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The parade line will proceed east onto Route 80 toward the North Branford Congregational Church. All are invited to Company 1 Firehouse after the ceremony for refreshments, sponsored by Company 1 and the Veterans of North Branford/Northford.

Interested groups should contact Gina Cox in the Town Manager's office, 203-484-6000 or by email executivesecretary@townofnorthbranfordct.com with your information so they can be included in the parade lineup. **RSVP no later than Friday, May 17, 2019.** We look forward to another successful parade.

CALLING ALL VETERANS

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See You At The Parade on May 27th



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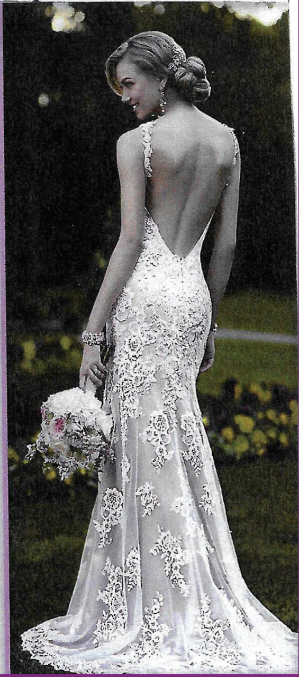
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The cost of the tour is \$22. Checks made payable to the Totoket Historical Society, Inc. should be mailed to P.O. Box 491, Northford, CT 06472. **Reservations are confirmed only upon receipt of payment.** For information and reservations, call Florence at 203-484-5072 or Cappy at 203-484-2133.

Tour participants should arrive at the North Bran-

ford Town Hall (909 Foxon Rd.) by 6:15 p.m. to check in. The buses will board promptly at 6:30 and leave immediately. This is an experience that is interesting for both adults and children, so don't miss out! Seats are limited and sell out early.

Proceeds from the tour go towards the upkeep of those historic buildings under the care of the Totoket Historical Society, Inc in North Branford/Northford. Visit our website at www.totoket-historical-society.org



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State Representative Vincent Candelora Old Habits Die Hard



This week the legislature's Appropriations Committee and the Finance, Revenue and Bonding Committee held their final meetings. Unfortunately, the end result was a proposal filled with more taxes and more spending. As a member of the Finance, Revenue and Bonding Committee, I voted against a Democrat-backed tax package that would increase taxes by \$2

billion over the next two years. However, this budget proposal made it out of the committee process by a party-line vote.

I believe the tax package and budget proposals will continue to drain Connecticut's economy and punish taxpayers. For the past decade, the Democrats' only solution to fixing our state's fiscal climate has been to increase spending and taxes, which we know has not worked, and in fact, Connecticut has lost over \$2.6 billion in taxable income from our wealthy fleeing the state. Every time we add more taxes we continue to pull money out of the private sector, which explains why Connecticut is one of the only state in the country that actually has a negative Gross Domestic Product (GDP). Just in the month of March, we have lost 3,000 jobs.

Earlier this session, Governor Ned Lamont proposed a budget that paved the way for the legislative Democratic budget. Although each budget differs on a few proposals, the bottom line remains that both proposals include more tax-and-spend policies. This new budget proposal calls for a 2 percent tax on capital gains, expands the sales tax to parking, safety apparel, dry cleaning, laundry services and interior design services; it eliminates a 5 year \$500 tax credit for STEM graduates designed to help students pay off college debt, adds a new 6.35 percent tax on ridesharing services and increases a tax on movie tickets from 6 percent to 6.35 percent.

Some of my Democratic colleagues argue that they are trying to correct the last 40 years of mismanagement. Sadly, I remember when they decried 30 years of mismanagement. Since 2009, Connecticut's fiscal crisis became apparent to everyone yet these same legislators have continued the practice of borrowing for operating expenses, draining the Rainy Day Fund, raising taxes and spending, approving long-term, unsustainable state employee contracts – and the list goes on. Good policy results from both sides of the aisle working together. Just in the last budget cycle Republicans and Democrats came together to pass a bipartisan budget that actually managed to lower taxes, reduced spending and eliminated the tax on social security and pensions. For the first time in 10 years the state had an operat-

ing surplus and over \$2 billion in the Rainy Day Fund, which was previous depleted just 10 short years ago.

I would have hoped that the fruits of our labor during the last budget cycle were enough for Democrats to learn a lesson from this type of budgeting, but their recent budget and tax proposal lets me know that they have not – they are instead continuing with old habits. Elections have consequences. This year, Democrats again have a majority in the House and Senate and do not have to work with Republicans to develop a budget. However, I hope they remember the good work we achieved on a bipartisan basis and will be open to our ideas. Connecticut cannot afford theirs.

Let's Be "Frank"

Well brother, with our continuing sense of entitlement for our kids and the "everyone gets a trophy mentality", I felt it was important to put a few of my Mother's Day columns together and reprint an edited version. Bear with me if you've heard some of this before but it is worth repeating.

The month of May was always a special month for our mom. Not only did we celebrate Mother's Day but also her birthday.

My mother was a terrible person who in today's society would have been sent to jail. When I did something wrong, she wasn't afraid to hit first and ask questions later. If for some reason it was later found out that I was innocent of the crime, her sense of fairness was to let me know that she would be more lenient on the next offense.

In my home, low grades in school were not accepted. It wasn't enough to just try. Work without results was just a waste of time. If you studied for four hours and did not get an "A", then you should have studied for six.

When I told her about the things all the other kids had that I did not, she was not sympathetic. She pointed out the things I had that others did not.

When I complained about working full time while going to high school and college, she didn't help me lighten my load, she taught me to manage my time better.

