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On behalf of our 2021 Shoreline and State Championship Field Hockey Team, we would like to THANK ALL of our **parents** with their unending love, **administrators** for their support athletically and academically, **the public works department** for preparing our fields, **the Connecticut Sportsplex** for allowing us to fine tune our skills on their turf, **dedicated coaches and players with the middle school program**, **the police department** for a super exciting escort to and from the game, **the Northford Acres Company 3 fire department** with their extra special escort from Northford back to school after the game, and **everyone in the community** who has supported our team throughout this exciting journey!

THANK YOU!

From our Coaches:

Evaun Boatman, Cheryl Canada, Lori Connelly, Kathy Galdenzi, Sabrina Lemere, and Babby Nuhn



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Don't let this opportunity get away the 1599 Foxon Road Dilemma

Dear Editor;

There has been a lot of talk as of late regarding what to do with 1599 Foxon Road (Rte. 80), originally the home of North Branford's Center School, playground, and the Edward Wall Baseball Field. I attended Kindergarten there about 65 years ago and played Little League on this site as well. The dilemma: what do we do now with 1599 Foxon Road? There has been discussion for commercial development, moving the police department to the site, and even an ambulance dispatch center.

North Branford is a beautiful New England town but it is losing its identity. It is one of the few Connecticut towns that does not have a town green or gathering place aside from the POCO festival grounds. 1599 is the last property on the Route 80 side of town that provides the possibility of establishing a green. It could become a place where people can gather to relax, enjoy an evening concert, have a craft fair, or an occasional farmers market where local farmers, brewers, winemakers, or merchants can introduce their products and tempt people to visit their establishments. Some EV charging stations could be on site. A gazebo for a music or theater venue could be built. There is a basketball court already there which could be brought back to life. The remnants of an historic trolley line, The Shoreline

Electric Railway, run through the back of the property. It could evolve into a "Rails to Trails" pedestrian/bicycle way. This would connect the existing trail systems from Guilford and North Branford through the newly proposed 300 unit Notch Hill Village, to 1599 Foxon Road. A pedestrian crossing into Central Plaza can be established giving easy access to Central Plaza could only help to enhance economic development. 1599 Foxon Road would also serve as a trailhead with parking, giving access to miles of established and future walking /bike trails.

Our future depends on attracting young people to our community. Surveys found in various publications that highlight the best places to live in the USA use (1) open space and (2) accessibility to outdoor activities/recreation as two important criteria when they evaluate communities' livability. Young families are attracted to places that have open space and recreation which include running, hiking, and biking. It's time to incorporate progressive ideas in all future development projects. There is ample money available for open space development. Building pedestrian bridges over streams, improving pathways, and enhancing the green space as mentioned above can be entirely funded by available grants and donations. It would not cost the town anything and would make some beautiful land that is totally inaccessible today available to be enjoyed by all in the future.

Sincerely,
Gerry Fischbach
DVM



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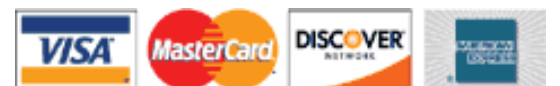


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State Representative Vincent Candelora

Stopping a tax before it starts: true tax relief

A mid-November news report indicated that Connecticut gas prices averaged \$3.54 per gallon, a \$1.41 increase from a year earlier. Many speculate the price will continue to climb, placing more pressure on residents and businesses already stressed by cost increases from every angle.

With that in mind, and with an election year looming, it was no surprise to see Gov. Lamont announce that he wouldn't pursue the controversial Transportation Climate Initiative (TCI) during the legislative session that begins in February. TCI is a regional "cap and invest" program that aims to reduce carbon emissions by having fuel suppliers (they're deemed polluters) pay money into the initiative to fund a wide variety of projects. I'm among those who contend that TCI is a gas tax—after all, suppliers will pass their cost increases on to motorists.

The governor sounded magnanimous in news reports resulting from his Nov. 16 announcement, saying residents couldn't afford the financial squeeze right now.

At the same time, though, and as he even talks about providing tax relief, the governor is unwilling to bend on a signature policy that will increase your cost of living here.

The legislature in June adopted his highway tax targeting commercial trucks, ignoring objections from trucking and grocery industry advocates who said it would lead to higher prices for consumers.

Passed along party lines, the truck tax goes into effect in 2023 and is expected to generate \$45 million in revenue that year and \$90 million annually in subsequent years.

As the governor opined on TCI and again promised tax relief, I urged him to scrap the truck tax. What better way to provide relief from inflation and other financial challenges than by eliminating a tax before it even begins? After all, the state is receiving more than \$5 billion in federal infrastructure aid. We have a \$3 billion budget surplus that's expected to grow, too.

In Massachusetts, which has backed away from TCI, officials recognize they have enough money to achieve their infrastructure, public transportation and emissions reduction goals.

Here in Connecticut, with so much federal aid, we have a real chance to remake our transportation grid—from roads and bridges, to funding mechanisms and project prioritization.

The governor, however, prefers the well-worn path. Aside from rejecting my call to eliminate the truck tax, he reaffirmed his commitment to TCI within 24 hours of sidelining it.

If the legislature puts the gas tax bill on his desk, he'll sign it. So much for relief.



Northford Store earns Recognition from NCC

Accepting a certificate of appreciation to The Northford Store in the village of Northford from Aloha Mosier, Missions Committee, (center) was store owner Nick Demos (left) and co-owner Beverly Magetteri (right).

The certificate (above Aloha's head) was in recognition of their donations of food over the past three years in support of the Northford Congregational Church's Food Box Ministry to strengthen local families. Their contributions helped fight food insecurity and reduce food waste. The certificate was signed by Nancy Tipping, Council Chair, and Aloha Mosier.

