



Dan Saccu Jr. receives an award at the annual Give Thanks Day held by the Boys and Girls Club and Family Center Cambridge Park Unit.

## Cambridge Park unit gives awards, thanks

On Thursday, Nov. 17, residents at the Boys & Girls Club and Family Center Cambridge Park unit celebrated their annual Give Thanks Day Program and dinner. Junior staff Angel Baiz and youth presented special words of kindness

thanking the club for all the hope and opportunities. Afterward, Program Director Ashante Malone spend a few moments acknowledging Mr. and Mrs. Dan Saccu Jr. for all their dedication and volunteer service to Cambridge Park.

The club also honored the Bristol Quota Club for their homework help volunteerism. The staff shared a video that was previously recorded regarding Cambridge Park programs and activities.



## Bristol Exchange Club honors, thanks TFD

The Bristol Exchange Club recently honored and thanked the Terryville Fire Department for the all-volunteer department's 100th anniversary of service to the community. Among those attending a presentation were, from the left, Kevin Engle, Terryville Fire Department Fire Marshal; Beverly Foote, Bristol Exchange Club President; and Mark Sekorski, Chief of the Terryville Fire Department. Crime and fire prevention, and honoring those who serve their communities to perform those duties, is one of the major avenues of local service performed nationwide by Exchange Clubs.

## Our Military

### Savino promoted to sergeant major

Anthony V. Savino, Jr., of Bristol, has been promoted to sergeant major in the Connecticut Army National Guard. The promotion ceremony took place in the former office of his father, the late Command Sgt. Maj. Anthony V. Savino Sr. with

family and friends in attendance. The elder Savino served as the State Command Sergeant Major for 16 years. Savino has been in the Connecticut Army National Guard for 27 years working in the aviation community.

He has deployed to Afghanistan and Kuwait. He is now assigned to the 1109th Theater Aviation Sustainment Maintenance Group in Groton. Savino is married to Rebecca Mahler Savino and they have two children.

### Airman O'Dell graduates basic training

Air Force Airman Andrew P. O'Dell graduated from basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio, Texas.

training in military discipline and studies, Air Force core values, physical fitness, and basic warfare principles and skills.

in applied science degree through the Community College of the Air Force.

The airman completed an intensive, eight-week program that included

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O'Dell is the son of Pamela O'Dell of Divinity Street, Bristol.

He is a 2011 graduate of Bristol Central High School.

### Reserve Airman Hoadley graduates basic

Air Force Reserve Airman Kelly R. Hoadley graduated from basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio, Texas.

plined and studies, Air Force core values, physical fitness, and basic warfare principles and skills.

Hoadley is the daughter of Frederick Hoadley of Jefferson Avenue, and Catherine Madden of Wooding Street, both of Bristol.

The airman completed an intensive, eight-week program that included training in military disci-

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She is a 2009 graduate of Bristol Eastern High School.

### Bristol TEC dinner benefits Veterans Council

Bristol TEC is hosting a pasta dinner to benefit the Bristol Connecticut Veterans Council to support Shepard Meadows 'Horses for Heroes,' Military New Recruit Recognition Dinner, and Bristol TEC's Veterans' Scholarship Fund.

The dinner will be held on Wednesday, Feb. 1, from 5 to 8 p.m., at Bristol TEC, 431 Minor St., Bristol. Tickets are sold at the door and are \$10 for veterans and seniors, \$15 for adults and \$7 for students. The dinner is sponsored by Bristol TEC's

Student Council and Parent Faculty Organization. Food is being donated by Napoli Foods, Inc. and Jarjura J P & Sons.

For more information call (860) 584-8433. The snow day is Thursday, Feb. 2.

### St. Matthew's collecting books, CDs, etc.

St Matthew's School, 120 Church Ave., Forestville, has an agreement with "Got Books" where the school collects books, CDs, DVDs, records and audio books in exchange for a small fee to be used to Advance and Develop Saint Matthew's School.

School benefits from the company selling the items. No other items like clothes are accepted.

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