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#### **Candelora Receives FOI Award for Efforts**

#### **Aimed at Government Transparency**

HARTFORD -- The Connecticut Council on Freedom of Information on Tuesday gave its Bice Clemow Award to House Republican Leader Vincent Candelora of North Branford and Speaker of the House Matt Ritter of Hartford. The award, named after a former West Hartord-based newspaper editor who drove implementation of the state's Freedom of Information laws, was presented jointly to both lawmakers during a luncheon held in Hartford at Elizabeth Park. In his remarks about Candelora's work, Council President Mike Savino cited the 86th District representative's "abiding commitment" to FOI, describing the House Republican Leader's successful efforts to reject proposals during the 2021 legislative session that would have eroded the state's open records regulations. Additionally, Savino recognized Candelora's efforts to push legislation that sought to bring greater transparency to public-private partnerships while also subjecting quasi-public agencies to FOI regulations.

Candelora represents the 86th House District serving residents of North Branford, Guilford, Durham and Wallingford.

PICTURED: From left, Mike Savino, Rep. Matt Ritter, Rep. Vincent Candelora

# IMPORTANT NOTICES ON UPCOMING PUBLICATION DATES

In an effort to give our readers and advertisers the best opportunities during the election period as well as the upcoming holidays, we have made several adjustments to our publications dates for the reaminder of the year.

Hopefully this doesn't cause any confusion. It's solely for your benefit.

<b>Publication Date</b>		<b>Deadline</b>		
October	15	October	8	
October	22	October	15	
November	19	November	12	
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December	17	December	10	

Please note, the last issue for letters to the editor or political advertisements will be October 22nd, with a October 15th deadline.

The last issue for Thanksgiving announcements and advertisements is November 19th with a November 12th deadline.

Christmas will follow a regular schedule on December 3rd and 17th.

# Lake Gaillard Walk with RWA Forester, Alex Amendola

Join the North Branford Land Conservation Trust on Saturday, October 9, 2021 at 9:30 am, as it hosts a walk of Lake Gaillard.

Alex Amendola, Forester for the South Central Regional Water Authority, will lead a two hour autumn ramble around part of Lake Gaillard. As we walk around the lake, Alex will help us learn about the resources and management of the forest, including opportunities and challenges.

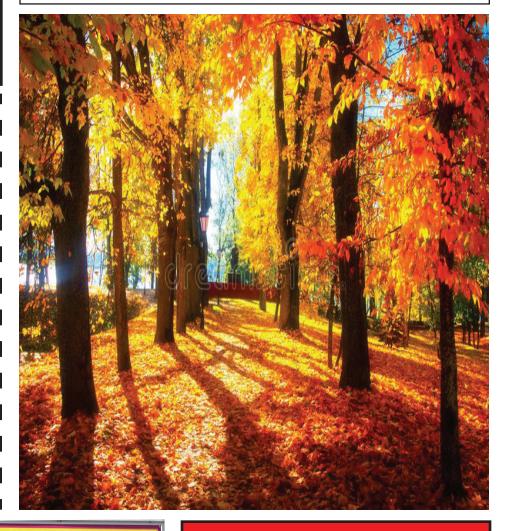
Meet at the Great Hill Road Gate. From Route 80, turn onto Great Hill Road for about 1 mile. Follow Great Hill as far as you can go, ending at the gate.

Rain date: Saturday, October 23.

The mission of the North Branford Land Conservation Trust is to acquire and maintain open space and to promote the conservation and enjoyment of land and natural resources within the Town of North Branford.



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#### State Representative Vincent Candelora

A simple hearing could pave the way

#### for more sunlight in February



Something unusual happened at the Legislative Office Building recently. Well, it was out of the norm for recent history. And I couldn't be happier.

So, what was this grand event? Brace yourself...state representatives *sat in the same room* with the public for a hearing that allowed these citizens to share their concerns on a subject important to them: the impact that employer

mandated COVID vaccinations will have on their lives.

Now, you might be asking yourself, "Hey, Candelora, why is that big news?" Fair question, particularly when you consider that everything else in our lives is trending toward pre-pandemic normalcy. The legislative process, however, is as closed off as it's been since March 2020. Sure, they let you back into the buildings in July—but only the first floor, away from caucus offices. Meetings are still being held remotely.

The hearing was organized by the legislature's Conservative Caucus. Setting aside discussion about subject matter, that the hearing happened at all is the crux. It served as proof that General Assembly can conduct business as it had before the pandemic. It's my hope that other legislators, no matter party nor issue, will be inspired to schedule events of their own. More in-building events would make it harder for those who prefer an all-virtual government to have their way in February, when the 2022 legislative session starts.

Having the public at the capitol is critical. More than any time I can remember, last session saw debate on bills paused when people outside the building, following by livestream, placed frantic calls to legislators to explain troubling unintended consequences. In normal times, such issues are fleshed out ahead of floor debates through meetings and impromptu encounters with residents who share their opinions.

After conducting a lot of business outside the public eye for 17 months, there are legislators who would prefer to stay on that course. Unsurprisingly, those individuals attacked this hearing, which was purposely held on a day when the cavernous building's employees were working from home. They complained that some people, particularly those conservative legislators, weren't adhering to the building's hazy masking policy.

On the surface, it was a petty political attack to paint all Republicans as anti-science extremists. In reality, the manufactured controversy was a tool to convince residents that their well-being at the capitol can't be guaranteed, thereby preserving their ability to conduct work with the public at arm's length next year.

When it comes to government, few issues are more important to me than transparency—it's a point I made recently as I accepted the Bice Clemow award from the Connecticut Council on Freedom of Information. The late Clemow was a longtime journalist who drove implementation of our state's FOI laws. I'd love to know what someone with his passion for shining a light on government could add to today's conversation.

I'd like to think he'd agree with me, that he'd push back against the message that virtual government is serving our state's citizens well, and join the calls to fully reopen the public's access to those elected to serve them.

Let's hope for more sunlight at the capitol in February.

Rep. Vincent Candelora

House Republican Leader86th District North Branford, Guilford, Durham, Wallingford

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### LET'S BE "FRANK"

For some reason people are always telling me I am negative. I might come across as being negative but I will go to my grave (hopefully not too soon), insisting they are wrong. Just because I have a keen insight for the obvious and I choose not to use a filter on what I say, it doesn't mean I am a negative person. The good book says the truth is the way and being truthful is not being negative. With me, what you see is what you get. Those who like my style, I am happy to call friends. For those who dislike it, I make no apologies.