When I used foul language, she never rationalized that it was "the language of the times". She washed my mouth out with soap and that was the lesser of the penalties for bad language.

When I misbehaved in school or disrespected my elders, she didn't tell me how stupid those people were or make a scene at the school because her "baby boy" was being abused. She told me that in life you had to figure out how to overcome hurdles and deal with all types of people.

We could only stay home from school when we were sick. There was no allowance made for mental health days. If you stayed home from school, you stayed home from everything. That included friends coming over after school (except to bring you your homework assignments) and even talking on the phone. If you were too sick for school, you were too sick for anything else.

When it was time for the talk on sex education there were no diagrams or books to read. She simply told me to keep my hands to myself and if she found out I was "doing something wrong", she would cut off a part of my body that I loved.

There were no large screen TV's or gym memberships. If you wanted exercise, run around the block, take out the trash or wash the kitchen floor. Speaking about the trash, we didn't take it out when we were ready, we took it out when she was.

Yes, my mother was terrible. She would never cut me slack and never let me get away with anything. She taught me to fend for myself knowing that she was always there to set me on the straight path should I stray. She taught me that good values and morals could not be compromised. She taught me that tough love was a very difficult task (which often hurt her more than me) but in the long run the results would be better.

So as I continue to watch my wife with her adult children and grandchildren and my daughter with her two kids, I marvel at the unconditional love and patience they demonstrate every day and it makes me smile and remember mom.

I was lucky to have a mother who "got it" and guided me to this point in my life when many of the other kids in our neighborhood went the way of drugs, jail, suicides and more.

I'll see you soon. Tell mom after 25 years I still think of her everyday. I love her and miss her. Happy Mother's Day to All!

May 14th Fundraiser at Giovanni's

Mark your calendars for Tuesday, May 14th and come enjoy a night out without cooking! The Northford-North Branford Women's Club, GFWC in conjunction with Giovanni's Pizzeria & Ristorante, 855 Forest Road, Northford are holding a fundraiser. For every purchase made, eat-in or take-out, a percentage of the sales will be donated to the Women's Club charity budget. Just mention the Northford-North Branford Women's Club when ordering. The charity budget is used to support

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

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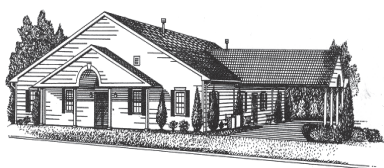
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Our Southern Neighbors

Two years ago the New York Times suggested that Mexico – as the victim of American imperialism – should file a lawsuit to nullify the 1848 treaty by which the US annexed Texas and gained the states of Arizona, New Mexico and California. (*Will Mexico Get Half its Territory Back?* Enrique Krauze, 4/6/17). But the history of European conquest of the Americas is a dark shadow cast by both north and south.

The people of Mexico are the descendants of European conquerors. Between 1492 and 1650 the European invaders whittled the indigenous population from 54 million to a mere 9. Cortes, Pizarro, Dávila and the rest took the land in their country’s name. The Europeans fought each other for control of the land they took from the indigenous population. Spain showed little interest in Texas until the 17th century, when the French began moving westward from Louisiana. Mexico’s 12% indigenous peoples have lived in Central Mexico for hundreds of years.

The blame for conquest, however, does not begin and end with Europeans. From 1700 until the mid 19th century much of the territories of Kansas, New Mexico, Colorado, Oklahoma, Arkansas, Missouri and Texas were known as “Comancheria,” an empire where the Comanche controlled and expelled Spanish and US settlers alike. They domesticated wild horses the Spanish had abandoned and quickly became deadly horsemen with a brutal legacy. Believing themselves the only properly civilized human beings, they enslaved, tortured or murdered strangers (including other native tribes) to conquer and control their land. Outsiders survived only near or in military outposts such as the Alamo, until...

Samuel Colt patented his revolver the year Mexico took the Alamo. Eight years later it began to win the West when, in 1844, 14 mounted Texas Rangers were able to fight off 80 Comanche with their Colt revolvers. Before this, Spanish and US soldiers were typically slaughtered trying to fight on foot with single-shot, muzzle-loading arms that were a death warrant against Comanche warriors able to fire 20+ accurate arrows per minute from horseback, mowing down their stationary, reloading, foe.

Our southern border is beset by an influx of Mexicans, Central Americans and a variety of others, arriving with pleas of victimhood and often, as the Times article suggests, claims to a right to US lands superior to our own. This is a reminder of the history that made the Americas – ugly as it may be – yet always a land in which we should strive to survive together in harmony. To do so, I suggest we all engender a more studied perspective of our mutual history rather than crediting those who would rewrite it.

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Thanks to Representative Candelora

Dear Editor:

I wanted to take a moment to thank Representative Candelora for supporting HJ 161 The Early Voting Amendment. As an elderly resident of your district, I could not be more grateful for your support in making it easier for myself and my friends to participate in our democracy. Thank you so much for your support on this. It is my fervent hope that the Republican and Democratic state Senators will also support this and vote to pass it. A ballot referendum is the only way that the voices of CT residents can be heard on this issue of making the voting process more accessible to all.

Thank you, Ruth F Cook

The Fate of Early Voting in Connecticut

To the Editor:

Last week, the Early Voting Bill (HJR-161) passed in the House by 125-to-24. A landslide. And our Representative, Vincent Candelora, was part of that success.

I’d like to publicly thank him for his vote. I urge anyone else who would be glad to see early voting come to CT to call or email Rep. Candelora’s office. A simple “thank you” call means a lot, especially since our representative had to go against his party’s leadership to do this for us.

