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Sons & Daughters of Italy Recognize Talia Annunziato and Robert Dolzani

Sons & Daughters of Italy Lodge #2805 recently awarded scholarships to two students who will be entering their first year of college. Pictured above are Talia Annunziato and Robert Dolzani. Talia will be attending the UCONN Nursing program and Bobby will be going to Curry College.

Pictured above: Scholarship Committee members Len Ricciardelli, Sally Gill, Susan Velleca, Talia, Bobby, SueAnn Mentone, Sharon Ricciardelli and Mark DeFranco.



Those are Some Great Pickles

On July 8th and 9th the Northford Pickleball Tournament attracted over 200 registrants including nationally rated competitors. The event was held as a fundraiser to support additional amenities to Northford's excellent new facility. PHOTO: Pickleball Tournament Director, Toby Neubig presenting the \$10,000 tournament proceeds check as a donation to Town Manager Michael Downes and Town Council Member Rose Angeloni to purchase the additional court amenities. (Photo and info courtesy of Michael Downes)

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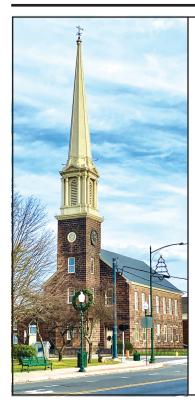
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More from the Lens of Nick Carlino.

> Old **Stone** Church in East Haven.

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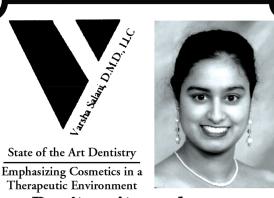
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State Representative Vincent Candelora



A recent report from CNBC triggered good vibrations among some in the state's policymaking ecosystem, with the television network telling the world that Connecticut moved up eight places in its Top States for Business ranking.

By the network's analysis, Connecticut sits at 31 in 2023. That's right—we're now firmly out of the red zone on the color-coded map

detailing the best locales for businesses, on the edge of transitioning from orange to warm and fuzzy yellow.

It will take some work, however, to surpass our neighbor to the north, Massachusetts, which rests at an enviable perch of 15.

Peel back the label of "CT jumps 8 spots" headlines and you'll find a mixed bag of scores in categories that persistently trouble us here in the Land of Steady Habits. This won't surprise anyone—sitting at 43, Connecticut remains in the bottom 10 when it comes to the cost of doing business. Our economy checks in at 42, and the state's cost of living, although improved in the CNBC survey, is a frustratingly high 34.

Scores of particular concern? Workforce at 21, and 13 in education—both figures represent drops in venerable Nutmeg State hallmarks.

On a positive note, Connecticut made gains in the "life, health, and inclusion" category—a sort of quality-of-life index, where we rank 10 in 2023 compared to last year's 17. Our "tech and innovation" score improved by 12 places, leaving us nestled between Illinois and Michigan at 13 on the results table.

As I've mentioned in this space before, the plethora these "best of/worst of" reports issued by a scattershot of organizations, sometimes from parts unknown, can create a cloudy picture of where any state truly stands, let alone ours.

However, our consistent poor placement in categories related to regulatory environment and cost of doing business provide residents—and ideally legislators—with evidence that justifies discussion about changing the legislature's approach in those policy subjects.

To his credit, Governor Lamont struck a realistic tone when asked about the survey last week, signaling that "our work is not done."

Still, his tempered optimism downplayed how hard those yards will be. After all, we're in a state where leaders of our legislature's Labor Committee take sport in offering insidious policy proposals affecting employers big and small.

We need not just more affordability-focused measures for residents, but also real tax relief for businesses that is, quite simply, long overdue. Without those, that leap from orange to yellow—just one numerical place away—will be tough to make.



Rep. Vincent Candelora **House Republican** Leader 86th District North Branford, Durham, East Haven, Guilford

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Local Troops Earn Highest Award

Troops 633 and 1633 earned the highest award at Scout Resident Camp! They were awarded Super Troop at Camp Sequassen for week 3!! This was a great effort on the part of every Scout involved!

If you have a child interested in joining Scouting, boys and girls ages 5 - 17, please contact Deirdre Salemme at deirdre.salemme@yahoo.com

LET'S BE "FRANK"

Well brother, it's been a busy couple of weeks so I'll be brief. Took the kids to the Statue of Liberty and Ellis Island last weekend. Nico wanted to know why Ellis has his own island and Johnnie was teaching the guides about the ferry boats and statues.

