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NBLCT Trails Day and Annual Meeting

The North Branford Land Conservation Trust, Inc. (NBLCT) will sponsor a family friendly hike at the Harrison Farm Preserve on Saturday, June 1, at 9:30 am as part of the CT Trails Day celebration. Members Hank Petroskey and Ken Albin will lead the hike. Insect spray is recommended as are appropriate hiking shoes. Meet at 91 North Street. Follow the signs for parking. Distance two miles, rain date, June 2.

Al Rose of Rose's Orchards will be the guest speaker at the NBLCT Annual Meeting on Wednesday, June 5, 2019 at the Stanley T. Williams Community Center, 1332 Middletown Ave., Northford. Mr. Rose will speak about the history of the Rose family, including the former and new businesses that have become a part of the family legacy since it began in 1644 in North Branford. A Business Meeting will begin at 6:00 pm, followed at 6:15 pm with Mr. Rose's presentation. The public is welcome to attend.

NBLCT is a nonprofit organization whose purpose is to acquire and maintain open space and to promote the conservation of land and natural resources within the Town of North Branford and environs. For more information about this program and about NBLCT, go to www.nblandtrust. org or visit us on Facebook. Recharge, Explore, Discover!

REMEMBER OUR HEROES

Honor our Military with a Flag

The Northford-North Branford Women's Club, GFWC is sponsoring Honor Them with a Flag, a salute to our country's military personnel and I veterans. The public is invited to participate by purchasing a U.S. flag dedicated to a member of our military or anyone else close to your heart. The flags will go on display on the front lawn at the North Branford Town Hall from Flag Day, June 14th to July 4th. Each flag, 12" x 18", will have a white ribbon attached to it inscribed with the name and rank of the soldier or loved one. A ceremony will be held on the Town Hall lawn on Friday, June 14th at 7:00pm. Flags are available for collection after July 4th at the North Branford Town Hall. Proceeds will benefit local veterans' projects. To order, fill out a form and mail a check made out to the Northford-North Branford Women's Club for \$10 per flag to: The Northford-North Branford Women's Club, P.O. Box 264, Northford, CT 06472. Order forms are available in local papers, the Stanley T. Williams Community Center, Edward Smith and Atwater Libraries, the Northford and North Branford Post Offices and online at www.northfordwomensclub.org. There is no limit on purchases, but all forms must be received by June 12th. For more information, contact Liz Boissard at 203-484-0708.

Memorial Day Parade 2019 The Memorial Day Parade will be held on Monday, May 27, 2019 at

The Memorial Day Parade will be held on Monday, May 27, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. in the North Branford section of town. The veterans of North Branford/Northford extend an invitation to everyone who wishes to march on that day. Groups will form on Commerce Drive which is located off of Route 80 at 9:00 a.m. The parade line will start at 9:30 a.m. and step off at 10:00 a.m. sharp. Any and all veterans are encourage to participate transportation is available upon request.

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.

We look forward to another successful parade.



The memorial Day Parade Com. would like to invite all-- WWII & Korean War Veterans to be Honorary Marshals for this years Parade.

Honorees or Family members can call & submit the name & Mil- Bio of the veteran to: Bill Savastano 203- 484 -2784, Joe Anderson 203 -481 -9193 or Anthony Esposito Jr. 203 484 6002

The Committee will provide safe-Easy-On--Easy --Off --Golf Carts for the Honoree. We need to have more Veterans out to be part of the parade & if Any Vet needs a ride--please give us your name.

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Let's Do This For Those who Gave ALL! See You At The Parade on May 27th

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Please fill out the following information and make a check payable to: Northford-North Branford Women's Club. Mail to P.O. Box 264, Northford, CT 06472

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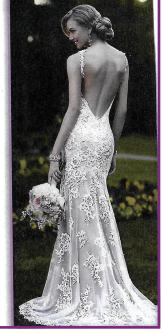
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Pizza Wars

Recently, the 10th Annual Pizza Wars to benefit the North Branford Senior Center was held. The evening hosted hungry guests who were eager to sample delicious pizza from Anthony John's Pizzeria, Capone's Pizza Bar, LaMonaco's Pizza & Pasta, Pasquale's Apizza and Sandy's Deli & Pizza. For the second year in a row, Capone's Pizza Bar was awarded 1st place for the 'Best Cheese Pizza', followed by Pasquale's Apizza who came in 2nd and Sandy's Deli & Pizza placed 3rd.

