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Local Star Enters the Hall of Fame



Cheryl Torino Canada has been inducted into the Connecticut Field Hockey Coaches Association Hall of Fame.

The dinner will take place on Sunday September 12th at the Aqua Turf Club. For tickets and more information contact bnuhn@northbranfordschools.org.

Cheryl Torino Canada never imagined where the sport of field hockey would lead her when she first picked up the sport in 7th grade. She started by following the path of her older sister, Christine, but before she knew it, field hockey took her well beyond the fields of North Branford

High School! Playing for the legendary coach, Babby Nuhn, helped Cheryl develop into a star in the Shoreline Conference. She was a four-year letter winner in field hockey and was named the team's "Rookie of the Year" as a freshman. In her sophomore year, she was named the team's "Best Offensive Player" and she was recognized by the Hartford Courant as a "Notable Field Hockey Performer". She continued to be a huge impact player in her junior year, tallying 13 goals and 18 assists, and her talents were recognized across the state. She was the 2nd leading scorer in her conference and helped lead her team to the Shoreline Conference title as well as the Semi-Finals of the Class S tournament (2000). Cheryl was selected to the 1st team All-Conference and the 2nd team All-State and she was recognized as an "Athlete of the Week" by the New Haven Register. Her team also named her "Best Offensive Player" for the 2nd year in a row. In her senior year of high school, Cheryl helped to lead her team to a Shoreline Conference Title (2001) and she again was the 2nd leading scorer in the conference with 10 goals and 7 assists. She earned 1st team All-State and AllConference honors and was named to the New Haven Register All-Area team and the CT/Mass. All-Star game. Cheryl was a team captain and was voted "Most Valuable Player" at the end of the season. Cheryl earned a scholarship to play Division I field hockey at Quinnipiac University, where she continued to grow her skills. She was a four-year stand out for the team, known for her powerful hits and speed in transition, and she helped her team earn the 2003 Northeast Conference Championship title and competed in the NCAA Division I play-in game. She graduated from QU with a degree in sociology and a minor in history in 2006. After graduation, she helped Coach Nuhn on the sidelines back at NBHS for two years, and she enjoyed watching her alma mater capture the 2006 Class S State Championship, their first state title in 30 years! In 2007, Cheryl headed to the University of Rochester in New York to work as an assistant coach and pursue graduate work in education, but her time there was short-lived because one year later, her former coach, Becca Main, called her about an opening for an assistant coach at QU. Cheryl jumped at the chance to work for her former coach, and before she knew it, she was back in Connecticut coaching at the Division I level. Cheryl worked at QU for several years, serving as an Assistant for 6 years before being promoted to Associate Head Coach in 2014. In her tenure as part of the Quinnipiac coaching staff, Cheryl played a pivotal



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If you have any questions, please email <u>donna@christensenlandscape.</u> <u>com</u> or call (203) 996-0575.

role as the Recruiting Coordinator and she also designed practices for the team goalkeepers and forwards. She mentored almost 100 All Conference players, 24 Regional All-Americans, and several other successful MAAC (Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference) athletes. Her contributions on the sidelines helped the team achieve the title of Regular Season Champions in 2013 and 2015, a NCAA tournament appearance in 2013, and a MAAC Tournament Championship (2013). In addition to her work at Quinnipiac, Cheryl served as a USFHA Futures coach for over 10 years, working as a Head Coach and Site Director for the Connecticut U19, U16, and U14 site for several years. She also served as a selector for the US Women's Master's try-outs and the National and Regional Futures Tournament. In recognition of her many achievements, Cheryl was inducted into the North Branford High School Hall of Fame in 2015. Most recently, Cheryl started working as the Director and Head Field Hockey Coach for the James Vick Foundation, which is an organization that offers free sports programming, leagues, and resources for young men and women in the community for basketball, lacrosse, soccer, and now field hockey! Cheryl will be working to help advance young people as athletes, students, and members of society - a wonderful way to bring her talents to others! Cheryl resides in North Branford with her husband Zac and daughter Charlotte.

