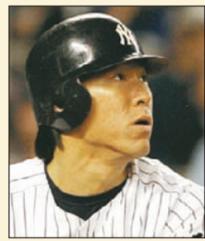


NAUGY ROLLS

EMANUEL MANADOWN SCORES A GOAL AS NAUGATUCK DEFEATS HOLY CROSS, 3-1, PAGE 5C

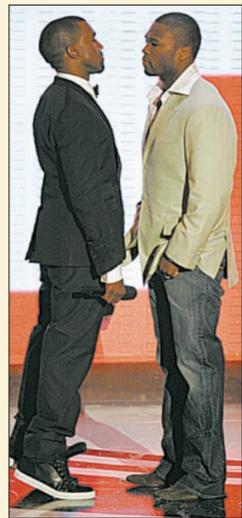
YANKS PULL WITHIN 1 1/2 GAMES OF SOX



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WATERTOWN IS GROWING

The town's Planning and Zoning office reports that within the last year more than 580 units of new housing have been approved. Another 50 are pending. PAGE 1B



West is best

Kanye West, left, has been crowned the victor in his much-hyped sales battle with 50 Cent, right. West's album "Graduation" outsold 50 Cent's "Curtis" in first week sales 957,000 copies to 691,000 copies. 50 Cent has said he would retire if he lost the showdown. Turn to the People page for a related poll question. PAGE 25D

DeLuca faces privacy decision

The panel investigating Sen. Louis DeLuca will ask him to waive his privacy rights so his taped conversations with an undercover FBI agent can be released. PAGE 3A

Rather sues CBS for big money



Dan Rather filed a \$70 million lawsuit against CBS and his former bosses Wednesday, claiming they made him a "scapegoat" for a discredited story about President Bush's military service during the Vietnam War. PAGE 4A

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- Slide shows of the Litchfield-Wamogo and Naugatuck-Holy Cross boys soccer games.
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Pantries hungering for food

Area coordinators say supplies not enough for those in need

BY QUANNAH LEONARD
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The shelves are empty at food banks from the Valley and Waterbury to Torrington.

Standing in a food pantry run by Area Congregations Together Inc. — or ACT — in Derby, Susan Agamy points to an empty pallet and several shelves. There are only a few boxes of Raisin Bran, jars of peanut butter, cans of tuna fish and other items.

"Whenever we're stocked, this room is filled," said Agamy, the executive director. "We're usually low going into September. This is particularly low. We're not getting the food coming in."

Coordinators of food banks and pantries in the area includ-

"THERE ARE SO MANY MORE PEOPLE AROUND HERE. ... WE'RE PROBABLY UP ABOUT 200 PERCENT ON PEOPLE AND NEED."

MAUREEN HUBERT
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF FRIENDLY HANDS FOOD BANK IN TORRINGTON

ing Derby, Prospect, Waterbury and Torrington report a great need for nonperishable items. They need money, too. They're asking for the basics as well as more expensive items such as coffee, powdered milk

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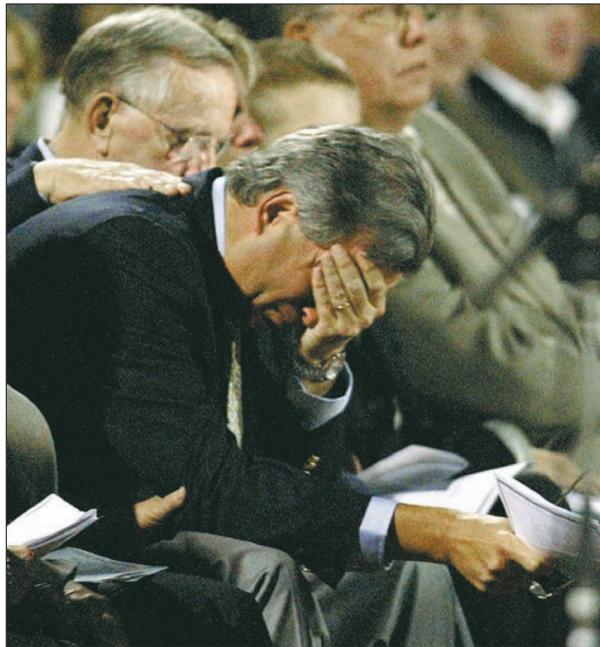
Susan Agamy, executive director for the Area Congregations Together food bank in Derby, talks about the needs that all food banks are facing with declining donations and empty shelves.

CHESHIRE GATHERS IN GRIEF



PHOTOS BY JAMISON C. BAZINET REPUBLICAN-AMERICAN

Hundreds gathered at Cheshire High School on Wednesday night for a townwide memorial service for the Petit family. Dr. William Petit Jr.'s wife, Jennifer Hawke-Petit, and their two daughters, Hayley and Michaela, were killed in a home invasion in July. Below, Dr. Petit holds his head in his hand as he is consoled by an unidentified man.



Town comes together in support of Dr. Petit

BY LAURESHA XHIHANI
REPUBLICAN-AMERICAN

CHESHIRE — In a tired voice and fighting back tears, Dr. William Petit told more than 1,000 people gathered to honor his family what his life has been like for the last 58 days.

"I turn to ask Jennifer what day it is. She's not there."

"I turn to ask Hayley how her French class went. She's not there."

"I turn to ask KayKay what they served for lunch today and whether the boys were behaving at gym class. She's not there."

Petit said on that deadly day in July all that was good in his

life was taken from him by "total evil, Satan on Earth."

On Wednesday, former neighbors of the Petits, church and community leaders, gathered at the first public memorial in memory of the three, and spoke of the loss felt by all. At the event organized by clergy and the town of Cheshire, neighbors and members of United Methodist Church remembered Jennifer Hawke-Petit and her daughters, Hayley and Michaela, as remarkable women who made a difference in the community in ways big and small.

Chris Rao spoke on behalf of former neighbors of the Petits,

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Local Doberman gave his life for his country

BY ALAN BISBORT
REPUBLICAN-AMERICAN

Every living creature in Waterbury, it seems, contributed to the war effort. This included a Brass City dog named Lud.

Lud was a Doberman pinscher that belonged to the James A. Feeley family, who lived at 117 Central Ave. According to the Sunday Republican, Lud guarded, and was adored by, the Feeleys' 18-month-old son, James Jr.

However, Lud was coaxed by some persuasive military recruiters into the armed services

on May 9, 1944.

In an interview with the Republican, Mrs. Feeley recalled, "The neighbors were all out to see (Lud) off and were hanging out of the windows. Lud eagerly jumped in the squad car where two other dogs, also recruited, awaited."

Lud was first taken to a training camp in New River, N.C., then assigned to Pvt. Richard F. Rule, of Keene, N.H., who was his only handler. The dog served in combat with the 23rd Marine Division.

While ferreting out Japanese snipers on Iwo Jima, Lud was killed on May 12, 1945, and

buried with honors on the island.

The Sunday Republican noted, "He gave his life for his country just as valiantly as any member of the fighting forces of the USA."

Other Waterbury dogs were also recruited. Among them was another Doberman pinscher named Baron Von Victor, owned by Ben Farer, proprietor of Farer News Co. on 15 Dover St.

When Baron Von Victor was inducted into the military, Mr. Farer replaced him with another Doberman, this one named Baron Von Blitz.



Tenth story in a series leading to Sunday's premiere of "The War," a film by Ken Burns featuring Waterbury. For earlier stories, go to www.rep-am.com and click on "The War" banner.