

The Living Room Times

"All the Noise that's fit to print."

Monday, November 14, 1994

Today is dolly election day

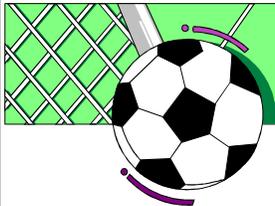
Today is the day for eighth graders and others at Martin Kellogg who wish to vote in the dolly election to decide which stuffed animal team to vote for.

Cachou and Sebastian, the Republidolly team, and Birdy-Bird and Kitty, the Dollycratic team, are running for School Dolly President and School Dolly Vice President. Cachou and Birdy-Bird are the Presidential candidates; Sebastian and Kitty are the Vice Presidential candidates.

Voters must vote for both Cachou and Sebastian or both Birdy-Bird and Kitty. They cannot vote for Cachou and Kitty or Birdy-Bird and Sebastian.

To find out where the candidates stand on the issues, please see the voters guide on Page Two.

Newington Force win state soccer championship



Newington's under-14 boys soccer team succeeded today in their attempt to win the Connecticut state championship.

The Newington Force shut out their opponents, the West Hartford Eagles, 3 to 0.

"We played a really good game, and we deserve to win the championship."

—Todd Stigliano

"It's an exciting day for Newington boys here at the high school field," said Bob Newbold,

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TOMORROW IN THE LIVING ROOM TIMES

The Photo CD Edition

THREE FULL PAGES OF COLOR
PHOTOS FROM THE 7TH AND 8TH
GRADE HALLOWEEN DRESS-UP
DAY AND AFTERSCHOOL
SOCIAL.

VOTERS GUIDE



Birdy-Bird and Kitty (D)

Birdy-Bird and Kitty, the Dollycratic team, have only run one advertisement up until today. They seem to be hoping that Birdy-Bird's momentum from the Williamsburg election of last year will carry him through this election with no trouble.

The one ad made no mention of Kitty, but said "A vote for Birdy-Bird is a vote for a cleaner and equal world."

Where do they stand on the issues?

Birdy-Bird, who claims to be "the environmental President," has said in the past that he believes the environment is fundamentally more important, but that the economy must be fixed before the environment, so environmental help will be well-funded. He is opposed to the death penalty but supports tougher sentencing of criminals. He has little experience in foreign policy, but said once that "War is the enemy of all mankind and dollykind."

Kitty agrees with Birdy-Bird about crime. However, Kitty has military experience as she fought against the Back Yard Rebels in 1991. She also believes that the environment must be acted upon *now*. "The environment is not just the most important issue," Kitty once said. "It is *the* issue."

What about the candidates' backgrounds?

Birdy-Bird was born in France in Summer of 1989, and is therefore younger than his opponent, Cachou, at five years of age. Kitty is almost four years old, as she was "born in a Christmas stocking" on December 25, 1990.

How well do they work together?

Despite their differences, Birdy-Bird and Kitty compromise and work fairly well together.



Cachou and Sebastian (R)

The Cachou/Sebastian campaign has been a little busier than the Birdy-Bird/Kitty campaign, running two ads before today's edition. The first ad said to vote for the Cachou/Sebastian team because "It's the right choice (And we like the environment!)." The most recent ad said simply to "Vote for Cachou because he is better!"

Where do they stand on the issues?

Cachou claims that Birdy-Bird is hypocritical to call himself the "environmental President" while giving the economy more priority. Cachou says that his record shows he has worked to make the environment the top priority. "Without the environment, we are nothing," he said in 1989. On crime, he has worked to keep criminals in jail, and he supports the death penalty for very serious crimes. He is an excellent foreign policy leader, and was Commander-in-Chief of the Dolly Gulf War and the Back Yard Rebellion.

Sebastian fought in the Dolly Gulf War, but has little foreign policy experience other than that. He agrees with Cachou about the environment and crime, as well as most other major issues.

What about the candidates' backgrounds?

Cachou is elder of the two Presidential candidates. He was born in France in Summer 1987, and is seven years old. Sebastian, a Christmas present in 1991, is almost three years old.