In addition to the best cheese pizza which was awarded by the guests, a panel of judges that included, acting North Branford Police Chief – Lt. James Lovelace, North Branford High School Principal – Todd Stoeffler, and community guest judge - Steve McDermott, carefully tasted an array of specialty pizzas and presented LaMonaco's Pizza & Pasta with the 'Best Specialty Pizza' for their prosciutto, arugula & shaved Italian parmesan pizza. Both Capone's and LaMonaco's will have their names added to the 'Golden Pizza Cutter' plaque that hangs in the entryway of the Stanley T. Williams Community Center.

The evening also included water & soda sponsored by Aquatic Pool & Spa and Foxon Park Beverages. Delicious desserts were available from JCakes and DJ Anthony Es-

> posito kept the crowd entertained! The raffle included generously donated items from Agway, Aura Day Spa, Rockin' Jump and Squeaky Clean Car Wash.

> This year, guests had two different seating times to choose from and were served by the North Branford High School softball team and the Quinnipiac University field hockey team. The Senior Center would like to thank everyone who helped make the evening a success - from the restaurants to the sponsors, the volunteers and of course, the guests! We wouldn't continue to have such a wonderful event if it weren't for all of you!

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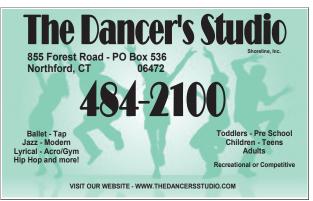
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State Representative Vincent Candelora **Tolls: A New Low**



Tolls have obviously become the most elusive and divisive issue at the capital this session. The controversy is not only routed in the cost to taxpayers, but also the lack of specifics in the bill proposals. It is difficult to garner support for a bill when you have no details to demonstrate the impact on your

district. While all republicans are against tolls, it is not a partisan issue; both democrats and republicans oppose tolls.

Republicans have offered two different alternatives to tolls. One proposal reallocates general obligation bonds and car sales tax to the special transportation fund to pay for projects. The second proposal adds a public/ private partnership element where the private sector is utilized to fix our bridges and roads. These proposals are starting to gain traction, and even our Senate Democratic President has vowed that any transportation proposal needs to be bipartisan. I believe his position stems from the public outcry against tolls; regardless, the legislature does its best work when both parties are negotiating the issue.

Despite numerous conversations, Governor Lamont has dug in on tolling the state. In a last-minute desperate attempt to get support in the House, Governor Lamont offered to fundraise and support democrats in their reelection bids if they vote for tolls. "We're going to raise money for this caucus. I'm going to have the business guys coming in," Governor Lamont said, "Labor's going to be standing up for you, and I'm going to be standing up for you."

After Governor Rowland was convicted of taking gifts from contractors, Connecticut went through great pains to craft clean election laws to protect against corruption. Contractors and lobbyists are significantly limited in their ability to donate and participate in campaigns, and our laws prohibit campaigning and fundraising in public buildings. The governor's offer to raise money for legislative democrats is a clumsy mistake at best, and a violation of the law at worst. His remarks have tainted this toll debate and

likely has minimized the chances of this bill getting passed.

No one in the room can control what the Governor said, and I'm sure most of my colleagues regretted being there to hear his remarks. I believe, however, before a toll vote occurs in either chamber, the members need to publicly disavow any offer of political and financial gain from our governor. It is imperative to the integrity of our democrat process that members stand and reject this quid pro quo. The Governor's remarks

have corrupted this process. Our constituents deserve to know that

members reject this offer, and our governor needs to think before he speaks and educate himself of our campaign laws and ethics rules.

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Let's Be "Frank"

Wow brother, it's Memorial Day Weekend. It was just yesterday when I was making the antipasto for Christmas. My father-in-law was right. "Once you hit fifty," he used to say, "the years fly by". So here we are, filling the propane tanks, getting the steaks, burgers, dogs and condiments for the summer.

