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## Through the lens of Local Photographer Nick Carlino

Saltonstall Lake in Branford



Sunset in South Carolina

## Crowd of 70 Attends the NBLCT Meeting

On Wednesday, June 7, 70-plus people attended the North Branford Land Conservation Trust's Annual Meeting.

The crowd came to hear MaryEllen Smith DiLella, highlight the history of the Frank Cecarelli and Sons Farm, with stories and pictures.

Will DellaCamera, then talked about how he got into farming and the current progressive-farming techniques he uses, which showcase the transition from less aggressive tillage to climate-smart practices.

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

For additional information, visit the NBLCT website at <http://nblandtrust.org> or our Facebook page.



## Upcoming Publication Dates and Deadlines for the Totoket Times

With Summer hours, vacations and keeping with our twice per month issue dates, here are the upcoming dates for scheduling your press releases and advertising deadlines.

Publication Date	Deadlines	Delivery Method
July 7	June 30	Mail & Store del.
July 21	July 14	Store Delivery
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### Time to Make a Move

#### The *Branford* Market Report

Average Days on Market May 2023 35 Days ↓ -43.5% May 2022	Year-to-Date Homes Sold January - May 2023 <b>45</b>
Average Price per SqFt May 2023 \$303 ↑ 27.9% May 2022	↓ -49.4% (89) from YTD 2022
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### Totoket Historical Society Hosts Tilcon Quarry Tour June 21

The Totoket Historical Society is sponsoring a bus tour of the Tilcon Quarry in North Branford on Wednesday, **June 21** at 6:00 pm. Stone from this quarry has played a vital role in building infrastructure throughout Connecticut. The 90-minute tour will give participants a chance to ask questions of the Tilcon guides and walk the quarry floor, weather permitting.

The cost of the tour is \$30. Checks made payable to the Totoket Historical Society, Inc. should be mailed to P.O. Box 491; Northford, CT 06472; ATTN: DONNA. Reservations are confirmed only on receipt of payment. For information and reservations, please call Donna at 203-641-7878.

Tour participants should arrive at the North Branford Town Hall, 909 Foxon Rd

(Rt 80) by 5:30 p.m. to check in. The buses will board promptly at 5:45 p.m. and leave immediately.

Proceeds from the tour go towards the upkeep of the historic buildings in the care of the Totoket Historical Society, Inc. in North Branford. For more information on the society, visit [www.okethistoricalsociety.org](http://www.okethistoricalsociety.org).

The mission of the group is Teaching, Preserving, and Building Community. We hope you will join us to learn more about this quarry that plays a vital role in our community.



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State Representative Vincent Candelora



It came a little later than expected but a bi-partisan agreement emerged on the two-year state budget in the final 48 hours of the 2023 legislative session, producing the first income tax cut in more than three decades.

The 2024-2025 budget was approved in the House of Representatives 139 to 12 around 2 a.m. Tuesday, and 35-1 in the Senate a little later in the day. No, the budget isn't perfect.

Naturally, a massive, \$51.1 billion plan negotiated between Republicans and Democrats is bound to include individual items that will rankle just somebody. That includes me. With that said, the overall positive impact of the top-line achievements in this plan—particularly, \$800 million in tax relief—greatly outweighed concerns I had over some components of the 832-page document (H.B. 6941).

On the income tax, the bill reduces the two bottom marginal tax rates: 3 percent drops to 2, and 5 percent to 4.5. The budget also smooths the much-maligned benefits cliff for retirees by adding a tax deduction phase-out schedule for retirement income for single filers earning between \$75,000 and \$100,000 and joint filers earning between \$100,000 and \$150,000.

Not only did the income tax cut a fulfill a top Republican priority, it's a huge step forward in a state known more for tax hikes than affordability. Recently, The Wall Street Journal gave a nod to Gov. Lamont and my caucus for presenting tax cut proposals.

Another key provision of the budget not only saved taxpayers \$200 million, it put the state on a long-term path to control the size and scope of state government. Believe it or not, the state historically budgets for all open employee positions—roughly 3,500 right now—it simply hasn't been able to fill. In the new adopted budget, however, we keep the open positions in place but instead budget only for those we can reasonably expect to hire according to real-world trends.

This provision, a proposal by one of my colleagues, Republican Rep. Tammy Nuccio of Tolland, is a major step forward in state budget practices. And common sense.

Decisions such as that allowed us to supply more money for local education funding, including fully-funded special education grants—moves that will hopefully allay a bit of pressure of local property taxpayers in many communities statewide.

Things I'm not thrilled about? Naturally, there's a bit of pork spending likely used as a tool to entice some Democrats who weren't thrilled about the structural and sustainable income tax cut to support the budget. Steadily-increasing spending on our bloated higher education systems remains a concern for me, though I am happy that through the adopted budget we installed a new mandate for the state university system and UConn: present a strategy for right-sizing operations, or risk losing funding in the second year of the two-year budget cycle.

As I said, everyone can find at least one thing they don't like in this plan.

For me, though, one of the most important aspects of the adopted budget doesn't reside in a specific line item, but rather an overall change in conversation. Nationwide, it's unusual for minority parties in legislatures to issue their own budget proposals. Yet, here in Connecticut, I'm part of a Republican team that has done just that on several occasions over the years. Our latest plan, balanced and under the Spending Cap, became the center piece of trilateral negotiations after its release in early May. It contained a variety of proposals to cut taxes, all of them paid for in true ways-and-means fashion. Suddenly, both parties, with the Governor, were talking together about how to make our state more affordable.