How well do they work together?

Cachou and Sebastian find it hard to argue. They agree about almost everything!

Newington Force beat West Hartford Eagles; win state championship



*Newington Force
goalie Travis Derr*

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Brian Newbold's father, before the game. "We've beaten West Hartford already this season. We beat them 5 to 2 in a league game. But, that's dangerous because our team's thinking 'Oh, no problem, we already beat these guys' and the other team's saying 'Let's go get them'."

Mr. Newbold was one of many parents and family members in attendance of the state championship between West

Hartford and Newington. In addition to family members of the team members, there were also other kids who had come to watch the game. Most of those in attendance were rooting for Newington, although there were some isolated West Hartford fans.

One of the Newington fans at the game was Brendan Loy, reporter for *The Living Room Times*, who came to root for Newington, and also to report on the game and get information for this article.

"Oh, good! We have a reporter here and everything today! Great!" said Travis Derr's mother when she saw Brendan with his tape recorder.

The game started at 1:08 PM. The first fifteen minutes were fairly quiet ones, with few shots on either goal. The best play of the first fifteen minutes, in fact, was one of the parents quickly climbing up and down a fence to retrieve the ball, which had gone over the fence.

At 1:23 PM, a shot on goal by Todd Stigliano missed, as it flew just a little high. Todd didn't give up, though, and two minutes later he scored the first goal of the game, putting Newington ahead 1 to 0.



*Newington Force
player Brian Newbold*

For the rest of the first half, Newington goalie Travis Derr was able to save all the shots by West Hartford. But, Newington was unable to score any more goals, despite a shot by Newington's Chris Gemmell which was saved by the West Hartford goalie, and a shot by Newington's Jason Roy which went just wide.

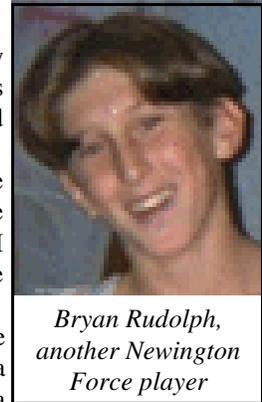
At halftime, the score was still

1-0 Newington.

When asked if he had any comment on how the game was going so far, Brian Newbold shrugged his shoulders.

"Go Force!" exclaimed Jaimie Kwassman, who was one of the fans cheering Newington on. "I think they're gonna win. I hope so."

"They're gonna do better in the second half," said Kim Pina confidently. Kim was also a Newington fan at the game. "I know that for a fact."



*Bryan Rudolph,
another Newington
Force player*

The second half started at about 2:00 PM.

At 2:05, a nice header shot by a West Hartford player went just wide.

At 2:07, Newington executed a brilliant passing play, but did not quite turn it into a goal. Brian Newbold passed the ball to Dennis Chow, who passed it back to Brian, who passed it across the field to Chris Gemmell. Chris Gemmell's shot on goal, though, rolled right in front of the goal, across the field, and out of bounds, without going into the net.

The turning point of the game came at 2:08. West Hartford got the ball into the Newington's side of the field, and Newington kicked the ball out of bounds, giving West Hartford a corner kick near Newington's goal—and their best opportunity of the entire game to score. West Hartford set up their offense, kicked the ball inbounds, and tried to score. But Travis was able to block the shot and get a save.

Newington therefore got possession, and took advantage of it. Todd Stigliano, who had scored Newington's first goal, took the ball all the way down the field, and kicked it in the net, putting Newington ahead 2 to 0.

"Number 13, who scored earlier," commented Brendan as he saw Todd, whose uniform number is 13, bringing the ball down the field toward the West Hartford goal. "Coming up, with another chance! Todd... Two-nothing Newington! Two goals by the game player! Todd Stigliano strikes again. And, it's Two-nothing Newington!"

West Hartford never made much of a threat after that to come back.

Newington fans were worried, though, when apparent MVP Todd Stigliano was injured. He fell on the ground

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Newington team wins u-14 championship

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at 2:30, and appeared to have hurt his knee or leg or something.