Let' Be "Frank"

Don't Make Me Beg

Sorry brother but this week I have to talk to my readers and I'll have to catch up with you next week.

It doesn't seem like it's been a year but it has. Together we have been able to continue to bring the messages of our community into your homes But I cannot do it alone anymore. With the help of our advertisers we have made it work for more than twenty years, However, rising expenses have made it next to impossible to continue. But with your help, WE CAN MAKE THIS WORK.

Together we have weathered the storm and last year your generous involvement got us through. We can continue this twenty year mission with your voluntary payment of at least \$10, and more if you see fit. We can continue to bring you legal advice from Mark Guertin, State information from State Representative Vincent Candelora, updates from our North Branford Fire Department, school news, news of our community and civic organizations, church schedules and even an additional health column by Joann Begley.

We will continue but I need your help. Perhaps my request last issue was interrupted by the Thanksgiving Holiday and I hope you had a great one. But know it's time to take a few minutes and support your community newspaper.

This year besides the mail in payments, I have made it easier for you as the Totoket Times joins the real world and I can now accept Venmo.

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Colangelo Recognized as Hero

At the November 16, 2021 Town Council Meeting, Deputy Fire Chief



Robert Colangelo was recognized for his heroic efforts in removing a victim from a house fire in November of 2019.

He received his proclamation from Mayor Jeffrey Macmillen.

Photo and information courtesy of Anthony Esposito

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For the Health of it!

JOANN BEGLEY

'Tis the Season to Be...



For many the 2021 holiday season will bring with it a bit of normalcy. So what *is* normal anyway? It's whatever is customary *for you*. After having simplicity forced upon us by way of a Global Pandemic, we may now feel safe slowly bringing back traditional celebrations. Or, we may be bursting at the seams to jump right back in. Whatever stance we take, a dose of simplicity may have rearranged our priorities, offering the opportunity to reassess. Given the fact that many find the holidays bring as much stress as they do joy, that may be a good thing to do.

Overwhelmed by all the hustle and bustle? There are ways to ease through the season *and* make the most of the festivities. One thing we can do is stop striving for perfection- the perfect tree, gift, parties, table setting, etc... It might just be time for a game of keep or toss! Make a list of past traditions and ask which are still serving you well. With each one ask yourself would the holidays be the same without it? Is it something I/we can do differently? Do I/we do it out of habit, free choice, or obligation? Can I ask someone else to do this task? Do I *like* doing it?

While most family holiday gatherings wouldn't make the cut for a Hallmark movie, there is a comfort in certain traditions that can't be denied. One of my favorite sayings in regard to our own family is "we are perfect in our imperfection" and, we wouldn't have it any other way! It's who we are-no apologies necessary. By keeping what's most important and eliminating the rest, we are setting ourselves up for a more positive experience.

Stress, regardless of the cause, can take a toll on health. And, if nothing has grabbed your attention up to now, this may- among other things, stress interferes with proper digestion contributing to that uncomfortable feeling after a holiday meal! I don't know about you but, a huge part of the holidays for our family is about enjoying all the wonderful traditional foods that have been passed on for generations. Indigestion and stomach concerns are unwelcome guests. Now that we've taken a look at how to reduce some holiday stress, let's look at how to feel good not only while you are savoring the meal you've been thinking about all season, but afterwards too!

Deflating Holiday Bloat

Optimizing digestion is key to metabolizing food properly. Continual stress keeps high levels of a stress hormone called cortisol flowing in the body. That's not good for several reasons, with one being it slows down digestion and slower digestion affects how food is metabolized. From the moment food enters the mouth until it's used for energy it's about the nutrients we absorb and metabolize.

The body produces some digestive enzymes and we get others naturally through certain foods such as pineapple, bananas, apricots, avocado, ginger, raw honey and kefir. Herbal teas can be helpful as can high quality supplements. Most often we don't get what we need through diet alone.

Keeping blood sugar stable is important so do not bank your calories until the big meal. Remember each time we skip a meal, blood sugar drops and a hormone called glucagon is over released, causing the body to burn muscle, raise blood sugar and increase cravings.

Another way to help the process is to get moving. Start a new tradition by taking a family walk after the main course and before dessert. And while movement is on the "Do" list - taking a nap or going to bed on a full stomach is definitely on the "Don't" list. Sleeping on a full stomach causes the body to store fat and interferes with a restful sleep.

Lastly, slow down. Chewing your food longer helps break it down which in turn helps the stomach digest it. In addition, eating slowly allows the senses the full experience of all the wonderful flavors and aromas. And, the brain will signal the stomach that it's satisfied which will prevent overeating. So, take your time and be in the moment. Embrace and enjoy your meal and those traditions that are most meaningful to you. Bon Appetit! Wishing you all the blessings of the season.

I invite you to reach out at joann@wellnessfusion.net with questions and comments. *This monthly article is here for you-For the Health of it!*

JoAnn Begley is a health enthusiast and Certified Nutrition Coach who has practiced and taught holistic therapies for more than twenty years. She and her husband Jerry have two children and live in North Branford.

NEW TRAIL SYSTEM IN DEVELOPMENT THROUGH COLLABORATION BETWEEN NORTH BRANFORD LAND CONSERVATION TRUST, HONEYWELL, NORTHFORD ICE PAVILION, THE PINES OF NORTHFORD AND BELFONTI COMPANIES

New Trails to Open in North Branford in Spring 2022

The North Branford Land Conservation Trust (NBLCT) (www.nblandtrust.org) announced today the development of a system of public walking trails in North Branford, Conn., made possible through a collaboration with Honeywell, the Northford Ice Pavilion (www.northfordice.com), the Pines of North Branford and Belfonti Companies (www.belfonti.com).