I insist, my sign off to my letters to you aren't negative. I am convinced that I will see you soon so it's actually a positive statement.

To set the record straight I have made a list of some of my likes and dislikes,

I don't like two faced people.

I **don't like** people with personal agendas who stray from the good of the whole.

I **don't like** talking politics or religion but if you back me into a corner I will come out swinging so don't be offended by my responses.

I don't like any pro sports but baseball.

I love college, high school and youth athletics.

I love kids and old people but the older I get the fewer old people there are to enjoy their wit and knowledge.

I love music and singing. Rap isn't music.

I do not like traveling but I love visiting the destinations once I arrive.

I don't like cell phones but to paraphrase an old slogan "I can't leave home without it".

I don't like anyone who refuses to stand for the National Anthem

I don't like liberals who change history and mooch off the government as an excuse for laziness.

I love hardworking people.

I love my family and my friends and will always be there when they call.

I DON'T LIKE LIARS

**I like** people but the older I get the less I need. Just me & the Mrs. is all I really need for an enjoyable evening.

I like restaurants but also the older I get I find I'd rather eat home. A hot dog on the grill beats a restaurant even though a report which just came out tells us that you take seven minutes off your life for every hotdog you eat.

I don't like the people who research these numbers.

**I don't like** the fact that medicare and insurance companies have now taken over the medical profession and it is those groups that dictate some of our pills and when and what doctors you can see.

I don't like people who refuse vaccinations or mask wearing with the absurdity of a breach in our freedom or a government plot. If your "freedom" spreads the vaccine to someone who dies, you should be arrested for murder.

**I hate** Miami. Too hot. Too humid. Too foreign. It should be classified as a foreign country.

**I love** my recliner and my remote for the TV. I wish I could figure out a way to take it on vacation with me.

**I love** my grandsons more than anything. Apologies to the rest of the family.

I love the Spring an the Fall but I'm not big on winter or summer.

I love watching storms as long as I don't lose my internet or my power.

I don't like getting old but I don't like the alternative either.

Finally, **I don't like** writing long stupid columns like this one but sometimes you have to fill the space. Many would say it's more times than not.

Take care my brother. Say hello to everyone. I miss you all and I'll see you soon.

#### Letters to the editor...

This paper encourages all readers to voice their opinions and comments.

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letters must be signed. A telephone number should be included and no personal attacks. This paper reserves the right to edit all letters. All letters should be addressed to:

The Editor

P.O. Box 313, Northford, CT 06472

#### GLOBAL BEER RESPONSIBLE DAY

#### **Dear Editor:**

As the country's leading brewer, with more than 19,000 employees across the United States, Anheuser-Busch cares deeply about the communities we call home. We're committed to keeping our friends, families, and neighbors healthy and safe, and one way we work toward this is by promoting safe rides—a top A-B priority for more than 100 years.

Drunk driving is still a major problem in the U.S. There is an average of 300,000 incidents a day from alcohol-impaired driving, a preventable problem. Data shows that alcohol-impaired fatalities on the road had been steadily declining, but in the last ten years, the figure has plateaued at around 10,000 fatalities annually.

Historically, Anheuser-Busch has been a leader in this space with our first safe ride campaign launching in the early 80s. But we know we need to accelerate our efforts to reach this key target, so we've teamed up with Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD) and Uber to create a first-of-its-kind industry coalition. Three leaders in our respective industries with the one shared goal of ending drunk driving.

For this reason, we've created a new initiative called Decide To Ride. This campaign is centered around the idea that "you can't drive drunk if you don't drive there," encouraging everyone to plan ahead for a safe ride home before the evening even begins. Through our partnership with Uber, we're offering even more incentives to Decide To Ride.

We encourage everyone to join us in our mission to put an end to alcoholimpaired driving and invite you to recognize those who are doing their part. We are raising a glass to all that we've accomplished together and the progress still to come as we work toward building a Better World.

Sincerely,
Tony Lota
Alcohol Awareness Coordinator
Dichello Distributors, Inc.
Orange CT.

#### We Need a New System

#### **Dear Editor**

Hurricane Ida has pointed up yet again the necessity for establishing a permanent and impregnable power and telecommunication net work. What good is spending hundreds of billions of dollars for phone and communication systems when a single tree can bring it down? Why have power lines that don't work during times we need them the most? Nothing can be worse than finding yourself without utilities for a week at a time when the rest of your life has been threatened by local storms. This happens again and again.

How long will it take for someone to see to what's needed here is a system that can't be eliminated by natural forces. Will it cost dearly- Yes! It will be very expensive and it will take years to complete, but if we don't start now the next hundred years will be no different from the last. One storm and Washington is disconnected, New York is without power, but all that adds up in temporary fixes, but no solutions.

The cost of these outages is terribly expensive to repair let alone the damage they cause in production and personal security. It's time for a better system!

Thank you for taking the time to read this letter.

#### Sincerely,

#### Charles W. Atmore



**Blaming Columbus Misses the Lessons of History** 

#### **By Patrick Mason**

As a proud member of both the Osage Nation (the Ni-U-Kon-Ska, "People of the Middle Waters"), and the Knights of Columbus, I am disgusted and terrified by the ever louder calls for the cancelation of Columbus Day, and the tearing down of monuments dedicated to the great maritime explorer, Christopher Columbus. *Continues on page 5* 

#### "We Can Do Better...."

#### **Dear Editor**

The people of the World War II era were said to be the greatest generation that ever lived. I'd have to agree with that statement based on my history lessons in school, and what I've witnessed with my own eyes for the last 52 years. I'm sure most of those veterans are rolling over in their graves given what has been going on the last 18 months. Lockdowns, mask mandates, vaccine passports and vaccine mandates. All of which are a violation of our civil liberties and larceny of our freedom.

Let's talk about the abomination known as the Joe Biden Administration. He closed the XL pipelin, laying off thousands of American workers. Meanwhile, he lifted sanctions against Russia that will allow them to complete their pipeline that goes straight into Germany, after several cyber attacks against U.S. institutions. Stopped construction on the boarder wall. Encouraged millions of illegals to come in our country via the southern borderand busing them all over the country and they're not even being tested for covid! Refuses to hold China accountable for unleashing a bioweapon against the world.

Let's not forget his latest screwup, Afghanistan. I'm not a military expert but it seems to me if you're going to withdraw troops, you should at least have an exit strategy. You just don't go home in the middle of the night without saying a word to your allies or the Americans that were there supporting the effort.