Now, with the bipartisan budget behind us, the challenge becomes keeping that conversation going.

Rep. Vincent Candelora  
House Republican Leader  
86<sup>th</sup> District

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Let's Be "Frank"

Well brother, it's time to close the books on another North Branford High School baseball season. In my eighteenth year at the high school I try to savor every practice, every inning, every game and every interaction with the players. As you get older, you realize you have fewer years ahead of you than you had behind you. That's not a sad thought. I have been lucky enough to enjoy all those years and I can relax a little now and enjoy a lot more knowing things I didn't know before.

We had a great season this year with a group of young players led by a great leadership team of seniors. Made it to the Shoreline Championship game and lost to a team that I still feel was not as good as we were. Lefty Gomez once said "sometimes it's better to be lucky than good". I think that might have been the case in this instance. We beat Haddam Killingworth twice, knocking them out of the Shoreline Tournament and they won the State Title. Go figure it.

But getting back to success and failure. The nature of the beast is to aim to win it all. I'm all for that. But only one team out of the masses can do that. Does that mean all the other teams have failed? Cultivating relationships, watching young boys turn into men and watching them work hard to be better, that is the victory. A coach once told me that a championship is the only thing that validates your coaching career. I really feel sorry for that guy. What validates it, is watching kids get better as people and seeing these men come back after college and beyond to say hello and tell us about their lives.

While on the subject of coaching I have been going to see Johnnie play baseball with ten year olds. The coaches are nice and the "mom part" of me tells me they are well meaning. The "dad part" tells me they are full of beans (not his exact word). As I watch them I Can't help to think that maybe they should read a book or even attend a coaching clinic. I get a twitch listening to them give the wrong instructions. Things like the right positioning or where to back up on a play can all be easily accessed on the internet. They are telling the kids the wrong thing and this bothers me. These kids aren't going to the majors and I'm not going to be a rocket scientist, but you have to teach the right foundation so they can improve and feel good about themselves. Something else you taught me but neither one of us practiced it as much as we should have. Don't yell at your son any more or less than the other kids. If you find yourself doing that than you should become a spectator. It's not fair to anyone. Well wish pop a happy Father's Day. He never taught me the wrong way of doing things. He would simply advise me to ask you. Take care I'll see you soon.

Fourth of July

Dear Editor:

This 4<sup>th</sup> of July, friends, families, and communities will gather to celebrate our nation's independence and take pride in the country we call home. And of course, this patriotic day wouldn't be complete without cookouts, fireworks, and a few cold beers. Anheuser-Busch and Dichello Distributors, Inc. are honored to be a part of life's celebrations – whether big or small. As you celebrate this Independence Day, Anheuser-Busch and Dichello Distributors encourage you to do your part to make our community and roads a safer place.

If you're planning to enjoy a beer or two, make sure you also have a plan to get home responsibly. Remember, July 4<sup>th</sup> weekend is one of the most dangerous times of year on our roads, but alcohol impaired driving is 100% preventable.

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From all of us at Distributors, have a safe and happy Independence Day.  
Tony Lota, Alcohol Awareness & Education Coordinator  
Dichello Distributors, Inc. Orange CT.

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# Estate Planning for Everyone: I’ve been appointed Executor. Now What?

By Attorney Marc Guertin

When a person passes away, their assets and estate need to be managed and distributed according to their wishes. This crucial responsibility falls on the shoulders of an executor. An executor is an individual or a professional appointed by the deceased person in their will or by a court to administer their estate. The role of an executor is a significant one, involving various responsibilities and duties.

**Initiate the Probate Process:** One of the primary responsibilities of an executor is to initiate the probate process. Probate is the legal process of proving the validity of a will and distributing the deceased person’s assets. The executor must file the necessary documents with the appropriate court to commence the probate proceedings. This includes submitting the original will, death certificate, and other required paperwork.

**Asset Inventory and Valuation:** An executor must identify and locate all the assets and liabilities of the deceased person’s estate. This involves creating a comprehensive inventory of the assets, such as properties, bank accounts, investments, personal belongings, and debts. The executor also needs to obtain professional valuations of the assets to determine their fair market value.

**Estate Administration:** Once the assets are identified and valued, the executor is responsible for managing and administering the estate. This includes safeguarding the assets, paying off debts and taxes, and ensuring that the estate’s assets are properly managed during the administration period. The executor may need to open an estate bank account to handle financial transactions on behalf of the estate.

**Communication and Notification:** Executors are responsible for notifying beneficiaries and creditors about the death of the estate owner. They must communicate with various individuals and entities, such as family members, beneficiaries, financial institutions, and government agencies. Executors should keep all relevant parties informed about the progress of the estate administration process.

**Distribution of Assets:** One of the most critical duties of an executor is to distribute the estate’s assets to the beneficiaries according to the instructions laid out in the will. The executor must follow the legal requirements and any specific provisions outlined in the will while making these distributions. This can involve transferring property titles, distributing financial assets, and coordinating the transfer of other assets.

**Tax Compliance:** Executors are responsible for ensuring the estate’s compliance with tax laws. They must file the necessary tax returns on behalf of the deceased person and the estate. This may include income tax returns, estate tax returns, and any other applicable tax forms. Executors should work closely with tax professionals to fulfill these obligations accurately and on time.