She is currently working as an administrative assistant in the North Branford Public School System.

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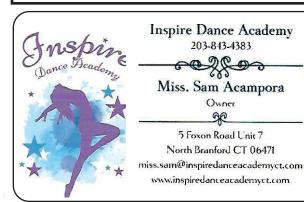


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State Representative Vincent Candelora

Lawmakers opposed juvenile justice reform tired of hearing about "anecdotes," reject specific proposals



A recent crime in our neck of the woods generated a lot of headlines, serving as another chapter in a story I wrote about in this space back in early July: juvenile crime.

State police on Aug. 23 arrested a 15-yearold from Middletown after reports of a Range Rover driving erratically on I-95 and, shortly thereafter, a Honda stolen from Madison rest

area. Police found the SUV and car traveling together on the highway, and the latter collided with two other vehicles.

If you saw my last column on the topic, you'll know that I've been among those who have called for reform to our juvenile justice system. The escalation in the severity of crimes committed by teenagers is startling, and many who serve in law enforcement say it's a symptom of state polices that allow youthful offenders to get arrested over and over with little consequence.

Something must be done.

The day of the Madison vehicle theft, the Hartford Courant reported an arrest of a teenager allegedly responsible for shooting at a defenseless Glastonbury homeowner back on July 2. Like many before it, that crime generated significant interest among journalists and citizens.

According to the Courant, the 18 year old, who was 17 at the time of the crime, was being charged as a juvenile for arraignment in juvenile court. Among the charges levied against the suspect where attempted murder, attempted first-degree assault, illegal possession of a weapon in a motor vehicle, and reckless endangerment.

Majority party Democrats who are uninterested in legislative change have criticized those who talk about these types of crimes, casting them off as "anecdotal" information.

Even worse, during an Aug. 6 news conference featuring those Democrats, this was branded a "manufactured crisis" by some even as others in attendance admitted there is, in fact, a problem.

That event featured nothing in the way of proposals.

Shortly thereafter, my colleagues and I issued a specific set of proposals, including expanding circumstances in which a matter is automatically transferred to the regular criminal docket to any case charging a juvenile 12 or older of a felony or Class A Misdemeanor that: results in loss of life or serious physical injury; is a violent sexual assault; or is an offense involving use of a firearm.

You can view our proposals at stopcarthefts.com

Perhaps unsurprisingly, our colleagues on the other side of the aisle responded coolly to our ideas—Republicans, they say, want to simply throw kids in jail.

It's an inaccurate if not unfair response, and that flippant attitude is dismissive of the justified concerns of residents throughout Connecticut.

Whether the legislature will tackle this issue in this fall is as unclear as the types of policy ideas majority Democrats are interested in pursuing. Do they support the substantial change advocated by many victims and residents, or will they simply nibble around the edges and claim success? Fingers crossed for the former.

Rep. Vincent Candelora

Letters to the editor...

This paper encourages all readers to voice their opinions and comments.

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All letters must be signed. A telephone number should be included and no personal attacks.

This paper reserves the right to edit all letters.

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Recycling News

Got new or slightly used unwanted items?

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North Branford & Northford free items https://www.facebook.com/groups/1647630532048934

Bradley Street Bicycle Co-op – bsbc.co – donate a bike (You can also buy a used bike or learn to repair your bike.)

1-800-GOT-JUNK? Full-service junk removal company

Do you know of a local charity that accepts gently used items? Let us know and we can put the word out for you.

The town has started a new contract with our Trash Hauler. The start time for the main state roads is now 5 AM for safety reasons. The start time for residential streets remains at 6 AM.

Reduce Contamination in the Recycling Totes

Just because an item has a recycling symbol on it, that doesn't mean that it can go into your recycling bin.

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(Some pharmacies take back pill bottles; just ask when you fill a prescription.)

All of the above should go into the trash bin and not the recycle bin.

