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*Journalist to Speak about
Italian Immigration and Foods*



Francis R. Angelino (Frank) lawyer, Juris. Doc. Graduate of Fordham University School of Law, will be the guest speaker at the North Haven Sons & Daughters of Italy meeting on Monday, August 10, 2026. The meeting will be held at the North Haven Congregational Church on Church Street in North Haven. The meeting will begin at 7:00 followed by the speaker. All are invited. To reserve a spot call Frank at 203-410-4254.

Mr. Angelino is a N. Y. C. Real Estate attorney specializing in Land Use development, zoning, and landmarks approvals in N. Y. C.

He was also a journalist for the Downtown Express and the Villager newspapers in Downtown Manhattan for 20 years writing a weekly food column with recipes.

Italian heritage: In the late 19th century my ancestors emigrated from the Naples, Calabria and Basilicata areas of Italy to the U.S.A. Maternal grandfather, Marizale Sisca, founded a weekly Italian newspaper devoted to the arts, music and literature, "La Follia di New York." For 20 years, each week the newspaper published a caricature drawn by the opera tenor Enrico Caruso.

Presentation to the Group: Will talk about how Italian immigration to American contributed and changed the foods Americans eat today from the beginning of the immigration, starting in small retail shops and restaurants, to today's near universal popularity of many of these Italian food products.

I'll also discuss how to simply prepare at home many Italian pasta sauces and other dishes that form the well-regarded and healthy Mediterranean diet.

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North Branford Residents Continue Charter Revision Petition Drive

North Branford, CT — Activated Citizens of North Branford are continuing their petition drive to request that the Town Council establish a Charter Revision Commission.

The petition seeks to collect 1,000 signatures from registered North Branford residents. To date, more than 500 signatures have been collected, and volunteers are working to reach the remaining 500 signatures needed.

A Charter Revision Commission provides residents with an opportunity to review the Town Charter, consider potential changes, and make recommendations for the future governance of North Branford. The petition does not change the Charter itself. It asks the Town Council to seat a commission so the review process can begin.

Organizers say they are encouraging residents from all backgrounds and viewpoints to participate.

“Whether you’re concerned about taxes, want a stronger voice in local government, have concerns about public safety or housing, or simply believe it’s time to review how our local government operates, we invite you to be part of the conversation and sign the petition,” said organizers of the petition drive.

Because the town is not involved in promoting citizen-led petitions, organizers are relying on volunteers, word of mouth, and community members to help spread the word.

Residents are encouraged to sign the petition and share the opportunity with friends, family, and neighbors.

For more information or to arrange a time to sign the petition, please contact:

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State Representative Vincent Candelora Asking Questions Is Not an Attack



Not long ago, Secretary of the State Stephanie Thomas held a news conference alongside Gov. Ned Lamont, Attorney General William Tong, and the state's public safety commissioner to assure residents that Connecticut's elections are secure and that they have nothing to worry about. Much of the event, naturally, was given over to celebrating a court ruling

that blocked the federal government's effort to review state voter rolls. The message was clear enough. Anyone with the nerve to raise a question about our rolls or the systems that build them was, apparently, way off base.

A couple of days later, our neighbor to the south gave Connecticut plenty of reasons to ask a few.

New Jersey Gov. Mikie Sherrill disclosed that roughly 6,600 non-citizens were registered to vote between June 2023 and June 2024 because of a software error at the Motor Vehicle Commission. According to published reports, the system registered these individuals even after they indicated they were not citizens, fewer than 400 of them went on to cast ballots, and the whole thing went undetected for a full year. New Jersey is now scrubbing the names from its rolls and replacing the vendor that built the system. It appears from those reports that the breakdown started inside the system itself, with no one the wiser for a year, and that is precisely the kind of failure worth looking for before it happens rather than after.

Connecticut's DMV also generates voter registration records automatically and transmits them to the Secretary of the State. So this week, my colleagues and I sent two letters. The first, to Secretary Thomas and DMV Commissioner Antonio Guerrero, asked how eligibility is verified, who built and maintains the software, how often it is tested, whether the Secretary's office independently reviews DMV records before a voter is added, and whether any errors have already turned up here. The second asked the Auditors of Public Accounts to conduct an independent audit. To his credit, Commissioner Guerrero responded immediately, walked through how Connecticut's system works, and answered some of the questions I raised. That is exactly the response an inquiry like this should get.