Honeywell contributed \$15,000 to help fund the project and will offer parking accommodations at its site for residents of North Branford who want to walk the trails. Honeywell employees will also volunteer their time, working alongside volunteers from the North Branford Land Conservation Trust, in the creation of the trails and building foot-bridges and wooden walkways where needed.

"We are proud to give back to our North Branford community," said Steven Seehusen, North Branford plant director, Honeywell. "These new passive recreation opportunities help improve the walkability of our community and preservation of greenspace, making North Branford an even more vibrant area."

The new trail system will be created on a 27-acre parcel of land owned by NBLCT. The site is mostly forested and includes a diversity of native trees, shrubs, flowering plants, and wildlife. The proposed trail is on level ground, with one small stream and several wooded wetlands adding to the diversity.

According to David Sargent, NBLCT president, "The proposed trail system is still in the design phase, but will contain at least a loop trail, taking advantage of the interesting features of the parcel, and two short entry spurs. "The first spur would be a trailhead with a kiosk on the eastern side of the Northford Ice Pavilion and the second will be a at the existing entrance off Village Street."

"Our plan is to build wooden trail walkways on site to protect sensitive wet soils and to allow users to cross the wetlands area and view the 'inside' of a forested wetland", said Bonnie Symansky, director of the NBLCT.

The NBLCT land abuts two other parcels of land owned by related entities of Belfonti Companies, one of which is home to the Northford Ice Pavilion and the other of which is home to The Pines, a 120-unit luxury apartment community which is currently going through the approvals process. The Belfonti Companies will contribute to the project by donating the cost to create a trail from Fire Lite Drive to the trailhead entry kiosk on the Northford Ice Pavilion's land. Belfonti will also grant an easement of its land, at no cost to NBLCT, that will allow for the creation of the proposed trailhead entry point and extend the trail system from the land owned by NBLCT to the parking area at Honeywell, thereby permitting for additional public access to the trail system. According to Michael Belfonti, CEO of Belfonti Companies, the Northford Ice Pavilion is also willing to provide parking accommodations near the trail's entry point for use by those seeking to walk the trails.

Mr. Belfonti said, "The trail project as envisioned could not have moved forward without the generous contribution from Honeywell and the positive synergy between all participating organizations. Through our combined efforts we are all helping to create a vibrant mixed-use area in North Branford with multiple components including housing, employment, and active and passive recreation all within walking distance."

"Parents and guests of our hockey players and ice skaters are going to be thrilled to know that they will now have the added amenity of walking trails right next to our facility," said Marty Roos, one of the owners of the Northford Ice Pavilion.

"This project creates excellent linkage for users who will have the opportunity to live, work and play all within one central area," said Michael Paulhus, North Branford's Town Manager.

Roger Salway, the Economic Development Coordinator of the Town of North Branford, said, "The project is also consistent with the Town's Plan of Conservation and Development, and the new trails will provide opportunities for townspeople who live in adjoining neighborhoods and others to access the trail system."

About Honeywell:

Honeywell (www.honeywell.com) is a Fortune 100 technology company that delivers industry specific solutions that include aerospace products and services; control technologies for buildings and industry; and performance materials globally. Our technologies help aircraft, buildings, manufacturing plants, supply chains, and workers become more connected to make our world smarter, safer, and more sustainable. For more news and information on Honeywell, please visit www.honeywell.com/newsroom.

About North Branford Land Conservation Trust: The North Bran
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New Trail System continued

ford Land Conservation Trust is an all-volunteer, non-profit, tax-exempt organization that acquires and preserves open space in North Branford. The group promotes the conservation of land and protects and sustains the natural state of the land for the benefit of the community. The group is committed to enhancing and maintaining the rural character of the Town of North Branford www.nblandtrust.com.

About Northford Ice Pavilion: The Northford Ice Pavilion (NIP) is a three-rink ice skating facility located in Northford, CT. It is home to six local high schools and numerous youth hockey organizations. In addition to its hockey and figure skating programs, the NIP also offers learn to skate programs and public skating opportunities. It offers the community a family-oriented atmosphere for active recreation, and it also features an awesome snack bar! www.northfordice.com

About Belfonti Companies: Belfonti Companies, LLC, headquartered in Hamden, Connecticut, actively pursues real estate development and investment opportunities throughout the United States and internationally. Under the leadership of Michael Belfonti (the company’s founder, president, and CEO), the company has successfully owned and managed millions of square feet of real estate over the years and has completed billions of dollars’ worth of transactions. At the present time the group’s portfolio contains a wide variety of assets including residential apartment units, office buildings, retail centers and industrial parks. www.belfonti.com

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Recycling News

North Branford Fall Leaf Collection

The last curbside pickup of leaves will be during the week of December 6-10.

Leaves will only be taken if in untapped biodegradable paper bags.

“Please Don’t Feed the Storm Drain”

Now that most of the leaves have fallen, please take a look at your storm drains and clear them of leaves so they can work properly.

Remember: Only Rain in the Drain!

Unacceptable Curbside Waste Reminder

If you missed the bulky waste pickup and you find some 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.

For a larger audience check out Freecycle.org in East Haven or New Haven.

You can also look up your item in the New Haven Downsizing Donation Guide. It lists multiple organizations that want your stuff! Just search for ‘New Haven Downsizing Donation Guide’.

Holiday Recycling

Did you know that the plastic shipping envelopes that you receive in the mail are considered plastic film? These are the ones that are plastic on the inside and outside. The ones with paper on the outside need to go into the trash because they are mixed materials.

Please remember to put your cardboard into the recycle bin but the Styrofoam goes into the trash. Styrofoam does have a recycle symbol on it but we don’t have the equipment to recycle Styrofoam yet.

Plastic Film Recycling

Plastic bags cannot go into your recycling bin.