It used to mean the East Haven parade which daddy would warn not to blink or we would miss it. Then to aunt Tess and uncle Rudy's for a picnic. Often more than fifty people in the small cape style house with an even smaller back yard. Every spot was used. There was basketball in the driveway, wiffle ball in the yard, bocci on the front lawn and football on the "no name street" now named Rudy's Way after our dear uncle.

Like everything else, things have changed. Now the unofficial start of summer means a few other things. For me, it's high school playoff baseball. For the tenth time in twelve years (under head coach Billy Mitchell) our north Branford Thunderbirds have made the Shoreline and the State Tournament. As I write this letter, we have just defeated Valley Regional in the first round and hopefully when you are reading it, we will be playing for the Shoreline Championship.

It's a unique team this year. More than any team I have been involved with, these guys are a single unit. They pick each other up, they have each other's backs and they never have to be told how to handle themselves. They represent themselves, their families, school and town quite admirably. They also want to win more than any team I've had but they don't let it take over their lives. They are focused and grounded and I see all of them leaving our program to go on to successful futures.

A long time coach once told me his coaching career would never be validated until he won a state championship. That couldn't be the furthest from the truth. I'd love to be involved in a championship on the high school level. Having several on other levels, it's fun. But having kids like this years team and other kids coming back to watch the games, and who have given me the honor of letting me be a small part of their lives, is validation enough for me. Win or lose, this team has been fun to coach.

So as the tournaments fade in the distance, the summer is here. With my physical limitations there won't be any painting or landscaping projects and with other situations, travel will be limited. So there will not be a lot going on this summer. Maybe some of my readers can e-mail me a few ideas.

I remember when we were kids, those few summers when we had a car, we would sometimes go to Wharton Brook. The adults would have a big picnic and the kids would go in the water. It was the dirtiest water anywhere but we didn't know it having never been anywhere else. I now know why mom use to tell us not to open our eyes or mouths under the water and the would make us take a hot bath when we got home. "We just got out of the water, why do we need a shower?" We would ask. But she would insist and threaten to never let us go again.

There was no highway back then so the rides seemed to take forever. All back roads and sometimes with the tailgate open and the older kids sitting on the back to make more room in the car. Dirty water, no car seats and hanging off the tailgate anticipating every bump. We're all still here and none of us have died from that yet.

Well, that's all for now. I'll think of all you guys at my less active Memorial Day cookout. Tell the gang I said hello. I'll be thinking of them at the North Branford Memorial Day Parade and tell pops I'll try not to blink.

I miss you and I'll see you soon.

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The Editor P.O. Box 313, Northford, CT 06472

OBSTRUCTION

Cries for obstruction charges against President Trump are casually bandied about on the evening news while other underhanded acts of obstruction fly under our radar. The merit of any such allegations requires an understanding of the crime of "obstruction" and warrants comparison of Trump's circumstances to others. Simply put, "obstruction" requires the intent to and act of "impeding" a government function (under 18 USC, e.g.: agency proceedings §1505; court orders §1509; criminal investigations §1510; federal investigations §1519; law enforcement §1521; a witness §1512). Conspiracy to defraud the United States under §371 also fits the bill in many cases.

No one even considered charging Clinton with obstruction when he met with Attorney General Lynch on the tarmac on the eve of the DOJ's decision to pursue espionage charges against his wife. Yet there was both an overt act and strong indicia of intent to interfere with the pending FBI investigation via Bill's use of his presidential sway. But his simple denials and Loretta's deflections sufficed to obfuscate even an investigation.

Qualified immunity wouldn't protect the FBI officials who pursed and obtained FISA warrants knowing they were based on false or unverified information. Under 18 USC §1001 they committed felonies by knowingly filing false, fictitious or fraudulent documents to induce FISA court action. Comey, Rosenstein, Sztrok and others might be charged with §1510, 1519 and 1521 obstruction as well as §1001 fraud.

Hillary destroyed 33,000 emails while they were under subpoena. But Comey argued on Hillary's behalf, stating he "didn't find any evidence of evil intent [or] intent to obstruct justice." We later learned that some of those emails were State Department business and contained classified information. Section 1510, 1519 and 1521 obstruction; enough said.