Plastic bags do not belong in the recycle bin either. They also jam up the sorting machines. Do not put your recyclables in a plastic bag into the recycle bin. Bring your plastic bags to our town plastic film collection sites or bring back to a bag collection bin at your local store.

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RecycleCT lets you know if an item is allowed in the recycle

HazWaste Central is open for the 2021 season Located right behind the Regional Water Authority's headquarters, 90 Sargent Drive, New Haven

Hours are 9am to noon - Saturdays through October 30th, 2021

Note: Center will be closed for the Labor Day holiday weekend.

Not Accepted at HazWaste Central Asbestos, Commercial Waste, Electronics, Fire Extinguishers, Gas-Grill Size Propane Tanks, Medicine, Needles, Smoke Detectors, Pharmaceuticals

Call 203-401-2712 or email ask.hazwaste@rwater.com for more information

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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Matt in the Minors



September is coming up shortly and the finish line is within sights. What a year it's been. Some family and friends got the chance to come out and visit which was refreshing to say the least. It's been a long year of learning the ropes of minor league baseball. Some key learning points that stuck with me through the entirety of the summer:

- 1. Never get too comfortable- at any point your roommate will be promoted, your best friend on the team can be cut, you will be asked to do something you have no idea how to do. It's all hands on deck at all times.
- **2.** Stay level headed- hot streaks are wonderful and slumps are inevitable. Keep a level head and you keep your sanity.
 - 3. Enjoy each day like it's your last-because

it very well can be.

It's a blessing to be playing baseball for a living. Always remember that those athletes on TV are people too. They are no different than me and you outside of being excellent at a sport. Be kind, always.

Best, Matt Chamberlain

"We Need a new Presdient..."

Dear Editor:

How long will it take for the American people who voted for Biden to realize that he is not the most honest, sincere, trustworthy, transparent, and loyal person: he is a traitor.

He is allowing Russia to open their oil pipelines while shutting down ours. This caused many to lose their jobs and gasoline and heating oil prices to soar not to mention the drastic increase in grocery items and everything people need.

These actions hurt most of the population. Now he wants OPEC to produce more oil to meet our needs. We have our own oil.

.Withdrawal of our troops from Afghanistan was what we wanted, but leaving billions and billions of dollars worth of some our most sophisticated military equipment in the hands of our enemy was a big mistake. These assets will be used against us.

He is allowing the enemy to wear the uniforms of our soldiers and not taking any type of action.

He is not running the country: If he really cared for the USA he would resign before it is too late. He is not fit to stay in office. He was used by the Democratic Party for name recognition.

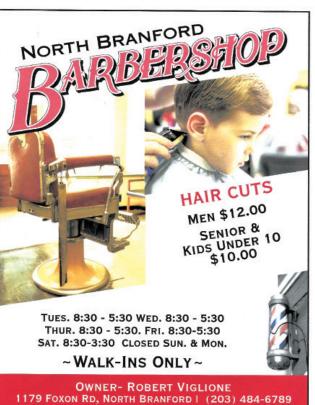
Another thing, better watch your taxes and your retirement accounts. If they can figure out how to tap into your retirement funds, they will.



After all, Obama said he wants to fundamentally change the United States of America.

The only change we need is a new President and Congress.

Sincerely, Alice W. Lehr





North Branford Fire Department

Smoke and Carbon Monoxide Detectors ATTENTION ALL RENTERS

If you rent or lease a room, apartment, condo or house, the Owner/Landlord is responsible for all smoke detectors and carbon monoxide detectors. They are to provide working detectors for you. Any problems, call the Fire Marshal's Office. 203-484-6016

Make smoke alarms work for your safety

Smoke alarms are the residential fire safety success story of the past quarter century. Smoke alarm technology has been around since the 1960s. But the single-station, battery-powered smoke alarm we know today became available to consumers in the 1970s, and since then, the home fire death rate has been reduced by half.

Important: Working smoke alarms are essential in every household. It is necessary to practice home fire drills to be certain everyone is familiar with the smoke alarm signal, and to determine if there are any obstacles to a quick and safe evacuation (including the inability for some to awaken to the smoke alarm signal).