Executors play a crucial role in ensuring that the deceased person’s wishes, as expressed in their will, are carried out. They act as fiduciaries, holding a position of trust, and must act in the best interests of the estate and beneficiaries. Executors bring order and structure to the estate administration process. They ensure that the necessary legal and financial steps are taken promptly and accurately, which helps to prevent disputes and conflicts among beneficiaries and creditors.

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# Sen. Cohen Leads Passage of Vision Zero Legislation



HARTFORD, CT - Senate Transportation Chair, State Senator Christine Cohen led passage of legislation aimed at reducing the number of traffic fatalities in Connecticut to zero. HB 5917 An Act Implementing the Recommendations of the Vision Zero Council implements a number of traffic safety provisions and studies, at a time where crashes and traffic fatalities are on the rise.

2022 has been the deadliest year on our roadways in decades. Last year, there were 239 driver or passenger fatalities, an increase of 41.5% over the last 5 years. There were 75 pedestrian fatalities which is an increase of 31% over the last 5 years.

“Connecticut has seen an extremely concerning increase in traffic fatalities, but as a committee, we are committed to reversing this trend,” said Sen. Cohen. “The Vision Zero Council has been hard at work and provided us with important policy recommendations that we deliberated and ultimately we brought forward many of those in this legislation. I look forward to implementing these great policies and continuing to work with the Council to reach our shared goal of zero serious, traffic-related injuries or deaths.”

- Studying the “Idaho Stop” And No Right on Red - Requires DOT to study (1) allowing a bicycle rider to treat a stop sign as a yield sign and red light as a stop sign, also known as the “Idaho Stop”and (2) prohibiting right turns on red
- Automated Enforcement - Allows municipalities to use speed cameras and red light cameras to enforce traffic laws. Planned usage of these cameras must be approved by the municipality, as well as DOT every three years. This bill requires DOT to provide guidance to municipalities in developing plans and selecting locations; additionally it includes provisions on public participation and notice, camera operation, fine revenue use, violation enforcement, and data privacy, among others
- Intersection Control Evaluation Policy - Requires DOT to adopt and revise an intersection control evaluation policy to use when evaluating new and existing intersections
- Vision Zero Program Distinction for School Programs - Requires DOT to award an exemplary “Vision Zero” program distinction to local and regional boards of education offering programs to students in grades 6 to 12 about safe driving habits, pedestrian safety skills, and the mission of the Vision Zero Council
- Safety Course After Traffic Violations - Allows prosecutorial officials to require people who contest infractions and certain violations to attend an approved driving safety course as a condition for resolving the ticket before a hearing
- Safety Video and Materials at License Renewal and Issuance to New Residents - Requires DMV to develop a safety video and require people to watch them upon every other renewal and when transferring a license from another jurisdiction and to provide other safety materials to people transferring a license from another jurisdiction
- Public Awareness Campaign on Drug Impaired Driving - Requires DOT to conduct a public awareness campaign about the dangers of driving while under the influence of certain over-the-counter drugs and prescription drugs, with an emphasis on opioids and cannabis

• DOT Five-Year Capital Plan and Equity Proposals - Requires DOT, when developing its next five-year capital plan, to examine proposals from the Vision Zero Council’s equity subcommittee and consider infrastructure that specifically protects vulnerable highway users

• Seat Belt Promotion - Requires DOT to establish a program promoting seat belt use among vulnerable communities that are less likely to wear a seat belt

The interagency Vision Zero Council was established in 2021 and was charged with developing a statewide policy to eliminate all transportation-related fatalities and severe injuries to pedestrians, bicyclists, transit users, drivers, and passengers.



An evening of country kicken’ to benefit



June 23, 2023 6:00 – 9:00 PM  
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### NBIS Music Competed at Lake Compounds

The NBIS Music Department competed at the High Note Music Festival at Lake Compounce on Friday, May 26th! Students from the 8th grade Band and Chorus, Select Chorus, and Jazz Band all performed their finest and scored trophies in the Excellent range! We had a blast in the park for the remainder of the day! Mrs. Zoll and Mrs. Giammattei are very proud of the students' hard work and professionalism in their performances. Congratulations to all student participants.

### Statement from CEA President Kate Dias on the end of the 2023 legislative session

Connecticut teachers' voices were heard by state legislators, resulting in additional school funding and the passage of numerous bills that will improve teachers' working conditions, but there's still more work to be done to address the growing teacher shortage crisis crippling our state. That includes recognizing teachers for the work they did during the pandemic and ensuring that new state funding is used to improve recruitment, retention, and enhancement of the teaching profession.

We are grateful to the legislators who took the time to meet with teachers in their districts and at the Capitol to hear directly about the issues they are facing and what they need to do their jobs more effectively. We thank Representatives Jeff Currey and Kathleen McCarty, Senator Martin Looney, and all the legislators who supported our dedicated educators and voted in favor of bills that will enhance public education.

Those bills include requiring play-based learning in pre-K and kindergarten and allowing it in first through fifth grades, raising the kindergarten start age, improving classroom safety, revising the teacher evaluation system, prohibiting edTPA from being used to determine qualifications for teacher certification, allowing teachers with elementary certification to teach kindergarten, including teacher leaders on the Connecticut Advisory Council for Teacher Professional Standards, and other bills that make significant strides for public education in Connecticut.

Legislators recognized that passing these and other teacher priorities will have a positive impact on students in the classroom and will improve teaching and learning in our public schools.