The recent efforts to oust AG Barr may also constitute obstruction. To the extent House Democrats call for Barr's removal intending to prevent DOJ investigation into political spying, they are arguably obstructing justice under several of the above statutes. The House Democrats' attempt to force Barr to illegally reveal grand jury testimony sounds like §1509 obstruction to me.

Compare the tawdry allegations against Trump to those above: Trump sought DNC emails from WikiLeaks but doubted Russia did the hacking; he asked Comey to ease up on Flynn; he urged Sessions not to recuse himself; he asked his staff to portray the Russia investigation as "very unfair." Of the ten allegations, arguably only one involved a predicate act - he fired Comey. But that was with the Constitutional power to do so, with the blessing of Rosenstein and in the wake of Comey's mysteriously sloppy, awkward and blatantly unprofessional acts unbecoming of the Director of the FBI.

My point is not that obstruction charges should be brought against these people; it is that obstruction charges against these other people would be far less ludicrous than those against Trump.

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"... It is one in the Same..."

Dear Editor:

When are we going to take off our rosy glasses and see what is happening to our country. We are killing babies at the moment of their birth. This is murder or ABORTION. It is one in the same.

They want to make assisted suicide legal. We are spending money now to keep people from committing suicide and this is good. Now they want to spend more money to allow people to kill themselves. REALLY?

They want to make marijuana legal. It is bad enough now with people driving under the influence of liquor, prescription and illegal drugs. Now they want to make marijuana legal.

It really makes me sick. The party my parents worked so hard to protect does not exist anymore. The Democratic Party is a Party who promoted death at all stages.

We all have to realize, when we die we meet our maker, who is God. Life is sacred and fragile at all stages, from conception to natural death. When we realize that, the almighty dollar does not mean this much.

Sincerely, Barbara Nixon

"Keep our Roads, Friends. & Neighbors Safe." Dear Editor:

On Memorial Day, Americans around the country will honor the service and sacrifices of our brave men and women in uniform. The holiday weekend is an opportunity to gather with loved ones and celebrate those who have fought to preserve our freedom as we welcome the arrival of summer.

But before you raise a glass to those who have served our country, we invite you to join us in prioritizing what those in uniform give their lives to protect: our communities and our safety. If your plans involve alcohol, make sure to #DrinkWiser by planning ahead for safe rides and hydrating between beers.

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The case against a \$15/hr minimum wage.

Dear Editor

Today, thanks mostly to an education system that fails to educate students on the very basics of economics, we have entire generations of workers believing that they are entitled, by their very existence, to a wage that would provide a comfortable living. A cost of living that has been driven upward almost entirely by the very same premises of such a law. To understand my point, lets look at the practical effects of a \$15 min wage:

- 1, The number is entirely arbitrary. Why not \$20, or \$25? I mean, in CT you really need at least 100k to be as comfortable as the democratic politicians say we should be, so why not \$100k? "well that's not reasonable" goes the argument. Well when the emotion of the term "living wage" is removed, and we apply logic to the argument, then why not all make a great living at \$100k? If the value of a job is to be based on what employees FEEL they should get, then how do we apply any value to a job at all?
- 2, It is an absolute fact that any cost of doing business, must be factored into the price of any product or service. Raising the minimum wage will absolutely increase the end cost to the consumer for EVERY single business transaction you make.; Food, groceries, burgers, coffee, pizza... every item at Walmart, Target, Agway, Big Y... Every service you purchase; house cleaning, dog grooming, landscaping, sandwich making, hair cutting, movies, sports.. EVERYTHIG! In every business, there are; floor sweepers, cleaners, stockers, washers, cashiers.. all getting paid around \$10 for entry level work. And in three years, they will all be getting paid 33% more. And we will all be paying more for everything. The money for the wage doesn't just show up.
- 3, Its not as much a raise as you might think. Many of CT's low wage earners escape the minimum income limits of paying state and federal income taxes. For example, in CT your first \$15,000 of income is not taxed. Now increase that to \$20,000 and you will be paying close to 7% of that extra 5k. That's a \$350 tax bill for every 5k you make over that \$15k threshold. Let that sink in. What the democrats in Hartford are really doing is passing yet another tax increase, a huge one, on to its citizens, at the expense of its businesses and you the consumer. Its literally a massive tax hike on the poor.
- 4, It's a job killer. For many business's that are struggling, its just math. If you cant afford things now, or you're just getting by, how can you survive such a massive increase in labor cost? The answer of course is to either lay off workers, or avoid hiring new workers. This is why you see a KIOSK in the newly renovated McDonalds. Its just math. Additionally, in every place that passed such minimum wage values, jobs have been lost. Particularly low wage jobs like in the restaurant business and low-level service industries. See Seattle WA.
- 5, The fair pay effect. What do you tell employees, who are currently making \$15-20/hr, when they have been working years at their jobs? Developing skills, and experience to further their carrers? They too, will want to see their salaries increased. Its only fair? So when the state arbitrarily picks a value for entry level work, it forces skilled labor costs up as well. Its just common sense that this will, and does occur.
- 6, Large Business can move. So why would you operate in a state that habitually passes bad business laws, and habitually increases the cost of doing business, when you can just move? We've already seen it. CT has lost major businesses, and CT has lost major population and the wealth that goes along with it. Consider this: Prior to Dan Malloy's two huge tax increases, there was a group of twelve CT residents, whose combined tax receipts accounted for over 10% of CT's entire income tax revenue!! That's 12 people paying 10% of all income tax!! In a state with 3.5 million residents!! As of today, three of those billionaires, have left CT. And they took their tax payments with them. The idea that the rich or big business, or any business for that matter, can or will pick up the tab for a 30% increase in the minimum wage, is complete folly.
- 7, last but not least, its wholly incompatible with what has made America the wealthiest nation on Earth, free market capitalism. No system of commerce has so well provided for its own, as well as free-market capitalism. Sure, it isn't perfect. But only because there is no perfect in economics. In any case, there is simply no other system of economics that has provided more wealth to so many, in such a short period of time, as free-markets have. The idea that we maintain a society where individuals are free to choose their services, free to chose their values, free to explore the new and innovative, all in the name of a well deserved, and hard fought profit. The opposite idea, that wealth and prosperity is an entitlement, can only be sold by a liar. We are, by design, at our best when we work for what we get. And to get anything of any value without having earned it, is in fact an immorality that is instinctively known in our gut. This minimum wage bill is a lie. It is nothing more than a vote buying scheme, that offers fake prosperity, and devalues everything work for. Our only chance to stop it is to let our legislators know, that we're done. That we cant afford it. That we wont stay here. That we will take our commerce and our business elsewhere. Somewhere where we can use our earnings for a real "living wage". Call Gov Lamont, Call State Senator Christine Cohen, and tell them No! This is a bad idea! It only hurts us all.

Sincerely, Edward J Boughton

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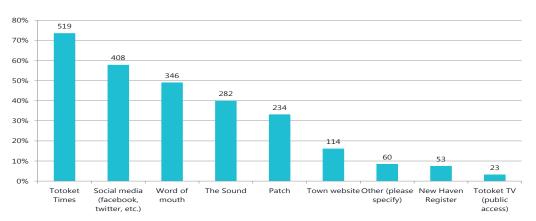
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PLANNING FOR THE FUTURE

By Attorney Marc P. Guertin

The new mantra of the baby boomer generation is beginning to sound something like: "I'm getting older, I'm not in the best of health, I'm worried about the costs of long term care, and I'm scared to death." This is the kind of stuff that keeps people (including myself) up at night. I wish that I could tell my clients not to worry, that it's going to be alright, but often times it's not alright. The effects of aging take over and many people end up in a nursing home and then the financial pain begins. A long term stay in a nursing home can be financially devastating. It can completely exhaust your estate, leaving nothing for your surviving spouse or heirs.

The sooner you plan for this possibility the better. Time can be both your worst enemy and your biggest ally, depending on how you approach the problem. Often, I am contacted by the families of people who are literally on their way to a nursing home- at this point time is not on their side. Sure, we can preserve some assets but only a fraction. I call this approach the "emergency planning mode." It is kind of like being on a game show, but the prize is your own "stuff" and you win by getting the privilege of keeping some of your own "stuff." Emergency Planning Mode is, of course, not the best approach to the problem.