It is also worth remembering what voter rolls actually are. They are public information. Campaigns in both parties obtain them, slice them, and target voters with them every single cycle, including the very officials who fought so hard to keep that same data from Washington. People can disagree in good faith about the motives behind the federal request, but you can't call this data too sensitive to look at one day and hand it out to campaigns the next.

Nor is any of this new. There have been fair questions for years about how well Connecticut maintains its lists, from duplicate registrations to records for people who have died or moved away to entries that linger far longer than they should. Those questions have nothing to do with citizenship, and they were being asked long before New Jersey's headline. Bridgeport should keep all of us humble too. A judge threw out a mayoral primary and a general election over absentee ballot irregularities, and criminal charges followed. That happened here, not somewhere else.

None of this means Connecticut's elections are dangerously broken, and I don't believe they are. But no system is flawless. There are always small things here and there, a loophole, a process that hasn't kept up, a control that goes untested, and pretending otherwise doesn't make them go away. It means the officials who run our elections would do well to treat scrutiny as part of the job rather than a political attack. A sound system can withstand a few questions. Answering them is how public confidence gets earned in the first place.

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

Let's Be "Frank"

Well brother, this one is going to be short and sweet. We finally made the trip to Florida for the much awaited visit with our New grandson. Lucas is everything we had dreamed he would be. Cute as a button. Alert beyond his age and over course the cutest baby that was born in 2026.

I must admit my destain for Florida has not wavered. 95 degrees feels like 108 is not my answer yo paradise. Also many people do not speak English so it is often hard to communicate/ There were more English speaking people in Greece and Italy than there are in Florida

A great deal of things have changed in baby care since you and I raised our children. As I mellow with age I =have become more tolerant and learned to keep my mouth shut> I know you are finding that hard to believe.

Twelve days after Erica was born, she played the live baby Jesus at the midnight Mass at saint Anthony. Seven days after that we brought her to aunt Tess's annual NYE party where about sixty people squeeze into a small cape and celebrate the new year.

Now we were advised to wear a cape and mask to hold the baby. I Purrelled my hands so much I though the baby would slip out.

But it was all good. As I watched my on leap into fatherhood, I could only think of what mom and dad thought watching us raise our kids. Well That's it for now. Take care and I'll see you soon.



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The Editor

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THEY MAKE US PROUD

Andrew Sellitto graduated from Vermont State in Randolph Center VT.
Nicolas Beecher and Jillian Sweeney were named to the Dean’s List at Salve Regina University in Newport, RI
Robert Conerly participated in the Pan-Mass Challenge to support cancer research.
Ryan Michonski and Catherine Pollack graduated from Nichols College in Dudley, MA
Cassidy Colantonio, Felecia Hortillo, Madison Montanaro, and Meghan Montanaro were named to the Dean’s List at the College of Holy Cross in Worcester, MA

North Branford High School Class of 1976 50th Year Reunion Information

August 14,15,16, 2026 Events Friday August 14,2026 - Join us at Doody’s from 6:00pm to closing. You can purchase your own drinks and food. Saturday August 15, 2026. We will gather together in one area at the Rosabianca Vineyard located directly across from the Millpond at 1536 Middletown Avenue at 2pm for those interested . Saturday August 15, 202. Evening reception will be held at the Millpond Gatherings. We have reserved the Forge room which has limited seating from 5:00pm to 9:00pm. Tickets for this event will be \$75.00 per person and will include a light buffet. There will be a cash bar. Payments details to follow. Tickets are limited due to the size of the hall we have. Sunday August 16, 2026.
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The newly formed **St. Pier Giorgio Frassati Parish** officially brings together the parish communities of St. Ambrose, North Branford and St. Elizabeth of the Trinity, North Haven into one united Catholic community. Rooted in the spirit and example of St. Pier Giorgio Frassati, the parish begins this new chapter of faith, service and community. Parish leaders say the merger is an opportunity to strengthen ministries, foster deeper connections among parishioners and continue the mission of the Church with renewed energy and hope. The parish now includes the worship locations of St. Augustine Church, 30 Caputo Rd, North Branford; St. Monica Church, 1321 Middletown Ave. , Northford; St. Barnabas, 44 Washington Ave. North Haven and St. Therese Church, 555 Middletown Ave., North Haven.