Installation and maintenance tips

- Install smoke alarms on every level of your home, including the basement, making sure that there is an alarm outside every separate sleeping area. New homes are required to have a smoke alarm in every sleeping room and all smoke alarms must be interconnected.
- Don't install smoke alarms near windows, doors, or ducts where drafts might interfere with their operation.
- Never paint smoke alarms. Paint, stickers, or other decorations could keep the alarms from working.

A life-saving test: check your smoke alarms regularly

- Test your smoke alarms once a month, following the manufacturer's instructions.
- Replace the batteries in your smoke alarm once a year, or as soon as the alarm "chirps" warning that the battery is low. Hint: schedule battery replacements for the same day you change your clocks from daylight savings time to standard time in the fall.
- Replace detectors every 10 years, new technology makes the old ones obsolete. New detectors have less false alarms and alert to an actual fire quicker.
- Never "borrow" a battery from a smoke alarm. Smoke alarms can't warn you of fire if their batteries are missing or have been disconnected.
- Don't disable smoke alarms even temporarily. If your smoke alarm is sounding "nuisance alarms," try relocating it farther from kitchens or bathrooms, where cooking fumes and steam can cause the alarm to sound.
- Consider installing smoke alarms with "long-life" (10-year) batteries.
- Plan regular fire drills to ensure that everyone knows exactly
 what to do when the smoke alarm sounds. Hold a drill at night to
 make sure that sleeping family members awaken at the sound of
 the alarm. Some studies have shown that some children may not
 awaken to the sound of the smoke alarm. Know what your child
 will do before a fire occurs.
- If you are building a new home or remodeling your existing home, consider installing an automatic home fire sprinkler system. Sprinklers and smoke alarms together cut your risk of dying in a home fire 82 percent

NBFD has a limited supply of new battery operated Smoke detectors and Carbon Monoxide detectors.

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Annual Lake Gaillard Walk Returns!

The Northford-North Branford Women's Club GFWC, in conjunction with the Regional Water Authority, is sponsoring its 21st Annual Lake Gaillard Walk in North Branford on Saturday, October 2nd from 9 am to 1 pm, rain or shine.

Lake Gaillard is normally closed to the public and is not included in the Regional Water Authority's pass, so this is a once a year opportunity to enjoy a walk around this beautiful property.

The distance around the lake is 7 miles, walkers can choose to do the full loop or a partial section. Participants must start on the trail by 11 am to allow enough time, all walkers have to exit the property no later than 1pm.

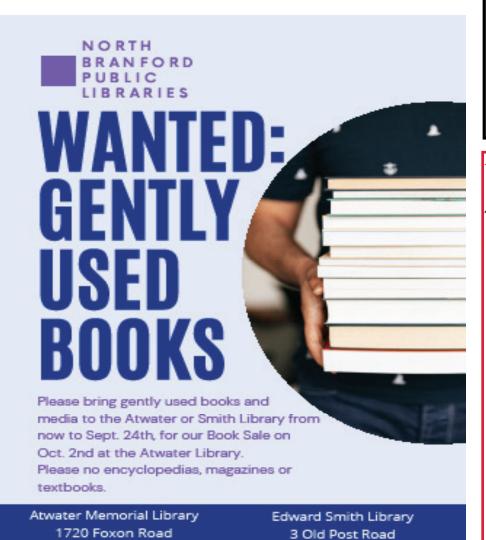
Buses will be available to transport participants to the Lake Gaillard property from Jerome Harrison School on Route 80 beginning at 8:30 am. Access to the Beech Street entrance will be by bus or on foot only. Parking on Beech Street and Pomps Lane will be prohibited where posted. Sturdy strollers and wagons are welcome. Bicycles, roller blades and pets cannot be allowed on the trail.

Registration fee is \$10.00. <u>Pre-registration is strongly encouraged!</u> Participants may also register on site the day of the walk. Payment can be sent through Venmo @NorthfordWomens-Club, please include your full name and a contact phone number, or by check.