The best time to plan is well in advance of needing nursing home care. Given enough time and proper planning all of your assets can be preserved and sheltered from the costs of nursing home care. Many people utilize irrevocable trusts to protect and preserve assets long term. This is the best option for dodging the nursing home cost bullet, which can be financially devastating for you and your family. Irrevocable trusts are also a great way to avoid probate and to ensure that you can pass something on to your heirs or favorite charity.

If you're worried about the cost of long term care, get out in front of the problem. Make an appointment with a qualified estate planning attorney and see what can be done to protect your assets. Just because you can't take it with you doesn't mean that you have to give it to the nursing home.

If you would like to learn more about how trusts work to protect your assets, call us at 203-234-7400 to schedule a complimentary consultation. We also will be hosting a workshop on this topic on Saturday, June 8th at our offices in North Haven. Seating is limited so please call to reserve your space now.

Marc Guertin, is a partner at Guertin and Guertin, LLC. Guertin and Guertin, LLC is dedicated to Estate Planning, Elder Law, Trust and Probate Administration. Visit Guertin and Guertin, LLC on the web: www.guertinandguertin.com.

Recycling News

HazWaste Central is open for the season
Located right behind the Regional Water Authority's
headquarters, 90 Sargent Drive, New Haven
Hours are 9am to noon - Saturdays through October 26th, 2018
Note: Center is <u>closed</u> for the Memorial Day, Independence
Day and Labor Day holiday weekends.

Bulky Waste Pickup Schedule*

Bulky waste pickup is now **monthly** (instead of weekly).

Monthly bulky pickup will take place the

2nd full week of each month on your regular trash day:

June 10th

*No change to the weekly trash and recycling pickup schedules

Keep Your Neighborhood Cleaner and Safer

Please store totes away from street and sidewalks after pickup.

Unacceptable Curbside Waste Reminder

Construction debris (such as toilets, concrete blocks, roofing material), propane tanks, TVs, monitors, printers, home cleanouts may not be placed curbside. These items will not get picked up; please dispose/recycle properly.

It's About the Land

The New Haven Water Company, an investor-owned predecessor of the Regional Water Authority, desperately needed additional water resources for New Haven, as the city rapidly grew during the early decades of the 20th century. In 1912, company engineers proposed that a large dam in North Branford be constructed at the base of a broad valley southeast of Totoket Mtn, aka Great Hill. The proposed dam would create a reservoir so large that the relatively small streams behind the dam were unlikely to ever fill the reservoir. So why bother? Engineers noticed that streams and rivers in towns east of the proposed reservoir at higher elevations could be diverted by gravity to the proposed reservoir in North Branford by building smaller dams and a tunnel. Equally desirable was that as the dam in North Branford was constructed, the smaller diversions could be built in stages. The first stage would be the diversion of the West Branch of the West River in North Guilford. Engineers had estimated that the West Branch's average annual flow was adequate to fill the reservoir. The greatest obstacle to development of the North Branford project was its cost and other perplexing issues. For instance, state legislation was needed before it could take water and divert it to the North Branford reservoir from water courses in the eastern towns....what if the enabling legislation was denied? What if the demand for water in New Haven and adjacent towns would diminish after the company had invested huge sums to build the project? A 1902 contract between the City of New Haven and the investor-owned water company (resulting from a dispute over water rates charged by the company), gave the city an option to acquire the company every 25 years. What if the City of New Haven decided to exercise the option in 1927? To satisfy fiscally conservative members of New Haven Water Company's board of directors, company engineers looked at alternate and cheaper sites to develop new but smaller sources of water supply. The largest of these sites was also in North Branford, on land the company had purchased around 1917 on the Branford River (today's North Farms Park). At this location a much smaller dam would have been constructed so that the water of the Branford River could be diverted to Lake Saltonstall, an existing source of water, via a system of conduits and a tunnel. Water stored in Lake Saltonstall had to be pumped into the distribution system, a costly operation. And pumps were known to fail. The larger more expensive reservoir proposal, on the other hand, could supply the city by gravity.