This last weekend we took a quick three day trip to Maine. It was very nice and relaxing. The weather report was not good but we went anyway. It was beautiful until the ride home. That was more than four hours with hands tightly gripping the steering wheel and flashers on, as we navigated the monsoon.

I realized while on thistrip, I'm getting old because at the beach I no longer look at the hot females baring everything but their souls. I am now interested in watching the weirdos and trying to figure them out.

Finally, give Mary a special hug. As you are reading this letter it will already be six years that she joined all you guys and left me with no family history resource. Tell her I miss her and will never forgive her but I'll visit her with some flowers anyway. take care, I'll see you soon as well.

LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF NORTH BRANFORD OFFICE OF THE TAX COLLECTOR

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 1st 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 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.

Gerri Winnick CCMC, Tax Collector Dated at North Branford – June 16, 2023

Letters to the editor...

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

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

The Editor

P.O. Box 313, Northford, CT 06472

Totoket Times July 21, 2023

Estate Planning for Everyone:

What Happens When You Die Without A Will **By Attorney Marc**

When a person passes away without leaving a valid will or trust, their assets and property are distributed according to the laws of intestate succession. These laws vary from state to state, and in Connecticut, they determine how a deceased person's estate will be distributed among their heirs.

In Connecticut, intestate succession is governed by Chapter 802 of the Connecticut General Statutes. The law seeks to distribute the decedent's estate in a fair and equitable manner, giving priority to close family members. The distribution is based on the presumption that most people would want their property to pass to their spouse and children, or if none, to their other close relatives, however in many cases this goes against what the decedent would have wanted.

The first consideration under Connecticut's intestate succession laws is the surviving spouse. If the decedent leaves behind a spouse and no children or parents, the entire estate passes to the surviving spouse. However, if the decedent has a surviving spouse and children, the estate is divided between them. The spouse typically receives a certain portion, known as the statutory share, while the remaining assets are divided equally among the children.

In cases where there is no surviving spouse, the decedent's children or their descendants inherit the estate. The children share the estate equally, with the grandchildren stepping in to take their parent's share if they are deceased. If there are no surviving children or grandchildren, the next in line to inherit are the decedent's parents. If only one parent survives, they receive the entire estate. If both parents survive, the estate is divided equally between them.

When there are no surviving spouse, children, or parents, the law looks to siblings and their descendants. If the decedent has living siblings, they share the estate equally. In the absence of siblings, nieces and nephews step in to inherit. Connecticut's intestate succession laws continue to search for the closest living relatives, considering aunts, uncles, and cousins if no immediate family members are found.

If no surviving relatives can be identified, and the decedent has no spouse, children, parents, siblings, nieces, nephews, aunts, uncles, or cousins, the estate will ultimately escheat to the State of Connecticut. This means that the state becomes the rightful owner of the assets, using them for public purposes or as provided by law.

It's important to note that intestate succession laws only apply to assets and property that would have passed through a will. Assets held jointly with rights of survivorship, such as joint bank accounts or real estate, pass directly to the surviving joint owner. Additionally, assets with designated beneficiaries, such as life insurance policies or retirement accounts, are distributed to the named beneficiaries outside of the probate process.

Connecticut's intestate succession laws aim to distribute a decedent's estate in a fair and orderly manner, prioritizing the interests of surviving family members. The laws provide a clear framework for determining who inherits the assets when a person dies without a valid will or trust. The law does its' best, but in many situations it falls short. The best way to avoid having the State of Connecticut determine who gets your assets is to create a Last Will and Testament. A Last Will and Testament will ensure that your wishes are fulfilled.

If you would like to talk with me about making a Will or updating your existing Will- I offer a free consultation. Please call 203-500-0201 or email Marc@attorneymarc.com to schedule a complimentary consultation.

Marc Guertin is the principal at Marc Guertin, Attorney at Law, LLC. Located at 222 Rimmon Road, North Haven, Connecticut. Visit Attorneymarc.com Call: 203-500-0201 or email Marc@attorneymarc.com to schedule a complimentary consultation.





NORTH HAVEN SONS & DAUGHTERS OF ITALY 5th Annual Richard M. DeCrosta Memorial Golf Tournnament. Sunday, September 24, 2023 Hunter Golf Club, 688 Westfield Road, Meriden, CT. 06450 *203-634-3366*.