To recycle them, please drop off **clean and dry** bags at our town’s collection bins or any grocery store. All of our collection sites have received free Trex benches because of the amount of plastic film they have collected. The following locations are collecting plastic film for our town: Country Paint and Hardware, T.J’s Launderette, Town Hall, Atwater and Smith Libraries, STW Community Center, Northford Store and The Food Pantry of North Branford.

While not a collection site, Guilford Fence is recycling their plastic wrap with the town to help with our recycling efforts.

Please remember to empty your plastic bags of food and liquids before placing them in the collection bin. It may just be water to you, but mixed with other things it becomes a sticky mess. The bags are hand sorted by your neighbors.

Plastic film includes: grocery bags, newspaper sleeves, wood pellet bags, salt bags, and zipper bags for recycling. They also accept plastic wraps from water bottle cases, diapers, bathroom tissue, and paper towels, as well as bubble wrap and shipping pillows.

Plastic bags with recycling symbols #2 or #4 **ARE** accepted. Plastic bags with recycling symbols #5 or #7 (i.e. salad and grape bags), crinkly snack bags (potato chips, popcorn, and candy wrappers), pet food bags, frozen food bags, and any bags with food residue are **NOT** accepted.

Plastic bags and wraps get recycled into products such as new grocery bags, benches, and decking.

The Solid/Hazardous Waste and Recycling Committee is looking for new members. We also are in need of volunteers to help for just an event or two during the year.

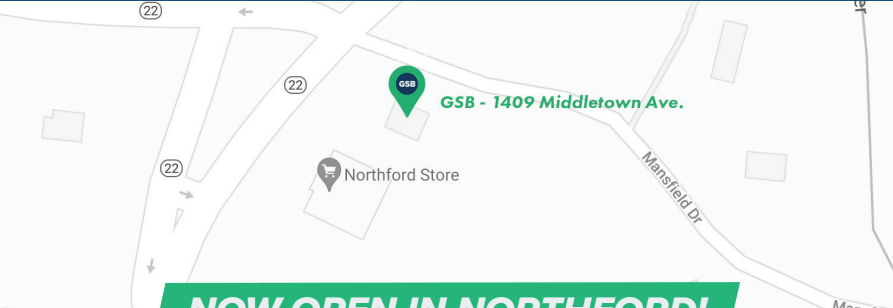
Please call the Town Manager is you are interested.

If you would like to help with getting the word out about recycling then this is a great place to get started.

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

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Bliven, Gary Taylor
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Budd, Michael
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Cioffi-Smith, Chase
Cioffi-Smith, Riley
Connelly, Tyler John
Cucchiarelli, Jack
DeFelice, Madelyn
DePino, Payton Hope
Evans, Ariana Ann
Falcigno, Nico Matteo
Fowles, Kaelyn Jean
Haeckel, Jason
Heffernan, Tyler John
Kuczynski, Madison
Lacroix, Cameron
Leone, Gavin Philip
Marino, Alyssa Charla
O’Brien, Charles
Papa, Samantha Marie
Pienkosz, Olivia
Poston, Jacob Logan
Preiss, Emma Louise
Raymond, Caleb
Sargent, Brock Keith
Saulino, Luca Aniello
Savo, Myrissa Avery
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Traill, Gavin Ian
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Vitarisi, Lauren
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Caffalette, Talan Joseph
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Cassella, Anthony
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Cinquegrana, Jonathan
Cruz, Christopher
Dolzani, Steven
Dowson, Marina
Duggan,
Finn Padraig
Famiglietti, Gabriela
Forgione, Matthew
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Frani, Daniel Artur
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Harper, Mallory
Harper, Mia
Havens,Myles
Humphries, Sophia
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Kundrath, Brianna
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Martin, Jake Tyler
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Park, Adam Jong
Patel, VEDI NILESH
Pearson, Luciano
Podzikowski, Siena
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Seward, Madelynn
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Sheridan, Evan
Sigal, Alexandra
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Spinelli, Valentina
Stewart, Savanah
Troche, Gian Josee
Troqe, Iris Arjeta
Trudeau, Camden
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Yarnall, Dylan Parker
Zulawski, Katheryn

Grade 6 High Honors

Abanoz, Eda
Acampora, Justin
Adinolfi, Ava Marie
Allan, Taylor Susan
Altland, Gabriel
Amendola, Sophia
Baker, Leann Joyce
Behrens, Greta
Beisaw, Mia Jeanette
Biolzi, Sadie Rose
Biron, Isabella Luisa
Brennan, Dalton James
Brindisi, Nadia Elle
Brockett, Emma
Budd, Ellie Catherine
Caffalette, Matthew
Camarco, Logan
Cantore, Nicholas
Caporale, Kaydence
Cappella, Jason M
Cappetta, Donato
Castro, Lance Angelo
Cereni, Mariela
Chittenden, Shelby
Connelly, Kylie Ann
Cook, Quinn Mitchell
Corsini, Gianna Rose
Cronan, Alexander
Cuzzo, Nicholas
DeFelice, Louie
DeFrancesco, Ava
DeLieto, Melanie
DiStefano, Mason
Durkin, Alexa Grace
Flynn, Siena Frances

Fryer, John Paul
Gambardella, Lilah
Getman, Lillianah
Graham, Ryan
Guercia, Harlen
Horotan, Henry Ian
Hortillo, Ethan
Intravia, Natalie Mara
Jaracy, Jake Dylan
Kingsbury, Riley
Kirmali, Layla Rose
Knoob, Tyler Joseph
Landino, Marco Enzo
LeClaire, Isabella
Leko, Emma Emily
Luangsay, Natalie
Lucibella, Dessa
Martinez, Andrew
McDermott-Miliano,
Gabriella Luisa
Merry, Jacob Robert
Minnocci, Cole Mark
Muratti, Michael
Murphy, Ryan
Negron, Ellexis Paige
Pacelli, Luca Vincent
Parisi, Francesca
Paul, Liam David
Pavic, Marin
Pearson, Antonio
Pelczar, Carson
Prato, Emilia Lyn
Redman, Colby Paul
Rivellini, Joseph
Rodican, Natalie Ann
Sickinger, Ryan
Sigel, Jack Andrew
Smith, Broden Joseph
Taylor, Quincy Huston