All are warmly invited to join us for Mass and becoming part of our growing parish family. Weekend and daily Masses are offered throughout our parish community, providing many opportunities for worship, prayer, fellowship and service. Whether you are a long-time parishioner, returning to the Church or searching for a parish home, we welcome you to pray with us and experience the joy of our Catholic community!

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Please reach out to the parish office with any questions 203-484-0403 or 203-239-5378

St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, the White Church on the Hill in the Heart of Northford, has been an integral part of Northford since 1763! Worship services are held Sundays at 10:00 a.m. Refreshments and fellowship always follow. Please join us - we'd love to get to know you! All are always welcome!! The church is also open to all in the community for individual prayer, Tuesdays from noon to 2 p.m. St. Andrew's supports many community programs, and contributes regularly to the North Branford Scholarship Program; North Branford Social Services (NBSS) Thanksgiving Basket Share and Christmas gift and food basket share programs; NBSS Back-To-School Backpacks; clothing donations (donation shed located at the back of the church parking lot); and more. A number of fundraising events are held throughout the year to help us help our neighbors, such as an Annual Rhubarb Fest, summertime Ice Cream Socials, and the annual Harvest Supper. Please join us for the events, and help us help our neighbors! Additionally, the church's Parish Hall is available for rent for birthday parties, showers, receptions, etc. The Rev. Bryan Spinks is St. Andrew's priest; Nan Monde is Sr. Warden. For more information please contact Nan at 203-710-7005

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Zion Episcopal Church, 326 Notch Hill Road, North Branford. While we are in transition, we continue to hold services of Morning Prayer following Rite 2 in the Book of Common Prayer, and do have services of Holy Eucharist when we are fortunate to get a supply priest. At this time, we have a single service at 9:15 a.m. on Sunday morning. Refreshments and fellowship to follow service in the parish hall. Please visit our Facebook page or our website zionepiscopalchurch.org. Zion is an open and affirming congregation for those seeking a safe place to worship and grow in Christ. 203-488-7395

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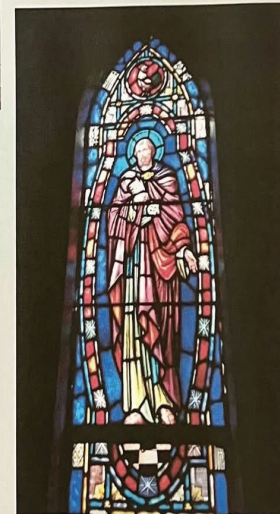
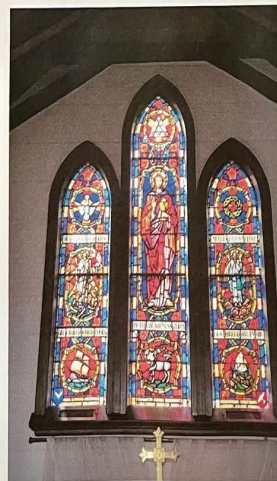
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Quilters Club
NORTH BRANFORD: Those who enjoy quilting are invited to meet at Atwater Library from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Friday, July 31 and Aug. 7 (and every Friday). Newcomers welcome; bring your own materials. To register, go to northbranford.librarycalendar.com or call 203-315-6020.

Drop-In Tech Help
NORTH BRANFORD: Personal tech help is available from 1 to 4 p.m. on Friday, July 31, at Atwater Library. First come, first serve. Limited to 30 minutes each. Bring a device that you need help with. No registration required.

Pop-In Storytime with Teachers
NORTH BRANFORD: Join us from 4 to 4:30 p.m. on Monday, Aug. 3, at Atwater Library, 1720 Foxon Road, for an all-ages storytime with a surprise guest teacher from Jerome Harrison School or Totoket Valley Elementary School. No registration required.

Monday Night Mah-Jongg
NORTH BRANFORD: Those interested in playing Mah-Jongg are invited to the Atwater Library, 1720 Foxon Road, from 6 to 8 p.m., Monday, Aug. 3. Participants should bring their Mah-Jongg sets. To register, go to northbranford.librarycalendar.com or call 203-315-6020.

Tots and Tunes
NORTH BRANFORD: Young children ages 18 months and up and their siblings can enjoy 30 minutes of songs, stories and movement at Atwater from 10:30 to 11 a.m. Tuesday, Aug. 4. Parent or guardian must attend. Registration not required.