His administration is pushing CRT (Critical Race Theory) into every institution of this country, especially the public schools and military. If you've never heard of CRT let me clue you in as to what I think it's about...... RACISM! It teaches children to hate others based on the color of their skin. If you're black, you are oppressed. If you are white, you are an oppressor. It's supported by people like Ibram Kendi, a professor that has admitted on video his hate for White people, especially White males. Ironically, if you search his name in Wikipedia they describe him as an antiracist activist. An absolute joke!

Let's not forget the media and the role they play in all of this. Some stations are nothing more than story tellers. You can tune in anytime and catch a version of Aesop's fables. The local media is just as bad. They just don't cover certain stories because it doesn't fit the narrative. There is no such thing as a free press anymore. I started to realized this when they said Iraq had weapons of mass destruction. The reality was they didn't even have a water pistol.

With everything taking place now I can't help but wonder what the Three Stooges are doing. Delauro, Blumenthal and Murphy. Last I checked Delauro was dying her hair purple to fit in with the cool crowd. Murphy was working on legislation about furniture because apparently there's a problem with entertainment centers falling on 3 year olds. Blumenthal is running around Washington yelling, "Orange man bad."

These are the ones in charge. We can do better as a state and as a country. We need to speak up and get involved in current affairs. Send letters to your local and state representatives, make phone calls, go to school board meetings, town meetings, sign petitions, whatever you can do to help change the direction of this country.

Talk is cheap. Action matters!

Let's end this with a couple quotes from Ronald Reagan. "Government's first duty is to protect the people, not run their lives." "We can't help everyone, but everyone can help someone."

"Republicans believe every day is the Fourth of July, but the Democrats believe every day is April 15."

#### sincerely,David Hall

I am disgusted because the attacks are unfair to the man, who was far better than most for his time.

I am terrified because by blaming Columbus for five centuries of history, we ignore the majority of that history, and risk repeating it. For any Native American, that should be truly terrifying.

Today's protestors--with great vigor but little historical sense--seem ever ready to look for scapegoats. They want to cast all blame for the atrocities committed against American Indians at the feet of Columbus. Such efforts only serve to literally white-wash and revise the true history of the Americas.

As American citizens, we need to remember our history, both the good and the bad, so that we are not set up to repeat history's mistakes. We need to take an honest look at all our fore-fathers. We need to give them the credit they deserve for what they did well, while being mindful of the things that they should have been done differently or better.

We should not tear-up the Declaration of Independence on the grounds that Thomas Jefferson was a slave-owner. We should not tear down the statutes and memory of Christopher Columbus on the grounds that some people in the New World committed heinous acts, or on the grounds that, with little evidence, Francisco de Bobadilla, a man with suspect motivations, accused Christopher Columbus of brutality as a governor--especially since that "brutality" was manifested in Columbus' execution of several Spaniards



#### **Rotary Helping Schools in Kenya**

The North Branford Rotary Club is proud to announce the recently completed **Water Filter Project in Kenya**. Our club partnered with Kenyan Health Care Initiatives and Rotary District 7980 to provide 42 water filters to 19 primary and secondary schools in the Il Ngwesi Group Ranch - a very remote area of Kenya. This was made possible by a district managed matching grant provided by Rotary District 7980. This project will provide a sustainable way for these students to drink clean water in order to avoid water-bourne illness and disease and stay in school.

For more information about the North Branford Rotary Club and how you participate in these kinds of projects please contact President Melinda Fonda 203-988-0883. You may also email the Club at <a href="https://www.north-branfordrotary@gmail.com">North-branfordrotary@gmail.com</a>

Above photo, Kenyon School receives Clean Water Filters from Rotary!

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#### Columbus continued

for their mistreatment of the Indians.

Bartolome de las Casas – Columbus' contemporary and renowned "Defender of the Indians" –defended both the explorer's motives and his character.

Recent scholarship has come to the same conclusion. His biographer and professor emerita of Stanford University Carol Delaney points out that Columbus' core motivation was religious. She laments that he is so often blamed for the actions of others. Delaney also notes that his relations with Native Americans tended to be "benign."

Columbus was a man ahead of his time. There were many who were not. Yet the latter get a pass, and Columbus, the proto-immigrant, gets blamed. Perhaps that is easier than discussing the complexities of America's historical and present circumstances.

What we lose in the rush to blame Columbus is perspective on how America has come to the present moment in its troubled relations with Native Americans.

Spain had outlawed almost all enslavement of indigenous people by 1500. Yet, two hundred years later, enslavement of Indians thrived in British Connecticut. Three hundred and fifty years later, California, would allow what can only be called Indian enslavement in 1850.

In Connecticut and California the wars of attrition against the Indians were Anglo-American, not Spanish.

Peter Hardeman Burnett, the Gold Rush governor of California, summed up the Anglo-American perspective when he said: "It is inevitable that the Indian must go."

By contrast, Columbus and the Spanish sought coexistence, however complicated that sometimes became.

The problematic reservation system was *not* Columbus' idea--nor was it the idea of the Spanish. It was an Anglo-American invention.

Columbus Day is a day for us to remember that bold and courageous voyage in 1492 that lead to the first sustained contact between two very different worlds. It is a day to remember the many good things that have come out of that contact, such as the founding of the United States, the first lasting democratic-republic.

It is also a day to remember our failings as a country, such as the trail of tears and the forced removal and re-education of native children in the twentieth century--episodes centuries after Columbus that the explorer neither caused nor condoned.

Each day, I see the continued hardships facing the first people of the Americas. I see the poverty, the alcoholism, the lack of quality education options, and the constant interference in Indian tribes' right to self-determination.

While activists are quick to unfairly blame Columbus for all of this, I have yet to see a group of protestors from the city get their boots dirty while trying to make a difference for those in need on the reservations. I do,

## TOWN OF NORTH BRANFORD OFFICE OF THE TAX COLLECTOR LEGAL NOTICE OF SEWER USER FEES AND SEWER ASSESSMENT INSTALLMENT CHARGE DUE OCTOBER 1, 2021

Property owners of the Town of North Branford are hereby notified that the first installment of Sewer User fees and Sewer Assessment charges are due on October 1, 2021. Payments not received or postmarked by November 1, 2021, will be considered delinquent and statutory delinquent interest charges will apply. Interest will accrue at the rate of 1 ½% per month with a minimum interest charge of \$2.00 for Sewer Use and \$5.00 for Sewer Assessment.