Proceeds from this event will be used to fund the Northford-North Branford Women's Club GFWC annual North Branford Scholarship Association scholarship, the Watershed Fund and the club's many other charitable endeavors.

For additional information send an email to VictoriaLanza2017@gmail. com.

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North Branford Education Foundation to Honor Three at the Alan Davis Shining Star Dinner

The North Branford Education Foundation has rescheduled its long overdue Alan Davis Shining Star Awards Dinner. The dinner which was originally scheduled for March of 2020, is a fundraiser which traditionally honors those who have made particular contributions to the North Branford community. This years honorees will be David Palumbo, Marcey Onofrio and Tom Smith.

The event will take place on Thursday, October 7 at Seasons Restaurant with, cocktails and appetizers beginning at 6:00 and dinner at 6:45. Tickets are \$50 per person and can be obtained by calling Frank Mentone at 203-410-4254.

It's important to note that if you purchased tickets last year, please contact the person you dealt with to make sure you are logged in. If you are not sure call Frank and he will try to help you out.

THEY MAKE US PROUD

Sierra DePalma was named to th Dean's List at Clark University in Worcester, MA.

Marcus Williams registered at Holy Cross College in Worcester, MA

BLOOD DRIVE, SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 18TH STANLEY T. WILLIAMS COMMUNITY CENTER

The Northford-North Branford Women's Club, GFWC, is sponsoring a blood drive on Saturday, September 18th from 9:00am to 2:00pm, at the Stanley T. Williams Community Center, 1332 Middletown Avenue, Northford. There is currently an urgent need for blood donors of all blood types. Your donation will help ensure blood products are readily available for patients in need. Due to anticipated high demand, appointments are required. Please call 1-800-RED-CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or visit www.redcrossblood.org and use sponsor code Northford to schedule an appointment.

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Northford Congregational Church. United Church of Christ. Church is located on Old Post Rd., (corner of Rte 17 and Rte 22), PO Box 191 Northford. Phone 203-484-0795, Fax 203-484-9916.. email; northfordcc@gmail.com Office Hours: Tuesday 9am - 1pm; other days by appointment. Rev. Robin Blundon, Acting 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

St. Ambrose Parish is a Roman Catholic Parish in the Archdiocese of Hartford comprised of two church locations; St. Augustine, 30 Caputo Rd. North Branford and St. Monica, 1331 Middletown Ave. Northford. The Pastor is Rev. Robert L. Turner. Temporarily all Masses are being held at St. Augustine during the pandemic to accommodate as many parishioners at each Mass as capacity allows. Weekday Masses are celebrated at 9:00 A.M. on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday. Weekend Masses are celebrated on Saturday at 5:00 P.M. (English Ordinary, no incense) and on Sunday at 9:00 A.M. and 11:00 A.M. (Latin Ordinary with use of incense). The Sacrament of Reconciliation is offered 30 minutes prior to all daily Masses and by appointment by calling the parish office. The parish office is located at 30 Caputo Rd. in the parish center and is open M – F from 9 A.M. to 1 P.M. Mass is live streamed each Sunday morning on our St. Ambrose Facebook page. You can access the parish bulletin and staff emails on our website at NBcatholics.org. If you are new to the area and are looking for a parish family to join, please visit us!

St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, 1382 Middletown Avenue, Northford - The White Church On The Hill In The Heart of Northford (at the intersection of Rtes. 17 & 22). St. Andrew's is a member of the Middlesex Area Cluster Ministry Network (MACM), along with Emmanuel Episcopal Church in Killingworth and St. James Episcopal Church in Higganum. The Rev. Bryan Spinks is Priest-In-Charge at St. Andrew's. Regular worship services are held each Sunday - summer services begin at 9:00 a.m., and starting in Sept. go back to 10:00 a.m. starting time.

St. Andrew's is the proud home of the Food Pantry of North Branford, located in the lower level of the church's parish hall. And, the Community Dining Room utilizes the church kitchen and parish hall to prepare and deliver meals to the homebound in Northford and North Branford. These are 2 vital community resources serving families in need in our community.

