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Three Familiar Figures Honored For Services

On November 13th, the North Haven Sons & Daughters of Italy Lodge #2805 will be recognizing three familiar names with the Distinguished Citizen Award.

Bernie and MarieLisa Gagliardi have spent countless hours in the community in service to the youth of North Branford. Bernie is also the Church Music



Director for Saint Elizabeth of the Trinity Parish.

Richard Branigan was The Public Works Director in North Haven, Town Manager in North Branford and is currently the Regional Chief Operating Officer for the Red Cross, Connecticut, Rhode Island Region.

The Dinner will take place at Cascades Banquet Facility in Hamden. Tickets are \$65. per person and can be obtained by contacting Gail Norup at Gail.norup@yale.edu.

Santa Claus is Coming to Town

Mark your calendars because the North Branford Education Foundation is bringing back Breakfast with Santa. It will take place at the NBIS cafeteria on December 4th beginning at 8AM. Students will provide musical entertainment and Santa will visit the children as they enjoy a wonderful breakfast by our own Chef Michael Augur.

Tickets are \$8.00 in advance and \$10 at the door. They can be purchased at Jerome Harrison School or TVES or by calling Frank at 203-410-4254.



Do You Want to Know What is Growing in November?

Join NBLCT to revisit the Village Street property we explored in the Spring for an *Autumn Botany Walk on Saturday, November 12 at 3PM* with Lauren Brown, a botanist who specializes in local plants and flowers. The walk will be held at the North Branford Land Conservation Trust's Village Street trail.

We'll meet in back of the Northford Ice Pavilion. (When you are facing the ice Pavillion, go to the right rear.) The Ice Pavilion is located at 24 Firelite Pl, Northford, CT 06472. Firelite Drive is off route 22 next to Honeywell. Please watch our website www.nblandtrust.org or our Facebook page for schedule changes.

The Autumn Botany Walk is presented by the North Branford Land Conservation, which coordinates a number of events for adults and families throughout the year. All events are free and open to the public.

Please wear appropriate dress and comfortable, supportive walking shoes. There is no rain date.



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Melinda Fonda at 203-988-0883

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The Facts are the Facts

Dear Editor,

Leaves are not the only things that change in the Fall.

This election season I can only hope we also see some changes to ease the discord between political parties and different ideologies. The truth is, when I read Republican editorials, the bulk of them are negative. In fact, they write of non-truths as if the only substantive thing to say is against the other party, or side, or opinion. But facts are facts, and how is a caring concerned citizen that does not like the negative attacking, supposed to respond without getting defensive? I believe it would be to simply state the facts, without attacking the other party or anyone, for that matter!

I challenge Republican candidates to do the same, without falsehood. Few take the time to fact check, but can we at least not attack each other ... ? Honestly, if for no other reason than to add more of a peaceful openness to election season.

Christine Cohen is my candidate of choice because she stands behind traditional Democratic values. One can't argue with the fact that as Senate Chair of the Environment Committee, Christine has led passage of environmental protections that has our state leading this critical national movement. At this point, I can't imagine anyone disputing climate change as a critical issue.

One example of a big complex and emotional issue, that of a woman's right to choose, Christine continues to lead efforts to protect women from oppressive laws in other states. No matter how you feel about abortions, we have to create strongholds of

protection to push up against literally going backwards. Women and girls should not be beholden to laws that literally hurt them. Not only is there real harm, but there are simply not enough resources to support the birth of unwanted babies, nor to treat the women and girls who would be forced to carry them. That is a hard fact! Anyone disputing that would do well to provide the resources they believe are available and willing to take in the multitude of newborns whose mothers are unable to care for them, particularly in this economy. Many of these precious protected fetuses, once out of the womb, could be destined for a different form of death when born into a forced situation where they can't be cared for adequately.

There are many issues that Christine supports that are typical for what is considered a Democratic platform, too many to name in this limited space. However I am convinced, that with regard to mental and public health, small businesses, gun violence, education, voting rights, protection of seniors and domestic abuse victims, and fiscal responsibility, the facts support continued work and change as reliable as the fallen leaves surrounding the election signs begging our attention.

It is my sincere hope that we can grow in the direction of less attacking and combative communications, and looking at the facts. I believe Christine represents the soul of the Democratic Party, that is about change as vibrant and hopeful as the yellows and reds spreading over our beautiful state.

Sincerely,
Debra Lynn Alt



for Men & Women!

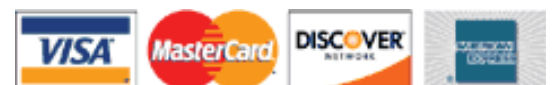


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State Representative Vincent Candelora

Finding Hope in Our Darkest Hours



I think I’m like most Connecticut residents who woke up early on Thurs., Oct. 13 to see horrible news that two Bristol Police Officers, Lt. Dustin DeMonte and Sgt. Alex Hamzy, had been killed in the line of duty during a heinous attack the night before that also left a third Officer, Alec Iurato, seriously injured.

Simply put, it felt like a gut punch.

As details emerged about the personal lives of brave officers DeMonte and Hamzy, I couldn’t stop thinking about the depths of grief that lie ahead for their families, friends, co-workers and citizens whose lives they impacted in a positive way. Upon hearing the news, I reached out a few of my legislative colleagues who serve Bristol. They, too, were trying to make sense of a senseless crime through the lens of their deeply personal connections to their community.

It was, and is, heart-wrenching.

Anyone who’s followed the General Assembly over the last couple of years will know that law enforcement has been a significant topic of discussion and legislative action, and from where I sit that action has made officers’ jobs harder.

With Election Day just around the corner, I have no doubt that vigorous debate about the impact of our state’s “police accountability” law will resume soon.

Many Connecticut law enforcement officers I’ve spoken to feel as though their state government become an antagonistic force that has sparked an undercurrent in policymaking, one where criminals are increasingly viewed as victims while police officers are treated as if they’re the enemy.