Tilton, Zoey Elizabeth
Traill, Ian Leland
Vander Wyk, Noah
Virginelli, Sophia
Walston, Joshua
Wright, Savannah
Wyatt, Adilyn Marie
Young, Caden Calvin

Grade 8 Honors

Beecher, Zachary
Brockett, Jack
Burke, Madelyn
Carbone, Santino
Crane, Abigail Keep
DeFrancesco, William
Dodge, Tyler Daniel
Esposito, Alexa
Foley, Caden Joseph
Gage, Skylar Lynn
Gwiazda, Austin
Iamunno, Benicio
Ianniello, Gianna
Intravia, Luca
Johnson, Aiden Javier
Kilstrom, Liam
Knowlton, Jack
Krista, Christopher
Landino, Luca Joseph
Longo, Brandon John
Ludington, Sofia Anna
Mansi, Giavana
Nastri, Jamie Love
Page, Alden Patrick
Riordan, Zachary
Ryszczyk, Ava Diana
Schreiner, Jakub

Grade 7 Honors

Annunziato, Lorenzo

Alana Rose
Esposito, Mason
Gildersleeve, Daerik
Juniver, Tyler Wayne
Koelle, Adam Peter
Kwalek, Mia Rose
Martone, Santino
Meneo, Makayla
Nargi, Emma Grace
Pereira, Alexander
Peterson, Leif Morgan
Pinette, Eliza
Plano, Matteo
Romano, Emmarose
Rosado, Aliyah Marie
Sibley, Chloe Peyton
Small, William
Soto, Brianna Lynn
Stakaj, Daniella
Grade 6 Honors
Collins, Andrew
Daley, Erin Grace
Dudek,Cooper
Ferrucci, Ava Rose
Finkle, Kylie Noel
Fuina, Grace M
Galasso, Matthew
Gildersleeve, Jonathan
Karpel, Ethan Peter
Lake, Evan Richard
Lowery, Norah Maeve
Mann, Emily Grace
Papa, Kaileb
Patel, Dhanvi Nilesh
Rivera, Joel Anthony
Siminausky, Anthony

Club Napoli Collecting Toys for Toy Closet



Club Napoli in Northford will be collectiong toys for children, The toys can be dropped off any time Monday through Saturday from 9-5 at the Club located on Rte 17 in Northford Center (Behind Twin Lakes Nursery). deadline is December 15th.

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**HH 12TH -
GRADE**

Ackerman, Lauren
Anderson, Ryan
Bombenza, Jerom
Burke, Saoirse
Carter, Alyiah
Caso, Maissa
Cassista, Tara
Cavalier, Christopher
Chopus, Jake
Christiano, Jonathan
Cooper, Dakota
Cronan, Tyler
Danner, Jacob
Danz-Manner, Ashton
DePino, Gianna
Gomez, Nichole
Iuteri, Mila
Jarmie, Aubrey
Langlan, Charles
LeBeau, Braeden
Leete, Regan
Levine, Taylor
Melillo, Kate
Norman, Delaney
Nye, Morgan
Parente, Carley
Patel, Dhruvi
Pearson, Blake
Pearson, Elena
Pfeiffer, Olivia
Pietrandrea, Lauren
Pinto, Gabriella
Pujois, Cynthia
Reynolds, Benjamin
Rivera, Sheyenne
Rossicone, Paige
Salani-Bathija, Tara
Saldutti, Jake
Scalia, Dominic
Senerchia, Hanna
Sorrentino, Liam
Spinelli, Francesco
Stone, Makenna
Taurchini, John
Teodosio, Demetrios
Toto, Olivia
Yacono, Emma
Yarnall, Paige
HH 11TH GRADE
Aiken, Aislinn

Barone, Gabriella
Beardsley, Alyssa
Beecher, Nicholas
Betzner, Bridget
Bogardus, Grant
Brindisi, Dradon
Bureau, Shelby
Burwell, Dylan
Candelora, Ava
Capasso, Chelsey
Carbone, Carmela
Chasanoff, Ryan
Cotton, Alexa
D’Amico, Cecelia
DeSisto, Nicolas
Dolzani, Robert
Falcioni, Nico
Gambardella, Ava
Gambardella, Sophie
Garrett, Cameron
Girardi, Drew
Heffernan, Carolyn
Higgins, Nathan
Hoskins, Nathaniel
Ianniello, Alexandra
Izzo, Eric
Johnson, Charles
Juniver, Tessa
Kamienski, Payton
Krista, Cassidy
Luciano, Edwardo
Mansi, Heather
Martone, Isabella
Olson, Jonathan
Park, Mia
Patel, Anuska
Powell, Carly
Raffone, Paul
Riordan, Mea
Rojas-Ojeda, Luisa
Schmidt, Gabriella
Shadman, Alexander
Sim, Paulynna
Teodoro, Alexa
Tranquilli, Nathan
Vincent, Vada
HH 10th Grade
Augur, Collin
Blomster, Luke
Brigance, Sienna
Cappetta, Aidan
Carusone, Christiana