Drop-In Tech Help
NORTH BRANFORD: Personal tech help is available from noon to 3 p.m. on Tuesday, Aug. 4 and 11, at Atwater Library, 1720 Foxon Road. First come, first serve. Limited to 30 minutes each. Bring a device that you need help with. No registration required.

Wacky Wildlife - Owls
NORTH BRANFORD: Calling all animal lovers! Learn about owls and make your own owl craft to take home. Come to the Atwater Library, 1720 Foxon Road, on Tuesday, Aug. 4, from 5:30 to 6 p.m. Recommended for ages 6-11 years. Registration required; visit northbranford.librarycalendar.com/ or call 203-315-6020.

Kind Kids with the CT Humane Society
NORTH BRANFORD: Explore the importance of being kind and compassionate towards people and pets, from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m., Wednesday, Aug. 5, at Atwater Library, 1720 Foxon Road. We'll use life-size plush pets for hands-on demonstration and interactive learning. Recommended for ages 8 and up. Registration required; visit northbranford.librarycalendar.com/ or call 203-315-6020.

Needle Arts
NORTH BRANFORD: Those who like to knit, crochet, embroider, quilt, etc. are invited to Atwater Library from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Wednesday, Aug. 5 and 12 (and every Wednesday). For more information, go to northbranford.librarycalendar.com or call 203-315-6020.

Drop-In Tech Help
NORTHFORD: Personal tech help is available from 10 to 1 p.m. on Thursday, Aug. 6 and 13, at Smith Library, 3 Old Post Road. First come, first serve. Limited to 30 minutes each. Bring a device that you need help with. No registration required.

Dance Mode
NORTH BRANFORD: Get ready to dance, sing, and play instruments on Thursday, Aug. 6, from 10:30 to 11 a.m., in this family-oriented program at Atwater Library, 1720 Foxon Road. Recommended for ages 18 months and up. Siblings are welcome. Registration not required.

Water Color Geodes
NORTH BRANFORD: From 5:30 to 6:30 p.m., Thursday, Aug. 6, at Atwater Library, 1720 Foxon Road, children can learn about what you can find when you crack open a rock. Participants will make their own geode art pieces to take home. Recommended ages 5 and up. Registration required; visit northbranford.librarycalendar.com/ or call 203-315-6020.

Pop-In Storytime with Teachers
NORTH BRANFORD: Join us from 10:30 to 11 a.m. on Friday, Aug. 7, at Atwater Library for an all-ages storytime with a surprise guest teacher from Jerome Harrison School or Totoket Valley Elementary School. No registration required.

Concert - T-Rex Isn't Scary at OUR Library!
NORTH BRANFORD: Join Grammy-nominated children's musician Judy Pancoast from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. on Monday, Aug. 10, at Atwater Library as she tells the musical story of a T. Rex visiting the children's room. This lively program features lots of interaction and movement, so wear your dancing shoes. Stream Judy's music with your children ahead of time so they can sing along. Registration recommended; visit northbranford.librarycalendar.com or call 203-315-6020.

Monday Night Mah-Jongg
NORTHFORD: Those interested in playing Mah-Jongg are invited to the Smith Library, 3 Old Post Road, from 6 to 8 p.m., Monday, Aug. 10. Participants should bring their Mah-Jongg sets. To register, go to northbranford.librarycalendar.com or call 203-484-0469.

Tots and Tunes
NORTHFORD: Young children ages 18 months and up and their siblings can enjoy 30 minutes of songs, stories and movement at Smith Library, 3 Old Post Road, from 10:30 to 11 a.m. Tuesday, Aug. 11. Parent or guardian must attend. Registration not required.

Bowties And Books
NORTH BRANFORD: Put on your most elegant bowties and fanciest tutus (or whatever you find comfortable), and join us on Thursday, Aug. 13, from 10:30 to 11 a.m., for songs, stories, and silliness at Atwater Library, 1720 Foxon Road. Recommended for ages 6 months to 4 years with a parent or caregiver. Registration not

Recycling News

The POCO is coming up. Please look for and use the recycling containers placed around the fairgrounds. The North Branford Recycling Committee works with a few local residents who collect and redeem the bottles and donate the proceeds to the North Branford Food Bank. Please help support the food bank by using the recycling containers for your empty drink and water bottles. =====

Please clean off your local storm drains. These past few storms have showed that flooding can happen if the water can not flow freely into the drain.