I think they’re correct to feel as though that type of attitude is having a negative impact here and afar.

The National Fraternal Order of Police reports that as of Sept. 30 there have been 252 officers shot in 2022, 50 of whom were killed by the gunfire. It’s a 5 percent increase from this time a year earlier. The organization reports that 93 officers were shot in 63 separate ambush-style attacks, with 24 cops killed by gunfire. Like the horrific ambush attack on officers DeMonte, Hamzy, and Iurato in Bristol, these statistics are a stark reminder of the danger that officers face when they put on their uniforms each day.

In the wake of the tragedy in Bristol, I’ve found inspiration and positivity in the nationwide outpouring of support for the officers’ families and their department colleagues.

I’m guessing that many of you who are reading this feel similarly.

In the final moments of the heartbreakingly beautiful funeral services for Lt. DeMonte and Sgt. Hamzy held at Rentschler Field, the pastor who closed the ceremony prayed to God, hoping that some good could eventually be drawn from the ultimate sacrifice associated with this tragedy. I hope so, too.

For anyone interested in helping the families of the fallen officers, a sanctioned online fundraising drive in their names can be easily found at fundthefirst.com.

WE HAVE MOVED!

Attorney George P. Guertin and staff are pleased to announce the re-location of their office from 26 Broadway, North Haven, to 37 Broadway, 2nd floor, North Haven (and there is an elevator). Our new telephone number is 203-507-2417. George’s email remains the same at george@guertinlaw.net.

We are excited that now with a larger location we will be able to resume our evening and Saturday educational workshops for our valued clients and the community to learn more about Estate Planning, Elder Law and Probate.

Please keep an eye-out for our up-coming notices in this paper as to the schedule for our workshops.

Let’s be “Frank”

Well brother, I’m not sure I finished my tales of the Alaskan cruise, but there isn’t much more to tell. One of the most enjoyable parts of the trip was a nine hour bus trip through Denali. My anxiety rose as I climbed up a very narrow spiral staircase to my assigned seat. Once I sat I became more comfortable in more ways than one. The seats were roomy and somewhat plush (the closest thing to my home recliner I had seen since we departed). In nine hours, it was as though we went through all the seasons in one trip(as though we were in a time capsule)

It started with iced capped mountains, and beautiful glistening glaciers. It then changed to the magnificent colors of autumn. Bright reds, greens and yellows spread through the mountains and it looked like a post card. The final lap seemed to be a meeting with the upcoming winter. Dark and dreary, bare trees and totally colorless.

The entire train ride was quite relaxing. The guide did just the right amount of speaking and didn’t sound like Bob Costas trying to call a televised baseball game. For nine hours the only time I picked up my cell phone was to take pictures.

The one part I didn’t like were the dog sleds. It seemed like cruelty to those poor dogs. I know they are trained for running but they were all chained to a small area and then released and harnessed to the sled. I remember your gorgeous Siberian Huskies (you know I’m not really a dog person) but these dogs were dirty, mangy and looked to be malnourished.

Well that’s pretty much it on the trip. The plane ride home was just as bad as the one going there and with the connecting flight and the ride home from Newark airport, I proved to myself that I can still pull and all nighter. It just seems to take me a bit longer to get back on track.

As I write this letter I am preparing for one of my many visits to the cemetery. I can’t believe this month makes thirteen years since you moved on. I still enjoy talking to you but I miss someone reminding me that some times I can be a real jerk. Someone who is not afraid to insult me and put me in my place. I guess my daughter Gina has taken your place in that regard.

You would have been proud of me as this year SueAnn and I took on Italian Heritage week at the Sons & Daughters of Italy. We ran a porchetta dinner, hosted three area authors who talked about Italians in the New Haven area and we even had a special table on Christopher Columbus (the guy who used to stand proudly on Wooster Street.

Well, that’s it for now. The Yankees stink and the Giants are doing great. Take it slow and I’ll see you soon.

“...Full of Thoughtful People”

Dear Editor:

In this difficult time, it is always good to hear good news. Here is mine for today!!

I recently operated the clock at a great high school football game in North Branford. It was a very competitive game played by two enthusiastic teams, North Branford and Haddam-Killingworth. The announcer, who was a North Branford resident and teacher, did a wonderful job and took the time to acquaint me with the method of working the clock, which was different from those I was accustomed to using.

It was very chilly that night in the unheated press box where we worked. As I left at the game’s conclusion, my legs, which sometimes give me trouble, were achy and wobbly as I walked to my car on the other side of the practice field. I was getting increasingly fearful of falling when a big, strong and bearded gentleman said, “Let me give you a hand, old man!”

He proceeded to let me lean on him all the way across the field to a bench. I thanked him and told him I could probably make it from there. He demurred and insisted on helping me to my car, where a nurse who had observed us came over to be sure I was not having trouble breathing.

I thanked them profusely, but they escaped before I could get their names. I know this happens all over, but I would like to salute North Branford and its kind and caring citizens for making the evening so much easier than it might have been. This world is, indeed, full of thoughtful people!!

Sincerely,
Vin Virgulto

Letters to the editor..

This paper encourages all readers to voice their opinions and comments. The Totoket Times is not responsible for erroneous information or statements in letters to the editor. Letters should be as brief as possible.