The annual Sewer User fee of \$475.00 was set by the North Branford Water Pollution Control Authority at its September 21, 2021, meeting.

Property owners that are on a <u>single payment schedule for Sewer Assessment</u> are hereby notified that payment is due on November 1, 2021, and statutory delinquent charges will apply if payment is not received or postmarked by November 1, 2021.

Bills may be paid at the North Branford Town Hall, Tax Collector's office Monday through Friday from 8:30 to 4:30. If you have lost or misplaced your bill, call the Tax office for a replacement at 203-484-6011. If remittance is made by mail and a receipt is requested, please enclose a self-addressed stamped envelope. Checks should be made payable to the Tax Collector, Town of North Branford.

Dated this 21st Day of September 2021 Kenneth A. Delfini, CCMC Tax Collector

#### PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETING NOTICE

Homeland Towers, LLC ("Homeland") will host a Public Information Meeting ("PIM") to discuss its proposal to construct a wireless telecommunications facility in the easterly portion of a 7.86-acre parcel at 222 Clintonville Road in Northford (the "Property") The PIM will be held on October 28, 2021 at 7 P.M. in the Town Council Chambers, North Branford Town Hall, 909 Foxon Road, North Branford.

Homeland intends to submit an application to the Connecticut Siting Council ("Council") for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need ("Certificate") for the construction, maintenance and operation of a wireless telecommunications facility at the Property.

The wireless telecommunications facility described above is under the exclusive jurisdiction of the Connecticut Siting Council pursuant to the provisions of Section 16-50g et seq. of the General Statutes and are subject to change. Technical information regarding the proposed wireless telecommunications facility is available for review at Town Manager's office, the Town Planning and Zoning Department and the office of the Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Agency at North Branford Town Hall. If you have any questions you can contact Raymond Vergati, Homeland Towers, LLC at 203-297-6345 (rv@homelandtowers.us) or Kenneth C. Baldwin Esq., Robinson & Cole LLP at 860-275-8345 (kbaldwin@rc.com).

however, see the constant presence of committed groups, like the Knights of Columbus, providing quality coats for children in winter, boxes upon boxes of food every fall, and love and friendship every day.

This Columbus Day, instead of spreading a hateful and misleading history from the comfort of our easy-chairs, I would call on all Americans to follow the example of groups like the Knights of Columbus.

Donate your time, effort and money to the hurricane relief efforts in Puerto Rico, Florida and Houston. Reach out to the peripheries in your own neighborhood. Bring companionship to your lonely elderly neighbor. Form friendships with those who are suffering.

Rather than dubiously assigning blame to one man, together we can truly help make the United States a better place for all of us, and achieve a harmony and understanding between native and immigrant peoples that has too often eluded us in our history.

Patrick T. Mason is past state deputy of the Knights of Columbus in New Mexico and a member of the organization's board of directors

## **IDS Celebrating 60 Years**

On September 13, 1961, The Independent Day School opened its doors for its first-ever academic year with the hope and ambition of challenging and exciting local students in and out of the classroom. Fast forward to 60 years later, and members of the IDS community are still accomplishing that same goal.

"The founding families of IDS were leaders in the Middletown, Meriden, and Wallingford communities and they wanted to build a school that was focused on academic excellence and community-minded participation," remarked Head of School, Dr. Marijke Kehrhahn. "It's always inspiring to meet IDS graduates - whether they graduated in the 60's, the 90's or just a few years ago - and to learn about the good and challenging work they are doing in the world. That desire to give back, to participate, to speak up, to contribute is what makes our graduates stand out. Our founders would be proud of the school we have been and the school we are today."

This past Monday, The Independent Day School celebrated its 60th Anniversary (to the exact date!) with school-colored gifts, cupcakes, and wearing IDS attire. However, the big celebration of the day came in the afternoon, when the entire school gathered on the front field for a special concert.

Waiting for the students on the outdoor stage were Presley and Taylor, members of the IDS Class of 2011 and 2013, respectively. After graduating from IDS, the two sisters moved to Nashville and created the country duo of Presley & Taylor, which is currently signed to White Mustang Records. The pair of country singers, along with their three band members, tour all over the country performing at various shows and festivals, and it was a stroke of luck that they happened to be in Connecticut (performing at the Hebron Harvest Fair the day before) at the same time of the school's anniversary.

"We were so excited when we heard we could be part of the 60th anniversary because we attended IDS for so many years and it truly felt like home to us," said Presley. "We are just so blessed to be here and to share our love of music and message to all of the current IDS students."

Presley & Taylor proceeded to put on a tremendous 45-minute show for the students, mixing in both their own original music along with playing current top country favorites. They consistently interacted with the crowd throughout their performances, asking the students to clap along and keep beat during each song, and had all the students join in singing "Happy Birthday!" to IDS, as well as all participating in singing the School Song. In-between songs, the two singers spoke about how going to IDS shaped them into the artists they are today and how much this special school community meant to them.

"This is truly where it all started," remarked Taylor. "It was through the school's music and theater programs that really made us fall in love with performing and inspired us to pursue a career in music and prepared us for this journey."

While IDS has seen many enhancements over the past 60 years, including the additions of the Early Childhood building, the Galluzzo Theater, and the mile-long nature trail and soccer fields, it has stayed true to its core values from its inception - to challenge its students to be their best selves while never being afraid to chase their dreams and ambitions.

"IDS has thrived over the last 60 years because it has always been - and continues to be - a school that is truly student-centered, a quality that becomes more and more unique and sought after as education becomes more regimented and test-score focused," reflected Dr. Kehrhahn. "Our school has changed in many ways over the years to meet the challenges and demands of the day but our program has always challenged students to work hard to be their best selves and has always been firmly grounded in the ideals of empathy, compassion, and respect."

#### Education Foundation looking for help!

The North Branford Education Foundation is an organization which gives grant money to town reprensentatives to further the education of our youth. The funds requests which are not in the normal operating budget are used for leaders to create a more intersting and unique learning environment

The group holds three or four events a year to fund these services. They meet once a month and they are a strictly non profit organization.

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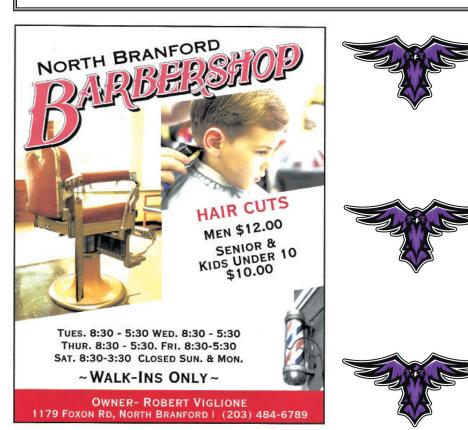
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## Wee Care of North Branford, Inc.

