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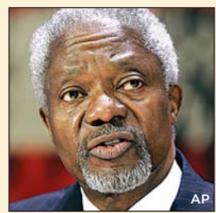
-  **GABBY DOUGLAS OF USA WINS ALL-AROUND GOLD**
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 -  **KAYLA HARRISON WINS USA'S FIRST JUDO GOLD EVER**
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Stop & Shop plans under way

Building and parking lot plans for a proposed Stop & Shop in Litchfield were given to a panel that will offer the zoning board recommendations. PAGE 1B

Annan angrily leaves Syria post



Former U.N. head Kofi Annan quit as peace envoy to Syria and had harsh words for the country's leaders and rebels, as well as the U.N. Security Council. PAGE 8A

U.S. has big date with Mars

Scientists say a visit to Mars could answer many questions. But some wonder if the billions the U.S. has spent is worth it. Read more about Sunday's landing on PAGE 6D

COMICS NOT AVAILABLE

Because of a problem with our supplier, today's comics were not available. We expect them to run Saturday. ■

OPINION OF THE DAY: "How can a politician be effectively bribed without his or her knowledge?"
— Charles Fitzgerald, New Hartford

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WEB EXTRAS TODAY AT REP-AM.COM

- OLYMPICS** Check the Sports page at rep-am.com for results and news from the Summer Olympics in London.
- DEAL OF THE DAY** Get half off tickets to the Litchfield Jazz Fest Aug. 10-12. Pay \$29.50 for tent admission and \$14.50 for lawn seats.
- RATTLE AND ROLL** Timber rattlers are best admired from afar. Look in Greg Hanisek's Talking Nature blog to see a photo of one of the shy but deadly snakes found in Kent.
- WORTH REPEATING** "Oh Death Penalty, Oh Death Penalty, wherefore art thou O Death Penalty?" — posted by **AaaBrendaB** on the story "Man begged for life; High bonds set for couple as gory details of slayings emerge," about a double-murder in Oakville.

High **87** Sunny, hot and humid, with a slight chance of rain.
Low **68**
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Bath salts cause of death

Pomperaug High grad died in June of overdose in Vermont

BY MATTHEW O'ROURKE
REPUBLICAN-AMERICAN

SOUTHBURY — A Pomperaug High School graduate who died in June was taking synthetic drugs known as "bath salts."
Vermont public health officials announced this week that Christopher Tsacoyeanes, 28, had overdosed on the stimu-

lants on June 23 in Clarendon, Vt.

The Vermont Chief Medical Examiner's Office ruled the death an accident on July 30. It was the first death related to the popular synthetic drugs in the state. The chemical compounds known as MDPV — a chemical in amphetamines — Alpha-PVP, and pentylone were found

in his system and police said they found a substantial amount of chemicals in Tsacoyeanes's home.

The drugs have gained popularity for their availability, usually sold in convenience stores or head shops, and are often called "bath salts" because of

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WHAT IS IT?

Bath salts are a synthetic powder sold legally online and in stores. They contain various amphetamine-like chemicals and are snorted, smoked or injected.

— drugabuse.gov

COLLECTING TALES OF HISTORY



ERIN COVEY REPUBLICAN-AMERICAN

Dennis Jackson of Guilford will display part of his collection of military artifacts this weekend at the 14th annual Antique Arms Fair at the Connecticut Convention Center in Hartford. The fair is open Saturday from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m. and Sunday from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m.

Military artifacts about the story behind the man

BY QUANNAH LEONARD
REPUBLICAN-AMERICAN

GUILFORD — A uniform used by a Marine in World War I is more than just a military artifact to Dennis Jackson. It's the history of the person who wore it.

Jackson, 59, a collector who operates a small medical company from his house in Guilford, specializes in collecting World War I Marine Corps and aviation artifacts, some of which are unique. He doesn't just buy up the items — he seeks out their stories.

"It's OK to collect the uniforms, the guns and the whatever,

Visit rep-am.com to see a video tour of Dennis Jackson's collection.

er, but I wanted to know more about the men who actually fought in the war and whose artifacts that I have in my collection," he said in his kitchen on Thursday. "I wanted to learn more about who wore them, the family history. So all of the stuff in my collection I have interviewed the families."

Jackson is taking a portion of his collection to display at the 14th annual Antique Arms Fair at the Connecticut Convention

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ERIN COVEY REPUBLICAN-AMERICAN

Dennis Jackson has traveled the country to interview relatives of men who wore the uniforms and other items he collects.

Officials will explain plans to fight tree-killing beetle

BY PAUL HUGHES
REPUBLICAN-AMERICAN

HARTFORD — State officials will explain their plans for containing the spread of the emerald ash borer at a public hearing in Prospect next week.

The Connecticut Agricultural Experiment Station intends to impose a quarantine to regulate movement of ash logs, ash materials, ash nursery stock and hardwood firewood from New Haven County.

State officials will discuss



Emerald ash borers have been seen in Beacon Falls, Bethany, Naugatuck and Prospect.

the quarantine and the status of the emerald ash borer in the state at a public hearing scheduled for 7 p.m. Wednesday at the Prospect Fire

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Roraback the top target in 5th District debate

GOP candidate called too liberal

BY ALEC JOHNSON
REPUBLICAN-AMERICAN

NEWTOWN — Before a crowd who based on their cheers and signs mostly seemed to have made up their minds about which candidate on the stage they supported, four Republicans hoping to run for the 5th Congressional District faced off Thursday evening.

In a debate sponsored by

Finance reports for the GOP candidates, **Page 4B**.

the Newtown Republican Town Committee, Sen. Andrew W. Roraback, R-Goshen, the candidate endorsed by the state party in May, took the most shots. His opponents — Justin Bernier, Lisa A. Wilson-Foley and Mark Greenberg — accused

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