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TAMMI KNAPIK

Mark Fillon

Class happens once

Each week we interview a 'regular person' like you for our Faces in the Crowd. This week we meet Mark Fillon.

How long have you been connected to Southington?

My great Grandparents built the house I live in today in 1932. I have lived here for two years now.

What appeals to you most about the town?

I like the community programs offered at the library and various placed around town. The parks are also great. I loved taking part in the Frisbee golf course at Pathorne Park.

What is your favorite movie?

The movie that com-

pletely changed the way Hollywood does special effects, Star Wars: a New Hope.

What is the best piece of advice you have ever received?

In college my professor told me, that each day of class only happens once. So never miss out on that once in a lifetime opportunity to attend.

Who would you like to meet and why?

I've worked in Hollywood, so I have met a lot of people already.



Southington residents Caitlyn Flynn, 14, a freshman at Southington High School and Annalisa Sega, 12, a seventh grade student at DePaolo Middle School, recently participated in the Wolcott & Greater Waterbury Outstanding Teen, Pre-Teen and Junior Pageant as part of the Miss Connecticut Scholarship Program on Nov. 22, at Wolcott High School.

There were six titles awarded that evening. Caitlin

was awarded the title of Greater Waterbury's Outstanding Teen 2009 and will compete in Connecticut's Outstanding Teen Pageant to be held in June at the Garde Arts Center in New London.

Annalisa was awarded Greater Waterbury's Outstanding Pre-Teen 2009 as well the recipient of the Community Service Award, Talent Award and Interview Award.

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Southington's Sling Slang Records has brought some new music forth to the world. And that music is coming from Bristol's own Adrenaline.

The young band just released its first album, "Broken Clocks," on the local indie label.

We caught up with the band recently via email to talk to them about the band as a whole and the new record. The band—which is Cam Dickson on bass, Jack Johnson on drums, Mike Johnson on lead guitar, and Dylan Pesino on vocals—replied to the questions as a collective.

OBSERVER: How did you guys meet up?

ADRENALINE: After a long time of looking for a lead singer, Cam, Mike, and Jack, were finally going to give up looking, when a friend introduced us to Dylan. He came over for an audition and was a perfect match with the musical stylings of the band.

O: Why do you think this group of musicians was able to connect on an artistic level?

A: We all have similar interests and abilities.

O: Who are your musical heroes? And what bands influence your sound?

A: Incubus, Foo Fighters, Red Hot Chili Peppers, Alice in Chains, Say Anything. They are all very different, and for the most part, all of them started at a young age, rose to the top, and created a sound that is world renowned.

O: How do you try to take those elements and create something new and original?

A: We try to come up with our own sound and while we are influenced by the other bands, we try to create an entirely new sound to show off our innovative side, like the rock revolution.

O: How does it feel to have your first album out on SlingSlang?

A: It feels great that we are able to write our own music, and even better to have the resources to produce a hard copy and be able to get it out to the world.

O: What were you trying to accomplish with your first release?



Adrenaline

A: We were trying to get our name out to the music world, spread our message for all listeners to interpret. Also, we wanted to get a fan base and a following.

O: What inspired the songs on this record?

A: Clocks that were broken, shapes that were gold, and mirrors that split in half.

O: Why did you call the album "Broken Clocks?"

A: First off, "Broken Clocks" is the name of a song on the album, and also we were trying to theme the album around time, and how to manage it. Also, the underlying message of the album was about time, a guideline

of time, and why you should not waste it.

O: What are your long-term goals for the band?

A: First, we all want to continue writing songs and playing them as well as coming out with another album. Music is what we love to do. We would like to be able to leave our imprint and our music in the history of music.

In the end we just want to stay together, because we are like a family, and just want to continue to create our own music.

Adrenaline will be performing at JamFest at Lewis Mills High School in Burlington on Jan. 10.

For more information, go to AdrenalineHQ.com or SlingSlang.com.

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