While we appreciate the additional \$150 million for education funding in the state budget, we must work to ensure those funds will be used to specifically address the recruitment and retention of educators. With the teacher shortage crisis deepening by the day, we will continue working with policymakers, urging them to utilize the new funding to enhance teacher salaries and support the profession to ensure students have qualified teachers in their classrooms.

We are disappointed that legislators continue to disregard the herculean efforts teachers made throughout the pandemic. State and private-sector employees have been recognized, yet teachers have been ignored for their efforts during the pandemic and the issues they continue to face caused by the pandemic, which resonate in our schools in the form of trauma, dysregulated behavior, and mental health issues. Connecticut's dedicated, hard-working teachers kept our schools open and kept students learning throughout the pandemic so that businesses could remain open and parents could go back to work, and they must be acknowledged for their efforts.

We will continue working with legislators and the governor to ensure that teachers are recognized and that new state funding will directly impact teachers and the students in their classrooms. The Connecticut Education Association is Connecticut's largest teachers' union, representing active, retired and aspiring educators across the state. For further information contact Nancy Andrews at 860-725-6317, [nancya@cea.org](mailto:nancya@cea.org).



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**Paul Zumbo** was named to the Dean's List at American International College in Springfield, Ma.

**Zelda Galdenzi** received her Masters Degree from Wesleyan University. She will enter the Doctorate Program in the fall.

Cayleen DeFaranos was named to the Dean's List at the University of Saint Joseph's in West Hartford, Ct.

**Alyssa Kendrick** was inducted into the Theta Epsilon chapter of the Sigma Gamma Epsilon National Honor Society at ECSU.

**Jamison Welch** was inducted into the Epsilon Pi Epsilon chapter of the Sigma Gamma Epsilon National Honor Society at ECSU.

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Gallagher, Stephanie	Totoket Rd	Gateway	NBHS	Jeff Kraft Memorial
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Izzo Eric	Farmington Dr	Roger Williams	NBHS	NB Youth Lacrosse Award
Jackson, Carl	St Monica Dr	ESU	NBHS	Frank & EleanorDoody Memorial
Johnson, Charles	Meadowbrook	Undecided	NBHS	NB 1979 Football State Champs
Johnson, Alec	Brookfield Dr		NBHS	NB 1979 Football State Champs
Juniver Tessa	Cedar Lake Rd	Yale Hospital	NBHS	Chris Manner NBYB Award
Kamienski, Payton	Snowbird Ln	Undecided	NBHS	Edwin & Yolande Ahlberg Memorial
Katz, Avery	Berncliff Dr	New Haven	NBHS	John & Maureen Bozzuto Memorial
Krista Cassidy	Norwell Dr	SCSU	NBHS	NBHS Class Of 1970 Award
Lacroix, Molly	Laraine Ct	Stonehill College	NBHS	St Andrew’s Episcopal Church
Langelo, Dominick	Autumn Ct	Western New Eng	NBHS	Tom Tracy Award
Manning, Ashley	Skylark Dr	Qunnipiac	NBHS	NB Youth Lacrosse Award
Mansi Heather	Woodchase Ln	Middlesex	NBHS	Anthony Cibelli Memorial
Marashi, Sara	Middletown Ave	Uconn	NBHS	Louis & Angelina Nunzianto Memorial
Martinez, Nevaeh	Calvin Dr	SCSU	NBHS	Jim Augur Sr Memorial
Martone, Isabella	Notch Hill Rd	New Haven	NBHS	Kelly Tinker-Newbury Memorial
McIntyre, Cameron	North St	New Haven	NBHS	2022 Project Graduation
Minicucci, Danielle	Hillside View Rd	Gateway	NBHS	Teresa Sansevero Jensen Memorial
Molleur, Anastasia	Farmington Dr	Gateway	NBHS	Joanne Castlevetro Memorial
Onofrio, John	Laurel Ln	Post	NBHS	NB BOE Custodial & Maint Staff
Park, Mia	Old Post Rd	Undecided	NBHS	Ralph F. & Anne Solimini Memorial
Patel Anuska	Summit Dr	Quinnipiac	NBHS	NB Rotary Award
Penna Charlene	Valley Rd	Mt Holyoke	Metropolitan Bus	Van Wilgen’s Garden Center
Powell Carly	Skylark Dr	New Hampshire	NBHS	TVES PTO Award
Provencher, Mason	Old Post Rd		NBHS	NB 1979 Football State Champs
Raymond, Maiah	Jackson Ln	Stonehill	NBHS	Carol Sue Lupoli Papa Memo
Riordan, Mea	Doral Farms Rd	Sacred Heart	NBHS	NB Girl’s Lacrosse
Rojas Cristian	Countryside Circle	Sacred Heart	NBHS	NB Knights Of Columbus Award
Rojas-Ojeda Luisa	Valley Rd		NBHS	Frank & Brenda Karsmarski Award
Russo Bernard	Summit Dr		Vinal Tech	Douglas Burger Memorial
Schmidt, Gabriella	Woodvale Dr	Quinnipiac	NBHS	NFD/NB Women’s Club
Serenson\ Tyler	Woods Hill Rd	UMass	NBHS	NB 1979 Football State Champs
Seward William	Loeber Pl	Qiunnipiac	NBHS	NB Fire Co #1/Ralph Byorick Memorial
Shadman Alexander	Salem St	UCONN	NBHS	Linda Humphrey’s Excellence In Music Brian Lindsey Mem.
Sim Paulyнна	Middletown Ave	UCONN	NBHS	Leonard Rogers Memorial
Sorrell Jaiden	Cedar La	ECSU	NBHS	Lewis Pasternoster NBYB Award
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TranquilliNathan	Highfield Ln	ECSU	NBHS	NB Knights Of Columbus Award
Vincent Vada	335 Totoket Rd	SCSU	NBHS	2022 Project Graduation
Wang Marissa	Ann St	Saint Joseph’s	NBHS	Dan Purcell Memorial
Wessoleck, Christin	Augur Rd	SCSU	NBHS	Arthur F. & Astrid Hansen Wolfe Mem
Westefeld Grace	Sea Hill Rd	Gateway	NBHS	Mellilo’s Greenhouse & General Store