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The Editor

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“Vote for Chuck”

Dear Editor:

As election day approaches, I wanted to share why I support Probate Judge candidate, Chuck Tiernan and why I believe you should too. There is no doubt in my mind that Chuck is qualified and capable of successfully filling the position - he wouldn't be running if he were not. But beyond that, Chuck is a person you can trust and count on in good times and bad. He is a father, husband, and son. He is an active member of the Branford/North Branford community. He is a man of the people. Someone you feel you've known forever. The person you go to when things have gone wrong. It has been his job to help people in their worse moments and he does it with knowledge, empathy and strength. All of these things and more make Chuck the best candidate for the job. Our community would be lucky to have him serve as our judge. There may come a time for all of us when we need to utilize the probate court system. With Chuck's legal experience, knowledge, approachability and understanding it is clear that he is the person we would all want helping us through this process. VOTE FOR CHUCK!
Sincerely, Ellen Lynch

Crime Rates in Connecticut

Dear Editor:

“Crime in Connecticut,” a September report by the Department of Emergency Services, tries to tell us that “crime decreased last year across most categories, continuing a broad trend stretching back decades.” A review of this Report compels questions of its authenticity and bias.

An authentic statistical analysis is the result of a reliable process aimed at discovering and assessing meaningful facts. This annual Report is the result of 1970s FBI procedures mutated for half a century by Connecticut's unique politics. While we expect such a study to count crime by unsullied numbers of complaints, arrests and convictions, this Report proudly announces that it considers obtuse factors such as: (1) economic conditions; (2) attitudes of citizens toward crime; (3) unemployment; (4) cultural conditions; (5) citizens crime reporting practices and (6) climate. Do these relate to any actual statistical incidence of crime, or do they suggest a political agenda? Most suspect about the Report is the fact that it considers these spurious factors yet fails to assess the rate-skewing dynamics of “defund the police,” Connecticut's Police Accountability Law and “rogue prosecutors.” While not all of these things necessarily occurred by and large in Connecticut, the failure to address them render the Report highly suspect.

The defund the police movement simultaneously sought to reduce and discourage the enforcement of our laws. Less police and less incentive to prevent crime naturally resulted in less arrests and less convictions, decreasing the measured rate of crime. Far from any decrease in crime, when police stood down, people raided businesses and freely stole what they could in a frenzy of theft and destruction that didn't register as crime.

Prior to Connecticut's Police Accountability Law, the police had “qualified immunity.” They were never exempt from liability; they were wholly accountable for their actions whenever they should have known they would and did violate the established

“Let's give Connecticut Voters More Freedom”

Dear Editor:

Did you know that Connecticut is one of only 4 states with just one day of in-person voting? Yes, only four. The other three States are Mississippi, Alabama and New Hampshire. You have the power to change this!

On November 8, voters will have the opportunity to give our legislators permission to amend our constitution to allow for Early In Person.

What's this all about?

In 2021, the Connecticut legislature agreed, in a bi-partisan vote, to put this Early Voting Referendum on the November Ballot:

“Shall the Constitution of the State be amended to permit the General Assembly to provide for early voting?”

Our election laws are part of our state constitution, so to make In Person Early Voting a reality, eligible voters must vote “yes” on the referendum question November 8. Once the referendum passes, it will be up to our elected state representatives to craft the plan for how we will conduct Early Voting in Connecticut.

The ONLY thing the Referendum is asking you to decide is: Do you agree with the idea of amending the Connecticut Constitution to allow for early in-person voting? If you do, then vote YES. A yes Vote will give the legislature permission to decide the mechanics of creating Early In Person voting in our state.

Naysayers will profess concerns about voting yes when we don't know how many days will be allowed. That is the whole point. We want to allow the legislature to decide what makes sense for our State in consideration of any costs involved and logistical concerns. We trust our legislators, who we elect, to make all kinds of decisions regarding our health, safety, environment, etc.

A “yes” vote on the Early Voting question will give voters who want to cast their ballot in-person, but can't make it to the polls during the hours of voting on Election Day, another in-person option.

Depending on what town you live in, it might appear on the back of the ballot – look for it and vote YES for the freedom to vote early in-person!

Let's give Connecticut voters more freedom to participate in our democracy.

Thank you, Ruth Cook and Carol Rizzolo

rights of any person. Without qualified immunity police officers have every reason **not** to enforce the law whenever an honest mistake might get them sued (i.e., most of the time). Their failure to act results in less measured crime but no less crime.

The Report also fails to assess the effect of Progressive “rogue prosecutors” who refuse to pursue entire categories of crime. It states that crimes are not counted when prosecutors don't to seek an arrest warrant. Albeit crimes are committed, the refusal to charge lowers the measured rate, e.g., when prosecutors refuse to charge illegal aliens, ANTIFA marauders, BLM and stand-down rioters.

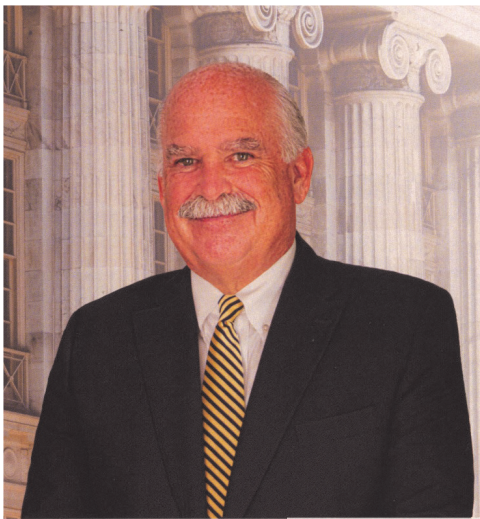
The suggestion that the Democrats' politics have decreased the crime rate to any extent is a biased manipulation of statistics. Democrats have now been forced to claim they never called to defund the police. This Report is just part of that effort to cover their tracks by manipulating the narrative.

Sincerely, D. Kirt Westfall

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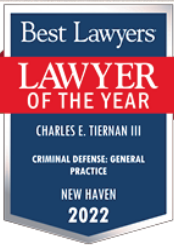


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Lindsay Marottoli Greenberg,
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THE CHOICE IS OBVIOUS

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David Goclowski,
Branford Business Owner

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Probate Judge is not a political position. Al is the best person for the job, ready to serve on day one.

Mary Grande
Branford Counseling Center
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Cort Sperry
North Branford Police Officer,
ret.