The next step is for the bill to pass in the Senate by a 75% majority. We need at least 27 out of 36 votes. This will require both Democratic and Republican votes. The vote will likely take place by May 3rd, so by the time this is published (May 10th), we’ll all know the fate of Early Voting in CT.

Our senator, Christine Cohen is on board and plans to vote for the Early Voting Amendment. Thank you, Sen. Cohen.

Making the polls more accessible to all voters should not be a partisan issue. Unfortunately, the Senate’s Republican leadership is making it one. I understand they’re threatening their own senators and warning them to vote against the bill.

For example, Sen. Kevin Witkos (R-Canton), who supported an Early Voting amendment in 2014, is now saying “I’ll have to think about it.” And Sen. Rob Sampson, R-16th District (Southington), the ranking Republican on the Government Administration and Elections Committee offered the usual bogus claim that Early Voting will lead to voter fraud “and other things like that.” (Source “*Waterbury Republican*” article, April 27, 2019.)

What Early Voting will lead to is more of CT’s voters being able to get to the polls when they’re able to, rather than on a single workday in November.

Voters in 39 other states currently enjoy early voting. Let us hope enough of our senators vote in favor of Connecticut joining them.

Sincerely, Robert Dean,

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“...Are You Happy...?”

Dear Editor,

Responding to the letter from Alice W. Lehr in the Totoket Times of April 26 (“Are they consumed by hatred?”), sheesh, am I the only one who’s tired of folks going to great length to justify and normalize a rudderless, talentless and amoral administration? The writer sure seems hateful towards Democrats, with the ridiculous claim that they “brought in Michael Cohen, Paul Manafort and Stormy Daniels” in “an elaborate plan of destruction”. Ms. Lehr ... I think you know very well that those three, plus Robert Mueller III were all appointed (or seduced/hired) by our Prevaricator-in-Chief, without any Democratic input, am I right? Attorney General Barr was appointed recently, precisely because he could be manipulated and counted upon to draft a well-spun summary to protect the President — rather than doing his sworn duty to uphold the laws and interests of our people and this nation. Incidentally, do you realize that the full Mueller report details 18 of the “President’s” cronies having over 140 interactions with Russian nationals and Wikileaks agents DURING THE 2016 CAMPAIGN, and also the presidential transition? I wonder how you’d feel if say, President Barack Obama had been that brazen and possibly traitorous? Different story then no doubt, eh?

Regardless, these are just a few thoughts in reply to your puzzlement over why so many folks are not all that delighted with this administration. Oh, wait ... are YOU happy about his corporate giveaways allowing drilling, fracking, non-enforcement of factory farm animal effluent, easing of restrictions on air polluters, adding well over \$1.1 Trillion to our National Debt to finance massive tax cuts to the top 0.5%, and the FCC’s easement of media consolidation rules (for newspapers, radio and local TV stations), all owned by hedge funds, conservative media groups, and increasingly by Evangelical Christian interests?

Sincerely, Jack Hearn Jr.

Great Job by our Volunteers

Dear Editor:

I am a resident of the town of North Branford and had the opportunity to witness the Volunteer Firefighters in our town in action. To say the very least I am very impressed.

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Sincerely, John Donroe

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Kristine Kenning Engaged to James Dye

Kristine Kenning and James Dye of Chesterfield, Virginia have announced their engagement. Kristine is the daughter of Steven and Patricia Kenning of Northford. She graduated from North Branford High School in 2006 and from Brandeis University in Waltham, MA with Bachelor of Science degrees in Neuroscience and Biology in 2010. She then attended the University of Connecticut Medical School and graduated in 2015. She is currently in a surgical medical residency program at the Virginia Commonwealth University Medical Center in Richmond, Virginia. James is the son of Jerry and Christine Dye of Williamsburg, Virginia. He graduated from Radford University in Radford, Virginia with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Sociology and completed Master level courses in Computer Science at Virginia Commonwealth University. He is employed by the state of Virginia at Virginia Commonwealth University in Richmond, Virginia as a supervisor in the Intellectual Technology department.

A May 25, 2019 wedding is planned in Moseley, Virginia with a honeymoon following in Hawaii.

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Where: PUBLIC WORKS 290 Forest Rd

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hosted by the NB Parks & Recreation Dept
May 19th from 11am- 1:30pm
in the Stanley T Williams parking lot**

Invention Convention at TVES



All Totoket Valley Elementary School fourth grade students recently participated in the Invention Convention. In accordance with the invention process students planned, created, tested, and adapted ideas to settle on their final inventions, which were then on display in the gym for parents, community members, and the remaining TVES students to see and learn about as led by each student inventor. Students were creative, driven, professional, and attentive throughout the day and in presenting their learning in the gym to families, students, and ultimately the panel of distinguished judges who would select the TVES winners. Collectively our students learned about the process of inventing, refining, reflecting, and persevering on inquiry projects. Additionally students worked on social emotional goals and pushed themselves through being nervous and uncomfortable so they could share their inventions and hard work with so many stakeholders. Principal Welch stated, “we are so proud of all our 4th grade students for their efforts with these projects and in presenting their learning to so many visitors, each student should be very proud of his/her efforts as well” Also, he wanted to be sure a special thank you was given to Mrs. Thompson and Ms. Seiden for their leadership with the event, and to the fourth grade teachers: Mrs. Sobocinski, Mrs. Pettis, Mrs. Robinson, Mrs. Johnson, and Mrs. McGuinness for their support of the process...it truly was a collective effort and great showcase of learning at TVES.