*The North Branford Scholarship Association is proud to announce that on May 31st they gave out 81 awards totaling \$29,.050 to 81 graduating high school seniors. We could not have done this without the help of the Business’’ Organizations and individual families of North Branford. To date the NBSA has given out \$1,186,850 to 3758 graduating students since its inception 60 years ago. Once again the town of North Branford continues to out perform in its dedication to the town’s young people. It is also great to report that many past graduates of North Branford are now supporting our efforts in helping our latest graduating class. Thank you all for supporting our youth.*





Save The Date Aug 6, 2023

North Branford Athletic Hall of Fame

They will be inducting the newest members. The seven inductees will include: Jeff Breeman and Roselle Simiola from the class of 1977 as well as Tommy Fair(1981) Jeff Crouse (1994), Sean Anderson (1999) and Kelsey Platner (20210)

These men and women were outstanding athletes who excelled in a variety of sports including; football, soccer, basketball, ice hockey, softball, baseball, tennis and lacrosse.

Jeff Breeman and Tommy Fair also came back to coach at North Branford High School.

The induction will take place at a brunch at Northford Gatherings from 12:00 - 4:00. Information regarding tickets will be published next month. Your help in contacting friends and former teammates so they can “save the date” to join us in honoring them will certainly be appreciated.

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Falcioni Awarded the  
Whitey Piurek “No I in Team Award”

North Branford High School’s Nico Falcioni was recently awarded the Southern Connecticut Diamond Club’s “No I in Team Award”. The honor is bestowed on thirty baseball players from area high school teams. It names the player on the team who is a leader and puts the team above himself in all aspects of the game. The student is picked by the head coach at the individual school.

In naming Falcioni, coach Billy Mitchell stated, “Nico truly epitomizes the meaning of the ‘No I in Team Award’. For three years he has done anything asked of him without question for the good of the team, including playing multiple positions. This year he settled into first base, batted third in our lineup and he was our most productive hitter. He is always helping the younger players in practice with advice and instruction so they can improve as individuals on and off the field. It has been an honor to have coached Nico the past three years and he will be missed greatly. He has definitely made his mark on our program and has left it in a better place for the younger players in the future.”

Left to right above: Diamond Club representative Dan Gooley, Nico and Coach Billy Mitchell.



Northford-North Branford Women’s Club



CHARITY GOLF TOURNAMENT



The Northford-North Branford Women’s Club, GFWC would like to thank the following sponsors for their incredibly generous support of our 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Charity Golf Tournament. The day was wonderful and the golfers enjoyed a spectacular event. EVERY contribution was important in ensuring such a successful outcome. Most importantly, the funds raised go directly to support RiseandShineCT.org and other local charities. Again, thank you for supporting our efforts!

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## North Branford Rotary Club to Honor - Dave Palumbo, Al Rose & Steve Torino



The North Branford Rotary Club is thrilled to recognize Dave Palumbo, Al Rose and Steve Torino as our 2023 Service Above Self Honorees. Nominations were made by members of the North Branford community and as always, we are appreciative of the community participation in selecting individuals who have made a significant difference in this town. The Service Above Self Award is awarded to distinguished individuals in our community who actively help others, demonstrate meaningful humanitarian service, and have made an impact to the community as a result of their efforts.

We look forward to honoring Dave, Al and Steve at our annual recognition event. Our Service Above Self Dinner honoring our award recipients will be on Thursday, June 22, 2023 at 6:00PM at Millpond Gatherings in Northford. A buffet dinner will be served beginning at 6:15PM with the evening's program to follow.

Tickets can be purchased by scanning the QR code or directly from a North Branford Rotarian. More information on this event is available via our website ([NorthBranfordRotary.org](http://NorthBranfordRotary.org)) & Facebook ([facebook.com/northbranfordrotaryclub](https://facebook.com/northbranfordrotaryclub)).

Have questions? Feel free to reach out to NorthBranfordRotary@gmail.com, the Committee Chairperson, Samantha Ouellette at 203-430-5976, or Club President Anne Merola at 203-988-2898.



## Join Us in Reviving the Farm River!

*By David Sargent*

Our Farm River is a very special natural feature touching 7 towns within its more than 16,000-acre watershed. North Branford is home to the largest portion of both the river and its watershed. The river provides a rich abundance of habitats for plants and wildlife, loads of recreation (including fishing) and wonderful scenic vistas. It also has been neglected for decades. Over years of lack of awareness, misuse and neglect, it has become polluted by sewage, nutrient runoff, plastic trash and degraded by poor stormwater management. Combined, all the pollution sources and lack of maintenance have caused excessive erosion, created high bacteria and nitrogen levels and overall poor water quality. As our climate changes, and high rainfall events have become more common, unrestricted stormwater rushes off streets, parking lots and farmland into the river, causing the river to flood beyond its banks, flooding streets and scouring the river's banks. Undersized culverts on the river only exacerbate the flooding. During these events, the water can be seen running from a dark brown to a multitude of blue and gray colors. Tires and almost any sort of garbage you might imagine can be seen floating down the river.