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Mike Kraus, Branford
Businessman

HE HAS MY CONFIDENCE

Al has my vote and my confidence that he's the right person for the job.

Dennis Flanigan, Branford
RTM Moderator



HIS EXPERIENCE AND UNDERSTANDING

Al Ippolito has the experience and understanding to handle complex and sensitive matters, which is paramount to serving as a Probate Judge.

James B. Cosgrove,
First Selectman, Branford

HIS 40 YEARS OF PROBATE EXPERIENCE

I have examined the experiences of both candidates. Al Ippolito is the only candidate with the knowledge and experience in Probate Law, a specialized area.

Vincent Candelora
State Representative,
North Branford

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Valerie Mirabella,
North Branford Resident



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“I Support Al Ippolito”

To the Community,

I support Al Ippolito to be our next Branford/North Branford Probate Judge. A Probate Judge handles very specialized and technical family issues, often very emotionally challenging experiences. Electing someone who has vast amounts of experience in dealing with these delicate issues is a paramount consideration when voting for a Probate Judge. Al Ippolito has that experience and the right temperament in dealing with these sensitive issues.

Al Ippolito has 40 years of probate experience. Conversely, his opponent specializes in criminal defense and workman compensation cases. I urge all voters to examine the experiences of both candidates to determine who is the best qualified candidate to be the next Probate. I believe you will agree with me that Al Ippolito is the only candidate with the knowledge and experience in Probate Law, a specialized area. Please vote for Al Ippolito for Probate Judge on November 8th.

Truly yours,

Vincent Candelora, State Representative

“I Enthusiastically Support Al Ippolito”

Dear Editor,

It has been over 30 years since my Friend Frank Forgione was first elected to Judge of Probate. Frank has decided not to run for re-election, and has decided to spend more time with his family. I'd like to first thank him for his years of dedicated, heart-felt, and a-political service. This year we will have the great responsibility to elect a new Judge of Probate. The JOP is not a politically charged position, and as such, we should elect an individual who has the experience in probate law to fill this very important position. With that in mind, I'd like to express my support for Al Ippolito for Judge of Probate. (North Branford, and Branford) Al Ippolito has been in the law practice for over 40 years! He has dedicated most of that time to probate law, and helping families with the kind of tough decisions that come before Probate Judges. I enthusiastically support Al Ippolito to fill this important role.

Sincerely,

Edward J. Boughton Jr.

SPECIAL NOTICE FROM THE TOWN OF NORTH BRANFORD REGISTRARS OF VOTERS OFFICES.....

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 1ST, 2022 – SPECIAL VOTER SESSION

– 9:00 A.M. – 8:00 P.M. This is the last regular session for admission of electors for those who become 18 years of age, U.S. citizens, or residents of the municipality on or before November 1, 2022.

Those whose rights as to age, citizenship or residence mature after the above date may apply in the office on a daily basis until the opening of the limited session on November 7, 2022 or at such limited session. (§ 9-19b(d))

Persons who do not fall into a “matured rights” category may apply for admission in the office between the cut-off date and the opening of the matured rights session but such applications are not effective until the third day following the date of the election. (§ 9-19g)

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IF YOU SHOULD HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, PLEASE DO NOT HESITATE TO CONTACT US AT (203) 484-1033 OR EMAIL AT REGISTRARS@TOWNOFNORTHBRANFORDCT.COM.

Ippolito is the Most Qualified

Dear Editor:

Al Ippolito is the MOST qualified candidate for Judge of Probate. Plus, he is the only candidate that lists PROBATE as a specialty on his law firm web site. I encourage you to vote for Al on November 8.

Sincerely, Victor Pietrandrea

Chairman - North Branford Police Commissioners

“I Strongly Endorse Al Ippolito”

Dear Editor:

Judge of Probate often handles complex and sensitive matters that impact families. Al Ippolito has the experience and understanding to address such matters. Considering Al's qualifications, I strongly endorse Al Ippolito for Probate Judge.

Sincerely, James B. Cosgrove, First Selectman, Town of Branford

“Unequivocally ...Al Ippolito is the Best...”

Dear Editor:

You might be asking yourself, “Who should I vote for Probate Judge this election?”. The answer is simple, vote for the person who is best qualified

for the job. I want a person who has spent their career in the field of law which deals with matters such as estates, wills, trusts and understands Tax laws. Al Ippolito has made a probate law a central focus of his practice for the past 40 years. I can say unequivocally that Al Ippolito is BEST qualified to be the Judge of Probate.

Sincerely,

**Richard Aitro,
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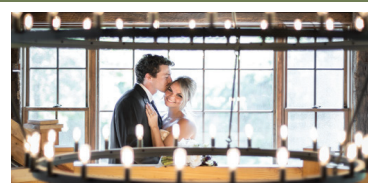
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Estate Planning for Everyone

By Attorney Marc P. Guertin

Parents today face many tough questions. One of the toughest questions is, “Who will care for my children should I pass away or become incapacitated?” This is a complicated issue that many people struggle with. Even though it is a tough thing to ponder, parents should nominate a Guardian for their minor children in their estate planning documents. Adding a Guardian is the “easy” part; choosing a Guardian is a more difficult matter. My best advice is to look for a viable choice, not necessarily the perfect choice. The perfect choice does not exist. You are the perfect choice, and you are really looking for a “runner up.”

How should you approach choosing a Guardian? There is no magic answer. It is a process. Start with an extensive list of possible choices. Make a list of ALL the people you think could be good Guardians. Do not limit yourself. Think about siblings, parents, and other extended family members. Friends can make terrific Guardians as well.

When choosing a Guardian, I recommend that parents focus on love. Parents should consider if the people on your list could genuinely love your children. Ask yourself, do these people have the capacity to love my children like I do? You want the Guardians to treat your children as you would. Consider their values and philosophies. The people on your list will share your values and philosophies on life, child rearing, religion, and education.