Criscuolo, Keana
D’Aria, Samantha
DePino, Lucian
Lin, Sabrina
Lucibello, Morgan
Lucibello, Natalia
Martinik, Brady
Miller, Tiffany
Mullins, Kiley
Onofrio, Lindsey
Patel, Jay
Pinette, Leah
Rish, Adeline
Sekelsky, Julia
Senerchia, Gabrielle
Sigal, Elizabeth
Vongher, Frederick
Woodin, Delani
Yacono, Mia
HH 9th Grade
Allen, Noah
Amendola, Ashley
Anderson, Kyle
Cahill, Olivia
Cappella, Robert
Caso, Nicolas
Danner, Nathan
DeLucia, Ryan
Dion, Gabrielle
Esposito, Benjamin
Falcioni, Alexa
Hannan, Catherine
Krebs, Marley
Melillo, Karma
Melillo, Samantha
Monde, Jack
Patel, Preet
Rizzuti, Aaliyah
Scalia, Matthew
Spanier, Sofia
**HONORS 12TH -
GRADE**
Aguiar, Sarena
Aucapina, Jade
Avallone, Mario
Belbusti, John
Brittell, Cameron
Brustman, Nolan
Camejo, Genesis
Chittenden, Zachary
Crocker, Alanie

Crouch, Kayla
Diglio, Stefania
Esposito, Joseph
Ford, Zechariah
Fratta, Anna
Green, Trevor
Helwig, Samantha
Hills, Isabella
Hunt, Alissia
Marcarelli, Lexi
Marra, Grace
Michonski, Ryan
Monde, Ryan
Nuzzo, Ryan
Oliverio, Mia
Pereira, Izaac
Pollock, Catherine
Raffone, Marissa
Ricardo, Marissa
Rivera, Alexis
Virginelli, Michael
**HONORS 11TH -
GRADE**
Annunziato, Nina
Carroll, Spencer
Castellano, Richard
Defaranos, Elias
Esposito, Alexander
Farrell, Ally
Gallagher, Stephanie
Geist, Aidan
Gonsalves, Ava
Jackson, Carl
Johnson, Alec
Kamienski, Jace
Lacroix, Molly
Langelo, Dominick
Manning, Ashley
Martinez, Nevaeh
McIntyre, Cameron
Minicucci, Danielle
Molleur, Anastasia

Onofrio, John
Palma, Gianna
Provencher, Mason
Raymond, Maiah
Regino, Thomas
Serenson, Tyler
Seward, William
Sorrell, Jaiden
Stegina, Benjamin
Taylor, Benjamin
Wessoleck, Christin
Westefeld, Grace
Wray, Dana
**HONORS 10TH -
GRADE**
Aguiar, Evyn
Allen, Caleb
Barrett, Logan
Brustman, James
Cardenas, James
Carofano, Joseph
Carter, Gianna
Custodio, Samuel
Dion, Joshua
Dodge, Lauren
Doody, Jalynn
Ferrucci, Te’a
Fico, Gianna
Gamble, Gianna
Gott, Samuel
Holzer, Callie
Hutchinson, Aiden
Jacobs, Joseph
Karpel, Brooke
Koelle, Nicholas
LeBeau, Patrick
Maley, Jack
Matteo, Michael
Mone, Patricia
Munck, Cassandra
Nuzzo, Giana
O’Brien, John

O’Brien, Mikella
Olsen, Christopher
Peterson, Lars
Plano, Giana
Ramada, Peter
Sommo, Gianni
Stoner, Connor
Thomas, Sean
Toto, Sophia
Urrata, Michael
Vaspasiano, Katie
Waligroski, Brinley
**HONORS 9th -
GRADE**
Ardito, Lily
Borgia, Anthony
Brezicki, Adrianna
Chopus, Justin
DeFrancesco, Alexa
Delfino, Matthew
Dell’Aquila, Vincent
Famiglietti, Nico
Ferraro, Samantha
Forslund, Brianna
Giardina, Jayden
Giovanni, Anthony
Hannah, Mary
Higgins, Joshua
Hills, Adriana
Kamienski, Daytona
Lamot, Joanna
Lin, Tina
McCullough, Giana
Meneo, Jeremy
Minnocci, Brody
Nay, Emily
Nuzzo, Megan
Onofrio, Isabella
Onofrio, Julianna
Proto, Natalia
Schmidt, Alivia

THEY MAKE US PROUD

Tara Lauro graduated from Coastal Carolina University in Conway, SC
Michelle Theligard was named to the Dean’s List at Stonehill College in Easton, MA.



The Northford-North Branford Women’s Club, GFWC Is Accepting Scholarship Applications

The Connecticut Federation of Women’s Clubs has announced two scholarships that are available to Connecticut women pursuing advanced courses of study at Institutions of higher learning. Awards are granted on the basis of future promise, scholastic ability and financial need.

The Dorothy E. Schoelzel memorial scholarship has a maximum award of \$2,000. Candidates must have completed three or more years of undergraduate work in an accredited institution with a 3.0 average or higher in the field of Education.

The Phipps scholarship has a maximum award of \$1,000. Candidates must have completed two or more years on undergraduate work in an accredited institution with a 3.0 average or higher toward a Bachelor’s or post graduate degree.

Completed applications, including general and personal information, a financial statement, instructor/employer references, official transcript of at least the most recent two years of undergraduate or graduate work must be received by February 10, 2022.

The application may be obtained by visiting the Northford-North Branford Women’s Club website at www.northfordwomensclub.org. For further information, contact Rose Lynch at 203-483-8395.

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 Friday. Some of the highlights of the program are:

- Two licensed Preschool Teachers
- 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

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The certificate was in recognition of their food donations supporting those in need in the community and local soup kitchens. The donations bring hope and strength to local families suffering from food insecurity in addition to reducing waste. The certificate was signed by Nancy Tipping, Council Chair, and Aloha Mosier, Missions Committee.

