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# SHORELINE CHAMPIONS

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Congratulations to first year head coach Nick DeLizio and the North Branford High School Girls Softball team for winning the Shoreline Conference Championship. (*Photo provided by Nick DeLizio*)



#### Fund Raiser Shred It Event North Branford Town Hall on June 13<sup>th</sup>, 2015

On **Saturday June 13<sup>th</sup> from 9-12** the North Branford Rotary will be holding a «Shred-It» event at the **North Branford Town Hall** at Rte 80 & Rte 22. You may bring bags or boxes of paper to shred. The cost will be **\$10 per bag** or box, not to exceed 30lbs each. For details call Frank Popolizio 203-915-7089.

Funds have been used to help support projects in Our Community and Internationally. "Clothes for Kids", Polio Eradication, Clean Water Projects, disaster relief with Shelter Box, Scholarships, Exchange Students, Interact, Rotary Youth Leadership program, Xmas Tree Lighting, Easter Egg Hunt, our Library, Amber Alert, Senior Dinner and more.





#### Scouts Visit the Police Station

Cub Scout Pack 462 recently visited the North Branford Police Station. The scouts want to thank Officer Cunningham for giving them an awesome tour. Anyone interesed in joining the scouts is asked to call Bill Bogardus at 732-740-0337. *(Photo supplied by Pack 462)* 

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#### **Community Service at Northford Preschool**

As part of their community service, the students at the Northford Preschool Academy made homemade dog biscuits and dog beds for the animals at Dan Cosgrove Animal Shelter.

They also collected toys, food and treats for the Shelter.



**IPP** Showcase North Branford High School Dear Editor; On Tuesday, June 9,

2015 from 6-8PM in the Auditorium wing of the high school, North Branford High School sophomores, juniors and seniors; who have taken part in the Independent Performance Project, will show their stuff!

These students have either completed 40 or 80 hours of an independent performance project or a community service project. The independent performance project requires students to serve as interns, conducting scientific research or engaging in creative and artistic endeavors. The community service project requires students to volunteer in an approved community organization and/or to explore possible future career paths.

All of our participants have successfully completed their endeavor and are eager to show the North Branford community what they have learned about their research and themselves.

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#### **Rep.** Candelora, GOP Score Clean Elections Victory



Hartford- Republican lawmakers, with Representative Vincent Candelora, recently praised the passage of a proposal that would close loopholes in campaign finance laws and clean up Connecticut's public financing system.

Candelora (R-86) the Deputy Republican Leader, stood in support of the proposal on the House floor as an amendment to a municipal campaign

bill. The measure, Candelora reasoned, would restore the integrity of our publicly-funded election system.

The state House of Representatives approved the legislation in a vote of 134-12. It now goes to the State Senate.

"The money this state spends on elections is absurd," Rep. Candelora said. "Our proposal drastically improves campaign finance laws that are currently in place. This is a good bill and I hope that leadership in the Senate will see to its passage".

The GOP's proposal would reform Connecticut's public financing system by cutting the size of candidates' taxpayers -funded and by limiting wealthy donors' ability to funnel money into campaigns.

"I hope the Democratic controlled Senate will approve this bill. It's time that we restore the integrity of Connecticut campaigns, but more importantly, restore the trust of voters" Candelora said.

# **Public Stargazing** at Young's Pond Park in Branford

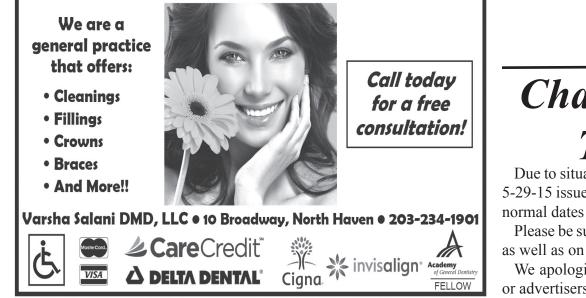
The Astronomical Society of New Haven will host a public observing event on Saturday June 20th starting at sunset at Young's Pond Park, 60 Blackstone Ave. in Branford. Admission and parking are free. All members of the family are welcome to look through the telescopes to have a closer look at the stars and the planets. This month, the telescopes will be pointed at Jupiter with its 4 moons, Saturn with its rings and moons and the Hercules star cluster along with the summer Milky Way Nebulas and Star clusters. Members will also point out the constellations and satellite passes. Bring mosquito repellent. Directions and cancellation due to weather (including clouds) will be posted to our website, www.asnh.org or call 866-808-ASNH.

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# Let's Be "Frank"

Well brother, things got worse since we last spoke. After being treated for two to three months for many different ailments (with no improvement), I wound up in the emergency room. Following a six day stint in the hospital, I was diagnosed with pneumonia and an infection throughout my body which was caused by a cyst.

After two surgical procedures I am finally home with visiting nurses and my unofficial nurse (my wife), constantly checking me. It's going to be a slow process (they tell me) but I think I am finally on the mend.

During my hospital stay and home recuperation, I learned a great many things. First of all, you can't pay good nurses enough money. Bad nurses on the other hand should find a new profession.

I learned that doctors are for the most part arrogant. Although they do seem to care about the disease, they don't seem to care about the patient. Five doctors in twenty minutes with five different diagnosis. When I asked one of them if they ever talked to each other he thought that was funny. The nervous patient who makes a joke of everything, failed to see the humor.