St. Andrew's also partners with St. Pauly Textile in a broad outreach program to help people in need here in the U.S. and around the world. Donations of clothing, shoes, boots, belts, purses, sheets, blankets, curtains and stuffed animals may be made at the donation shed located in the back of the church parking lot. Like us on Facebook: St. Andrew's Episcopal Church of Northford CT.

For more information contact Nan Monde, Senior Warden, 203-710-7005; or MACM Network office, 860-345-0058; or Rev. Spinks, 860-304-5266.

United Methodist Church, Branford 811 East Main St, Branford (Route 1, across from Bill Miller's Castle). www.umcbranford.org or (203) 488-0549. Sunday service 9:30am - both in-person and live on our website. "The Church on the Rock," led by Pastor Kent Jackson. We invite you to discover the power of faith in Jesus Christ bringing God's love to the world. Join us to worship, experience God's word, and stay connected.

Zion Episcopal Church, 326 Notch Hill Road, North Branford. 203-488-7395 Rev. Lucy LaRocca, Vicar. Please visit our Facebook page or our website www.zionepiscopalchurch.org. Zion is a registered Integrity Episcopal Believe Outloud Congregation, a designation earmarking Zion as an open and affirming congregation for those seeking a safe place to worship and grow in Christ.

Tag Sale Fundraiser at Northford Congregational Church



Northford Congregational Church, "A Little Church with a Big Heart," will be holding an outdoor tag sale on the lawn to benefit the church on Sat., Sept. 11, from 9 a.m. - 1 p.m., at 4 Old Post Rd., Northford. A limited number of spaces will be available for \$20 paid in advance (non-refundable). Set-up will begin at 8 a.m. Bring your own table and chairs. Contact Aloha at (203) 484-0794 for information and to reserve a space.

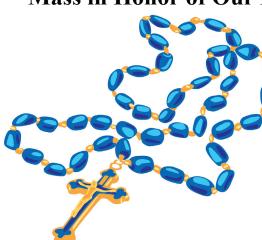
The historic Northford Congregational Church (203-484-0795) is located at 4 Old Post Road at the corner of Route 22 and Route 17 in the Northford village in North Branford. Office hours are 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Tuesday and other days by appointment. Website: .www.northfordcongregational.church. Email address: northfordcc@gmail.com. Like us on Facebook.



Huge Perennial Plant Sale – Sept 4!

What: Fall Perennial Plant & Landscaping Shrub Sale. Our plants are native to the area and very hearty! Pricing varies,\$5 to \$30.When: Saturday, Sept 4; 9 am - 3 pmWhere: United Methodist Church, 811 East Main Street, Branford (1 mile east of Chowder Pot on Route 1)More Info: (203) 488-0549 or umcbranford1966@gmail.com

Mass in Honor of Our Lady of the Rosary-



North Haven-The Catholic Cemeteries Association is sponsoring a Mass in Honor of Our Lady of the Rosary on Sunday, October 3rd, 2021 at 2:00 PM. Mass will be held in the All Saints Cemetery Mausoleum. Rev. Michael Santiago, from St. Elizabeth of the Trinity Parish will be our Celebrant. Attendees will enjoy music by Tom Borino and Company. Rosaries will be available complimen-

tary from the Ray of Hope Foundation. The Rosary will be celebrated promptly after the Mass for those wishing to participate. There is no need to register for this event as there will be plenty of seating available. Masks are encouraged, however, doors will be opened to allow for plenty of air circulation. Questions? Please call our Outreach Coordinator, Barbara Gode at 203 780-8418 or email her at bgode@ccacem.org.

CT Catholic Men's Conference-Sat. 9-25th Theme: The Holy Rosary

Catholic Cemeteries Association is a sponsor for the Catholic Men's Conference again this year. Please join nearly 500 Men at this year's conference held at the **New Britain Stadium (outdoors).**

Tickets are only \$45.00 for the entire program which includes lunch. Please visit their website to learn more about the speakers, the agenda and to purchase tickets at: https://ctcatholicmen.org/detailed-overview.

