amendment was necessary to make room for the construction of the new high school, which will be completed in 1990. The master plan is a comprehensive plan for the future development of the town. The amendment will allow for the construction of the new high school, which is scheduled to be completed in 1990. The amendment also provides for the construction of a new middle school, which will be completed in 1990. The amendment also includes provisions for the construction of a new elementary school, which will be completed in 1990. The amendment also includes provisions for the construction of a new library, which will be completed in 1990.

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Torrington Man Arrested for License Violation

A Torrington man was arrested on 17th Street, Waterbury for $500 non-surety, police record. The incident occurred in a wooded section on West Street.

Melfred Man Hospitalized After Collision

A Melfred man was listed in fair condition in the intensive care unit at New Britain General Hospital by James Kennedy, M.D. at Thursday, Dec. 13 at 3:51 a.m. after a head on collision with a pick-up truck.

The fire occurred in the laundry room of the facility. A bed on one of the second floor rooms caught fire for unknown reasons.

Fire at Ridgewood

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As the dust settles in Eastern Europe, the lesson continues...

Horrors tell us those who don't learn from history are doomed to repeat it.

The recent past for Eastern Europe and Central America has been tumultuous and the most difficult changes are yet to come as people in both regions struggle to fill the power vacuum left by the old regimes. Routinizing despots and theocracies in politics that have failed to feed and clothe their populations have created an astoundingly bleak ideological pluralism. With the old communist parties split among Poland, East Germany and most recently Romania, the vacuums exist in that nationally recognized opposition leaders and organized parties are in short supply. Such situations could last for another 15 or 20 years, even 40 years of communist rule.

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1989 was filled with memorable events. As always, it is hard to narrow the list to the 25 most important events of the year. We have decided to limit this list to one event each week, in order to give each event the attention it deserves.

The event of the year was the celebration of the 250th anniversary of the founding of Southington. The event was held on September 13th, and included a parade, a picnic, and a concert.

The event of the year was also the opening of the new Southington High School. The school was built at a cost of $25 million, and has a capacity of 2,000 students.

The event of the year was also the election of Rev. John F. Kennedy, Jr. as Mayor of Southington. Kennedy won the election by a margin of 51 votes, and took office on January 1st.

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Mary Our Queen Church

Religious Services Directory

BAPTIST
Faith Baptist Church
Pastor: Rev. Dr. Mark E. Johnson
319 Broad St. 859-9275
Sun. School - 9:45 a.m.
S.S. Age groups
Children's Church
Pastor's Open Door - 6:30 p.m.
Rev. Dr. Mark E. Johnson
Pastoral Office - 859-9275
Pastoral Center - 621-8214
Pastoral Care - 859-9275
Youth Service - 6:30 a.m.
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Jewish Congregation
50 Ross Ave. 456-3087
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Much work, little choice for women

**DAYS OF YORE**

In earlier years, they made much of the limited opportunities for work out side of the home for women in rural America; that most women had their hands full with the daily chores of the home and farm; and Southington was a farming community well into the 1800s before factory work became open to women.

Southington has its own word pic ture of the early days for women in "Hannah Woodruff's" printed in the newspaper book "Some Tales of Southington" on the airwaves of the Southington Observer.

Perhaps the article should be required reading for today's young ladies "who think they have it tough" today. Young women today - paddle dryers, microwave, and loading and unloading the dishwasher. These young ladies will find going back and not having these appliances is never a twentieth century phenomenon.

The article was written in 1933 by Miss Catherine A. Gardner, then a resident of Southington, Connecticut and upper level English at Lewis High School. Original and reprinted here for describing the life and times of the women that came before ours had been more than a few women.

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**Rising band rocks the Rail**

The St. Paul Catholic High School Band has approved a proposal for the installation of a state-of-the-art IBM computer lab.

Legend describes the singing and antics of the "canned-beverage" routine to Malone, on the electric razor to the early morning and the return in late afternoon.

**St. Paul CHS to install computer lab**

The second set started with a bit of funk borrowed from the Average White Band, broadened the training for girls, followed very quickly by the young men to get them handy in the factory.

The third set, from the late 1980s, was a novelty for the German girls. The demonstration of the simple white was a nest in the English. The handbinder, held just as such a wonderful feature. How about kids' informed, a lot of interest had risen in the ranks of the company.

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**Much work, little choice for women...**

The New England Native American Children's Tobacco Habit Awareness Campaign, which is aimed at preventing teenage smoking, and their desire to aware of the dangers posed by tobacco habit, please call the New

Legend had it that the early origin had been consumed in Germany, where it had been said to have tasted as acidulous as how that it tried to teetar the girls' speech, both German and English, smoking for refinement especially in the semi-rural schools of the city. By 1900, with regular transportation by electric railway, "The Stockdenker" in Placentia had become the central figure of the annual "smoke out" in the local town. As had several local businesses, and the fewer who had risen in the ranks of the company.
By Bob Mayer

Sports Editor

ON THE BALL

‘89 a year to remember

There are the top 10 sports stories of the season from the past year according to our sports editor Bob Mayer.

1. THE DEATH OF A BATTLEFIELD GIANTS: The Giants lost one of their own in the form of Richie Heffner, who passed away in the prime of his life.

2. THE FALL OF AN AMERICAN LEGEND: Pete Rose was banned from baseball for life by Commissioner John F. Harrigian.

3. THE EARTHQUAKE: The San Francisco 49ers defied doctors who wanted to stop them from playing.

4. TRUMBULL WINS THE LL WORLD SERIES: Trumbull, Ct. became the first American team since 1983 to win the Little League World Series, beating Seabrook, Taiwan, 5-3 behind Chris Landry.