I learned that I can become tired of the Golden Girls, Quincy, Diagnosis Murder and a host of other shows. I remember visiting with mom and Aunt Tess years ago when they were ailing, and watching these same shows. Here were my kids doing the same thing.

I learned that I really love coaching at the High School. I was thinking of packing it in next year but the kids kept me going. When we often hear of the bad things teens are doing, our team got me through the tough times. Although I missed being at the games, the visit from the captains, the text messages from many of the players, visits and calls from the coaches and the Superintendent of Schools are the things that make a high school athletic family very special. They will never know how much that pulled me through the tough days.

Speaking of family, something like this is a great indicator of who your friends and family really are. Family and friends who you are always there for, seemed to have lost their phones in your time of need. Not even a phone call or card to see how you are. You also learn about your real friends who are their no matter what. To those who showed a genuine concern I am forever grateful. For those who didn't, that's their problem.

I know you were always my biggest critics so I will apologize for this issue. I had to get a paper out but I did most of it unable to sit in a chair for longer that and hour at a time, and filled with morphine and assorted pain killers. I'm sure many of my readers will get a bigger charge than usual out of this edition.

Finally, I learned that like most people, I don't like being sick. I thought it would be nice to have people doing everything for me but I realized I didn't like it. Life is too short and in the past few months I missed many things that I will never be able to get back. Many people are much sicker than I was and I will make it my mission to pray for them every day.

But if you use all your experiences for the positive, I am now much wiser and smarter. To think, I never thought I could be any wiser than I already am.

Well, it feels good to be on the mend. Take care of things on your side and I'll see you soon.



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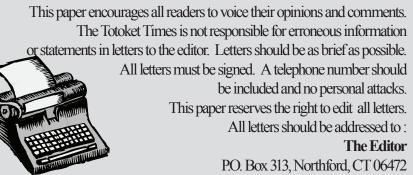
# The Totoket Times

Due to situations beyond our control, the Totoket Times did not print the 5-29-15 issue and is publishing with this 6-5-15 issue. This will change the normal dates of the publications and deadlines.

Please be sure to check the new pub dates and deadlines on the front page as well as on our website at www.totokettimes.com.

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#### Letters to the editor...



#### EDITORIAL

# WIT & WISDOM

To continue the truth of what's being kept from us in what promises to be the most inhumane efforts to keep us from knowing or even being allowed to have a choice to decide to make our own decision as to what we can eat will dwarf, even the tobacco people continuing to kill thousands for years after knowing what they were doing.

Some of the same pseudo-scientists who testified for the tobacco industry are now on the payroll of the genetically modified food industry. To illustrate to what extent certain people go to prevent we knowing what they are doing to keep the truth from us is best illustrated by why the Ecologist, the mouthpiece of the greening movement in UK, that had the whole scientific world awaiting their next issue that was to publish an expose' of Monsanto in 1998. The distributors and the whole scientific world were wondering what was delaying it's distribution since it had never failed to appear on the appointed date. Finally after heated words with it's printer as to why it wasn't delivered the printer admitted Monsanto had threatened to sue them if they published it and admitting to destroying the entire 14,000 issues already printed saying they couldn't afford a law suit. Of course Monsanto denied any involvement even to not knowing they were being addressed in the coming issue. There is too much to continue this part of what the corporations are doing to our very lives in their greed, but you should all read "Seeds of Deception" by Jeffrey M. Smith to learn the truth.

To avoid GM food is next to impossible, but not entirely so. All proceeded foods must be suspect. If labeled we will at least have a fighting chance. With Autism's now in epidemic form, but being ignored by our health authorities" possibly, because to do so will reveal their incompetence by allowing our whole food industry to rule itself and accept their research without testing. -Autism has increased in direct proportion to the increase in GM food. Vaccines are involved as well as you who watch Channel 18 the same one on which Frank so capably conducts his program learned on "Vaccinate or Not Vaccinate".

The saturation of practically every food with corn causing Diabetes deserves its scrutiny but GM Foods deserves greater research on its part. I told this before but it derserves re-telling. When I was in the Montowese Recovery Unit in 2000 there wasn't a single other person in the physio therapy unit with an amputation. In 2006 3/4 of the patients there were there with amputations of everything from amputated toes to legs. A frightening experience. Matching this with the epidemic of Autism we face a daunting task to seek their causes and what more to suspect than those changes in our diet.

Oh yes, do you know the forceful distribution of GM food which is banned in 60 nations already, who aren't suffering the affliction of the U.S., is one of the parts addressed in The Trans Pacific Program now being debated in our Congress and being promoted as necessary to force those nations to accept our superior scientific advances.