**Daycare and Preschool** At Wee Care of North Branford, Inc. all day preschool is available for children ages 3-6 from 7 a.m. - 6 p.m. Monday through

-Two licensed Preschool Teachers

Friday. Some of the highlights of the program are:

- -Curriculum and disciplinary procedures aligned with local kindergarten classes
- -Teacher directed learning centers
- -Morning lessons reinforced by afternoon activities
- -Extracurricular activities at no extra cost including Yoga, Music, Library visits, and Science classes

#### **Openings** currently available.

1680 Foxon Road (Rt. 80)

North Branford, CT 203-481-3909 www.weecarenb.com



## Girls Soccer Growing Together After a Long Off Season!



Senior Valissa Cavalier making her move!



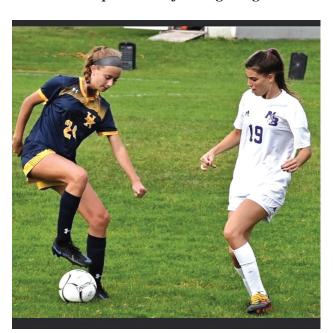
Senior captain Lexi Marcarelli and sophomore Kate Vaspasiano defending the goal!



Senior Isabella Hills moving to the ball!



Sophomre Mikella O'Brien moving in on the play!



Sophomore Caliie Holzer stopping the ball!



Junior Bridget Betzner is on the move!

#### Soccer photos Courtesy of Bill O'Brien



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<b>Boys Soccer</b>			
Tuesday	10-5	@Morgan	6:30
Wednesday	10-6	@ East Haven	6:30
Friday	10-8	@Portland	3:45
Wednesday	10-13	Old Saybrook	6:00
Friday	10-15	Westbrook	6:00
<b>Girls Soccer</b>			
Friday	10-1	@Valley Regional	3:45
Monday	10-4	Morgan	3:45
Thursday	10-7	Portland	3:45
Saturday	10-9	@Norwich	10:00
Monday	10-11	@ Old Saybrook	3:45
Friday	10-15	@Westbrook	3:45
Field Hockey	<u>-</u>		
Monday	10-4	Westbrook	6:00
Thursday	10-7	@Morgan	3:45
Saturday	10-9	Stonington	10:00
Monday	10-11	Old Saybrook	3:45
Wednesday	10-13	Sacred Heart	3:45
Thursday	10-14	@H-K	3:45
<b>Football</b>			
Friday	10-1	Gilbert	6:30
Friday	10-8	CREC Coop	6:30
Saturday	10-16	Cromwell/Portland	6:00
Girls Volleyb	all		
Monday	10-4	East Hampton	5:30
Wednesday	10-6	@H-K	5:30
Friday	10-8	Old Lyme	5:30
Tuesday	10-12	@Valley	5:30
Wednesday	10-13	@Morgan	5:30



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### **Sons & Daughters of Italy** Free Dues 2021!

**SOCIETY** 

The Sons & Daughters of Italy #2805 are back in action and planning a strong return. Post pandemic hopes are to continue with our donations to our main causes for prevention of Alzheimer's, Cooley's Anaemia and Epilepsy as well as other worthy causes.

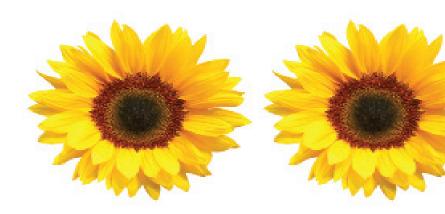
We provide for these organizations with fun loving fund-raisers and events such as our annual Christmas party, bus trips, a fashion show, a golf tournament, movies and much more. All this happens while we continue to foster the Italian Heritage.

But this group is not restricted to only Italians. It's open to anyone who wants some great friendships while doing good for our community.

Become a part of a growing organization that embodies the Italian culture. The great part is all fees are waived for the remainder of 2021.

The next meeting will take place on October 5, 2021 at 7:00 in the St. Frances Cabrini Church Hall in North Haven.

For more information call Frank at 203-410-4254 or go to northhavenlodge2805.club



#### NORTH BRANFORD LIBRARY PRESENTS





# IRITERS LAW

PROTECTING YOUR ARTISTIC RIGHTS OCTOBER 5, 2021 7 P.M. TO REGISTER CALL SMITH LIBRARY AT (203) 484 -0469 OR EMAIL THOLABIRD@NBRANFORDLIBRARIES.ORG ZOOM LINK WILL BE SENT ON THE DAY OF THE **PROGRAM** 

## **Recycling News**

HazWaste Central will be closing on October 30th 2021

Beat the last minute rush by going now!

Located right behind the Regional Water Authority's headquarters, 90 Sargent Drive, New Haven

> Hours are 9am to noon -Saturdays through October 30th, 2021

Not Accepted at HazWaste Central: Asbestos, Commercial Waste, Electronics, Fire Extinguishers, Gas-Grill Size Propane Tanks, Medicine, Needles, Smoke Detectors

It is recommended that you fill out a simple form online before you go. Call 203-401-2712 or email ask.hazwaste@rwater.com for more information

#### North Branford Fall Leaf Collection

North Branford residents can bring their leaves to the leaf drop off center located near the Public Works Facility on Route 22 from 9:00am to 3:00pm starting Saturday October 16th. The leaf drop off will also be open: October 23, 30 and November 6, 13, 20.

Please place leaves in biodegradable leaf bags (no tape please) or empty them loose onto the ground

**Keep Your Neighborhood Cleaner and Safer** 

Please store totes away from street and sidewalks after pickup.

Bulk Pickup is only twice a year.

Next pickup is the week of November 8, 2021. Please do not place your bulky waste curbside until that week.

Scrap Metal Pickup will be the week of October 25th. Items taken: A/C units, metal lawn furniture, large appliances, hot water tanks, tools, metal fencing, filing cabinets, outdoor grills, small machines, non-riding lawn movers and similar metal items.

**Electronics Drop Off will be on November 6th.** Bring your electronics to this collection event to have them recycled properly and save the town the cost of disposing them as bulky waste.