*Deputy Mayor
Thomas Zampano*



*Newly elected
Board of
Education
(left to right).
Zac Canada,
Shawna Papa
Holzer,
Elizabeth Siena
and Marcey
Onofrio.*

Council and BOE photos courtesy of Anthony Esposito



Wednesday	12/15	SGWL	8:30
Saturday	12/18	Trumbull	2:30
Wednesday	12/22	@ Glastonbury	7:30
Wednesday	12/29	Hand	3:50
Wednesday	1/5	@ Sheehan	6:00
Saturday	1/8	Guilford	6:00
Wednesday	1/12	Westhill	8:30

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Atwater Memorial Library

PAT'S PICKS
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From Here to Eternity

1953 Romantic War Drama

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 9

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Upcoming Films:

January 13

The Dresser

1983 Drama

February 10

Some Like it Hot

1959 Romantic-Comedy

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North Branford Public Libraries

Join us for a
JOLLY
HOLIDAY
Book Sale
and
Food & Toy Drive

December 11th
9am to 3pm

at the
Edward Smith Library
3 Old Post Road, Northford, CT

Browse our holiday book sale for holiday classics & other great finds!
Help the Library support the Food Pantry of North Branford
by donating a non-perishable food item,
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Fried Seafood Platter (Fried Shrimp, Scallops, Sole, Calamari)
(\$20.00 per person - 5 persons minimum)
Inquire about our Overstuffed Breads

	1/2 Tray	Full Tray
Shrimp Cocktail	\$2.00 ea	
Chicken Tenders	\$40	\$75
Chicken Wings	\$1.00 ea.	
Fried Calamari	\$55	\$85
Antipasto	\$45	\$85
Stuffed Mushrooms	\$45	\$75
Fried Mozzarella Triangles	\$45	\$75
Stuffed Shrimp	\$4.50 ea.	
Stuffed Sole.	\$5.50 ea.	
Penne Vodka	\$40	\$70
Baked Ziti	\$40	\$75
Lasagna	\$55	\$80
Manicotti	\$40	\$75
Zuppi di Pesce	\$130	\$230
Order Grandma Pizza for hors d'oeuvres	\$19.95	

1/2 Trays Serves Approximately
10-12 People

Full Trays Serve Approximately
20-22 People

Orders Must Be Placed By
Wednesday, December 22nd

OPEN CHRISTMAS EVE
OPEN UNTIL 4:00 P.M.
(closed Christmas Day and
Sunday, the 26th)

OPEN NEW YEAR'S EVE
11:00 A.M. to 8:00 P.M.
NEW YEAR'S DAY
1:00 P.M. TO 8:00 P.M.



MERRY CHRISTMAS & HAPPY NEW YEAR!!
HAVE A SAFE & BLESSED HOLIDAY!!



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 welcome 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. . 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 www.northfordcongregational.church

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.

DEATH NOTICE



Anthony Borrelli, 79, passed away peacefully on Thursday, November 18th, 2021, at his home in Northford with his family by his side. He was the beloved husband of 56 years to Dolores (Crowley) Borrelli. Tony was born in an elevator at the former Grace New Haven Hospital on September 25, 1942, was the son of the late Anthony and Sylvia (Raccio)

Borrelli and grew up on the family farm in North Haven. He was a second-generation farmer, and if you were looking for Tony, he would be where he always loved to be, working in his shop. He loved collecting and restoring two-cylinder John Deere Tractors and sharing his passion and knowledge of farming. Tony contributed many years of his time as an Advisor for the Lyman Hall High School Vo-Ag Program, encouraging "Future Farmers of America" Father of Andi Borrelli Smith (Michael), Elaine Borrelli (John Erickson), Alissa Borelli, Jim Borrelli, Tim Borrelli (Danielle). Grandfather of Stephanie Iamunno (Gennaro), Audrey Borrelli, Mitchel and Jake Paduano. Brother of Sylvia Porylo (Rich), Steve Borrelli (MaryAnn), Bob Borrelli (Mary), Harold Borrelli (Rose) and the late Lewis Borrelli. Also survived by many nieces and nephews. Tony enjoyed spending Sunday afternoons with his family who he loved unconditionally.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, PO Box 50, Memphis, TN 38101-9929.

NORTH BRANFORD
CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

Warmly invites you to join us for

The CHRISTMAS JOURNEY

Dec 5 – 10 am The Second Sunday of Advent. We focus on peace.

Dec 12 – 10 am The Third Sunday of Advent. We focus on joy.

Dec 19 – 10 am The Fourth Sunday of Advent. Our Christmas Pageant.

Dec 24 – 10 pm Christmas Eve Service of Lessons and Carols

We are located at 1680 Foxon Road, North Branford

www.northbranfordcongregational.org/ or 203.488.8456

ADVENT & CHRISTMAS SERVICES at NCC

During December "A Little Church with a Big Heart" welcomes everyone to join in services each Sunday at 10 a.m. Anyone who is unvaccinated is required to wear a mask while all fully vaccinated people have the option of whether to wear a mask or not.

The Christmas Eve service on Fri., Dec. 24, will be at 4 p.m. with guest pastor Kristie Rubendunst and will include lessons and carols. Take a few minutes out from your busy schedule and add some meaning to this special time of year.

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. Website: www.northfordcongregational.church. Email address: nccchurch@snet.net. Like us on Facebook.



Make a Joyful Noise!!!

Saint Andrew's Episcopal Church "The White Church on the Hill In the Heart of Northford" invites you to join our choir and worship through the gift of music.

**Sunday Services:
10:00am**



**Saint Andrew's
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1382 Middletown Ave
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Contact: Ray Bishop
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ray.bishop@comcast.net

Please Join Us For

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In loving memory of Donna Nero. Our community will gather in love and support for the Nero family. We will have a buffet lunch, DJ, raffle prizes, 50/50 and more.