#### **Alton Eliason**

# **State Senator Ted Kennedy Jr.**

**The True Cost of Green Fields** 



Each passing week, evidence continues to mount demonstrating the enormous costs of using pesticides. Pesticides have been linked to serious health problems and environmental consequences. Currently pesticides are not used on K-8 school grounds and at daycare centers. I have introduced Senate Bill 366, which will apply that same ban to municipal playgrounds. Connecticut communities like Branford and Cheshire have proven that pesticides are not necessary to maintain beautiful, green fields. I believe that children should be playing on organically maintained playgrounds that have not been treated with pesticides. Direct contact with surfaces where pesticides have been put down is not the only way we are exposed. Pesticides contaminate our groundwater, making their way into rivers, streams, and Long Island Sound. There are about 344,000 private wells in Connecticut, providing water to approximately 24% of the state's population. These people stand at increased risk of consuming water that has been contaminated by the same pesticides we apply to our lawns and playgrounds. The National Cancer Institute and multiple peer-reviewed, evidence-based studies have linked pesticides with cancer, birth defects, reproductive problems, and neurotoxicity or abnormal brain development. Pesticide exposure has also been linked to hyperactivity, developmental delays, behavioral

#### **PLANNING FOR THE FUTURE By Attorney Marc P. Guertin**

In recent years my firm has conducted hundreds of educational workshops that focus on estate planning and elder law issues. We discuss everything from very basic planning through wills to complicated issues like how to avoid the financial devastation that comes along with a nursing home stay. Whatever the topic being discussed is, the most often asked question is "What is the difference between a Will and a Trust?"

The major difference between a Will and Trust is that they contemplate different things. A Last Will and Testament usually contemplates one thing: death. It has no power until you die. Until the "Testator"- the person who executes a Will, dies the Will is just a piece of paper with words on it. It has no legal power. The Will gets its power through the Testator's death. Once the Testator is deceased and the Will is proved to be valid, then and only then, does it have any legal power.

Trusts on the other hand contemplate much more. Different trusts contemplate different things. Revocable Living Trusts, for example, get their legal power as soon as the document is signed. Living trusts contemplate much more than do Wills. There are certainly provisions to handle the distribution of your assets at your death, but it also contemplates what happens if you become incapacitated. It is more focused on your life verses focusing on your death, while still efficiently handling your post mortem affairs.

Trusts are also your best shot at avoiding the time consuming and very public process of probate. Whereas, a Last Will and Testament, is a "ticket to probate." Most of the time Wills are all about going to probate court and trusts are all about avoiding any major contact with the court. Why do people want to avoid probate? Most of the time it is because it is an expensive, time consuming and public process.

Some trusts are narrowly pointed at specific problems in life. Irrevocable Asset Protection Trusts, for instance, are utilized to shelter assets that represent a lifetimes worth of work from the financial devastation that comes along with a stay in a nursing home.

If you're not sure what type of plan fits you, call us and schedule a complementary estate planning consultation. We will help you put together a plan that fits you and your family.

If you would like to learn more about how trusts work to protect your assets, Guertin and Guertin, LLC will be hosting a workshop on Revocable Living Trusts on Saturday May 30th at 10am. Please call my office (203)-234-7400 to reserve your seat. Seating is limited so please call ahead.

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disorders and motor dysfunction. Children and pregnant women are at the greatest risk of health injury following exposure to pesticides.

The World Health Organization (WHO) recently announced that glyphosate, the world's most widely used herbicide, is probably carcinogenic to humans. Glyphosate is a primary ingredient in Monsanto's Roundup. This weed-killer has caused cancer in laboratory animals and shows potential to cause non-Hodgkin's lymphoma and lung cancer in humans, according to recent studies. Following the lead of the WHO, the U.S. Environmental

Protection Agency recently announced its own intention to restrict the use of glyphosate.

Also this month, several new studies have been released linking pesticides to "colony collapse disorder," the phenomenon that has caused a worldwide drop in bee populations. An editorial recently printed in the New Haven Register called on governments and the public to adopt new technologies that will help reverse this dangerous trend. Bee pollination is necessary for the production of nearly one third of crops grown in the United States. Without pollination, this country stands to see a serious food shortage and billions of dollars in financial losses. Many bees are unable to avoid consuming food contaminated with pesticides, particularly neonicotinoids, and some actually seem attracted to it. According to researchers at Newcastle University and Trinity College in Dublin, bumblebees seem more likely to consume pesticides, and may even be addicted to them.

Evidence clearly points to pesticides causing numerous health and environmental problems around the globe. We need to revise the way we think about pesticides and begin to reduce our use of these toxic chemicals. Many Connecticut communities have ended their use of pesticides entirely, and I believe that, as a state, we must take steps in that direction as well.

#### **Thanks to Girl Scout Troop 30066** Dear Editor;

I wanted to express my sincere appreciation to Jerome Harrison's 2<sup>nd</sup> grade Girl Scout Troop 30066. The girls spent the evening weeding, raking, planting, watering and mulching the front courtyard at Jerome Harrison Elementary School which was in dire need of a makeover. The girls did a wonderful job and didn't mind getting their hands dirty! Thanks for your help girls; it could not have been done without you! I wish you all the best toward earning your "Celebrating Community" badge- you surely deserve it!

Respectfully, Stacey Appell Chairperson, JHS PTO Beautification Committee *Photo Credit: Portia Amendola* 





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This Week's Specials!