In 2018 the Farm River was selected for a pilot watershed study by the National Water Quality Initiative (NWQI) mostly because of its water quality issues, *and* because it's a drinking water supply for the Regional Water Authority (RWA). Chris Sullivan (Southwest Conservation District) was hired to oversee the project. The goal of the study was to identify and prioritize the sources of the river's impairments, provide recommendations on how to correct them (including specific projects) and encourage future action by the communities involved.

The following year, a series of meetings was held in North Branford to seek out and organize towns, farmers, organizations and citizens with concerns and interests in the health of the river. Dozens of these "stakeholders" met many times, sharing their intimate knowledge of the river and its problems. Many of these volunteers were then trained in how to recognize and record issues with rivers and streams in general. Then, taking what they learned, they divided the river into sections, and section by section, small groups literally walked or boated the entire 18 miles of the river from the estuary in East Haven and Branford, to the headwaters in Wallingford and North Branford. This effort was guided by Sullivan and Nicole Davis (from Save the Sound) for the next 3 years. Volunteers got their feet wet, and prioritized impairments to the river. In August of 2021, a final plan called the "Farm River Watershed Management Plan" was published.

Prepared by Fuss & O'Neill, this thorough document highlights the current issues with the river and potential future issues. It offers a series of project-based solutions and associated costs of each, plus possible funding sources to pay for the estimated \$3 to \$6.6 million to restore the river. To make this plan legitimate and eligible for funding, it needed the approvals of the National Resource Conservation Service (NRCS) and the Connecticut DEEP. Both approved the plan earlier this year.

Now that the development of the plan has been successfully completed and 'blessed', it's time to regroup and implement the plan! A grassroots group was started by Curt Johnson (past president of Save the Sound) and Linda Cummings (a local artist and active member of "Friends of the Farm River Estuary") and assisted by Heather Wells-Sweeney (Chair of the Branford Conservation and Environment Commission). They organized 4 meetings this past April to determine community interest and discuss the best paths to move the plan forward. Ultimately, the group determined the first thing they needed to is create awareness and energy about the Farm River.

Your actions can bring the river back to life! You can help by physically participating in a restoration project or simply helping to engage our local and state officials. Emailing or writing a letter of support to your town manager, senator or representative can make a huge difference! This is a project you can be proud to say "yeah, I helped". If this pilot study is successfully implemented, it will be offered as a model to other watersheds throughout

the country with similar deficiencies. But it won't happen without the support of local people like you, who care about this hidden and neglected treasure – not only for its importance as a drinking water source, but for its underutilized educational, recreational and visual potential.

The Farm River used to be clean and healthy. With your help, it can be again!

For more information or to get involved, please contact: Heather Wells Sweeney [heatherwsweeney@gmail.com](mailto:heatherwsweeney@gmail.com) or Curt Johnson [cjohnson@savethesound.org](mailto:cjohnson@savethesound.org).



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# Recycling News

**The Next Electronics Drop Off will be on July 8<sup>th</sup>.**

The event will be held at Public Works from 9am to noon. We will be collecting electronics such as TVs, computers, small appliances and almost anything that has a plug. We cannot accept smoke detectors, A/C's or de-humidifiers.

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.

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

## Hazwaste Central is open for the Season

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

Hours are 9am to noon - Saturdays through October 28<sup>th</sup>.

Gather your household chemicals so they can be disposed of properly.

Accepted: Waste oil, antifreeze, cleaners, pool chemicals, oil-based paints, pesticides, compact fluorescent light bulbs and much more.

The water company collects these items so they don't go into the trash and pollute your local drinking water.

**To find the complete list and the registration form go to Hazwaste at [rwater.com](http://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.**

Please visit <https://www.rwater.com/in-the-community/hazwaste-central> for a complete list of what is accepted along with the online registration form. You can also call 203-401-2712 or email [ask.hazwaste@rwater.com](mailto:ask.hazwaste@rwater.com).

## Unacceptable Curbside Waste Reminder

Construction debris (such as toilets, concrete blocks, roofing material),

propane tanks, TVs, monitors, printers, home cleanouts may not be placed curbside. These items will not get picked up; please dispose/recycle properly.

The next Bulk Pickup isn't until November.

Please be courteous to your neighbors and do not place your bulky waste curbside until then.

Please gather the formally festive balloons and put them into the trash.

Balloons do not go into the Recycle bin and they are not plastic film.

To protect our wildlife, please prevent balloons from becoming litter. We know they want to be free but the balloon and its strings cause serious injury to sea creatures, birds and other wildlife.

There are many ways to have fun and celebrate with environmentally-friendly alternatives.

Giant bubbles, ribbon dancers, streamers, garden spinners and lawn signs are a few examples. Many of these can be reused for another celebration.

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](http://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***



## Black Lab "Zander" wins luck of the Irish Label Contest Fundraiser draws huge number of participants

Branford, CT - The Luck of the Irish label contest benefiting The Greater New Haven St. Patrick's Day Parade Committee and the Dan Cosgrove Animal Shelter drew hundreds of participants that included cats, chickens, horses, and dogs vying for the coveted prize of being featured on the label of a special edition brew from Thimble Island Brewing Co.

Top prize was awarded the coveted position of being immortalized on the label of a special edition brew from Thimble Island Brewing Co. This year's winner was "Zander" a 4-year-old male black lab mix rescue from Hamden. Zander hopes that pet lovers adopt and not shop!