#### "Please Don't Feed the Storm Drain"

Storm drains are designed to only carry rainfall runoff from our streets into our local waterways. Anything but water can contribute to water pollution and drainage issues.

Protect our wetlands and our drinking water by not putting anything in the storm drain.

Please remember to keep loose leaves, grass clippings and yard debris out of the street so they do not get washed or blown into the storm drain, which can cause flooding. Pesticides from treated lawns and gardens and fluid from motor vehicle leaks can also end up threatening the water quality of our wetlands and your drinking water.

Remember: Only Rain in the Drain!

The North Branford Solid/Hazardous Waste & Recycling Committee is looking for new members.

If you have new ideas to help with recycling or our trash pickups, please consider becoming a member or an alternate.

You can contact the Town Manager's office if you are interested.

For more information about recycling in North Branford you can check out North Branford's Recycling Committee's website: townofnorthbranfordct.com/government/boards-commissions/hazardouswasterecycling-committee.aspx

or our Facebook page:

North Branford CT Hazardous Waste & Recycling Committee

Thank You for Your Participation



## **SHREDDING EVENT**

SATURDAY

Bring Your Papers to Shre And support a Great Cause

October 2, 2021

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9:00AM - 12:00PM

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Fonda 203-988-0883

#### **Emergency Classes Open to the Community**





#### Be The Help Until Help Arrives!

Emergencies happen anywhere and at anytime. Rescuers respond as soon as possible, but sometimes it's too late. *Your help can save the life of a loved one or friend!* The North Branford FD Ambulance is sponsoring monthly courses, open to anyone age 11 and up. Stop-the-Bleed and Hands-Only CPR courses can help you to Be The Help.

Classes are the **2**<sup>nd</sup> **Thursday** of each month from **7:00 – 9:00pm at the Ambulance building, 1351 Middletown Avenue.** The cost is \$5 per person to cover expenses and supplies. Please pre-register so we know how many people to expect and have the supplies ready. Both courses are taught together each evening.

**COVID concerns:** Everyone age 11 and older is welcome if they are healthy. Currently, unvaccinated people are required to wear a mask that covers their mouth and nose. Fully vaccinated people may wear a mask if they wish. Hand hygiene is requested as soon as you enter the building.

To register, use your phone to follow the QR code or enter this URL into your computer's browser...

https://www.eventbrite.com/e/stop-thebleed-and-hands-only-cpr-classes-tickets-165253362255?aff=ebdssbdestsearch



The Totoket Historical Society, Inc.

# Annual Grace Marx Colonial Dinner

Sunday, Oct. 10 \$25.00 per person

"Drive-through, pick-up" dinner
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House parking lot

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- A succulent roasted Cornish Game Hen with cider sauce
- Rich and buttery Parsley Potatoes
  - Delicious Squash-apple bake
  - Amazingly good Succotash
- Slices of pear & cranberry breads
- Moist Pumpkin cake for dessert For reservations call: Helen 203 481—5268

## Crucial Fundraiser

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Atwater Library

Oct. 27 Dec. 29

**Smith Library** 

Sept. 29th Nov. 24

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#### **CHURCH DIRECTORY**

Branford Bible Chapel. 212 Branford Rd., corner of Twin Lakes Rd. 203-488-3586. Sunday morning: 9:15 - 10:30 Worship & Lord's Supper, 11:00 -12:15 Ministering of God's Word & Sunday School. . Nursery provided. Awana for kids, vacation Bible School, missions & outreach programs. www.branfordbiblechapel.org

Hope Christian Church "A Place to Belong". 211 Montowese Ave., North Haven, CT. www.hopeag.com Sunday services 10AM. Coffee served every Sunday 9:00 am. Church open for prayer Tuesdays noon to One. Thursday Bible study 7:00 PM. Like us on facebook.

North Branford Congregational Church, UCC. 1680 Foxon Rd., North Branford, CT, 203-488-8456 or nobfdcong@sbcglobal.net or www.northbranfordcongregational.org. Office Hours: Wednesday through Friday, 9:00 - 1:00pm. We worship every Sunday at 10:00am. Nursery care available. Get to know us by joining us for Coffee Hour following Services. The second Sunday of every month is Family Sunday when the children remain with their parents during the Service. This is followed by our second Sunday Brunch. Holy Communion is on the first Sunday of every month. Church School through grade 8 meets during worship. All are wecome no matter who you are, no matter where you are on life's journey, you are welcome here.

Northford Congregational Church. United Church of Christ. Church is located on Old Post Rd., (corner of Rte 17 and Rte 22), PO Box 191 Northford. Phone 203-484-0795, Fax 203-484-9916... email; northfordcc@gmail.com Office Hours: Tuesday 9am - 1pm; other days by appointment. Rev. Robin Blundon, Acting Pastor. Jane K. Leschuk Minister of Music. Worship Service 10am. Join us for coffee hour following worship. Holy Communion on the first Sunday of each month. Like us on Facebook. Our website is <u>www.northfordcongregational.church</u>

St. Ambrose Parish is a Roman Catholic Parish in the Archdiocese of Hartford comprised of two church locations; St. Augustine, 30 Caputo Rd. North Branford and St. Monica, 1331 Middletown Ave. Northford. The Pastor is Rev. Robert L. Turner. Temporarily all Masses are being held at St. Augustine during the pandemic to accommodate as many parishioners at each Mass as capacity allows. Weekday Masses are celebrated at 9:00 A.M. on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday. Weekend Masses are celebrated on Saturday at 5:00 P.M. (English Ordinary, no incense) and on Sunday at 9:00 A.M. and 11:00 A.M. (Latin Ordinary with use of incense). The Sacrament of Reconciliation is offered 30 minutes prior to all daily Masses and by appointment by calling the parish office. The parish office is located at 30 Caputo Rd. in the parish center and is open M – F from 9 A.M. to 1 P.M. Mass is live streamed each Sunday morning on our St. Ambrose Facebook page. You can access the parish bulletin and staff emails on our website at NBcatholics.org. If you are new to the area and are looking for a parish family to join, please visit us!

St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, 1382 Middletown Avenue, Northford - The White Church On The Hill In The Heart of Northford (at the intersection of Rtes. 17 & 22). St. Andrew's is a member of the Middlesex Area Cluster Ministry Network (MACM), along with Emmanuel Episcopal Church in Killingworth and St. James Episcopal Church in Higganum. The Rev. Bryan Spinks is Priest-In-Charge at St. Andrew's. Regular worship services are held each Sunday - summer services begin at 9:00 a.m., and starting in Sept. go back to 10:00 a.m. starting time.