“Todd Stigliano, #13, and the star player of the game, the MVP so far, has been injured. He is lying on the field. It is 2:30. They have blown the whistle. Newington could be in very big trouble.”

The worries about Todd’s injury were unfounded, however. He was able to get up, and jog back to the sidelines without help, and he came back into the game a few minutes later.

At 2:38, Newington’s Jason Roy put the game out of reach with a goal, putting Newington ahead 3-0.

The officials blew their whistles at 2:45 PM, ending the game and making the Newington Force the state champions.

“It’s over!” reported Brendan as the crowd cheered. “Newington has won! Three-nothing, the final score! At 2:45 PM, Newington wins, three-nothing.”

“Travis!” said Brendan as he interviewed the Newington goalie. “Congratulations! Do you have any comments?”

“Yeah,” said Travis, “Uh, we did good. And we get jackets.”

“We’re the champions! And you all suck!” said Bryan Rudolph.

“Do you think the presence of all the girls helped the spirit of your team?” asked Brendan.

“Oh, yeah, a lot. A lot! Oh, a lot, a lot, a lot, a lot!” responded Bryan.

“It was a wonderful game, wasn’t it?” said Mr. Newbold. “It was great. Newington played great. All right!”

“How do you think Travis did?” Brendan asked Mrs. Derr.

“I think he did great!” she answered. “His whole team played really well today! And they deserve it!”

When asked if he had any comment, Ian Drayton said, “No, I don’t.”

“It don’t get no better than this, I tell ya!” yelled someone in the victorious crowd surrounding the champion Force.

“Force kicks a — —,” said spectator Tara Boisvert.

“Force is the best!” yelled several of the girls simultaneously.

“Force is #1,” said someone else.

“Go Force!” exclaimed Jaimie Kwassman.

“We should all wear our uniforms to school on Monday,” suggested Dennis Chow.

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It’s a Republican year!



CACHOU and SEBASTIAN

The Republidolly team!

The RIGHT choice for...

- The Environment
- Foreign Policy Experience
- Getting tough on crime

Last Tuesday, you voted
Republican...

Today, vote **REPUBLICIDOLLY**

ELECT

CACHOU
PRESIDENT

SEBASTIAN
VICE
PRESIDENT

Paid for by Adollyans for Cachou

Unstoppable Force: Newington wins!

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When asked if he had any comments, Brian Newbold said “Uh, we won.”

“I just think that Newington—we played a really good game and that we deserve to win the championship,” said Todd Stigliano, the *Living Room Times* player of the game.

“Well, I’m real happy for the Newington Force,” said Coach Santos. “They’ve worked—we’ve been together for two and a half years; We started out as a twelve and under team, we’re now fourteen and under, and it’s just the culmination of two and a half years of very hard work and, uh, good dedication on their part, and I’m very happy for them.”

Members of the team are:

Goalie: Travis Derr

Defenders: Bobby Stuzenski, Vinnie Zavarella, Tony Bruschino, Milan Cisar

Midfielders: Mike DelGaudio, Brian Newbold, Chris Kotch, Bryan Rudolph, Kevin Santos, Todd Stigliano

Forwards: Ian Drayton, Jason Roy, Mike Pfund, Chris Gemmell, Dennis Chow

Manager: Bill Derr

Assistant Coach: Jim Stigliano

Coach: A. Santos

The game between Newington and West Hartford was videotaped, and it will be televised on Cox Cable Channel 14 (Town Access TV) on Friday, November 18 at 8:00 PM.

Tropical Update

Tropical Storm Gordon

10:00 AM Advisory

Position: 19.8 North; 75.8 West
40 Miles West of Guantanamo, Cuba

Max. Sustained Winds: 40 MPH

Movement: Moving NNE at 15 MPH

Pressure: 1000 MB/29.53 inches

BIRDY-BIRD

**“The final result of the
Birdy-Bird/Cachou
election is...**

Cachou 46, Birdy-Bird 58!”

—Mr. Spitzer (May 13, 1994)

**Ever since you elected Birdy-Bird as
School Dolly President, he has worked
hard to keep his campaign promises.**

And he has succeeded!!!