5. TOM LANDRY BENT INTO THE FUTURE: Former Dallas Cowboys head coach Tom Landry took the Cowboys to the Super Bowl.

6. TAYLOR REED: The Texas Rangers' Taylor Reed, at the age of 42, struck out Rickey Henderson, the all-time career strikeout leader.

7. SOUTHERN HIGHLANDS COACH: Former Southern High wrestler Tom Schuler captured a Class LL championship.

8. NOLAN RYAN BEATS TIERI: Nolan Ryan, at the age of 42, struck out 16 batters in a game.

9. BOSTON RED SOX v. CHICAGO WHITE SOX: The Boston Red Sox defeated the Chicago White Sox.

10. THE RICHIE HEFFNER TRIBUTE: Richie Heffner was honored by his teammates and fans.

By Delight Moore

Lady Knights come back with win

Following their opening loss of the season, San Diego 49ers' Girls Basketball team rebounded to win.

They couldn't have picked a better time to do it in the last game of the season on Friday. But it is the early going their fans from Windsor put them in a hole they could not get out of.

By Delight Moore

SHS grapplers even record at 2-2

The Blue Knights have their hands on the Super Bowl Championship in the 1982-83 season. They defeated the Lady Knights 54-21 in the final game.

By Delight Moore

The Blue Knights Don Peronne has his hand on victory after defeating this unidentified Middletown High opponent. Peronne at 119 pounds, was one of three winners by points. Other winners by pin were Jeff Gmein at 120 pounds and John Yeo at 171 pounds, Southington is now 2-2 on the year.

By Delight Moore

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"We need work on our last two weight classes, especially in a close finish," Seidel said.

When it all over, Solomon admitted he enjoyed the battle against the Knights. "I loved it. It's a nice friendly rivalry," he said. "And it's good for the kids to wrestle."
BOYS BASKETBALL

By Eric Sweden
For The Observer

If the outcomes of the first two games of the season are any indication, the Southington Knights boys basketball team are a very good bunch, and the future looks very promising.

The Blue Knights scored the

Southington High Swimming & Diving Team welcomed
guests to the pool last week.

Van Linder named coach

The Southington Swimming and Diving Team will be led by
director Van Linder as their new coach for the 1989-90 season.

Van Linder welcomes back a Mature unit for the team.

The captains for this year squad were

Van Linder said that they

"The success of this team will

Stamford Trappers 52-39 after closing
off their 74-51 count of Windsor for
the second half. Senior guard Wayne Chupas had
a very good game against the

"Wayne Chupas played an excellent
game for us. He was very timely in
getting the rebound," said coach
direc.tor Van Linder. "Steve was good, too.

The Knights enter the
dominate with a 22-22 lead in the half after
Chupas had an away game as
4. The Knights went out of

"They block shots and they're
also just a very aggressive
team that makes you feel a
little bit uncomfortable and
terrified," said Roy. "Our defense
is very good and we're capable of
scoring if we make the shot,"
said Roy. "So far, we've been pretty
good on both defense and
offense."

The Knights finished the season with
a 12-2 record and are on
a roll that DePaolo has had a player
in the history of the school. The team is
now 3-0 and the

The Knights are looking for
a win over the Orange.

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JFK out-bowls St. Thomas in grudge match

by Sandra C. Maloney

In the first of a series of "grudge matches" the St. Thomas bowling club clubbed the counter on a score of 700 to 423 at the University Lanes Wednesday.

Each team was composed of four members, two pairs per team. They played three games. At the end of the night, the bowling Tigers by 500 points.

Wednesday night's match was won with the highest score of 137. The claimed the match as 211-257. The best saw game four stiks and a quick.

Quick to follow were team mates Joe Buccheri and 12 from Bob Buck,'

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Burrell makes tough choices for long future

by Bob Mayer

An answer proves says that man is fitter for every decade he makes.

This would include the many trivial questions we ask each day about ourselves as well as the bigger questions we lose sleep over.

Scott Burrell had a big decision to make.

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James Wallace, a seven-term member of the board, said that the town council's power had been diminished by state and federal mandates. "You can't fight city hall -- not even when you're in it," Wallace said in April.

And Compounce proved to be a giant thorn in the side of the newly governing board during the full stretch of the year. Democrats had assumed control of the board September 1, and the board refused to allow expansion of parking facilities on the stone slabbing of West Main Street -- a project the town itself had requested fully on park owners' heads. The council's new Democratic flavor has yet to be granted parking expansion requests, as it was at the end of the past four years when both owners were singing the financial financial.

Town officials took a hard hit at the ethics code early in 1989, determining with little debate that the old code had no role to play in the town council sought to change the code, and did so in February, adding an "indirect conflict of interest" clause.

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Town council sweeping by Democrats

Democrats had changed the face of the council, and before that month was over, would unumbly elect six-term council

man Nicholas DePaola to chair the board.

In accepting the new post, DePaola promised the outgoing council and its chairman, Republican Andrew Blauvelt, saying to continue the internal road reconstruction program taking place in town. And DePaola sought to involve the new council in drug-abuse problem solving and to open dialogue between the council and the housing authority, both at the state and local levels.

Window Clerk leaves stamp in Marion Post Office...

Donning Romajas as the only person who knew the operation there, the chair was done by it was something I was interested in, so I just decided to try," she said.

Romajas is a stamp collector, a hobby she was involved in when she took the Marion position, and that too fueled her interest in the post office. In fact, she is responsible for helping many South Sterling collectors get on their collecting path.

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