#### **Remembering our Heroes** The North Branford High School Band got another chance to wear

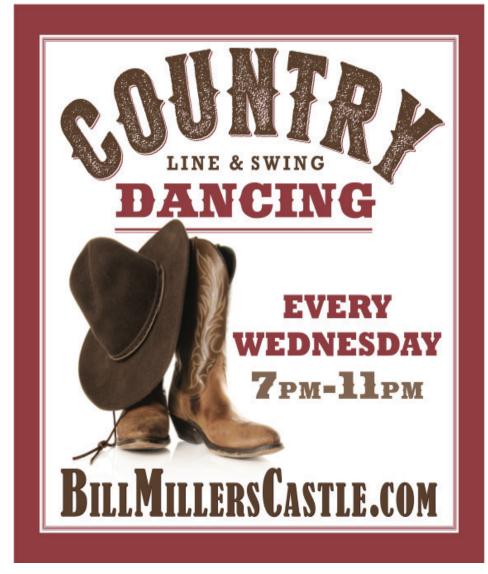
The North Branford High School Band got another chance to wear their new uniforms as they helped the community remember our Veterans in the recent Memorila Day Parade.



#### Cub Scouts "Wing It" North Branford Cub Scout Pack 455 went to "Wing It", one of the

North Branford Cub Scout Pack 455 went to "Wing It", one of the educational programs with Ranger Russ at Meigs Point at Hammonassett State Park.Among other things, the scouts and siblings did some bird watching.

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#### Jerome Harrison Recognized By Rosa DiLauro



Congresswoman Rosa DeLauro recently celebrated 349 first graders from 25 schools across Connecticut's Third District, which included students from Jerome Harrison Elementary School in North Branford. De-Lauro, the students' parents, and school members recognized their achievements in participating in the "Rosa's Readers" program.

DeLauro, who has championed this program since 2000, spoke about the program saying: "There is no more important responsibil-

ity than ensuring the next generation of Americans has the tools and opportunities they need to realize their dreams. My hope is that all of 'Rosa's Readers' will develop a lifelong love of reading and learning that will help them succeed."

The 'Rosa's Readers' program encourages interest in reading outside of the classroom, and challenges students to read at least 20 books. This year's participants read a total of 9,066 books and DeLauro presented each child with a "Certificate of Achievement" and a commemorative bookmark. Jerome Harrison Elementary received an additional recognition and was awarded the "Big Readers" award for reading the most books (just over 1,000 books) out of all of the participating schools. Jerome Harrison teacher, Erica Bozzuto, who has been instrumental in the school's success with the program, received special recognition from Rosa DeLauro. Principal, Carter Welch, stated: "This program is a great opportunity to build excitement around reading, and also a great way for students and staff to be recognized for hard work. Further, our recognition as the "Big Readers" school is a tribute our teachers, students, and families and is so special as we are a K-2 school, where building a solid reading foundation drives our instruction and programming and is so critical to our students' future success."

(Photo and story submitted by Principal Carter Welch)



**TVES Students Recognized For Honors Choir** 



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The preschool students at Wee Care of North Branford, had a great time visiting the VoAg Fair at Lyman Hall High School in Wallingford. They learned about a wide variety of animals and got to see some really big farm equipment in action.

#### **NBIS Students Win First Place At Science Olympics**

On May 16th, Team Orbitals, comprised of NBIS students Jadyn Joiner, Becky Sabetta, Kate Klemme, and Allison Wang, won first place in the Science Olympics for Girls at Lauralton Hall. The Orbitals competed against teams of middle school girls from around Fairfield and New Haven Counties. The teams competed in challenges focusing on different areas of science, and these tasks required teamwork, planning, and lateral thinking. The Science Olympics for Girls supports STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math) and is held twice a year. This NBIS team has been very successful at these events, placing first in the September competition and second in the event last May. In the attached photo: Science Olympics winners from left to right: Allison Wang, Becky Sabetta, Jadyn Joiner, and Kate Klemme



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The CT Music Educator's Association (CMEA) sponsored its 6th Annual Elementary Honors Choir as part of the CMEA In-Service Conference at the CT Convention Center in Hartford this month. Each participating school can enter up to four students. This is great opportunity for exemplary choral music students in grades 4-6 to join together! The Totoket Valley Elementary students, pictured left to right, Ben Reynolds, Jared Little, Skylar Treichel, and Sheyenne Rivera rehearsed for an hour three times per week for two months to learn and memorize six songs in two different languages under their music teacher, Linda Franklin-Biggs. Students in grades 4-6 from all over CT joined together in a choir of nearly 200 students, conducted by Dr. Doneski from Gordon College in MA to perform in concert.

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#### **TVES K-9 Visit** Student Reporters: Drew Girardi, Collin Krupp, Autumn Clifford, Elias Defaranos, and Cecelia D'Amico

On May 18, 2015, TVES' team 4A had some special visitors. Three officers, Officer D'Amico, Officer Haynes, Officer Bloom, and his 3 year old German Shepard K-9, named Ike, came to present a police officer and dog demonstration. These three officers are all from the West Haven police department. Ike, the star of the presentation, is a dual-purposed K-9 police dog; he is an officer by day and a family pet by night. Ike is originally from a breeder in Slovakia, which is located in Western Europe. To prepare for his demanding job, Ike trained for 14 weeks at the police academy. There he received 70 percent of his necessary training. The rest of his training is done on a daily basis with Officer Bloom. Ike is an intelligent and talented German Shepard. On Bloom's command, Ike can jump out of the police car's window and capture a criminal. After the criminal is captured, he or she will be taken to the hospital to get cleaned up, and then go directly to jail. Ike can also find evidence. His large nose and his excellent ability to smell makes this part of his job look easy. He can find criminals by tracking their scent. Ike does all of this hard work each day for praise from Officer Bloom, and an opportunity to play with his favorite, toy ball. Officer Bloom and Ike share a special bond. Officer Bloom is very proud of Ike and often says, "Good dog." When Ike needs a break he will tell Officer Bloom by leaning against him. Officer Bloom will stop the police car, let Ike out of

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the police car and onto a grassy surface. Officer Bloom will tell Ike, "Go be a dog." So, if you see a police car from West Haven that says K-9 dog, look for Ike and Officer Bloom.