After a lengthy process of interview, discussion, and reflection the following students were selected to represent TVES at the State Invention Convention at UConn on May, 4th 2019: Luca Angiollo - Double Sided Hockey Stick, Landon Burns - Different Whistle Blowers, Ella Chasanoff - You’ve Got Mail, Kamari Dixon - The Night Light, Mason Esposito - The Repto - Hopper, Myles Havens - Lights On, Autumn LeBeau -Folding For Friends, Leif Peterson - Taco Diaper, Aubry Weld - The Hair Back Wrap, Christian Wright - Head Up Set Up and Dylan Yarnall - Hard Hit Helmet

Submitted by Principal Carter Welch

Students Making a Difference

On Friday, April 12th, 3rd, 4th, and 5th grade students at Totoket Valley Elementary School held their 12th annual Eco-fair. Classrooms and enrichment clusters teamed up to research and support worldly causes, then teach peers, staff, and community members about how everyone can make a difference in protecting our Earth. Students covered everything from the importance of recycling, creative upcycling, and planting gardens around the school, to incubating and raising chickens and supporting endangered species, to collecting money to help end world hunger. Students sang songs, created interactive activities, videos, and visuals to teach others about the importance of their selected topics.

In addition to student presentations, the North Branford High School Dream Team members assisted for the day in selling raffle tickets, supporting student presentations, and running booths. Special presentations were held by organizations like DEEP, the North Branford Land Trust, the North Branford Recycling Committee, the Thirst Project, Sikorsky, Take2Recycle, the South Carolina Aquarium (through Skype), and the Peabody Museum. This year a new focus of the event and of our enrichment clusters has been the 17 sustainable development goals, in which many world leaders and organizations are working toward fulfilling by 2030. Many of the TVES projects were created in support of this global effort; reminding everyone that we can make a difference in making our world a better place...even in our small community of North Branford. Lastly, the event this year has allowed many of our students to practice “taking action” around these goals so they have practiced their leadership skills, advocacy skills, presentation skills, writing skills, and research skills.

When asked about the event, Principal Welch stated: “The Eco-fair continues to be a great event for our students, staff and community and it really has become a source of pride for our school in the learning, projects, and community efforts we take on...the event would not be possible without the leadership and planning of event coordinator and third grade teacher Lea DiStefano”. Mrs. DiStefano did a wonderful job this year expanding the event to include the sustainable development goals around Miss Thurston’s efforts with the Fulbright Program as well as promoting that sense of leadership and taking action in our students”. Finally, TVES has launched a student led Green Team as the result of the Eco-fair, which will be a student run recycling and environmental awareness group that will lead efforts around TVES for years to come. We are so excited for the students to take action and lead efforts around our school in this manner.

Submitted by Principal Carter Welch



Community Action to Save Shelter Dogs

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May 18th and 19th

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May 18th and 19th
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MAY 15	1:30PM ATWATER LIBRARY	Medicare Made Clear. Are you or someone you know turning 65? Christie Bondos helps guide you through the Medicare maze to make it less confusing and educate you on the options
MAY 18	9:00-2:00 SMITH LIBRARY	Annual Book Sale. Stock up on your favorite authors for summer reading. DVDs and puzzles will also be sold. All proceeds benefit the NB Public Libraries
MAY 18	3:30PM ATWATER LIBRARY	Cookbook Club. Pick and cook a recipe from Karri Ann Allrich's Cooking by Moonlight: A Witch's Guide to Culinary Magic. We will sample the dishes made while discussing ingredients and cooking techniques
MAY 29	6:30PM ATWATER LIBRARY	Author Mathew Duman will discuss his book, The Grotesque 10. Duman traveled to universities around the country photographing the gargoyles roosting on their academic buildings
MONDAYS	4:30-5:30 ATWATER LIBRARY	KIDS! Chess Club for Kids! Whether a beginner or intermediate player, learn the strategies that will make you a better chess player. Grades 2-6. Register at 203-315-6020
M W TH	10:30 M, TH 4:30 WED ATWATER LIBRARY	KIDS! WeeRock Toddler Time. Join Miss Donna for a playful 30-minute session of music and movement, fingerplays, songs and stories! For ages birth-6 years. No registration.
JUN 4	6:30PM SMITH LIBRARY	KIDS! Catapult your summer reading into hyperspace with SPACESHIP HARMONY, a space-age, interactive music and movement journey through the universe. Then sign up for our "Universe of Stories" Summer Reading Program

North Branford Intermediate School Period III Honors

Grade 8 High Honors

Altermatt, Dylan
Barone, Gabriella
Beardsley, Alyssa
Betzner, Bridget
Bogardus, Grant
Bureau, Shelby Ann
Candelora, Ava
Capasso, Chelsey
Carroll, Spencer Lynn
Chasanoff, Ryan
Cotton, Alexa Noelle
Cucchiarelli, Patrick
D’Amico, Cecelia
DeAngelis, Carmine
Defaranos, Elias
DeSisto, Nicolas
Everett, Cheryl Nicole
Falcioni, Nico
Gambardella, Ava
Gambardella, Sophie
Garrett, Cameron
Gassira, Gianna Rose
Girardi, Drew Sutton
Green, Shannon Nicole
Hannan, Sean McLeod
Heffernan, Carolyn
Higgins, Nathan Brian
Hortillo, Felicia
Johnson, Charles
Juniver, Tessa Ann
Kamienski, Payton
Katz, Avery Faith
Kennedy-Fujah, Dylan
Krista, Cassidy Jordan
Kunz, Kilee Ciara
Manning, Ashley
Park, Mia Lucy
Rojas, Cristian
Rojas-Ojeda, Luisa a
Russo, Bernard
Serenson, Tyler
Shadman, Alexander
Sim, Paulynna
Sorrell, Jaiden Robert
Sorrentino, Marco
Surprenant, Theresa
Teodoro, Alexa Marie
Tranquilli, Nathan
Trudeau, Emma Rose
Vincent, Vada
Wang, Marissa