We hope to see you there!



Sons & Daughters of Italy Free Dues 2021

The Sons & Daughters of Italy have resumed indoor meetings and functions. Become a part of a growing organization that embodies the Italian culture, with free dues for 2021.

The next meeting will take place on September 7, 2021at 7:00 in the St. Frances Cabrini Church Hall in North Haven.

For more information call Frank at 203-410-4254 or go to northhavenlodge2805.club



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Tuesdays, September 14 - October 19 • \$109 res/\$114 nr

Bunters (2-2.5yrs): 9:00-9:45am

Batters (2.5-3.5yrs): 10:00-10:45am

Hitters (4-5) 11:00-11:45am

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ULTI-SPORT

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Saturdays, September 11 - October 16 • \$109 res/\$114 nr Rookies (2-2.5yrs): 9:00-9:45am All-Stars (2.5-3.5yrs): 10:00-10:45am Legends (4-5) 11:00-11:45am

FUN & FITNESS - KIDS!

Ages 6 - 9 years — STW Multi-purpose Court Mondays, September 13 - October 4-9:00-9:45am **Instructor: Coach Gibilaro** \$35 res/ \$40 nr

TENNIS CLINIC

Ages 8 - 15 years — Memorial Courts at NBIS Saturdays & Sundays, September 11—26 - 9:00-11:45am **Instructor: Phil Guilano** \$150 res/ \$155 nr

ELD HOCKEY CLINIC

Grades 2 - 8 — Northford Park—Calvo Soccer Field Saturdays, Sept. 18 - Oct. 16—8:45-9:45am Instructor: Cheryl Canada \$50 res/ \$55 nr

CHOOL FITNESS

Grades 3 - 5 — STW Classroom Thursdays, Sept. 30 - Nov. 18 - 3:15-4:00pm **Instructor: Jillian Temple** \$80 res/ \$85 nr

KIDS CONVERSATIONAL SPANISH

Grades 3 - 5 — STW Senior Room Thursdays, Sept 16 - Nov 18 - 3:15-4:15pm Instructor: Jessica Glynn \$80 res/ \$85 nr

Ages 16+ — STW Classroom

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Ages 16+ — STW Classroom Mondays, September 15 - October 20 - 5:30-6:30pm ctor: Jenniter Arabolis \$50 res/ \$55 nr

PRE/POST NATAL FITNESS

Ages 18+ — STW Classroom Tuesdays, September 7—30 - 5:30-6:15pm **Instructor: Jillian Temple** \$80 res/ \$85 nr

N LAKES GOLF

Ages 18+ — Twin Lake Golf Course Tuesdays, September 14 - October 19 - 10:00 - 12:00pm \$100 res/ \$105 nr

Sign up as a single but feel free to form your own twosome, threesome or foursome.

OBEDIENCE - BASI

Ages 18+ — STW Field Wednesdays, Sept 8 - Oct 13, 6:00 - 7:00pm

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Ages 5-14 • STW Community Center • 5:30 - 7:30 pm Cost \$40 res/ \$45 non res per class

Join Mary Amter in this unique, hands on Culinary experience that will engage children in creating delicious creations. They will explore, create, and learn basic cooking techniques!

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SEPTEMBER 28, 2021 Creamy Tuscan Sausage Gnocchi and S'mores Popcorn Balls













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Friday, September 17
Movie scheduled to begin at 8:00pm
PoCo Festival Grounds 290 Forest Rd.

Join us for this family fun drive-in style movie night at the PoCo festival grounds. \$10 per family and pre-registration is required by 9/13

BUS TRIPS

RIDE AND DINE ALONG NARRAGANSETT BAY

Wednesday, October 20, 2021 • 8:45 am—6:30pm \$130 resident \$135 nr

All aboard for a nostalgic **train ride** on the Newport & Narragansett Bay Railroad along the Aquidneck Island with views of Narragansett Bay. Ride and dine on vintage streamlined era passenger cars for a fun lunch train experience. See how the railroad helped to build Newport into the premier destination that it is today. Advance choice of a **Bistro Lunch** with Dessert. Time to wander around **downtown Newport** before we head home.