The 2023 St. Patrick's Day Parade Grand Marshal Joanne Conlan announced the winner of the contest and unveil the special edition brew featuring a graphic rendering of the winning pet.

As part of the St. Patrick's Day Parade committee's philanthropic outreach, a portion of the money raised will be donated to the Dan Cosgrove Animal Shelter at the event. The Dan Cosgrove Animal Shelter has been helping homeless animals along the Connecticut shoreline and vicinity since April 2003. Cosgrove offers many programs and services to educate, inform and inspire people to take responsible care of their pets and to treat them with the kindness they deserve.

The Greater New Haven St. Patrick's Day Parade is Connecticut's largest, free single day spectator event attracting thousands of people to the streets of New Haven each year. The parade is a long-standing tradition in the New Haven community and the members of the Greater New Haven St. Patrick's Day parade committee volunteer to ensure the tradition continues. The Greater New Haven St. Patrick's Day Parade and Associated Irish Societies is a 501(c)(3) organization.

Thimble Island Brewing Co. located at 16 Business Park Drive in Branford, Ct. was founded in 2010. It is named after the largest group of islands in Branford, the Thimble Islands, located off the coast of Branford. They are known for supporting fellow local businesses and donate their spend grain to Salt Marsh Farm in Guilford to feed their livestock.



## Visit the North Haven Camera Club

A chilly day and overcast skies couldn't dampen the spirit of North Haven Camera Club member's 2022-23 Awards Ceremony get-together on June 3rd at the Northford Park Pavillion. Members enjoyed a light buffet with members bringing their favorite dishes

This year, a record number of awards were given out for winners in several photographic categories and as well as photo's of the year in all skill levels.

The club has beginner, intermediate and Master levels which allow members to learn photography and participate at their own pace.

If you're interested in photography and want to sharpen your skills, visit the club's website at [www.northhavencameraclub.com](http://www.northhavencameraclub.com). The club season runs from September until June and new members are always welcome or send an email to [northhavencameraclub@gmail.com](mailto:northhavencameraclub@gmail.com)

***Picture of the year "Whaler Amid the Glare". by Joanne Hiscocks***









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## BASKETBALL CAMP

Grades 3-9

Jerome Harrison Elementary School

June 19-June 23

Monday - Friday, 9:00 - 1:00 p.m.

\$160 res \$165 nr

Instructor: Slamma-Jamma Coaches

Description: The Slamma-Jamma staff shows campers how to develop basketball fundamentals and a winning attitude. With 38 years of experience, the knowledgeable and skilled camp directors and clinicians hold each camper's best interests as their priority as they work on skills to help create great players and great kids on and off the courts.

## SKYHAWKS CAMP (SPORTS & GAMES)

Ages 8-12 STW Front Field

June 20 - June 23 9:00am - 3:00pm \$175 res/\$175 nr

Skyhawks provides a wide variety of fun, safe and positive programs that emphasize critical lessons in sports and life, such as teamwork, respect and sportsmanship. Programs are designed to give each child a positive introduction into sports while fostering a lifelong love for an active, healthy lifestyle. Sports and games include capture the flag, soccer, ultimate Frisbee, kickball, baseball, 4 square, team handball and many more!

## MINI-HAWK (BASEBALL, BASKETBALL & SOCCER)

Ages 4-7 STW Front Field

June 20 - June 23 9:00am - 12:00pm \$139 res/\$139 nr

For this camp, our patient and knowledgeable staff use a variety of skill-building games and activities to give each athlete a complete understanding and overview of many different popular sports and games.

## FIELD HOCKEY CAMP

JULY 24 - JULY 27 9:00AM - 11:00AM - \$80 RES / \$85NR

NORTH FARMS PARK SOCCER FIELD - GRADES 2-8

Instructor: Cheryl Canada-Associate Head Coach at Quinnipiac University, USA Field Hockey Level II Accreditation, CPR and First Aid Certified

Open to boys and girls of all skill levels that are new to the sport or looking to enhance their skill level. This camp is designed to develop the basic skills each athlete has by focusing on tactical game awareness, 1v1 defense, elevated passing, elimination and shooting skills. This camp is fun, exciting, and creates player synergy no matter what age or skill level. Equipment needed: Stick, mouth guard, shin guards and goggles (optional). Sticks can be provided if necessary. Please let us know at time of registration.



## HALF DAY FOOD EXPLORERS COOKING CAMPS

You'll make your own snack while learning all about food, playing games and exploring nutrition with a nutritionist.

Each child will make their own portion, and all recipes are nut free but may contain dairy and eggs.

### CHOCOLATE BAKING CAMP

July 17th - July 21st

1:00pm - 4:00pm - STW Kitchen \$140 Ages 5-11

### ITALIAN BAKING CAMP

August 21st - August 25th

2:30pm - 5:30pm - STW Kitchen \$140 Ages 5-11



## LACROSSE CAMP

Grades 3-8 STW Front Field

July 24 - 27 5:00 - 7:00pm \$75 res/\$85 nr

This clinic will provide youth athletes a fun opportunity to enhance their skills or play lacrosse for the first time. Athletes will grow as a player, learn drills and rules, and will work on their stick skills, foot work and field play

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Department Info -> Trips - Grand American Cruises

## — SENIOR CENTER —

### SUMMER TIME SUPPER CLUB

June 14th - 4:30 pm

Join us for dinner (pay on your own) at Sans Souci in Meriden at 4:30 pm. Take the Senior bus or meet there at 4:30pm! Register by June 7th Menu TBD



## SENIOR DINER DASH

Riverdale Diner in Shelton & Wells Hollow Creamery

June 21, 2023

Departs STW at 10:00am Returns 2:00pm

Register by June 14th Lunch Costs on own

Join us for lunch on your own at Riverdale Diner in Shelton. After lunch we will go to Wells Hollow Creamery for some delicious ice cream!