Students will be able to use information and impressions learned from this experience to enhance their Language Arts writing activities. A comparison of Ike's character traits and abilities will be compared and contrasted to Winn Dixie, a dog character in a book titled Because of Winn-Dixie, by author Kate DiCamillo.

This special visit was planned by Cecelia D'Amico, with a little help from her dad, Officer D'Amico.



# **Students Awarded Writing Awards** Congratulations to seniors Dayna Hagewood, Marissa Bale and junior

Lauren Oblondi-Olivo who were recognized and awarded during the Anual Awards Ceremony for the Shoreline English Department Writing Contest.



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#### SPORTS

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Nicole Radziunas received an Excellence in Sculpture award at Eastern Connecticut State University.

Michael Cattaruzza graduated from Nichols College in Dudley, Ma.

Brandon Kottage earned an MS in Accounting and Kellie Walker a BS in Nursing, Cum Laude at the University of New Hampshire.

Danielle Hottin was named to the Dean's List at Lasell College in Newton, MA.

Margaret Sullivan was named to the Dean's List at the University of Vermont.

Matthew Melillo received a BS in Communication, Robert Picone received a BA in Visual Arts and Zachary Valentino received a BS in Communications at Eastern Connecticut State University.

Meaghan Vumback received a BA in Communications from Marist College.

Natalie Pino received an undergraduates degree from Providence College.

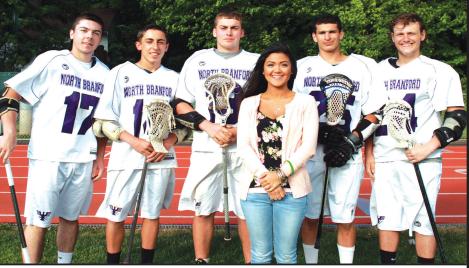


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Teens Entering Grades 6 to 9 Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday \$125 per week Includes transportation, all admissions, and qualified staff CHOOSE One Week or all Four: July 14, 15, 16 - July 21, 22, 23 July 28, 29 30 - August 4, 5, 6 Trips to include Hammonasset Beach, Rocky Neck State Park, Six Flags, Farmington River Tubing, Movies, etc.

# **UPCOMING PROGRAMS**

#### **BALLROOM DANCING**

Who: Session: Time: Where: Fee: Adult June 6 – July 11 (no class July 4) Saturdays, 10:30 – 11:30 a.m. STW Community Center \$50

#### **TRIPS**

St. Mary's By the Sea & Merritt Canteen Trip

Saturday, June 13th. Cost: \$25 resident/ \$30 non-resident

Bring a lawn chair and take in the scenery. Then head to The Merritt Canteen in Bridegport that was featured on The Food Network!

#### Old Sturbridge Village

Saturday, June 27th. Cost: \$35 resident/ \$40 non-resident

Visit the shops and more! Pack a lunch or enjoy one of their restaurants on-site. Maps will be provided.

#### Finding Neverland on Broadway

Wednesday, August 12<sup>th.</sup> Cost: \$80 resident/ \$85 non-resident

RT motor coach transportation, leisure time in NYC, and Rear Mezz ticket to 2:00 p.m. show. Enjoy Producer Harvey Weinstein's musical exploring the power of imagination to open up new worlds starring Matthew

#### RECREATION

# **CT TRAILS DAY**

Saturday, June 6th (Rain date: Sunday, June 7th)

9:30 -11:30 a.m.

Totoket Valley Park - 290 Forest Rd (Rt. 22)

*Explore the largest Town-owned open space in North Branford.* Trail leaders will lead groups through the 300+ acres of rolling fields and woodland that surround and protect the Farm River. This preserve is truly a hidden town gem! It will be an easy 2 mile family friendly and educational walk for all ages. Lindsay Suter will give a brief talk, touching on some history of this section of the river, the riverine wildlife, attempts to improve the health of the river and things we can do to help care for it.

**FEATURING** <u>LETTERBOXING</u> TOO! Find two hidden Letterboxes, collect stamps and make your mark - clues will be listed on

letterboxing.com

**PRE-REGISTRATION IS APPRECIATED.** Questions: Geoffrey Smith 203-488-3352

North Branford Parks and Recreation Department & North Branford Youth Football & Cheer COW CHIP RAFFLE

at the Potato and Corn Festival

#### Sunday, August $9 \sim 1 \text{ p.m.}$

\$10 per plot – Tickets available at the STW Community Center or from any NBYFC member

	Prizes	
1 <sup>st</sup>		\$2500
$2^{nd}$		\$1000
3 <sup>rd</sup>		\$750
$4^{th}$		\$500
$5^{\text{th}}$		\$250

Remember to *"LIKE"* North Branford Potato and Corn Festival on Facebook and share the postings with your friends! *We Look Forward to Seeing you all August 6 - 9!* 

# Visit Your Libraries

Did you know your libraries offer So much more than books? We just wanted to take a moment and let you know (or remind you!) of some of our many services. We offer museum passes to a large variety of places around CT. Passes may be reserved up to two weeks in advance. Let us help cut the cost of your family outings this summer as well as offer some ideas for day-trips you may not even have thought of! A complete list of passes and their discounts is available on our website.