> \$150 per person Incudes Lunch & Dinner. Prizes will be awarded.

Women are urged to participate!

For more information or to sponsor, Call Tim at 203-843-7157. Portions of the proceeds go to the Epilepsy Foundation of Connecticut.

Sons & Daughters of Italy to Honor Three

The North Haven Sons & Daughters of Italy #2805 will be honoring Artie and Angel Natalino and Bill Mitchell with their Distinguished Service Award.

The honorees will be recognized at a dinner on Thursday, September 28 at 5:30 at Woodwinds in Branford. Tickets are only \$50.00 per person which includes appetizers and dinner.

For more information or for tickets, call Frank at 203-410-4254.



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Recycling News

Thanks to all that came out to the Electronic Recycling Event on Saturday July 8th. We had over 140 cars and trucks. Most people recycled electronics, batteries and used motor oil.

Some of the electronics were still in working condition. While we appreciate these items being recycled, if you have a working item please try to give it away to someone else who can use it. The Facebook page: North Branford and Northford Free Items works great for giveaways.

POCO is coming up the first weekend in August.

Please be on the lookout for the recycling bins for your drink containers.

These recycling bins will be clearly marked. There are plenty of trash containers for your leftover food and other waste. Please don't put your leftover food in the recycling bins. The charitable organization that will receive the proceeds from the drink containers needs to sort through the containers and rinse them out. Please don't make this task more unpleasant than it needs to be.

The next Bulk Pickup isn't until November.

It is a little soon to put your couches on the curb now. They will be there for the next 4 months.

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 28th.

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 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.

For more information about recycling in North Branford you can check out North Branford's Recycling Committee's website: townofnorthbranfordct.com/government/boards-commissions/hazardous-wasterecycling-committee.aspx or our Facebook page: North Branford CT Hazardous Waste & Recycling Committee

Thank You for Your Participation

Get Your Tickets for the NBHS Athletic Hall of Fame Dinner.

North Branford High School Athletic Hall of Fame will be inducting seven exceptional athletes on Sunday, August 6, 2023 at the Millpond Gatherings. The Hall of Fame started in 2011 and since then 67 individual athletes and coaches as well as 4 teams have been inducted.

We hope that you will join us in honoring the following incoming inductees who excelled in soccer, football, lacrosse, softball, ice hockey, tennis basketball and track. Jeff Breeman (1975) Roselle Simiola from the class of 1977 as well as Tommy Fair(1981) Jeff Crouse (1994), Sean Anderson (1999) and Kelsey Platner (2010)

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. Anyone who would like to make a reservation is asked to conact Chris Webster at cwebster@northbranfordschools.org

THEY MAKE US PROUD

Marcus Williams was named to the Dean's List at Holy Cross College in Worcester, MA.

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

North Branford Congregational Church, UCC, 1680 Foxon Road, North Branford, CT Join us for worship every Sunday at 10:00 AM. On the first Sunday of each month please attend and share communion with us.

Nursery Care is available.To contact our church: Office hours are Wednesday to Friday from 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM. Phone: 203.488.8456, email: nobdcong@sbcglobal.net, website: www.northbranfordcongregational.org Remember, all are welcome no matter who you are, no matter where you are on life's journey; you will always be welcome here.

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

Shoreline Community Church located at 9 Business Park Dr., Units 1-4, Branford, CT. Call us at 203.481.8919. Sunday Services at 8:30 and 10:00 AM (Children and Jr. High activities meet during our 10 AM service). For more information, check out our website www.sccbranford.org. SCC is a diverse community that is dedicated to Making the Invisible God Visible.

St. Ambrose Parish – Roman Catholic Parish with two church buildings, St. Augustine, located at 30 Caputo Rd. North Branford and St. Monica, located at 1321 Middletown Ave. Northford.

The pastor is Rev. Robert L. Turner. All are welcome and invited to join us for Mass! Summer Mass times include: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday at 9:00 AM at St. Augustine. Weekend Masses are celebrated on Saturday at 4:30 PM at St. Augustine (English Ordinary no incense used), Sunday at 9:00 AM at St. Monica (English Ordinary, no incense used) and on Sunday at 11:00 AM at St. Augustine (Latin Ordinary with use of incense). The sacrament of Reconciliation is offered a half hour before all Masses, excepting Sunday, and on Monday evenings from 5-6 PM during Adoration. The parish office is located at St. Augustine Church and is open Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday from 9-1. You can access the bulletin and staff emails at NBcatholics.org. If you are new to the area and looking for a wonderful parish or homeschool co-op to join, please visit us or give us a call!