Grade 7 High Honors

Barrett, Logan James

Brustman, James Anio
Cahill, Jack Sawyer
Carusone, Christiana
Cassella, Nicholas
Chittenden, Aidan
Criscuolo, Keana
D’Aria, Samantha
DeFrancesco, Joseph
DePino, Lucian
Dion, Taylor Grace
Dodge, Lauren Nicole
Doody, Jalynn Andrea
Goodmaster, Marco
Holzer, Callie
Jacobs, Joseph Patrick
Lucibello, Natalia
Maley, Jack Joseph
Martinik, Brady
Mascari, James
Mone, Patricia Noelle
Mullins, Kiley Anne
Munck, Cassandra
Onofrio, Lindsey Ann
Patel, Jay Alpesh
Pearson, Nicolas
Peterson, Lars William
Prato, Matthew
Senerchia, Gabrielle
Small, Noelle
Tynes, Bianca Fey
Vongher, Frederick

Grade 6 High Honors

Albrecht, Noelle
Allen, Noah Patrick
Amendola, Ashley
Artaiz, Mercedes
Battista, Isabella
Cahill, Olivia
Chopus, Justin Blake
Colantonio, Cassidy
Collett, Carys
Danner, Nathan
DeLucia, Ryan
Dion, Gabrielle Marie
Falcioni, Alexa Jai
Famiglietti, Nico
Ferraro, Samantha
Graver, Kara Ellen
Hannan, Catherine
Hills, Adriana Marie
Hoskins, Mallory
Izzo, Tanner James
Kamienski, Daytona
Lewis, Lindsay

Li, Danmian
Mann, Julia Rose
McCullough, Giana
Melillo, Karma Angel
Melillo, Samantha
Mercuriano, Edmund
Merry, Natalie
O’Connor, Jason
Onofrio, Isabella
Onofrio, Julianna
Ozoria, Arianna May
Papa, Anthony
Rodican, Andrew
Sadlon, Ana Carol
Segui, Gioia Cipriana
Spanier, Sofia Bean
Van DerMaelen, Sophia
Sun Wei

Grade 8 Honors

Aiken, Aislinn Grace
Ananiatis, Dayna
Brindisi, Dradon
Collins, Jason
D’Onofrio, David
Dolzani, Robert
Dow, Gavin Christian
Farrell, Ally Elizabeth
Gallagher, Stephanie
Gary, Jaylisha DeAnn
Geist, Aidan Gabriel
Goodmaster, Isabella
Ianniello, Alexandra
Izzo, Eric James
Jackson, Carl William
Jenkins, Jehki Mykel
Johnson, Alec Joseph
LaBree, Richard Ward
Langelo, Dominick
Olson, Jonathan Thomas
Onofrio, John Paul
Powell, Carly Deanna
Provencher, Mason
Raymond, Maiah
Sabine, Daniel Glenn
Wein, Jaidyn Ann
Wessoleck, Christin
Wray, Dana Melanie

Grade 7 Honors

Augur, Collin Joseph
Blomster, Luke John
Bredbury, Lillian Rose
Carofano, Joseph
Carter, Gianna
Ferrucci, Te’a Nicole

Gamble, Gianna
Gott, Samuel
Hutchinson, Aiden
Johns, Jake Cozzi
Kluk, Alexander
Koltypin, Jacob
Kundrath, Jordan
Lucibello, Morgan
O’Brien, Mikella
Ramada, Peter Joseph
Riga, Alicia Marie
Riordan, Michael
Rish, Adeline Maria
Sekelsky, Julia
Sigal, Elizabeth
Smith, Avery Leigh
Sochocki, Abbygail
Stadolnik, Emma
Stoner, Connor
Sweeney, Jillian

Toto, Sophia
Vogt, Lucy Jean
Wilson, Desiree
Woodin, Delani Grace
Yacono, Mia

Grade 6 Honors

Anderson, Kyle
Aneiro, Christina
Ardito, Lily
Beauduy, Joi Marie
Brezicki, Adrianna
Cosgrove, Jason
D’Albero, Matthew

Dell’Aquila, Vincent
Dievert, Larson Robert
Esposito, Benjamin
Esposito, Shane
Godoy, Noah Tomas
Hannan, Mary Susan

Higgins, Joshua Francis
Krebs, Marley Mae
Kundrath, Kyle Mark
LaCerva, Giuseppe
Lamot, Joanna
Manske, Griffin
McMillen, Erin Shea
Minnocci, Brody James
Monde, Jack Robert
Montesanto, John Paul
Patel, Preet Chirag
Proto, Natalia Grace
Riggione, Michael
Sandagata, Antonio
Scalia, Matthew Ryan
Schmidt, Alivia Gina
Sinski, Kyla Lynn
Tagliatela Potts,
Vongher, Miles
Wray,Denise



The Flamingos Have Landed

Join in on the fundraising fun sponsored by North Branford High School Project Graduation 2019, to raise funds for Project Gradaution, a nationwide event that has been a part of North Branford’s graduation night for many years. It provides graduating seniors with a fun, safe place to celebrate and a last night together with all their classmates. It is chaperoned and drug and alcohol free, and it goes through the night into the early morning. It is a gift to graduates from parents/guardians and the community.