Please do not use the storm drains as a waste basket. Do not throw your dog's waste, your yard waste or your drain oil in the storm drain. This clogs the pipes in between the drains and is very difficult to remove. The water that goes into our storm drains empties into our local waterways. Not only are the waterways a great area of natural life, they filter the water that becomes our drinking water. =====

Hazwaste Central is open
Safe & Free Disposal of Residential Household Hazardous Waste
They take household batteries.

The Regional Water Authorities' HazWaste Central will be open on Saturdays through mid-October. They will be closed the weekend of Labor Day.

HazWaste Central helps area residents in member towns protect water quality by safely disposing of household wastes. Located at RWA at 90 Sargent Drive in New Haven, HazWaste Central is open from **9 a.m. until noon on Saturdays only**. Household hazardous waste comes from everyday products used in the home, garage, yard or garden.

A visit to HazWaste Central is quick and easy. Participants never have to leave their cars, and the waste is off-loaded by professionals. Some of the household wastes that can be dropped off include aerosol cleaners and sprays, antifreeze, oil-based paint and pool chemicals. We also list some of the accepted items on your blue trash information card.

Please visit <https://www.rwater.com/about-us/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. =====

When having your picnics, try to have a separate bin for recyclable bottles. Now that the deposits are 10 cents, someone will want to cash them in when the picnic is over. Or there are plenty of non-profits that would love to have them. =====

Plastic Wrap Reminder

Most bird seed, pet food and mulch bags are not made of the right plastic to be considered plastic film. And even if they are labeled as recyclable, they would need to be clean to go into the plastic film bin. Please put these items into the trash unless it has a recycle symbol on it and has been turned inside out and clean. Please remember that it is your neighbors that are sorting through this plastic film. =====

The North Branford's Solid/Hazardous Waste and Recycling Committee is looking for people with fresh ideas to join us. You are invited to attend one of our meetings to see if you may be interested. Our meeting schedule is on the Community Calendar on the Town Website. =====

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



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— SENIOR CENTER — IVORYTON PLAYHOUSE

Come From Away
At Ivoryton Playhouse

August 12, 2026 - \$60res/\$65nr

Lunch at Lenny & Joe's (on your own) then we're off to the theater to enjoy a production of Come From Away! This show celebrates the power of human connection, reminds us that kindness can bring people together in the most difficult of times.

Come From Away tells the true story of 7,000 airline passengers stranded in the remote town of Gander, Newfoundland in the aftermath of September 11, 2001. In a moment filled with fear and uncertainty, joy and resilience prevail as the tiny community of Gander pulls together and strangers become friends. Through music, humor and heart this show celebrates the power of human connection, reminds us that kindness can bring people together in the most difficult of times, and affirms that hope can arise in the unlikely of places.

Departs 11:30 am Returns: appx. 5:00 pm
Payment is due at time of registration



CHAIR YOGA

Tuesdays July 28 — Sept 8
10:30—11:30am \$45 res / \$50 nr

Instructor: Sharon Bailey
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.

JUKEBOX 45

AQUA TURF CLUB

JUKEBOX45 SHOW BAND:
DooWop Show

Tuesday September 8, 2026

\$62res / \$67nr

DEPARTS 10:15 AM RETURNS 4:00 PM

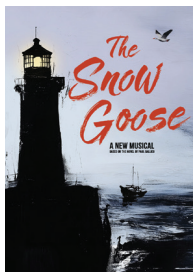
Roast Beef/ Chicken Francaise Please register by: 8/7

GOODSPEED OPERA HOUSE

The Snow Goose
October 8, 2026

Departs 11:00am Approx. Return 5:00pm

Enjoy lunch at the Gelston House and a show at the Goodspeed Opera House!



On the windswept coast of England an unlikely bond forms between Philip, a reclusive artist shunned by society, and Frith, a resilient young woman, when they rescue a wounded snow goose.

Please register by 9/11



AFTER SCHOOL R.E.C Crew

Recreation • Education • Creativity

REGISTRATION IS BY THE MONTH (Space is limited)
Students are walked over from TVES or take the bus from Jerome Harrison School.