Many parents are overly concerned with the financial situation of potential Guardians. My advice is simple: do not worry too much about the finances or the size of someone’s house. Do not eliminate a person because you think they do not have a high enough net worth. It is your job to financially plan for your children. You can provide funds for your children through proper estate planning. Many parents utilize life insurance to create an instant estate to care for the family that they leave behind.

Next, consider some of the practical factors associated with Guardianship. How would raising your children fit into the Guardian’s lifestyle? Do they have the necessary health and stamina to raise your kids? Do the potential Guardians have other children? If so, do they have a good relationship with your children?

There are many important considerations when choosing Guardians. Look for love first and then address the practical factors of whether a person could manage the job of a lifetime.

If you have estate planning questions that you would like answered in this column, email me at Marc@attorneymarc.com. If you’d like to come in and talk about updating your existing plan or making a new one, I offer free initial consultation. Virtual, phone and in person consultations are available. Call me at 203-500-0201 to schedule an appointment.

“Vote in Person”

Dear Editor:

At the presidential primary, my husband and I went to our usual polling place to vote. We have lived in this town for 50 years and always vote at the same place. When we got to the table to get our ballots my husband’s name was on the list but mine was not. I showed him my voter registration card but they still would not let me vote. I explained what was happening and he told me, “no problem. here fill out this form” which I did and handed back to him.

He probably thought because I was an older woman I wouldn’t put up a fuss, but was he wrong. I raised my voice even louder and said I was not leaving until I voted. Thankfully it was about 3PM and to calm me down he called Town Hall and asked them if I was on their voter role and they said yes, I could vote. He then gave me my ballot and I voted.

I wonder how many other people this happened to and if they just said okay and walked away without voting. I also wonder if I had used the mail-in ballot (which I did ask for), instead of voting in person, would it have been discarded because I was not on the list they had.

A friend of mine told me to go to Town Hall and make sure my name was on the two lists they have. It was not. It was only on one.

In this day and age of computers how did my name get dropped from the voting role and how many other people did this happen to.

Please, if you are able to, VOTE IN PERSON. MAKE SURE YOUR VOTE GETS COUNTED.

Sincerely, Jo-anne Consiglio.

**Time to start thinking of
Christmas stuffed breads from Venice Bakery.
The North Branford Education Foundation
will be running a stuffed breads fundraiser.
Check the next issue for your order form.**

VICTORY-VICTORY-VICTORY

North Branford/Hale Ray co-op girls soccer team won their first game since 2020 with a resounding 7-0 win over Harding - Bassick co-op team.



Seniors Natalya Guerrero, Ava Candelora & Bridget Bitzner



Team Celebration

Photos and story courtesy of Bill O’Brien



Students Attend Shoreline Music Festival

On Thursday October 13th, ten students from North Branford high school attended the Shoreline Music Festival at Coginchaug High School. This was the first live onsite event in three years. Participants were nominated by Music Educators and then selected to perform with their peers who attend Shoreline Conference Schools. The Shoreline Conference includes twelve schools and this event showcased the most talented and dedicated musicians. NBHS students who participated:

Chorus: Nathan Danner, McKenna Gallipolli, Jeremy Meneo Anastasia Molleur, Maiah Raymond & Mia Yacono

Band: Aislinn Aiken, Alexa Cotton, Daniel Sabine, Grace Westefeld

Photos courtesy of NBHS Music Department Educators Nick Filippides and Maria Berte

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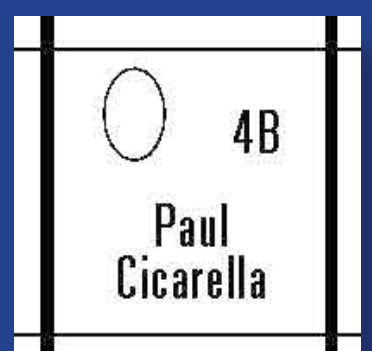
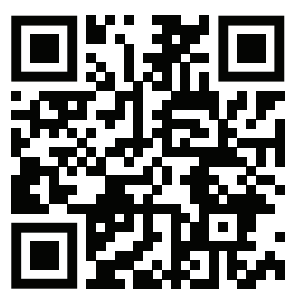
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Recycling News

North Branford Fall Leaf Collection.

North Branford residents can bring their leaves to the leaf drop off center located to the left of the police station, near the Public Works Facility on Route 22 from 9:00am to 3:00pm on Saturdays October 29th, November 5th, 12th and 19th. Just follow the signs. No brush or grass clippings. Please place leaves in biodegradable leaf bags (no tape please) or empty them loose onto the ground.

There will be a curbside pickup of leaves in untapped biodegradable paper bags the weeks of November 28th – December 9th

Bulky Waste Pickup is only twice a year.
The next pickup is the week of November 7th.
Please do not place your bulky waste curbside until that week.

For items that still have some life in them, consider posting them on the Facebook page: **North Branford & Northford Free Items.** Help someone else out, unclutter your house and save the cost of sending items to the landfill.

Electronics Drop Off will be on Saturday November 5th. The event will be held at Public Works from 9am to noon. Take2 Recycling will be collecting electronics such as TVs, computers, small appliances and almost anything that has a plug. They cannot accept smoke detectors, A/C's or dehumidifiers.

We will also be taking **MATTRESSES** (clean and dry), **BATTERIES** and **USED OIL** for free.

There is a small fee for recycling **PROPANE TANKS** in reusable condition and **TIRES**.

When you bring us your mattress, you are creating jobs for those who take them apart to recycle the components.

Hazwaste Central will be closing for the year on 10-29th.

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

Hours are Saturdays from 9am to noon.

Household hazardous waste comes from everyday products used in the home, garage, yard or garden.

Gather your household chemicals so they can be disposed of properly to protect our drinking water. Anything poured down into the storm drains goes into your ground water. Chemicals put into the trash can leach into the ground water where the trash is stored or gets into the air if the trash is burned.