We host an Ask-A-Lawyer service which alternates once a month between our two libraries. This is a first come, first served visit with a lawyer for 15 minutes to ask anything you need to~for FREE. No strings attached! This is the last Wednesday of the month from 6-7:30 and this schedule is on our website as well. (Smith will be hosting in May, Atwater in June...etc)

Our Friends of the North Branford Libraries book and bake sale is now an ALL Weekend event~ Friday through Sunday of the weekend of June 12-14. Come and stock up!! Atwater Memorial Library (1720 Foxon Rd., North Branford)

We offer FREE computer/tech help each Wednesday from 6-7:30 (Alternating library schedule. Atwater will be May 20, June 3 & 17, Smith will be May 27, June 10 & 24) First come, first served with Dan Gaewski.

With your library card, be sure to take advantage of "Overdrive" (free downloadable books and audio books) and also "Zinio" (free downloadable magazines). You can locate these on our website.

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#### Morrison, Kelsey Grammer, & Laura Michelle Kelly Les Miserables on Broadway

Wednesday, August 12<sup>th</sup> .Cost: \$110 resident/ \$115 non-resident RT motor coach transportation, leisure time in NYC, and Front Mezz ticket to 2:00 p.m. show.

Come see this epic classic with such magnificent songs as "I Dreamed a Dream", 'One Day More", "On My Own", and many more!!

Free wifi, free public computers, copy and fax services are available. Home delivery of library materials is another service we provide.



#### CHURCH

# **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

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

Northford Congregational Church. United Church of Christ. Church is located on Old Post Rd., ( corner of Rte 17 and Rte 22), PO Box 191 Northford. Phone 203-484-0795, Fax 203-484-9916.. email; ncchurch@snet.net. Reverend Kathryn King. Pastor. Jane K. Leschuk Minister of Music. Sunday worship service and Sunday School, 10:00AM. Join us for coffee hour following worship. Holy Communion on the first Sunday of each month. Office hours, Monday an Wednesday 10am - 1pm. Like us on Facebook. Our website is www.northfordcongregationalchurch.com

St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, Middletown Ave. (Rte 22 & 17) Northford. 203-484-0895. or http://standrewsnorthford.orgWe are a member of the Middlesex Area Cluster Ministry. The Reverend Jim Bradley, Interim Missioner in charge of MACM, 203-525-6846. The Cluster office is 860-345-0058. Sunday morning Eucharist is 10am. We have a rotating clergy & choir during the academic year. Join us for coffee and fellowship following service. All are welcome.

St. Augustine Roman Catholic Church. The church is located at 30 Caputo Rd., North Branford. The Parochial Administrator is Reverend Robert Turner and Deacons are John Hart & Robert Macaluso. Daily Mass and Homily are celebrated Mondays & Wednesdays at 9am. On weekends, Mass is celebrated on Saturday at 4pm & 11am on Sunday mornings. The Sacrament of Reconciliation is celebrated every Saturday afternoon from 3:00 - 3:30PM In addition, you can make an appointment for reconciliation by calling the parish office at 203-484-0403. If you are new to the area and are looking for a parish family to join, please visit us. You can contact the church office at 203-484-0403 or fax 203-484-0132 weekdays, 9am to 1pm or visit us online at www.staugustinenobfdct.com

St. Monica Roman Catholic Church. The Church is located at 1331 Middletown Ave. Northford. The Parochial Administrator is Reverend Robert Turner and the Deacons are William B. Bergers, Louis P. Fusco and Joseph Marenna. Weekend Masses are celebrated on Saturdays at 5:30pm and Sunday at 9am. Weekday Masses are Tuesdays, Fridays and Saturdays at 9am. The Sacarment of Reconciliation is celebrated Saturday morning from 8:30 - 9:00AM. In addition, you can make an appointment for Reconciliation by calling our parish office. You can contact the parish office by calling 203-484-9226 or fax 203-484-1189 Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays 10am - 2pm. You can contact the Education Center at 203-484-2434 Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays, 9am to 2pm.

Zion Episcopal Church. 326 Notch Hill Rd., North Branford. 203-488-7395. The Reverend Lucy LaRocca, Vicar; Sunday Holy Eucharist 8 & 10:00am. Coffee hour follows both services. Child care available. Email; www.zionepiscopalchurch.org.

### **North Branford Congregational Church**

Bingo Night – June 19, 2015 @7pm in Fellowship Hall – Bingo is Free. Have fun and win special gifts donated by the members of NBCC.

Father's Day Worship Service – Sunday – June 21, 2015 at 10am. All men attending the service will be presented with delicious, home baked breads to honor them as that special "Dad" in someone's life.

Annual Church Picnic – June 28, 2015 after 10am Worship Service. Join us at Worship and then enjoy a picnic lunch at the Palmieri's home in North Branford.

# **Strawberry Festival** It's berry time again and the Church of Christ Congregational, Stony Creek

is having their annual Strawberry Festival on Saturday, June 6 from 11:00 am-3:00 pm. Save that date and come and join in the fun on the front lawn.