St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, 1382 Middletown Avenue - The White Church On The Hill In The Heart Of Northford (at the intersection of Rtes. 17 & 22). Sunday worship at 10:00 a.m. Coffee and fellowship always follows. The Rev. Bryan Spinks is Priest-In-Charge. St. Andrew's is a member of the Middlesex Area Cluster Ministry Network (MACM Network), along with St. James (Higganum) and Emmanuel (Killingworth). Please join us - we'd love to get to know you! All are welcome! St. Andrew's is the proud home of the Food Pantry of North Branford - a vital community resource serving families in need in Northford and North Branford. St. Andrew's also partners with St. Pauly Textile in a broad outreach program to help people in need here in the U.S. and around the world. Donations of usable clothing, shoes, boots, belts, purses, sheets, blankets, curtains and stuffed animals may be made at the donation shed in the church parking lot, available 24x7. Visit our website at https://www.saintandrewsnorthford.org Like us on Facebook - St. Andrew's Episcopal Church of Northford, CT. For more information contact us at 203-484-0895; Nan Monde, Sr. Warden, 203-710-7005; Rev. Spinks, 860-304-5266; or MACM office, 860-345-0058.

United Methodist Church, Branford 811 East Main St, Branford (Route 1, across from Bill Miller's Castle). www.umcbranford.org or (203) 488-0549. Sunday service 9:30am - both in-person and live on our website. "The Church on the Rock," led by Pastor Kent Jackson. We invite you to discover the power of faith in Jesus Christ bringing God's love to the world. Join us to worship, experience God's word, and stay connected. Zion Episcopal Church 326 Notch Hill Road, North Branford. 203-488-7395. Rev. Lucy LaRocca, Vicar. Sunday Worship at 9:15, coffee and fellowship follow. Masks are required in worship while North Branford is in the 'red' zone for COVID positivity. Worship is also accessible through Facebook Live. ALL are invited. Zion is an open and affirming congregation for those seeking a safe place to worship and grow in Christ. www.zionepiscopal.org

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DEATH NOTICE



Silvio DeSisto, 75, of Northford, passed away peacefully on Sunday, July 2nd, 2023, at the Connecticut Hospice, Branford with his family by his side. He was the beloved husband of Andrea Lucibella DeSisto. Silvio was born in Piedimonte, Alife, Italy on January 1, 1948, and was the son of the late Joseph and Maria Grillo DeSisto. A barber all of his life, Silvio started cutting hair at the age of nine and was very proud that he had his own barber business at age eleven in Italy. He came to this country in 1964 settling in West Haven. He owned

and operated Silvio's Barbershop in West Haven for many years and later co-owned Phil's Barbershop in New Haven. Silvio was also the owner of Paisano's Imports in West Haven for many years. He was a member of the Alife Society and Club Napoli in Northford. Silvio enjoyed his many trips to the casinos and playing cards with family and friends. He always looked forward to cruising to various countries with his wife. Father of Van DeSisto (Carey) and Gina DePino (Patrick). Poppy of six grandchildren, who he adored: Isabella, Nicolas and Brandon DeSisto, Gianna, Lucian and Payton DePino. Brother of Pasquale DeSisto (Giovanna), Maria Iasalvatore, Arturo DeSisto and predeceased by the late Teresa DePalma, Luigi, Fernando and Albert DeSisto. Also survived by many nieces and nephews.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the American Heart Association, P.O. Box 840692, Dallas, TX 75216.www.northhaven-funeral.com



Judith K. Augur, 84, formerly of Northford passed away peacefully on July 3, 2023. She was the beloved wife of Fred J. Augur for 55 years. Born in Meriden on March 24, 1939, daughter of the late Raymond and Hazel Ives Kroeber. Judy worked as an administrator for the Knights of Columbus Supreme Council in New Haven before moving to New York to join her husband and help their youngest son with his newly established farm in Solon. She enjoyed cooking, gardening, playing cards and caring for her many cats. Proud mother

of Frederick (Karin) Augur, Kenneth Augur, and David (Samantha) Augur. Grandmother of Alicia, Allyson, David, Abbey, Van, Justin and great grandson Daniel. Also survived by many nieces, nephews, great nieces and great nephews. Sister of Wesley Mancini and the late Phyllis Poulin.

. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be made to The Cortland County SPCA, 879 McLean Road, Cortland, NY 13045. www.northhaven-funeral.com

Tag Sale North Branford Congregationaal Church 1680 Foxon Road August 12, 2023 - 9AM to 1PM

Please stop by and maybe you will find that special item you were looking for.

Want to sell your items? Bring your table and rent a space for \$25 by calling the church office at 203.488.8456.

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A new Summer Soccer Camp will be offered this summer by Victory Soccer in conjunction with the North Branford Youth Soccer Club & North Branford Parks and Recreation. The Summer Soccer Camp will feature fun soccer activities, dynamic training, small-sided tournaments, contests, team spirit day and an awards ceremony on Friday.

Each player will receive a participation medal and a camp T-shirt. Please indicate T-shirt size when registering. Participants should bring a soccer ball, shin guards, cleats or soccer shoes, soccer attire, water bottle, snack and lunch.

> August 14 - August 18 **Northford Park - Front Soccer Field Ages 5-13**



Full-Day 9:00a-3:00p \$200 res/nr Half-Day 9:00a-12:00p \$150 res/nr

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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.



LAGROSSE GAMP

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

Instructor: Jillian Temple, Personal Trainer & Southern Connecticut Sate University Woman's Assistant Lacrosse Coach

SUMMER THUNDERBIRD BASKETBALL CLINIC

We are excited to partner with our local coaches to offer a one week basketball clinic for youth ages 5-14! All levels and abilities welcome!

The goal of the Thunderbird Basketball Camp is to emphasizes a love of basketball by encouraging hard work, sportsmanship, teamwork, and a positive attitude. Players at any age can learn how to appreciate the finer points of the game, while at the same time discover the enjoyment basketball provides.

INCLUDED: *Individualized instruction * Camp T-Shirt * Daily Competitions * 3 on 3, Hot Shot, Knockout games and more! * Friday Family Day and Award Ceremony- Family are encourages to come watch campers display their skills in drills and contests at the end of the week.

AM Session: Boys & Girls Ages 5-9

7/24/2023 - 7/28/2023 9:00am - 11:30am NB Intermediate School Gym \$150.00 Res, \$150.00 Non-Res

PM Session: Boys & Girls Ages 10-14

7/24/2023 - 7/28/2023 12:00pm - 2:30pm NB Intermediate School Gym Lunch and shopping costs on own. Register by 8/4/ \$150.00 Res, \$150.00 Non-Res

-SENIOR CENTER

CAMP ROCK DRESS REHEARSAL & PARTHENON DINER

Tuesday July 25, 2023 - 9:30am - 3:00pm Departs STW at 9:30am Returns 3:00pm Register by July 13th

Enjoy the excitement of the dress rehearsal of Camp Rock the musical presented by the Branford Parks & Rec Shoreline Theater Company with lunch on your own at Parthenon Diner following the show.

SENIOR DINER DASH

Georgie's Diner and **The Christmas Tree Shop**

July 26, 2023

Lunch Costs on own

Departs STW at 10:00am Returns 2:00pm Register by July 19th

Join us for lunch on your own at Georgie's Diner in West Haven. After lunch we will go to the Christmas Tree Shop!

CIRCUS MOVES

Tuesday August 1, 2023 12:30-1:30pm STW Gym/Cafe

Enjoy some amazing entertainment by Circus Moves! Circus skills include juggling, spinning plates, balance boards, low tightwire, partner acrobatics, physical theater, and much more!

SWEET TREAT TRIP

Scoopy's Ice Cream - Friday July 28, 2023

Departs STW at 1:00pm Returns 3:00pm

Who doesn't like a sweet treat after lunch? Once a month we will provide transportation to and from a local ice cream or pastry shop for a sweet treat. The cost is on your own.





CHRISTMAS IN JULY!

July 27, STW Senior Room 1:00pm-2:00pm

Come celebrate Christmas in July with decorating, games, and goodies!

CHAIR YOGA

TUESDAYS

Aug 1 - Sept 19 10:30 - 11:30AM - Yoga Room \$45 res / \$50 nr

Instructor: Bhogah Yoga

Chair yoga is a gentle form of yoga that is done while sitting and using a chair for support. Chair yoga helps build strength, improve coordination, and promotes relaxation, reduces stress.