To find the complete list and the registration form go to Hazwaste at rwater.com or call 203-401-2712.

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

You can find a home for your used furniture!!

You can post on the Facebook page: North Branford & Northford Free Items. Or, post on the New Haven, East Haven or Milford Freecycle.org site. Or, you can look up furniture in the **New Haven Downsizing Donation Guide**. It lists multiple organizations that want your stuff! Just Google 'New Haven Downsizing Donation Guide'. Some places even pick up large items.Or, post it on Facebook Marketplace.

Can I recycle it?

Connecticut has a website to help with recycling questions: www.recyclect.com. They also have an app.

Plastic Film Reminder

The town's drop off locations are:

Atwater and Smith Libraries, Northford Store, STW Community Center, The Food Pantry of NB, Country Paint and Hardware, T.J.'s Launderette

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

or our Facebook page: North Branford CT Hazardous Waste & Recycling Committee

Thank You for Your Participation

Smoke Alarms, Change Your Clocks, Change Your Batteries

If I asked you where your smoke alarms are in your home, could you tell me? If you are like many people, you may not pay much attention to where smoke alarms have been installed. However, location matters when it comes to smoke alarms.

Smoke alarms should be installed inside each bedroom, outside each sleeping area and on every level of the home, including the basement.

Working smoke alarms are a critical fire-safety tool that can mean the difference between life and death in a home fire. According to the nonprofit National Fire Protection Association (NFPA), smoke alarms can cut the chance of dying in a home fire in half. Meanwhile, NFPA data shows that home fires killed 2,755 people in 2018, an average of eight people every day that year. Many of these deaths could have been prevented with the proper smoke alarm protection.

As a member of the fire service, I have seen the devastating effects of fire first-hand; the burn injuries, the loss of homes and possessions are distressing. What is even worse is witnessing a family's anguish after a loved one has been killed in a fire. It is heartbreaking.

My sincere hope is that all North Branford residents make sure there are working smoke alarms installed throughout their homes. These simple steps can help make a lifesaving difference and prevent the potentially life-threatening impact of fire.

Here are additional smoke alarm tips to follow:

- Install smoke alarms in every bedroom, outside each separate sleeping area and on every level of the home, including the basement.
- Interconnect all smoke alarms throughout the home. When one sounds, they all sound.
- Test alarms each month by pushing the test button.
- Replace all smoke alarms, including alarms that use 10-year batteries and hard-wired alarms, when they are 10-year-old or sooner if they do not work properly.
- Make sure everyone in the home knows the sound and understands what to do when they hear the smoke alarm.
- If the smoke alarm sounds, get outside, and stay outside.
- Go to your outside meeting place. Call the fire department from outside the home.

Please Display Your House Numbers

Please help us help you. Sometimes it can be difficult to find the proper address when responding to an emergency. Please have proper house numbers that can be viewed from both directions on the street.

1. At least 4 inches in height, in a contrasting color to the background
2. Visible from the street
3. If the building is set back by more than 100 feet, the number should be affixed to a post or mailbox not more than 10 feet from the driveway

NBFD has a limited supply of new battery-operated Smoke Alarms and Carbon Monoxide detectors. We also have replacement 9-volt batteries. If you do not have a working alarm, call, or email us

@ 203-484-6016 or
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TOWN OF NORTH BRANFORD
OFFICE OF THE TAX COLLECTOR
LEGAL NOTICE OF SEWER USER FEES AND SEWER ASSESSMENT INSTALLMENT CHARGE DUE October 1, 2022

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, 2022. Payments not received or postmarked by November 1, 2022 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 \$500.00 was set by the North Branford Water Pollution Control Authority at its September 20, 2022 meeting.

Property owners that are on a **single payment schedule for Sewer Assessment** are hereby notified that payment is due on October 1, 2022 and statutory delinquent charges will apply if payment is not received or postmarked by November 1, 2022.

Bills may be paid at the North Branford Town Hall, Tax Collector's office Monday through Friday from 8:30 to 4:30. Payments can also be made online at the town website: www.townofnorthbranfordct.com, under Online Services. There is a fee for this service: 2.5% for any balance paid: \$3.95 for Visa Debit and \$2.00 for an ACH check withdrawal. 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 26th Day of September 2022**

Judy Haley, CCMC Interim Tax Collector

Coffee & Questions with Pastor John
at Northford Congregational Church

Pastor John Vigneri will be hosting a gathering for COFFEE AND QUESTIONS with the Pastor at 10 a.m. on Saturday, October 29, in the social hall of Northford Congregational Church. All are welcome to come in and take advantage of the opportunity to ask Pastor John questions, talk, and have some coffee.

The historic Northford Congregational Church (203-484-0795) is located at 4 Old Post Road at the corner of Route 22 and Route 17 in the Northford village in North Branford. Office hours are 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Tuesday and other days by appointment. If you haven't checked our website lately, check out its new format. Website: www.northfordcongregational.church. Email address: northfordcc@gmail.com. Like us on Facebook.

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Saturday, December 3, 2022
9:00 am - 3:00 pm
St. Monica Church Hall
1321 Middletown Ave. Northford

Featuring handcrafted items by local artisans,
baked goods and beautiful raffle baskets.
Breakfast and lunch will be available.
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The Totoket Historical Society

seeks quality donations for Holiday Bazaar

Our annual Holiday Bazaar will be held on Saturday, Nov.19 from 9 – 2 p.m. in the historic Reynolds-Beers House at 1740 Foxon Rd. in North Branford. The Totoket Historical Society is seeking quality donations such as small “attic treasures” and decorative items, costume jewelry, handmade articles, linens, baked goods, jams, pickles and condiments.

Donations for the sale can be dropped off on Wednesdays from 10 - noon at the Reynolds-Beers House. For large items or to arrange pick up, please call Bunny @ 203 484-4034.