Enjoy fresh berries over fresh out- of- the -oven biscuits and real whipped cream. A lunch of hamburgers and hot dogs along with coffee and ice tea will also be served. Come stroll along the Eunice Medlyn Cookie Walk for an assortment of delicious homemade cookies of your choice. The Church of Christ Congregational is located at 192 Thimble Islands Rd., Stony Creek, across from the Town Beach. Free admission and parking. Rain or shine. All proceeds will benefit Church of Christ. For more information call 203-488-7827.

#### **DEATH NOTICE**



Carol Sue Lupoli Papa, 67, of North Haven passed away peacefully on Monday May 11, 2015 at Yale-New Haven Hospital. She was the wife of the late James A. Papa. Carol Sue was born in New Haven on February 21, 1948; daughter of the late Onofrio M. and Mary C. Lostritto Lupoli. Carol Sue obtained her Bachelor's degree from Albertus Magnus College. She received her Masters and 6<sup>th</sup> year from Southern Connecticut State University. Carol Sue was employed by the North Branford Board of Education from 1969 until the time of her passing as a teacher in the North Branford Intermediate School. Carol Sue was a member

of the American, Connecticut and North Branford Federation of Teachers. Carol Sue was also member of the Society of the Little Flower. Carol Sue enjoyed community service activities such as making food for the Midnight Run program. Carol Sue is best known amongst family and friends for her love of cooking, reading, but most of all spending time with her children and grandchildren whom she loved unconditionally. In addition to her beloved children Matthew J. Papa (Nancy E. Valentino) and Charlotte L. Papa (Michael A. Buckley) Carol Sue is survived by her adoring grandchildren Ava Lily Valentino and James Onofrio Papa; her best friend Pamela K. Asmus; her sister- in-law Linda (Edmund Jr.) Falcigno; and her beloved nephews and nieces.

At the behest of the Papa family, those who are so inclined may make contributions to the North Branford Scholarship Association, P.O. Box 241, North Branford, CT 06471. www.northhavenfuneral.co

# **Totoket Historical Society Tilcon Tour & More**

The TOTOKET HISTORICAL SOCIETY is sponsoring a bus tour of the Tilcon Quarry at the corner of Route 80 and 22 in North Branford on Wednesday, June 25. The cost of the tour is \$15 for THS members and \$20 for non-members. Checks should be made payable to the Totoket Historical Society, Inc. and mailed to Box 491, Northford, CT 06472. For further information and reservations, call Florence at 203-484-5072 after 6 pm; or Cappy at 203-484-2133 during the day. Reservations are confirmed only upon receipt of payment.

Beginning May 5, the Society will be accepting small collectibles and antiques to sell at their Holiday Bazaar including costume jewelry, old linens, antique Christmas decorations and finer items such as old paintings or prints. All donations should be in good condition. You may drop off items at Reynolds-Beers House any Tuesday between 5-8 p.m. or any Wednesday afternoon between 2-4p.m after May 5. The House is located on the campus of the Atwater Memorial Library at 1720 Foxon Road in North Branford. If you are homebound and wish to donate, please call the THS at 203 488-0423 or send an email to: totokethistoricalsociety@gmail.com

The Atwater Memorial Library & the Totoket Historical Society family concert and picnic featuring The Navels will be held on Thursday, July 16 on the Atwater/ THS green. Support this Totoket Historical Society fundraiser and buy your dinner of hot dogs, chips and ice cream for \$5.00 or bring your own picnic dinner. It's an evening for the whole family!

Blessing of the Fleet from 12:00 noon to 1:00 p.m. at The Branford Town Dock on Saturday, June 6, 2015 (Rain Date is Sunday, June 7, 2015, at 12:00 noon) A brief ceremony before the blessing of the boats will begin at 11:45 a.m. This annual event has increased in popularity each year and is hosted by the New Haven Power Squadron, a unit of United States Power Squadrons. Mark Cisto, the Squadron Chaplain, along with Branford clergy, will be blessing the boats as they proceed past the town dock on the Branford River and on toward Branford Harbor. Boat owners of all types, be it power, sail, kayak, fishing, inflatable, or row boat, are invited to participate. United States Power Squadrons is a national boating organization for both sail and power water craft. The New Haven Power Squadron is the oldest continuously operating squadron in the country and celebrated its 100th anniversary last year. For more information about the Blessing of the Fleet or the New Haven Power Squadron, please call Mark Cisto at (203) 484-9181.

#### Library to Host Annual Book & Bake Sale

The Friends of the North Branford Libraries will be hosting their12th Annual Book & Bake Sale. The event will take place on Friday, June 12th, 6:00 - 8:00, Saturday, June 13th - 8:00 - 3:00 and Sunday, June 14th, 1:00 - 4:00 at the Atwater Memorial Library at 1720 Foxon Road in North Branford.

Thousands of gently used books for sale including: history and mystery, cooking and gardening, fiction and non-fiction, childrens' books and vintage.

Donations of used books for the sale accepted on Saturdays thru June 6th from 9:00 to 3:00 at both the Atwater Memorial and Edward Smith libraries.

Volunteers are needed to sort and to assist on the sale days. Please call (203) 481-2730 for further information.