St. Andrew's is the proud home of the Food Pantry of North Branford, located in the lower level of the church's parish hall. And, the Community Dining Room utilizes the church kitchen and parish hall to prepare and deliver meals to the homebound in Northford and North Branford. These are 2 vital community resources serving families in need in our community.

St. Andrew's also partners with St. Pauly Textile in a broad outreach program to help people in need here in the U.S. and around the world. Donations of clothing, shoes, boots, belts, purses, sheets, blankets, curtains and stuffed animals may be made at the donation shed located in the back of the church parking lot. Like us on Facebook: St. Andrew's Episcopal Church of Northford CT.

For more information contact Nan Monde, Senior Warden, 203-710-7005; or MACM Network office, 860-345-0058; or Rev. Spinks, 860-304-5266.

United Methodist Church, Branford 811 East Main St, Branford (Route 1, across from Bill Miller's Castle). www.umcbranford.org or (203) 488-0549. Sunday service 9:30am - both in-person and live on our website. "The Church on the Rock," led by Pastor Kent Jackson. We invite you to discover the power of faith in Jesus Christ bringing God's love to the world. Join us to worship, experience God's word, and stay connected.

Zion Episcopal Church, 326 Notch Hill Road, North Branford. 203-488-7395 Rev. Lucy LaRocca, Vicar. Please visit our Facebook page or our website www. zionepiscopalchurch.org. Zion is a registered Integrity Episcopal Believe Outloud Congregation, a designation earmarking Zion as an open and affirming congregation for those seeking a safe place to worship and grow in Christ.



Michael Anthony Russo, 29, of Madison, formerly of North Branford, passed away peacefully, in his sleep, at his home on Monday, September 20, 2021. He was born in New Haven on November 4, 1991 and was the beloved son of Anthony Russo III and the late Lucia Trumbley Russo. Mike is also survived by his twin brother Anthony Russo IV and younger brother Christopher James Russo. Mike can be described using one word, and that word is SPECIAL. He had things he loved such

as his family, cars, and basketball. What ultimately made him Special is the ability each day to provide you with a laugh or smile you desperately needed or weren't expecting. He had a unique ability to make everyone he was around feel better about themselves. The impact he made on this world is something that will last a lifetime. In lieu of flowers memorial contributions may be made to the Make a Wish Foundation of CT, 56 Commerce Dr., Trumbull, CT 06611. Private funeral services have been entrusted to The Havens Family, North Haven Funeral Home, 36 Washington Avenue www.northhavenfuneral.com



A New Sign of Hope

The members of Hope Christian Church recently celebrated their updated signage. Being an integral part of our community has always been a part of the vision at Hope Church. The updated sign clearly spells out their vision and is a beautiful addition to the landscape along Montowese Ave. They especially thank John and Charlie of Autographix of Branford for their amazing artistry and passion to create signs that reflect the vision and personality of every business they work with.

Photo - Lisa Laureano Photography ~ loveleepaws.com

#### **DEATH NOTICES**



Evelyn Wilks Gordon, 74 of Branford, formerly of Northford, Connecticut went home to be with the Lord on September 18, 2021. Evelyn was the wife of the late Robert Gordon. She was the mother of Beth Pacelli (Albert) and Rob Gordon (Amanda). Evelyn was grandmother to Alex (Alexxus) and Laura. She was great grandmother to Nevaeh.

Evelyn enjoyed her career as a secretary at Masonic Home and Hospital, Evergreen Woods, Quinnipiac College (Nursing Depart-

ment) and Hillsborough Community College in Florida. Evelyn loved baseball. Evelyn wanted girls to participate in sports so she helped to start girls Little League softball in North Branford. Evelyn was an assistant softball coach at North Branford High in 1987 and 1988. She also helped to coach youth basketball. Evelyn was a passionate Red Sox fan.

Evelyn was a member of the Shoreline Community Church at 9 Business Park Road Drive in Branford. A memorial service will be held there on Saturday October 9, 2021 at 11:00 a.m. Burial will be private. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be made to The Multiple Myeloma Research Foundation, P.O. Box 414238 Boston, Ma 02241-4238 or online at https://themmrf.org.



Josephine A. Singer, 81, of North Branford, passed away peacefully on Saturday, September 18th, 2021, at the Connecticut Hospice, Branford with her family by her side. She was the beloved wife of James E. Singer. Josephine was born in New Haven on May 23, 1940, and was the daughter of the late Joseph and Dorothy M. Laygon Rocco. Josephine was a devoted wife, mother, grandmother, great grandmother who

loved her family unconditionally. Mother of Donna Melillo, Anne (Robert) Golino, James Singer, Jr., Susan (John) Cretella, Barbara (David) Schettino, Thomas (Sandra) Singer and the late Coral Golebiewski and Anthony Melillo. Sister of Mary Criscuolo. Also survived by 10 grandchildren and 11 great grandchildren.



June O. Shanz a long time resident of Northford, died peacefully at home on September 17, 2021. She was the wife of the late Valentin William Schanz, to whom she was married for 53 years until his passing in 2005.

June Joyce O'Neill was born on June 18, 1928 in West Haven, CT to the late John and Eva O'Neill. She grew up in the

Spring Glen section of Hamden prior to moving with her family to Northford as a young teen. After graduating from Lyman Hall HS in Wallingford in 1946, June worked for the Telephone Co. in New Haven, Sears & Roebuck in Hamden and finally joining along side her husband running their family dairy farm.

Progressive in thought, loyal and trusted friend, quick witted, pragmatic, giver of sage advice and wisdom, most importantly she loved unconditionally her family and friends.

June was predeceased by her brother, Jack O'Neill of FL, formerly of Northford, her son Neil Schanz and grandson Christian Schanz both of Northford. She is survived by her daughters, Eve D. Schanz and Valerie L. Schanz, granddaughter, Crystal J. Schanz, great granddaughter, Isabella A. Schanz and great grandson, Dustin N. Cecarelli, all of Northford as well as her sister-in-law, Joanne O'Neill, niece, Shari Haskins of Bellingham, WA and her nephews John and Richard O'Neill of FL.

As per June's request, there will be no visiting hours, burial will be private. In lieu of flowers, please donate in her honor to the North Branford Libraries.

The family extends a special thank you to all the medical staff that cared for her.