Sunday, December 12th

1:00 – 4:00 PM



Doody's
465 Foxon Rd, North Branford, CT 06471

Tickets available at the door
\$20 for adults
\$15 for children 12 and under

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Please contact Lynn Riordan at 203-506-7577 for more information

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ARTS AND CRAFTS WITH ROBYN

Glass Painting & Mocktails

December 10, 2021—6:00-8:00pm

Ages 18+ STW Community Center \$35/res \$40/nr

Bring your friends down to the Recreation Department, and enjoy an evening of stemless-wine glass painting and mocktails! You will be given step-by-step instructions by Robyn to create beautiful and functional works of art. No experience necessary!



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!

Holiday Cookie Kit - \$25/kit

Orders need to be placed by Monday, Dec. 13th

Pick up cookie kits on Dec. 16th

Between 9:00am—4:00pm at STW



Mary's Culinary Classes

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!

DECEMBER 14, 2021

Chicken Crescent Wreath and Grinch Cupcakes



AFTER SCHOOL CRAFTS WITH KARI!

Come join Parks & Recreation staff, Kari Zargo, for after school holiday crafting classes!

Students of TVES will be walked over after school!

Please pack a peanut-free snack.

AFTER SCHOOL WINTER WONDERLAND CRAFT



Grades 3-5 \$10/res \$12/nr

December 14—3:00-4:30pm

STW Classroom



Parents' NIGHT OUT!

Leave the kids with us at STW Community Center and have a night to yourself. This evening will include craft activities, and a cheese pizza dinner!

Space is limited so sign up early!

December 17th • 4:30pm ~ 8:30pm

Grades K-5 \$20/child Sibling discount \$35

WINTER BREAK DAY CAMP

Winter Break just got a little bit COOLER! Come join us for 4 days of fun! Each day will offer a different theme with corresponding games, activities and crafts!

December 27- 30, 2021

STW Community Center Grades K - 6

\$30/Child per day • \$100 for all 4 days

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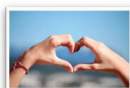
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Light Up North Branford

HOLIDAY LIGHT DECORATING CONTEST

Thursday, December 16th 6:00-10:00pm
Get in to the holiday spirit with a fun and festive competition!

REGISTER TO GET YOUR HOUSE ON OUR MAGICAL MAP!
A map of display locations will be available on our website!

PRIZES TO BE AWARDED FOR:
Best Overall, Brightest Display
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Registration required by 12/12
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FLASHLIGHT CANDY CANE HUNT!

Tuesday, December 21st
Northford Park—\$5

Join us for our first ever Flashlight Candy Cane Hunt at Northford Park!

Participants will use flashlights to find candy canes hidden at Northford Park.

There will be 3 separate times for 3 separate age categories.

Ages 2-4—4:30 - 5:00pm

Ages 5-7—5:00 - 5:30pm

Ages 8+—5:30 - 6:00pm

At each time, one lucky candy cane hunter will have the opportunity to find "the golden candy cane" which can be redeemed for a special gift!

Please bring a flashlight & bag to collect your candy canes!

Please register at nbrecreation.com

SENIOR CENTER

HOLIDAY LUNCHEON

Friday, December 17, 2021

**Join us for a traditional Holiday Lunch
And a special visit from Santa!**

Cost: \$5.00

Please sign up by December 13th

10:00am— Holiday Mingle with NBHS Student Council

10:45am—Performance by NBHS Chamber Choir

12:00—Lunch is served

HOT COCOA & A CHRISTMAS MOVIE

Celebrate National Cocoa Day with us!

December 13, 2021 at 12:30pm

Join us for a hot cocoa bar and a Christmas movie at the Senior Center.

(Movie TBA)



LUNCH BUNCH

**Lunch on your own at the Chowder Pot in Branford
December 21, 2021 at 12:00 p.m.**

RSVP by December 17th to reserve your spot

Meet us there or sign up for transportation.



OPEN CALL FOR MAHJONG PLAYERS!

The Mahjong group will meet every Tuesday at 10 am.
Please call to register.

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Twin Lake Children’s Center is hiring! We are growing and looking for positive creative people to work with in our **preschool classroom.** We have a morning position 7-1 and an afternoon position 1-6. Both are Monday through Friday. Please email TLCC at carol8615@sbcglobal.net. We look forward to hearing from you!

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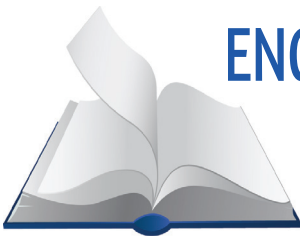
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Adult Department

December 2021



1 NEEDLE ARTS
Atwater @ 10:00AM
Enjoy the friendly camaraderie of your fellow artisans and join us on Wednesday mornings! Beginners are welcome. Knit, crochet, embroider, quilt -- all kinds of needle craft.

6 MONDAY NIGHT MAH JONGG
Smith @ 6:00PM
For those looking for a group to play with! Bring your own Mah Jongg set if you have one. Meets every Monday night.

9 PAT'S PICKS MOVIE CLUB
Atwater @ 1:00PM
From Here to Eternity - 1953 Romantic War Comedy.

16 BOOK CLUB
Atwater @ NOON
This month's title is:
The Bridge Ladies by Betsy Lerner.

17 MOVIE MATINEE
Smith @ 12:30PM
Good Morning Christmas - 2020 Holiday Romance

29 ASK-A-LAWYER
Atwater @ 6:30PM
Free, 15 minute consultation with a lawyer to help you with your legal issues. First come, first served. Register with a library staff member the evening of the event.

The library wishes everyone a happy holiday season!

11 HOLIDAY BOOK SALE AND FOOD & TOY DRIVE
Smith @ 9:00AM - 3:00PM
Come by the Edward Smith Library on Saturday, 12/11, for a Holiday Book Sale!
This is the perfect time to find a few great titles to stuff your stockings with. There will be an abundance of holiday titles available!
Help support the Food Pantry of North Branford by donating a non-perishable food item, or a new, unwrapped toy for Yale New Haven Children's Hospital.