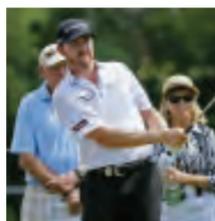




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HILLARY ACCEPTS DEM NOMINATION

Clinton: 'Progress is possible'

By Julie Pace and Robert Furlow
The Associated Press

PHILADELPHIA » Promising Americans a steady hand, Hillary Clinton cast herself Thursday night as a unifier for divided times, steered for the challenges of a volatile world by decades in politics that have

left some Americans skeptical that she understands their lives.

"I know that at a time when so much seems to be pulling us apart, it can be hard to imagine how we'll ever pull together again," Clinton said as she accepted the Democratic nomination, becoming the first woman to lead a

major U.S. political party. "But I'm here to tell you tonight — progress is possible."

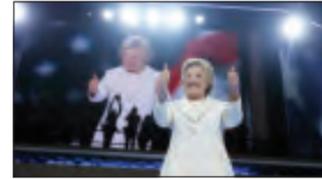
Clinton took the stage to roaring applause from flag-waving delegates. But her real audience was the millions of voters who may welcome her experience but question her character. Clinton acknowledged

those concerns briefly, saying "I get it that some people just don't know what to make of me." But her primary focus was portraying herself as the only qualified candidate in a general election contest against Republican Donald Trump.

"Imagine him in the Oval Office facing a real

crisis," she said. "A man you can bait with a tweet is not a man we can trust with nuclear weapons."

Clinton's four-day convention began with efforts to shore up liberals who backed Bernie Sanders in the Democratic primary and it ended with an outstretched hand to Republicans and indepen-



CAROLYN KASTER — THE ASSOCIATED PRESS
Democratic presidential nominee Hillary Clinton appears on stage during the final day of the Democratic National Convention in Philadelphia Thursday.

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WINSTED

'A NATIONAL MONUMENT'



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Artist Ellen Griesedieck shows the scale of a portion of a mural being created in old mill building in Winsted. Griesedieck and the 15-year American Mural Project received approval of a \$1 million matching grant from the Connecticut State Bond Commission that allows them to finally seek bids to renovate two buildings to contain a visitors' center, artist workshop space and a gallery to display a 120-foot-long, five-story-high and 10-foot-deep mural that honors American workers. It is expected to be the largest indoor collaborative artwork in the world.

Dream of 3-D mural honoring U.S. workers nearer reality

By Susan Haigh
The Associated Press

WINSTED » A Connecticut artist's dream to honor American workers with a massive 5-stories-high mural that ties in contributions from thousands of children across the country is moving closer to reality.

Ellen Griesedieck and her American Mural Project were awarded a \$1 million matching state grant to help transform two old mill buildings in Winsted, one of Connecticut's first mill towns, into a visitors center and gallery space to house a 3-D mural 120-feet-long and 10-feet-wide. Bids are due in August and construction could take about a year.

Once completed, it's expected to be the largest in-

door collaborative artwork in the world.

"It's not some mural on a wall. This is going to be a national monument," said Griesedieck, imagining how the project will also include artist workshop space, gardens, an amphitheater, and educational programs.

Since Griesedieck envisioned the project 15 years ago, she has held workshops with 10,000 students across the country and received support from both little- and well-known names, including personal friend and actor Paul Newman, Muhammad Ali and tennis pro Andre Agassi.

Multiple images and symbols of the American workforce — from auto plant workers to

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JUDY GRIESEDIECK - THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

In this August 2014 photo provided by Judy Griesedieck, artist Ellen Griesedieck works on a portion of a giant mural in her studio in Sharon.

TORRINGTON SCHOOLS

Board of Ed. hires search firm Superintendent sought to replace interim Mark Winzler

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TORRINGTON » The Board of Education hired NESDEC, a Marlborough, MA-based firm, Wednesday evening to conduct a regional search for a new superintendent, with the hopes of bringing someone on board by Jan. 1.

Board chairman Fiona Cappabianca touted the services, experience, and reach of the organization while describing while NESDEC was chosen from the pool of three candidates interviewed by the board.

"They have a broad base of services. They're interested in working with us," said Cappabianca. "They have a lot of experience, and they have a bigger net for

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BRIDGEPORT

Judge allows gun maker to protect some materials

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BRIDGEPORT » A Superior Court judge Thursday granted a protective order on some of the discovery materials filed in a lawsuit pertaining to the December 2012 shootings at Sandy Hook Elementary School.

The ruling comes in the ongoing suit against Bushmaster Firearms and Remington Arms for making, marketing and distributing the AR-15 rifle that was used in the killing of 20 students and six educators at the Newtown school in December 2012.

The plaintiffs allege the com-

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GOP, Dems. look to revive Depression law

The Democrats and the Republicans agree on something: They both want to revive a Depression-era law. PAGE A4



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Parents running out of time for HUSKY signup

Parents who were on the HUSKY A insurance plan will run out of time to transition to another insurance plan. PAGE A4

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Trumbull First Selectman Tim Herbst says he is sick of the Connecticut Democratic Party's "arrogance." PAGE A6

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