## MOHEGAN SUN BUS TRIP

Monday, June 26 - 8:00am - 4:00pm

\$20 res / \$25 nr

If you are meeting at the STW Community Center, we will be leaving at 8:00 a.m. Per Mohegan Sun, the buses are not being greeted by staff and no packages are being issued out. Please register by 6/19

## Richie Mitnick Presents Come Fly With Me- A Journey Through the Decades

Starring: Joe Saimeri & Ethel Lee

AQUA TURF CLUB

Tuesday Aug 15, 2023

Bus departs STW: 10:15am Returns: Approx 4:00pm

\$57res \$62nr

Enjoy music thru the decades: from Sinatra, Kenny Rogers, Tim McGraw, Dianna Ross, Roberta Flack & more! Menu: Baked Scrod/ Chicken Marsala

Register by: 7/14/23

## Dream Girls

At the Goodspeed Opera House  
Enjoy lunch at the Gelston House before the show!



November 29, 2023 \$110res/\$120nr

Departs 10:15am Returns: 5:00pm

The trip leaves from the Senior Center. If you need transportation to the Center, kindly let us know when you register.

Stars rise and fall... but dreams live forever! A 1960s Motown girl group catches its big break during an amateur competition. But will their friendship—and their music—survive the rapid rise from obscurity to pop super stardom? With dazzling costumes and powerhouse vocal performances, this Tony and Grammy Award-winning musical sizzles with sparkling spirit and dance. Featuring the unforgettable hits "And I Am Telling You I'm Not Going" and "One Night Only," this is one Goodspeed production you won't want to miss!

Lunch at the Gelston House is at 11:30 a.m.

Lunch choices are:

\*Parmesan Encrusted Cod \*Gelston Chicken  
\*Bistro Steak \*Pasta Cavatappi  
\*Kobe Beef Burger



Lunch includes Mixed Green Salad and dessert. Coffee & tea are not included, but each can be purchased for \$3.50. Alcoholic beverages can be purchased and paid for during lunch.

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Taxpayers of the Town of North Branford are hereby notified that the first installment of Real Estate, Personal Property, and Motor Vehicle taxes on the October 1, 2022, Grand List are due and payable on July 1, 2023. Taxes will be considered delinquent on **August 2, 2023, and** will be subject to interest at the rate of 1.5% per month or fraction thereof, from the due date of July 1, 2023, with a minimum interest charge of \$2.00. **Payments received with an August 1<sup>st</sup> postmark are considered on time.** Payments may be made at the Tax Collector's Office, North Branford Town Hall, 909 Foxon Road, North Branford, CT. Hours are 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. You may also pay by credit card/debit card/e-check at [www.northbranfordct.gov](http://www.northbranfordct.gov) and clicking on the link Online Services. **Credit cards may also be used in the Tax office. There is a fee for this service. Payments postmarked after August 2nd, 2021, are considered late and subject to interest.** If you do not receive your tax bills by July 5, 2023, please call the tax office at 203-484-6011. Failure to receive a tax bill does not invalidate the tax or interest as per State Statute 12-145.  
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123<sup>RD</sup> ANNIVERSARY

ITALIAN FESTA CELEBRATION

JUNE 22-25 AT 515 CHAPEL ST., NEW HAVEN

LIVE MUSIC  
ITALIAN FOOD  
FREE ADMISSION

NEW HAVEN'S ONLY ITALIAN FESTIVAL!

- JUNE 22

THURSDAY

5 PM

LET THE FESTA BEGIN!

5 PM

ANGELO & CHARLIE Italian Strolling Musicians

6 PM

OPENING PARADE through Historic Wooster Square, immediately followed by the Blessing of the Festa & Members of ST. ANDREW THE APOSTLE SOCIETY. Unveiling & Opening of the Festa by EMILIO & JOYCE SANSEVERINO.

6:30 PM

DJ DAVE GALLO
- JUNE 23

FRIDAY

5 PM

LET THE FESTA BEGIN!

5 PM

TONY V Vocalist & Entertainer

7:30 PM

AVENUE GROOVE Pop, R&B
- JUNE 24

SATURDAY

3 PM

LET THE FESTA BEGIN!

3:30 PM

JACK LYNN Dean Martin Vocalist & Entertainer

6:30 PM

PRIMA VERA An evening of music in the NEAPOLITANA TRADITION
- JUNE 25

SUNDAY

10 AM

OLD WORLD TRADITIONAL PROCESSION Through Historic Wooster Square

11:30 AM

A Liturgical Mass at THE CHURCH OF SAINT MICHAEL

2:30 PM

LET THE FESTA BEGIN!

3 PM

BROTHER KOOL

4:30 PM

DOWNTOWN 6 Pop, R&B, Classic Rock

7 PM

Honoring the AMORE, FLORIO, & LUZZI FAMILIES  
Awarding of THE ST. ANDREWS LADIES SOCIETY SCHOLARSHIPS  
Announcing of the RAFFLE WINNERS