His greatest accomplishment:

Birdy-Bird lead the seemingly

impossible fight to

BRING BACK

DOLLY ELECTIONS.

And he succeeded!!



Birdy-Bird

The right choice... again!

Paid for by the Birdy-Bird Re-election Committee

Mr. V. gets a new brain ball— Mr. Vincenzo, who is more commonly known as “Mr. V” or just plain “V”, was in the news again last week, as he got a new ‘brain ball’ for his classes. The ‘brain ball’ is used when Mr. V’s classes play a game called—appropriately—Brain Ball.

The ‘brain ball’ itself is actually a nerf football. His first one was orange, and the word “V-Dog,” which is a disrespectful nickname for Mr. Vincenzo, was written all over it.

“The brain ball got stolen,” reported Nathan Emerson. “They were throwing it around in flex, and somebody stole it, and they wrote ‘V-Dog’ all over it in black marker, and threw it out the window. And then, Nino went and got it. And now, V’s got a new brain ball. It’s orange and pink flourescent, er, orange and purple flourescent.”

“Yes, I have a new brain ball,” confirmed Mr. V. during flex.

“Do you have any comments on this?” asked Brendan Loy. “Do you have any comments about your new brain ball?”

“It’s hard to catch,” repsonded Mr. V.

“But you can’t catch it, V, anytime!” said Paul Labowski. “You don’t know how to catch, V!”



Who turned out the lights???— For the third straight day, someone turned off the lights in the eighth grade wing Thursday.

On Tuesday, the lights were turned out on the way back from lunch, creating momentary chaos.

On Wednesday, a half day, the lights were turned off again, this time after Specials, creating chaos once again.

On Thursday, the chaos was less, but the lights went out at least twice right after lunch, and then three more times just before Specials.

They went out once briefly after lunch., and were turned on by Sean Vivier a few seconds later. Then, they were turned off again by Matt Kennedy as Brendan Loy walked into his class.

The lights were turned off again right before Specials, then turned on again by Tina Lentini. And then off again—Michael Connelly shut off the lights a few seconds after Tina turned them back on.

“This story is starting to get monotonous!” laughed Brendan Loy, as he realized that nothing much was happening except the lights going on and off. “This story is getting boring, monotonous, repetitive, and redundant!”

The lights stayed off for about thirty seconds, and students tried to see their books and get on their ways to their Specials classes in the darkness. Finally, someone turned the lights back on.

Jen Persaud’s walkman stolen— Jennifer Persaud, an eighth grader at Martin Kellogg, claimed Thursday that her walkman was stolen at school.

“I put my walkman in my backpack,” said Jennifer. “Apparently somebody saw me do it. So, I came back from literature, I looked in my backpack for my walkman. I looked on top of my locker, and I looked at the large, bottom part of the locker, and it was gone.”

“So, somebody stole your walkman,” summarized Brendan Loy.

“Somebody stole it. And do you what they did to my Bon Jovi tape? They took it out of my walkman, after they stole it, and just threw it on the ground. Hilari Butler found it and gave it back to me. She’s a really nice person.”

“She’s a Schnuck,” Brendan replied.

“No, she’s a real nice person.”

“She’s a Schnuck!”

“And a real nice person!”

“Yeah, yeah, that too.”

“I know who did it,” said Stacey Karalus, “but I can’t tell ’cause it’s one of Jennifer’s closest friends.”

Mrs. Toback’s class makes get well cards for Angela Lewonczyk— Mrs. Toback told one of her English classes on Thursday morning that Angela Lewonczyk—a Schnuck & Friend—was out of school with some kind of operation, and would not be back until April or May.

The class made get well cards for Angela, and gave them to Mrs. Toback at the end of class.

Brendan Loy’s card was a Top Ten list... “Top Ten Reasons Why You Should Get Well Soon.” Included were “Not enough girls for me to say ‘Hello Girls’ to” and “There isn’t enough gossip when one Schnuck isn’t here.”

TOP TEN

Here's a special
Top Ten list from
from Student
Council President
Tim Stevens.

TOP TEN THINGS THAT THE NEW REPUBLICAN GOVERNMENT WILL DO TO HELP THE U.S.