#### North Branford Land Conservation Trust Inc. Annual Meeting The North Branford Land Conservation Trust, Inc is holding its annual meeting on Wednesday, June 3, 6:00 p.m. at the Stanley T. Williams Community Center in Northford. At 6:30 pm join us as our guest speaker, Dr. Scott Williams from the Connecticut Agricultural Experiment Station presents, Ticked off! A surprising Connection between Invasive Plants, Ticks, Deer and Lyme Disease. Refreshments to follow.

For more information, call 203-484-4566, follow our Facebook page or check out Website nblandtrust.org.

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#### TAG SALE

Zion Episcopal Church Annual Summer Tag Sale. Saturday, June 6 8:30AM - 2PM. Notch Hill Rd. Rte. 22

# **Dudley Farm June Schedule** The Dudley Farm Museum exhibit for June is "A Woman's Work is Never Done:

19th Century Household Chores."

The Museum is open Thursday-Saturday 10AM to 1PM, and Sunday 1 to 4PM. Programs for "Sunday Afternoon at the Farm" include a demonstration of the art of hand hewing on June 21st (Father's Day) and participation in Early Guilford Days: Family Festival June 27th and 28th. Other programs will be publicized via website (www.dudleyfarm.com) and Facebook (www.facebook.com/dudleyfarmmuseum).

The Museum is located at 2351 Durham Road in North Guilford. For more information call 203-457-0770.

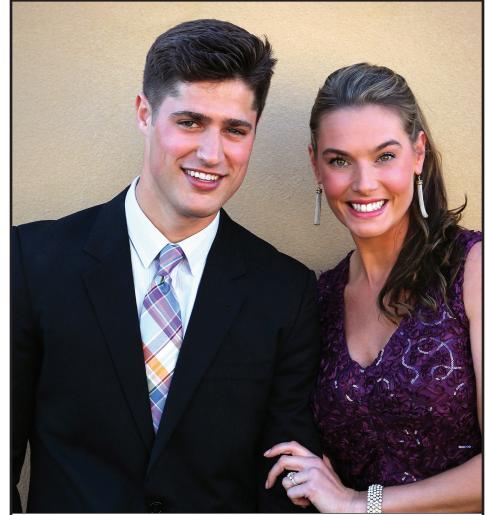
### **Totoket Historical Society Garden Tour**

The Totoket Historical Society, Inc. is sponsoring a Garden Tour in North Branford /Northford on Saturday June 13 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The tour will be held rain or shine. The cost is \$25 per person prepaid and \$30 on the day of the tour. Save the date on your calendar to see these gardens which never before have been opened to the public. To order your tickets, please call 203-484-2086.

# **CLASSIFIED AD RATES**

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# West to Wed Remmey

Rebecca Leigh West, a Real Estate professional in Manhattan, is to be married to Gregory Alan Remmey, a Neurophysiologist with Safe Passage Neuromonitoring.

Gregory and Rebecca met in New York City, where they currently reside with their dog Benny. Ms. West is the daughter of the late Mr. Johnathan West and Denise and Michael McMahon of Manchester, VT. Mr. Remmey is the son of Denise Remmey and the late William Remmey of North Branford.

A 2017 June wedding is planned to take place in New York City.

#### "Lovey Bunny" visits the Smith Library



tine Lombardi for sharing her new book with us! We had so much fun hearing her read "Lovey Bunny" and learning how she came up with the ideas for both the story and the illustrations. Kristine's picture book debut features a bunny whose love of

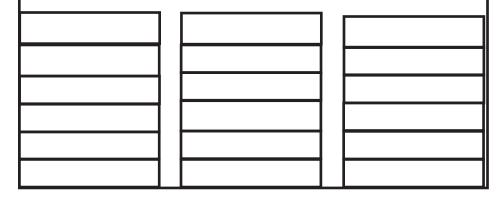
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fashion and fun lands her in a sticky situation. Luckily, the young bunny's creativity and family love come to the rescue. This is a perfect story to share with children ages 3-7 and we can hardly wait to see what future adventures Lovey Bunny takes!

This was a great opportunity for our young patrons to meet a local author

Send ad along with your check to:

Totoket Times P.O. Box 313 Northford, CT 06472 For more information call 203-410-4254



and illustrator. We are looking forward to another visit with Lovey Bunny and Kristine this summer! Find us on Facebook - North Branford Public Libraries: Edward Smith Library, for more information and pictures. Photograph by Jessica Sudusky

# Natureworks

Thursday, June 11th, 5:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Join us in the Natureworks gardens and visit with some local presenters: Dr. Leigh White of Natural Family Health in Hamden; Sperry Farms from East Haven will talk about all-natural skin care, and Savvy Tea Gourmet of Madison will discuss all things tea. This event is free and open to all, however please call to pre-register. Refreshments will be served.

June is the prime time to prune all of your spring blooming shrubs such as lilacs, rhododendrons, weigelas and forsythias. Join Natureworks owner, Nancy DuBrule-Clemente and learn how to: time your pruning so you don't cut off next year's flowers, renewal prune for overgrown plants, as well as shape plants to increase the amount of flowers.

Saturday, June 13 9:30-10:30 am and Thursday, June 18th, 5-6 pm. Natureworks is a garden and landscape design center located at 518 Forest Road in Northford. For additional information go to the Natureworks website at www. naturework.com or call 203-484-2748.

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