- SENIOR CENTER

Hot Topics: September 20th at 10:30am—Discussion on Decluttering your home.

Stitch & B*tch: September 7th & 21st at 12:30pm Bring your knitting, crochet, cross-stitch, or whatever you are working on and join us for some fiber arts and great conversation with friends. Don't have anything to work on? No problem- we will have extra yarn, knitting needles, crochet hooks, and patterns to use.

SENIOR SHOPPING & LUNCH TRIPS

September 13, 2021 from 10:00-2:00pm— Wallingford Walmart and lunch (on your own) at 99 Restaurant!

September 27, 2021 from 10:00-2:00pm— Aldi's in Hamden and lunch (on your own) at Glenwood Drive-In!

September 8th at 12:45pm—Smith Library **September 29th** at 12:45pm—Atwater Library

September 28th at 4:30 p.m.- Supper Club at Dockside Join us at Dockside Restaurant in Branford for dinner on your own and socializing. Dockside has a senior menu and a regular menu for you to order from.

Preregistration is required for ALL programs and activities





Come meet up at the Senior Center on September 16th at 12:30 pm and bring your favorite recipes! Let's talk cooking tips and share the stories and memories that go along with our favorite dishes.

We will have recipe cards to copy down our favorite recipes to bring home to add to our collections.

After sharing, there will be a vote to see which lucky recipe will be chosen for Toni to cook up for a special lunch in October at the Senior Center!



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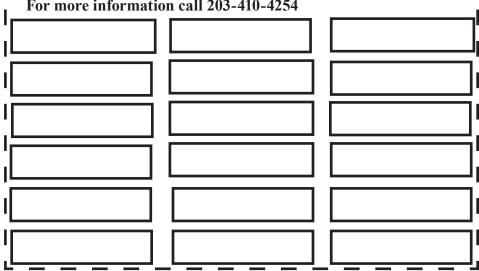
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TAG SALE

The Knights of Columbus, St.Ambrose Council 6801 is looking for vendors to fill 86 spaces 15'w x 28'd at their annual fall giant 80,000 sq. ft. tag sale / flea market on October 2ND.. (rain dates october 9th, 16th, & 23rd.) at doody's field 465 foxon road north branford. It will run from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. free admission and off road parking. To reserve a space, call 203 484-9737. The cost is \$38 per space paid before 9/27, after this date +\$5 late fee. Vendors must provide their own tables.

TOTOKET HISTORICAL SOCIETY TAG SALE: Due to the Covid restrictions of the last 18 months, the Totoket Historical Society has been unable to hold any fundraisers to generate income, and so we plan to hold a tag sale on Sept. 8 (rain date-Sept. 25.) We are asking the public for donations of quality items to sell for this fundraiser. Donations may be dropped off at the Reynolds-Beers House, 1740 Foxon Rd., North Branford, on Wednesdays from 10 – noon. For pick up, call Helen at 203 481-5268. We appreciate your help in our efforts to keep the Historical Society functioning and hope to see you at the tag sale.

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Town of North Branford is accepting applications for part-time ZEO/Field Inspector. Responsible for interpretation & enforcement of zoning & subdivision regs., performs wetland field inspections & issues permits. Works up to 19 hrs/wk no benefits. Must possess valid CT driver's license. CAZEO cert. preferred or the ability to obtain said certification within one (1) year. Excel skills w/public. Salary range \$37.50-\$39.00 per hour DOQ. Applications are available on-line at www.townofnorthbranfordct.om. Cover letter, resume and application can be mailed or dropped off to Town Manager's Office located at the Town of North Branford, 909 Foxon Rd, North Branford CT 06471. This position will remain open until filled. (No faxes). EEO/AA

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