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- A friend of yours paid us to place these purple darlings in your yard.
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- If you would like to specify the next victim, all we ask is a small fee to NBHS Project Graduation that is detailed on the order form attached to the flocking sign
- Of course, the removal of these flamingos will be done at no charge, so please do not hurt our purple feathery friends. If you would like the flamingos removed before the two days are up, please contact our Flocking Team and for a small donation we will take them to someone else’s yard. But now it is your turn to Flock someone else!!!!

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THEY MAKE US PROUD

Nicholas Kuczynski, Joshua Gallagher, Franco Sorrentino, Lucas Johnson and Alexis Betzner received honors for Marking Period III at Vinal Technical High School.

Bryce Mase from Eastern Connecticut State University presented at the CREATE Conference. CREATE stands for Celebrating Research Excellence and Artistic talent at Eastern.



Girls Lacrosse - Unbeatable

North Branford High School Gilrs Lacrosse team has started the season with an undefeated record of 11-0. Offensively, the team is lead by captains Jessie Kilburn, and Avonlea LeBeau, along with Ali Barrett and Olivia Toto. Melanie Norton and Bianca D’Onofrio are returning starters who have led the defense.

The team leadership comes from five seniors; captain Jordan Regan, Mary-Kate Torgerson, and Cayleen Defaranos on attack. Jessie Kilburn in Midfield and Morgan Ryan on Defense. The starters are rounded out by Alyssa Waligroski and Sally Cucinotta. Combined with the talented goalies of starting junior Carly Sorrentino and back up Sofia Votto.

“Our goalies are challenged every day and they have put a lot of work in during the off season and it clearly shows” explained coach/athletic director Lori Connolly.

“Team unity is a big part of who we are. The girls work hard not only for themselves, but for each other. We have a lot of competition for positions on our team because we have a lot of talent, but the girls are all great and use it for motivation for themselves and not against each other.” she proudly added.

“Another strength is we have threats all over the field. All our offense if capable of scoring goals, but can also play defense if they have to. The opposite is true for defense as well. they all work together great on D, but can also all go down and score if given the opportunity.”

The goal of the team down the stretch is to work on starting games off with more intensity and staying focused for a full 50 minutes, but the coach is happy with the improvement in that area with each and every game.

“We have accomplished our first two goals of making it into the both the conference tournament and state tournament and now we are working on having what it takes to achieve our bigger goals of winning both those titles,” concluded the coach.

At Prestime, the team was scheduled to play New Fairfield under the lights at home on Monday and follow that up with Branford away under the lights.

Softball Tean is Tournament Bound

As the presses were rolling, North Branford High School softball team had already qualified for the State and Shoreline Tournaments. With a 9-4 record. Junior Kayla Despres had led the offensive attach with a .489 batting average combined with 17 RBI and 16 runs. Her classmate Katy Pedersen is right behind her hitting at a .390 average with 15 RBI and 13 runs.

Not to be outdone, the sophomore class has stepped up as Jada Marconi is scorching it with a .462 average, 21 RBI and 16 runs followed by her classmate Sophia Quellet at .368 with 13 RBI and 8 runs.

Let’s not forget the freshmen class as Hanna Senerchia is batting a lively .426 average with 12 RBI and 21 Runs.

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BUS TRIPS

BOSTON RED SOX VS. TAMPA BAY RAYS

When: Sunday, June 9th
Cost: \$95 res / \$100 non-res
Description: Visit Fenway Park, home of the Red Sox, and watch them take on the Rays. Watch this afternoon game from great seats in the Right Field section 7. Includes motor coach transportation. Take me out to the ball game!



FROZEN ON BROADWAY

When: Wednesday, June 26th
Cost: \$120 res / \$125 non-res
Description: Frozen is the timeless tale of two sisters, pulled apart by a mysterious secret. As one young woman struggles to find her voice and harness her powers within, the other embarks on an epic adventure to bring her family together once and for all. Come see the magic of the Disney film brought to life on stage.



ACTIVITIES

DOG OBEDIENCE BASIC LEVEL

Who: Ages 18+
When: May 14 - June 11
Time: Tuesday, 6:30 - 7:30 p.m.
Where: STW Field
Fee: \$85 res / \$90 non-res
Instructor: Robin Viele, Certified Professional Dog Trainer
Description: Come teach your dog simple, basic commands and manners. This class will be stress free, fun, informative, and will help you form a stronger bond with your dog. This class is for dogs 4 months - 2 years old.

BABYSITTER'S CERTIFICATION

Who: Ages 12 - 15
When: June 15
Time: Saturday, 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
Where: Ambulance Co. #4 - Northford
Fee: \$65 res / \$70 non-res
Instructor: David Burich
Description: Girls & Boys Welcome! Ideal class for current and future sitters. This training gives you the knowledge, skills, and confidence to care for infants and school-aged children. This course addresses safety issues, preventing injuries and illnesses, and basic childcare. Students learn by doing and will be required to demonstrate the skills to be certified by the American Pediatric Association. (Bring a lunch)

SKILZ & DRILZ BASKETBALL

Who: Ages 10 - 14
Session I: June 17 - June 21
Session II: June 24 - June 28
Time: Monday - Friday 8:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.
Where: North Branford High School
Fee: \$150 res / \$155 non-res
Instructor: Cliff Yerkes and Malik White
Description: Run by the head coach of the NBHS Varsity Boys Basketball team, this program is perfect for boys or girls trying to improve their skills to the high school level. A typical day includes ball handling drills, fundamental stations, full court game, lunch, individual contests, team contests, and more. All campers will receive a t-shirt and a personal evaluation from their counselor/coach and awards will be given out at the end of the week.