All proceeds from the Bazaar will go towards expenses and maintenance of the buildings under the Society's care: the Reynolds-Beers House, the Little Red School House, the Miller Barn and the Little White Gas Station.

The THS meets regularly on the fourth Monday of the month at the Reynolds-Beers House. Please join us! Not a member yet? Send an email to totokethistoricalsociety@gmail.com and someone will get back to you

DEATH NOTICES



Daniel B Lirette of North Branford passed away peacefully on October 6, 2022 at Connecticut Hospice. He was the beloved husband for 29 years to Theresa Lirette (Cellini). Dan was born on January 22, 1966 son of Ola Lirette of Branford and the late Rena Lirette (Albert). Besides his wife and father he is survived by two children Marshall Lirette and Michael Lirette (Paris), his brother Brian Lirette (Danielle Abel) and Cassidy niece/goddaughter. Dan was very much looking forward to becoming a grandfather in December. He is also survived by aunts, uncles, cousins, sister-in-laws and brother-in-law's, nephews and cousins on his wife's side and many friends. He also leaves behind his dog Bella who adored him.

Dan worked as an electrician for Metro North Railroad, his most recent position was Vice Chairman for IBEW System Council 7. Dan also loved his work family, traveling on many conventions with them.

Dan's best times were spent on the many family camping trips grilling steaks for everyone and making an awesome campfire. He also loved watching movies with his family and simply spending time with them. Every spring he enjoyed planting a garden and harvesting fresh vegetables.

Dan loved music, playing the guitar was his greatest talent. He played in a rock band in his twenties and most recently played guitar with his friends on Sundays.

His witty humorous personality will be missed by all who knew him.

In lieu of flowers donations may be made to Connecticut Hospice or Dan Cosgrove Animal Shelter, Branford. For directions and online memorial see www.wsclancy.com.



Jeffrey Michael DeFrancesco, 40 of Northford, tragically passed away on Saturday, October 15th, 2022. He was the beloved fiance of Kate Fortuna, and the loving father to Brody and Kallie Mae DeFrancesco. Jeffrey was born in New Haven on February 22nd 1982. He was the beloved son of Anthony and Denise (Moras) DeFrancesco of Northford. He also leaves behind his older brother Anthony DeFrancesco III, of Los Angeles, California. Jeffrey attended North Branford High School and later graduated from the Avon

Old Farms School. He was a proud member of the Elevator Constructors Union, Local 91 and had been employed by Otis Elevator. He adored his children more than anything. He was dedicated to North Branford youth sports, where you could find him on the field or sideline coaching his son's Little League and Basketball teams. He truly enjoyed with pride watching his son Brody play Hockey for the Hamden Dragons. When it came to his daughter, you were really able to see the softer side of Jeff. He loved the simple things with Kallie. Coloring, singing, painting her nails and brushing her curly hair. Jeff could also often be found at the neighbor's horse farm, taking his daughter to feed and pet the horses. In the summers, Jeff and his family loved going to their “Happy Place” in Block Island. Jeffrey will be deeply missed by family, friends, and all who knew him.

In lieu of flowers, please send memorial contributions for Brody and Kallie Mae's Educational Fund through:LPL Financial, P.O. Box 77, Durham, CT 06422 Or Venmo: [@brody-kalliemaeEducationalfund](https://www.venmo.com/brody-kalliemaeEducationalfund)

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STW Community Center Parking Lot
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Sell your tag sale items from the trunk of
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Mary's Culinary Classes

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

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

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NOVEMBER 29, 2022
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Kristin Cafferty Kid Art

Local artist and educator Kristin Cafferty brings beautiful, fun, one-lesson projects to ages 7 to 11.

STW Community Center Cost \$20 res/ \$20 non-res
November 16, 2022 4:30-5:45pm
One Point Perspective Trees
Learn about movement in art while creating this
stunning watercolor and printing piece.



YOGA TO RELEASE THE WEEK

A fluid (vinyasa) class taught with basic foundation poses, alignment and options for the beginner students, as well as, seasoned practitioners. This class will focus on releasing the stress of your busy week in both the mind and body leaving all students with more space to breathe, ease in their body and calm in their mind.

Instructor: Bhogah Yoga

Ages 18+ STW Classroom
Thursdays Nov 3 - Dec 30 6:30-7:30pm
\$75 res/\$80 nr



STRENGTH & STRETCH

An intense strength training workout incorporating simple equipment such as weights, balls, bands, etc. This class is designed to focus on strengthening and toning. All fitness levels welcome!

Instructor: Arabolos

Ages 18+ STW Classroom
Wednesdays Nov 9 - 30 6:00-7:00pm
\$60 res/\$65 nr



OPERATION CARE KIT

For CT Air National Guard Service Members
Currently 150 Service Members are stationed overseas.
Let's come together as a community and provide care kits to these hometown heroes!

Some examples of items to purchase are personal care items, drink mixes, energy bars and other snack foods. A detailed list of items can be found on our website, social media, or can be found on our Amazon wish list. Please scan the QR code or type https://a.co/j3harTU into your browser.

We will be collecting donations until 10/31/22

Drop-off locations are:

STW Community Center
1332 Middletown Ave.
Northford

Atwater Library
1720 Foxon Rd.
North Branford

Smith Library
3 Old Post Rd.
Northford

Town Hall
909 Foxon Rd. North Branford

Country Paint and Hardware
2410 Foxon Rd. North Branford

SENIOR CENTER

VETERAN'S DAY LUNCHEON

Thursday, November 10, 2022 12:00pm STW

Veterans Eat Free! \$5 - Non-Veteran

This year, at our Veterans Day luncheon, we will be giving back by packing care kits to be mailed to our local CT Air National Guard service members currently overseas!
Kindly register by November 3, 2022 Menu: Cheeseburgers, fries, and dessert

JOURNEYING THROUGH GRIEF

Wednesdays 1:00—2:00pm STW Classroom FREE

Group facilitator: Bob Johnson

Join us here at the Community Center for a weekly bereavement program. This program is designed to help those who have lost a loved one and finding it difficult to cope with their loss. There is no charge for this program. Please register, visit nbrecreation.com or call the office (203) 484-6017

SENIOR CENTER ALZHEIMER'S EDUCATION

Join us at the Senior Center for an Alzheimer's and Dementia Awareness Series by Maria Tomasetti from the Alzheimer's Association Connecticut Chapter.