Grades
K-5

JEROME HARRISON (JHS)

5 DAYS A WEEK - \$312/month

3:25pm-5:30pm

1:40pm-5:30pm - Early Dismissal

Enrollment closes 2 business days prior to the start of the new month. If your child(ren) are not enrolled by then, they will not be able to attend After School R.E.C. Crew.

TOTOKET VALLEY (TVES)

5 DAYS A WEEK - \$312/month

4 DAYS A WEEK - \$251/month

3 DAYS A WEEK - \$188/month

2 DAYS A WEEK - \$125/month

2:45pm-5:30pm

12:55pm-5:30pm - Early Dismissal

Our program provides a safe environment where kids can..

- Receive homework support
- Enhance social/emotional development
- Engage in recreational activities
- Most importantly HAVE FUN!

ADULT CIRCUIT WORKOUT

Begin your day or end your day with a great workout at our beautiful fitness center! Instructor, Jillian Temple, will create and guide you for the perfect workout to target all your muscle groups!

MORNING WORKOUT

Mondays, March August 11 - September 8 - 7:15 - 8:00am
Age 18+ DiLungo Fitness Room \$50 Res, \$50 NR

AMERICA 250

PATRIOTIC POWER WHEELS PARADE

AUGUST 22, 2026

STW BACK SOCCER FIELD
10:00AM - 12:00PM

KIDS AGES 10 AND UNDER ARE INVITED TO DECORATE THEIR POWER WHEELS, BIKES, OR RIDE-ON TOYS IN A FUN, PATRIOTIC THEME. SHOW OFF YOUR STARS, STRIPES, AND CREATIVITY AS WE CELEBRATE AMERICA'S 250TH BIRTHDAY IN THIS FAMILY-FRIENDLY PARADE. THIS EVENT IS ALL ABOUT FUN, PRIDE, AND HONORING THE SPIRIT OF OUR COUNTRY—NO POLITICS. JUST CELEBRATION!

PLEASE
REGISTER BY
8/17



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SAVE THE DATES!

AUTUMN NIGHTS AT AUGUR

FALL CONCERT SERIES

Sunset Drive
September 17th

TBD
September 24th

Jen and Tonic
October 1st

Juicebox
October 8th

6:00-8:00pm at Augur Park - 290 Forest Rd

FOOD TRUCKS



9/24, 10/8



9/17, 9/24,
10/1, 10/8



9/17, 10/8



9/24, 10/1
10/8

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Join Us For A

KITTEN SHOWER

Saturday, August 15, 2026
11:00am - 1:30pm
Branford Community House
46 Church St, Branford, CT

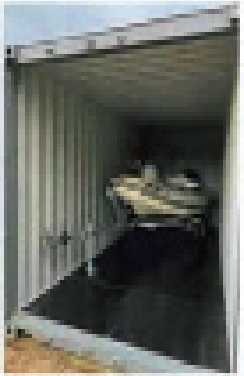
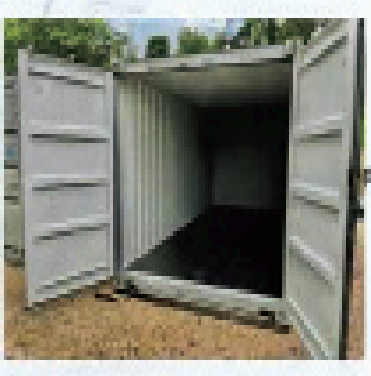
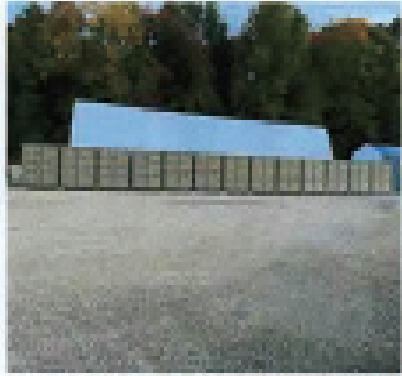
Brunch Refreshments, Games, Silent & Live Auction
Auction items must be paid for at event

ADMISSION:
ONE OR MORE GIFTS FOR THE KITTENS!
MONETARY DONATIONS AND GIFT CARDS APPRECIATED

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by August 8

SEATING IS LIMITED SO PLEASE RESERVE EARLY
Please Note: This is NOT an adoption event





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