CARDIO TENNIS

Who: Ages 15+
When: June 20 - July 25
Time: Thursday, 5:00 - 6:00 p.m.
Where: Memorial Park Tennis Courts
Fee: \$60 res / \$65 non-res
Instructor: Phillip Guliano
Description: It's about the workout, not the competition. Fun, group activities with total body workout program includes warm up, cardio workout, and cool down activities. Need to bring your own racquet and plenty of water.

INTERMEDIATE TENNIS

Who: Ages 15+
When: June 20 - July 25
Time: Thursday, 6:00 - 7:00 p.m.
Where: Memorial Park Tennis Courts
Fee: \$60 res / \$65 non-res
Instructor: Phillip Guliano
Description: Learn advanced techniques for forehand and backhand, serve, volley, specialty shots, footwork and playing strategy. Need to bring your own racquet.

North Branford Senior Center

8:30 a.m.- 4:30 p.m.

Senior Hot Lunch available - \$3 - Monday - Friday, 12:00 p.m.
Check out the menu at www.nbparkrec.com



Lunch orders need to be placed by 10:00 am

Weekly grocery shopping trip on Tuesdays at 12:30.



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Weekday transportation to the Center available to town Residents
Please call by 9am

BUS TRIPS

Stew Leonard's Newington- Friday, May 17, 10:30, FREE

Let's shop for some delicious deals at one of the most renowned grocery stores and then stay for a buffet lunch!

Mystic Village, Friday, June 7, Departs 10:30 a.m., \$3 res/ \$5 nr
Spend a casual day of shopping and enjoy lunch with friends. Once we are at the Village this trip is on your own. We will provide a list of eateries and stores for you to enjoy.

Aqua Turf/Celebrate Italia, Tuesday, July 16, Departs 10:30 a.m. \$45 res / \$50 nr - Sophisticated, versatile and polished; FIRST KISS ORCHESTRA will be the perfect fit to celebrate Italia! Your meal will be salad, penne ala norm, chicken parmesan, veal & peppers, vegetables, potato and spumoni.

Norman Rockwell Museum, Friday, July 26, Departs 9:30 a.m. \$20 res / \$25 nr - Founded in 1969 with the help of Norman and Molly Rockwell, the Norman Rockwell Museum with 998 original paintings and drawings is dedicated to the enjoyment and study of Rockwell's work and his contributions to society, popular culture and social commentary. Lunch on your own at the museum's Terrace Café.

CLASSES

Companionship & Intimacy

Who: Adults
When: Friday, May 24 , 11:00 a.m.
Where: STW Community Center
Fee: Free
Instructor: Beverly Kidder - Agency on Aging
Description: For the aging population, intimacy and companionship bring new adventures, problems and possibilities. Join us for this interactive and relevant conversation. The first 10 registrations will receive free lunch that day!

TOUCH-A-TRUCK

Sunday, May 19th

11:30am-1:30pm

Quiet Time 1-1:30pm

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

Northford Congregational Church. United Church of Christ. Church is located on Old Post Rd., (corner of Rte 17 and Rte 22), PO Box 191 Northford. Phone 203-484-0795, Fax 203-484-9916. email: ncchurch@snet.net. 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 Church located at 30 Caputo Rd in North Branford and St. Monica Church located at 1321 Middletown Ave. in Northford. The Pastor is Reverend Robert Turner. Weekday Masses are celebrated on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday & Saturday at 9:00am at St. Monica Church, Weekend Masses are celebrated on Saturday at 4pm at St. Augustine Church and 5:30pm at St. Monica Church and on Sunday at 9am at St. Monica Church and 11am at St. Augustine Church. The Sacrament of Reconciliation is celebrated every Saturday afternoon from 3:00 to 3:30 at St. Augustine Church or by appointment by calling the parish office at 203-484-0403. If you are new to the area and are looking for a parish family to join, please visit us! The office is open M-F from 9am-1pm at 30 Caputo Road in North Branford.

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). We celebrate the Holy Eucharist every Sunday at 10:00am. Coffee and fellowship always follows. All are welcome. Please join us - we’d love to get to know you! 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, belts, purses, sheets, blankets and stuffed animals may be made at the donation shed in the church parking lot. We are a member of the Middlesex Area Cluster Ministry. The Rev. Jim Bradley is Missioner In Charge and we have rotating clergy serving the parishes of St. Andrew’s as well as Emmanuel Episcopal Church, Killingworth and St. James Episcopal Church, Higganum. Visit our website at <http://standrewsnorthford.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; MACM office, 860-345-0058; or Rev. Bradley, 203-525-6846.

Zion Episcopal Church, 326 Notch Hill Road, No. Branford. 203-488-7395 Rev. Lucy LaRocca, Vicar. During the summer we will have a single 9am service of Holy Eucharist in our newly air conditioned sanctuary. In September we will go back to two services at 8 & 10AM. Healing Prayer and Compline 7PM, second Tuesday of the month. Two Safe Church trained babysitters available downstairs during the service. Visit our Facebook page or website at zioneπισcopalchurch.org.

Hope Christian Church 211 Montowese Ave North Haven CT Sunday Service 10AM, Wednesday Bible Study 7PM. ‘Real People, Real Hope, Real Life’ www.hopeag.com 203-234-7328. Our Pastor, Rev Jim Detweiler, is the Chaplain for the North Haven Fire Department. If you are looking to find Hope in Christ and” A Place to Belong”, this is the first place to try! Looking forward to meeting you!

Mother’s Day Weekend Flower Sale

Northford Congregational Church, “A Little Church with a Big Heart,” will have a Mother’s Day weekend flower sale to benefit the church. The flower sale will be held on Sat., May 11, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., and on Sun. from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. In the event of inclement weather, the flowers/plants will be sold inside the church social hall downstairs.