To leave an online condolence or tribute, please visit www. keenanfuneralhome.com



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## NORTH BRANFORD PARKS, RECREATION, AND SENIOR CENTER

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#### ODDLER/PARENT FITNESS

Ages 2 - 5 — STW Classroom

Thursdays, October 11 - November 11 - 10:00-10:30am **Instructor: Jillian Temple** 

\$50 res/ \$55 nr Introduce your child to a variety of fun fitness activities! We will practice running, playing with different obstacles and work on proper development of motor skills!

#### **COOKIE DECORATING**

#### HAVE FUN DECORATING COOKIES AT HOME!

"Sweets on Main" will supply a half dozen cookies, icing, sprinkles and instructions to create your own cookie masterpiece!

Halloween Themed Cookie Kit - \$25/kit Orders need to be placed by Monday, Oct. 25th.

Pick up cookie kits on October 28th.

Between 9:00am-4:00pm at STW



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North Branford Parks and Recreation is thrilled to announce our new after school R.E.C Crew beginning Wednesday September 1st! The program will offer after school care until 5:30pm at the STW Community Center on Monday's and Wednesday's for grades K-5. Fee: \$100/monthly

#### Our program provides a safe environment where kids can..

- · Receive homework support
- Engage in recreational activities
- Enhance social/emotional development
  - Most importantly HAVE FUN!



## Kasses

Ages 5-14 • STW Community Center • 5:30 - 7:30 pm Cost \$40 res/ \$45 non res per class

Join Mary Amter in this unique, hands on Culinary experience that will engage children in creating delicious creations. They will explore, create, and learn basic cooking techniques!

OCTOBER 12, 2021 Apple Cider Chicken and Spooky Oreo Truffle Eyes

**OCTOBER 26, 2021 Apple Jack-O-Lantern Pot Pies and Dracula Dentures** 















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#### LAKE GALLIARD FALL WALK

Friday, October 22, 10:00 a.m. Meet at the end of Great Hill Rd. for a guided lake walk. Opposite RT 139 \$5/per person—Register online nbrecreation.com

## **SENIOR CENTER**

Come to our Hoedown! A great time with fabulous food & friends! Live music by the ShoreGrass Band!

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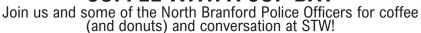
\*NEW TIME\*: 12:00pm - 2:00pm

STW Community Center \$5 per person 55+

Chili served with cornbread, corn from the cob, mac-n-cheese, salad, & dessert!

Please call to register!

#### COFFEE WITH A COP DAY



No agenda or speeches, just a chance to ask questions and get to know the wonderful Officers in our Town.



#### October 6th at 10:00am

Register at nbrecreation.com or give the office a call.



Stitch & B\*tch: Every Wednesday at 12:30pm

Bring your knitting, crochet, cross-stitch, or whatever you are working on and join us for some fiber arts and great conversation with friends. Don't have anything to work on? No problem- we will have extra yarn, knitting needles, crochet hooks, and patterns to use.

#### **SENIOR DAY TRIPS**

October 4, 2021 from 10:00-2:00pm— Entenmann's & Xmas Tree Shops- lunch at Cracker Barrel

October 18, 2021 from 10:00-2:00pm— Home Goods/ Hobby Lobby & Twin Pines Diner

#### **SCRAPBOOKING**

October 19 & 26, November 2 & 9—12:30-2:30pm \$32/res \$37/nr

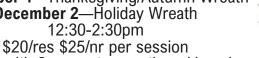


In this 4 session program take your most cherished moments and create a one of a kind memoir. Scrapbooking supplies included, bring your favorite photos and memories.

#### WREATH MAKING

October 21—Fall Wreath

November 4—Thanksgiving/Autumn Wreath **December 2**—Holiday Wreath



Lets get festive with 3 separate wreath making classes! All materials included.

Kindly register for ALL programs and activities in advance



#### A BOB HOPE USO STYLE TRIBUTE Wednesday, November 10, 2021

BUS TRIP: Join us at the Grand Oak Villa for a tribute to America's Veterans. Bob Hope's life in comedy comes alive with this look-a-like & sound-a-like tribute. Holly's impersonations include Marilyn Monroe, Lucy Ricardo and special "guest" Phyllis Diller...Great Fun! \$115 Res / \$120 NR

Depart STW 10am—Call or register on our website nbrecreation.com

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**Part Time Drivers Needed. Make your own schedule:** Must have good driving record and be on time.

In shop help needed. Excellent for youngster after school. earn some spending money and still have time to do your own thing and study.

Apply in person at Petals 2 Go in Central Plaza, North Branford, or call Dave at 203-484-7800.

#### **CASH IN ON OLD JEWELRY**

**Wanted Gold, Silver scrap jewelry.** Fair Prices offered. Call 203-627-6826 or 203-376-1249

#### LOOKING TO LEASE

**Looking to lease 2 -4 acres of farmland** for the 2022 season to grow vegetables. Please contact nordstr6589 @gmail.com.

**Looking for greenhouse space** within 20 minute drive from New Haven, to start vegetables for 2022 season. Please contact nordstr6589@gmail. com

Put your ads here and get your messages to every home and business in town. Call Frank at 203-410-4254.



#### TAG SALE

wecare@keenanfuneralhome.com

#### Evergreen Woods 2nd Annual Outdoor Tag Sale

Evergreen Woods will hold an Outdoor Tag Sale on Saturday, October 2nd from 9am to 2pm. All proceeds will benefit Camp Rising Sun and The Douglas Burger Sportsmanship Scholarship Foundation! Items for sale include furniture, clothes, toys, housewares, electronics, etc. There is something for everyone! Evergreen Woods is located at 88 Notch Hill Road in North Branford. Please contact Jaclyn Martinelli at 488.8000 or email <a href="mailto:jmartinelli@evergreenwoods.com">jmartinelli@evergreenwoods.com</a> with any questions.

**Multi-Family, Multi-Home Neighborhood Tag Sale.** 16 Idylwood Drive, Northford. Saturday & Sunday, October 16th & 17th, 8AM - 3PM. Designer bags, furniture, seasonal, home decor, electronics, tools, apparel, school supplies & more. Dont miss out! Cash/Venmo & carry.

We are seeking vendors for the St. Elizabeth of the Trinity Holiday Bazaar at St. Barnabas Church, 44 Washington Ave. North Haven which will take place on Friday, November 12<sup>th</sup> from 5-8pm and Saturday, November 13<sup>th</sup> from 9am-5pm.

Please call the parish office at 203-239-5378 or email <u>office@etrinityparish.org</u> for an application.

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