MASHANTUCKET PEQUOT MUSEUM

Mashantucket Pequot Museum & Foxwoods Tanger Outlets

> Friday August 11, 2023 Bus Cost - \$5 res \$7nr

Departs STW at 10:00am Returns 3:00pm

Enjoy a self guided tour of the Peguot Museum (\$10 at the door) and then shopping and lunch on your own at Foxwoods Tanger outlets.

Totoket Times July 21, 2023

CLASSIFIED AD RATES Personal, For Sale, Help Wanted, Tag Sale, and all non-business classified 1 issue \$9.00 2 issues \$12.00 3 issues \$15.00 20 words or less, not including phone #. \$.05 per word, per run, after 20 words Lost and Found FREE Business Classified Ads & Real Estate 3 issues \$35.00, 6 issues \$60.00, 12 issues \$100.00 \$.10 per word, per run, after 20 words Payment MUST accompany all ads. The advertiser must notify this newspaper of any errors. Send ad along with your check to: Totoket Times P.O. Box 313 Northford, CT 06472 For more information call 203-410-4254

CONSTRUCTION SERVICES

Southern CT Restoration. Insurance restoration and general contracting services. New construction, remodeling, kitchens, baths, roofing, siding, windows, doors, decks and painting. Call 203-239-9600.

LANDSCAPING

Mone Landscaping LLC is now accepting new accounts for mowing, trimming, mulching etc. We are licensed and fully insured. More than 25 years in business. Call Mike at 203-640-5317. for a free estimate.

PLUMBING

John DiMaggio Plumbing - Residential/Commercial repairs/remodeling. Big or small. Water Heater Specials! Licensed & Insured. Call 203 - 627 - 6826. References available.

TREE SERVICES



Tree Service - A Better Cut, Tree Service - Local, full service tree company - we provide tree removal, chipping, and grinding. Please call 203-945-1808 for a free estimate.

CAREGIVER NEEDED

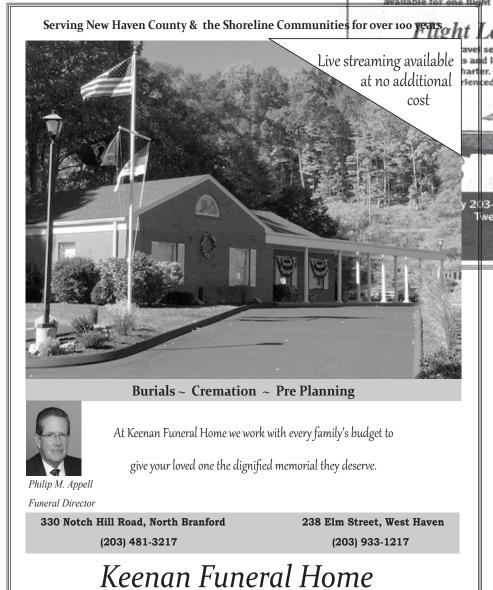
Caregiver needed for a gentleman in his 70's. Lives in Northford. Light house keeping, meal preps, companion. 3-5 days per week. All negotiated. Call 203-996-6474 or 203-996-6463.

Personal homecare needed weekends for elderly female. Nonsmoker, experienced, references. Branford. Morning 7-11. Evening 5:30-6:30 -\$25hr. Please call 203-481-4524.

HELP WANTED

Account Clerk I - The Town of North Branford is accepting applications for Account Clerk I. Position is responsible for the preparation of the payroll for Town employees and processes all accounts payable for all Town departments. Responsible for the prompt payment of employees/vendors and the maintenance of accurate and timely records of expenditures within the adopted budget. Prepares and maintains all supporting documents, reports and accounting files. Must possess considerable knowledge of computer/accounting programs PC-based, preferably MUNIS, including spreadsheet, database, and word processing formats as well as excellent attention to detail. Must have an Associate's degree from an accredited college or university in a finance/ business related field and two (2) years' experience OR any equivalent combination of experience and training which demonstrates the ability to perform the duties on the position. This position is 35 hours per week; starting wage is \$26.50-\$31.78 per hour. This is a union position. The Town offers a robust benefits package including paid leave, group medical insurance, group term life insurance, and retirement plans.

Please submit cover letter, application, and resume via the Town's website (www.northbranfordct.gov/jobs), via email to rburke@northbranfordct.gov, or by mail to 909 Foxon Road, North Branford, CT 06471 Attn: Rory Burke no later than Friday, July 28, 2023 by 4:00 p.m.





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