All are welcome to attend Sunday worship on Mother’s Day and every Sunday at 10 a.m.

The historic church (203-484-0795) is located at 4 Old Post Road at the corner of Routes 22 and 17 in the Northford village in North Branford. Website: www.northfordcongregational.church. Email address: ncchurch@snet.net. Like us on Facebook.

HAM AND STRAWBERRY DINNER

North Branford Congregational Church, 1680 Foxon Road, invites you to join us and start the summer off with a delicious ‘Ham and Strawberry Dinner’ on June 8 at 5:30 PM in Fellowship Hall.

Ticket prices are: Adults \$18, children 6-10 \$8, and children 5 and under dinner is free.

To purchase tickets please call Donna at 203.927.5562

St. Andrew’s Annual Rhubarb Fest

First Fruits of the season. St. Andrews Annual Rhubarb Fest will be on May 18 from 2 to 4. We will have Pies, Breads, Coffee Cakes and More. Enjoy a slice of Strawberry-Rhubarb Pie or our Award Winning Cheesecake or take home one to share later. St. Andrews is in the center of Northford at the junction of routes 17 and 22. Any questions contact Leslie Williams 202-269-4404.

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For Information call Jean Hadley (facilitator) at 203-433-4552.

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You are invited to attend the 5th annual **Brunch at the Barn, Sunday May 19th** from 11 AM to 2PM, celebrating The Dudley Farm Museum’s first 25 years. Catered by The Marketplace at the Guilford Food Center, local farm products from some of the Dudley Farm Farmers’ Market vendors will be featured. Our silent auction will offer the bidder unique local items, and drawings will be held for floral centerpieces provided by Michael Russo of Trout Lily Farm and Janet Dudley. Come listen to The Dudley Farm String Band and enjoy a day “down on the farm.”

A tour and recognition of the barn as part of the State Register of Historic Places of the restored barn complex will follow the brunch. Seating for this special event is limited. Tickets are \$45.00 per person, and must be purchased in advance. For further information please call 203-457-0770 or email director@dudleyfarm.com.



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Pre-order is strongly recommended as we will only have a few extra plants and donuts available for sale on May 11th.

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May 18, 2019 Saturday 8:30 am – 1:00 pm ON THE BRANFORD TOWN GREEN.*Rain date May 19 – Please note that the time of sale is different for the rain date – it’s 12:00 noon to 3:30 pm*

We are renting space to vendors to sell their own items. Contact Chris for an application.

Also looking for donations of items for us to sell, please drop them off at the sale by 8:00 a.m. (we can ONLY accept furniture or other bulky items if you agree to come back at the end of the sale and pick them up if they don’t sell). *Please do not bring donated items to the shelter.*

Volunteers needed to work during the sale and help clean up at the end and help bring leftover items to Goodwill or another thrift store. Questions? Chris: chriskat32@aol.com or 203-484-9648. Proceeds benefit: Branford Compassion Club Feline Rescue and Adoption Center (a shelter for homeless cats) 2037 Foxon Rd. (RT 80), North Branford CT 06471
www.branfordcompassionclub.org

Giant Craft and Tag Sale The North Haven Congregational Church Women’s Fellowship will hold their Annual Craft and Tag Sale on Saturday, June 1, 2019 from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. outside on the Church Lawn and inside in Carroll Hall, 28 Church Street, North Haven, CT. Many vendors, including The Connecticut Record Club, and Pampered Chef, and a large variety of crafts and merchandise will be available for your shopping pleasure. There is ample parking in the church parking lot. Morning Coffee and Lunch will be available. A few spaces are still open for vendors. To reserve a space please call the church office at 203-239-5691 for information. The cost for a space is \$25.00 (non-refundable). Bring your own table and chairs. Set up begins at 7:30 a.m. Space is limited so make your reservation soon. No rain date.

Tag Sale - Saturday, June 1st, 9am - 3pm. 29 Jay Place, North Branford. Rain dates will follow Doody’s K of C sale. everything must go.

Knights of Columbus Totoket Council 6801 is looking for vendors to fill 80 spaces at their Annual Spring Giant Tag Sale/Flea Market on June 1st, at doody’s Field on Foxon Rd. in North Branford. It will run from 8am - 3pm with free admission and off road parking. To reserve your space call 203-484-9737. cost is \$30 paid before May 27th. Vendors must provide their own tables.

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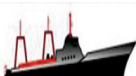


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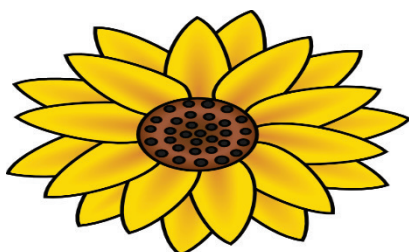
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The North Branford Republican Town Committee is sponsoring a Spring Social event on Wed, May 15th at Doody's Totoket Inn. From 5:30-7:30pm

This is a great opportunity to talk about state and local issues with state and local Republican officials. Suggested donation is \$25. Hors D'oeuvres will be served.

You can RSVP to: ejbj826@sbcglobal.net, or check out the event listing on the NBRTC Facebook page.

K of C Council 6801 Upcoming Events

Sunday, May 19th - Blessing of the Bikes.

12:30 - 2:00PM with the Blessing at 1:00.

St. Monica Church, 1331 Middleton Ave. Northford.

Saturday, June 1st - Giant Flea Market/Tag Sale

8am to 3pm at Doody's 465 Foxon Rd. North Branford.

Thursday, July 18th - Wine Tasting

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