10 Warning Signs of Alzheimer's and Other Dementias

Alzheimer's and other dementias cause changes in memory, thinking and behavior that interfere with daily life. Join us to learn about 10 common warning signs and what to watch for in yourself and others.

October 27, 2022 1:00pm STW Senior Room

Register by 10/21

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A Christmas Carol

by Charles Dickens

Enjoy this classic tale adapted and directed by Keely Baisden Knudsen, this story illuminates the journey of one Ebenezer Scrooge and his guided self-reflection amidst the Christmas season in 1800s England.

December 2, 2022 \$60res/\$65nr
Departs 11:00am Returns: 5:00pm

Lunch on your own at Parthenon Diner, Branford - Register by Nov 23rd



December 7, 2022

\$60res \$65nr

Departs 10:30am Returns 5:00pm

Join us for lunch at the Ivoryton Tavern at 11:30am and then enjoy the Winter Wonderettes at the Ivoryton Playhouse!

Meal Options: \$20.00 per person (tax & tip) and includes coffee, tea, soft drink

- Stuffed portobello mushroom-stuffed with sauteed roasted red pepper, spinach, onion with blue crumble and a side salad all drizzled with balsamic glaze
- Tuna melt on white bread with French fries
- Chicken salad blt on a brioche roll with sweet potato fries
- Soup & grilled cheese-Chicken vegetable soup with grilled American cheese on white with ham.

The Wonderettes are back! This seasonal celebration finds the girls entertaining at the annual Essex Hardware Holiday Party. When Santa turns up missing, the girls use their talent and creative ingenuity to save the holiday party! Featuring great '60s versions of holiday classics such as "Santa Claus Is Comin' to Town," "Jingle Bell Rock," "Run, Rudolph, Run," and "Winter Wonderland," the result is, of course, marvelous! This energetic and glittering holiday production is guaranteed to delight audiences of all ages. Register by November 30th Proof of vaccination & ID or mask must be worn.

ENGAGE EDUCATE ENTERTAIN



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Adult Department November 2022

2 MEDICARE 101

Atwater @ 6:30PM
Presented by Randi Redmond Oster, the award-winning author of *Questioning Protocol*, who helps patients navigate the healthcare system, and helps medical professionals understand the patient perspective.

10 PAT'S PICKS MOVIE CLUB, I'VE LOVED YOU SO LONG, 2008 DRAMA

Atwater @ 1:00PM
"A woman struggles to interact with her family and find her place in society after spending fifteen years in prison" -IMDB. Starring: Kristin Scott Thomas, Elsa Zylberstein, and Serge Hazanavicius.

16 THE GROUNDED GOODWIVES: YOU'RE MAKING ME BLUSH! THE HISTORY OF WOMEN'S MAKEUP - LIVESTREAM

Zoom & Atwater @ 6:30PM
The first historical traces of makeup on record can be found in cave paintings of Paleolithic women with portions of their body colored in reddish-brown tones. In ancient Egypt, women wore makeup as a marker of wealth believed to appeal to the gods. Queen Victoria declared makeup to be vulgar! Tune in to learn about the women who fought for your freedom to express yourself.

18 MOVIE MATINEE, WHERE THE CRAWDADS SING, 2022 DRAMA

Smith @ 1:00PM
"A woman who raised herself in the marshes of the Deep South becomes a suspect in the murder of a man with whom she was once involved" - IMDB. Starring: Daisy Edgar-Jones, Taylor Smith, and Harris Dickinson.



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11/15 @ 12PM - Kwame Christian, *How to Have Difficult Conversations about Race: Practical Tools for Necessary Change in the Workplace and Beyond* with Kwame Christian

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NARFE Meeting

The National Active and Retired Federal Employees Association monthly meeting will be held on Monday, November 7, 1:pm, at the North Haven Congregational Church, 28 Church Street. All active and retired federal workers are invited to attend. The meeting will include a food drive. Attendees are asked to contribute non-perishable food items to benefit the Church food pantry.

The guest speaker will be Debbie Herget, Blue Cross/Blue Shield Federal Employees Program, who will discuss the 2023 Health Benefit Plan and provide 2023 brochures.

NARFE is dedicated to protecting and preserving the earned benefits of federal workers and retirees. For information: www.narfe.org

Public Stargazing at Young's Park in Branford

The Astronomical Society of New Haven is hosting a free stargazing event on Saturday November 5th at 7pm at Young's Park, 60 Blackstone Ave. in Branford. Admission and parking are free. All are welcome, including children and grandparents. The telescopes will be pointed at Saturn, Jupiter and the almost full moon along with the fall constellations, star clusters and galaxies. Directions and cancellation due to weather (including clouds) or COVID will be posted to our website, www.asnh.org or call 866-808-ASN.H.

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High school diploma or equivalent is required. Experience working in a library is a plus but not required. This is a part-time, 9 – 19 hours per week position, including evenings and some weekends. Salary range \$15.69-\$19.07 per hour, depending on qualifications. No benefits. Job description and application are available on the Town's website www.townofnorth-branfordct.com and at the Town Manager's Office, 909 Foxon Road, North Branford, CT 06471 during regular business hours. Please submit application and other materials in person or by mail email: executivesecretary@townofnorthbranfordct.com (no faxes or emails). This position will remain open until filled.

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