- 10.
- 9.
- 8.
- 7.
- 6.
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WHAT'S THE WEATHER?

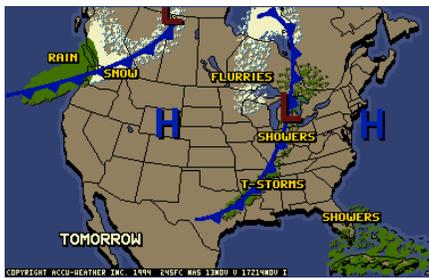
.MONDAY... PARTLY
SUNNY AND MILD.
HIGH 60 TO 65.
.MONDAY NIGHT...

PARTLY CLOUDY. LOWS IN THE 40S.

.TUESDAY... CHANCE OF SHOWERS. HIGHS IN THE 60S.

.WEDNESDAY... CHANCE OF SHOWERS EARLY OTHERWISE CLEARING. LOWS 35 TO 45. HIGHS IN THE 50S.

.THURSDAY... DRY. LOWS IN THE 30S EXCEPT NEAR 40 IN THE CITIES. HIGHS 45 TO 55.



LATE SHOW TOP TEN

TOP TEN
MARIO
CUOMO
EXCUSES
(for losing the
election)

Letterman, Wednesday November 9, 1994

10. COULDN'T BEAR BEING STUCK IN ALBANY FOR ANOTHER FOUR YEARS.
9. LOST MY MOTIVATION AFTER I WON THAT \$70 MILLION LOTTO.
8. BALLOTS WERE MISCOUNTED BY NEW YORK CITY HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES.
7. CAMPAIGN SPEECHES CONTINUALLY INTERRUPTED BY ANDREW GIULIANI.
6. SHOULDN'T HAVE ADVERTISED ON CBS PRIMETIME.
5. PATAKI SORT OF RHYMES WITH HOCKEY--AND PEOPLE REALLY LIKE HOCKEY!
4. DIDN'T HAVE THE GOOD SENSE TO GET CAUGHT SMOKING CRACK IN A WASHINGTON, D.C. HOTEL ROOM.
3. WHEN MR. GOTTI SAYS TAKE A DIVE, YOU TAKE A DAMN DIVE!
2. TALKED MUJIBUR INTO VOTING FOR HIM, BUT NEVER CONVINCED THAT THICK-SKULLED BASTARD SIRAJUL.
1. THREE WORDS: CAMPAIGN MANAGER GUMP

Congressional election in second district: Sam Gedjenson has two vote lead, recount ordered

MIDDLETOWN, Conn. (AP) -- A Republican congressional candidate who's behind by two votes made his plans for Washington anyway, confident a recount will be in his favor.

The seven-term incumbent, meanwhile, ducked the spotlight and waited out the suspense in private.

The secretary of state's office must hold a recount of the votes cast Tuesday in Connecticut's 2nd district because the margin was so close.

The first count gave Democrat Sam Gejdenson 79,169 votes and Republican Edward M. Munster 79,167. A third-party candidate got 27,729 votes.

Munster issued a news release Thursday describing himself as the "United States Congressman-elect representing the Second District of Connecticut."

"I have made the transition from candidate to congressman," Munster said. "I am positive I am the next congressman from this district."

Munster said he has started to put together a transition

team and scheduled some days in Washington to participate in an orientation program for new members of Congress, set to begin Nov. 30.

Tuesday was Munster's second attempt to win Gejdenson's seat. Two years ago, he lost by 2 percentage points, or 3,973 votes.

Bob Baskin, a spokesman for the Gejdenson campaign, said he's confident Munster will be defeated again.

Gejdenson, the second-ranking Democrat on the House Foreign Affairs Committee, was unavailable for comment Thursday.

"Obviously, it has been a real roller coaster," said Donna Parson, Gejdenson's political director. "There's been some anxiety or nervousness, but I think at this juncture he's feeling good."

The 54 towns in the district will have until Monday to conduct recounts and until Nov. 18 to submit new tallies. Results of the recount can be appealed to court.