In 1914 the company had just completed the construction of a new reservoir in Woodbridge to keep up with expected demand. This reservoir was much smaller than the new proposal, but it seemed adequate for the time. Then, in August of that year World War I erupted and factories in New Haven began supplying war materials for Great Britain and its allies in their fight against the Central Powers lead by Germany. As more people moved into New Haven and as factories such as the Winchester Repeating Arms Co. increased their production, the need for water also increased. It wiped out any surplus that might have been created with the newly constructed reservoir in Woodbridge. Edward Minor, the company's engineer and superintendent, began alerting the board of directors about the tenuous supply of water remaining in company reservoirs following a month or more of low precipitation. He brought to the board's attention the threat of a real crisis if the company did not move forward with its plans.

Next month, construction and completion of the reservoir, its relatively slow rate of filling, and finally, a changed landscape for the land area of North Branford east of Totoket Mountain.

Otto Schaefer, Member, North Branford Land Conservation Trust, Incorporated

BUDGET REFERENDUM

May 14, 2019

Total Number of Electors - 9664

District 1 - 5258

District 2 - 4406

Total Number Voting - 199 (2%)

District 1 - 100 (1.9%) District 2 - 99 (2.2%)

Question #1:

Shall the Town Council Recommended Budget of \$53,983,433, which will require a mill rate of 33.46 mills, be adopted?

District 1 District 2 Total I accept the budget 36 40 76
I reject the budget - too high 59 55 114
I reject the budget - too low 5 4 9



Nursery Visits Bobby's Apizza

On May 1st The Nursery on Notch Hill took their annual field trip to Bobby's Apizza. Notch Hill has been visiting Bobby's for over 25 Thank you Pizza man Joe, we enjoyed spending the morning with you learning how to make our own pizza. They were delicious!



Student Athletes Sign Letter of Intent

Several North Branford student athletes recently signed letters to attend and particiapte in sports at several colleges. Pictured with AD Lori Connelly (standing) are (left to right); Sydney Constantini, Tennis at Johnson & Wales University. Ana Maria Pavic, Soccer at Connecticut College. Caitlin May, Soccer at College of Mount Saint Vincent and Angelina Ramada, Softball at Albertus Magnus College.



Wee Care of North Branford, Inc. **Daycare and Preschool**

At Wee Care of North Branford, Inc. all day preschool is available for children ages 3-6 from 7 a.m. - 6 p.m. Monday through Friday. Some of the highlights of the program are:

- -Two licensed Preschool Teachers
- -Curriculum and disciplinary procedures aligned with local kindergarten classes
- -Teacher directed learning centers
- -Morning lessons reinforced by afternoon activities
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ATWATER LIBRARY 6:30 PM

PUBLIC LIBRARIES

1:30PM

SMITH LIBRARY

ATWATER LIBRARY

6:30PM

1:00PM

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

Tick talk. Did you know that diseases carried by ticks, mosquitoes and fleas have tripled in the past 15 years? Barbara Naclerio from E. Shore Health tells us how we can protect ourselves

International Film Club presents "A Star is Born" Lady Gaga and Bradley Cooper star in the 2018 American film that won a Golden Globe and an Oscar! Snacks and drinks provided!

Couldn't make it to our May Medicare sessions? Register now for our upcoming June presentations! Learn about your insurance health plan options so you can make the best decision for your situation

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6:30PM SMITH LIBRARY

ATWATER & **SMITH LIBRARIES**

10:30AM ATWATER **LIBRARY**

KIDS! Catapult your summer reading into hyperspace with SPACESHIP HARMONY, an interactive music and movement journey through the universe. Then sign up for our "Universe of Stories" Summer Reading Program

KIDS! Summer Reading Program. Grab a book, tablet or your earbuds. Be sure to join in the fun with special events, programs, prize drawing & donations to local animal shelters KIDS! Father's Day Story & Craft. Listen to a Father's Day story & make a Father's Day gift to share with a special gentleman in your life! Snack & juice provided. Ages 2-6. Register at 203-315-6020

Know a Senior or an 8th Grader?

Send them congratulatory 17" mylar balloons that will be delivered to their house with your personalized note!

Purple balloons for seniors, white for 8th graders. Balloons are \$5.00 each

All funds raised will help support the North Branford High School Girls Soccer Team

If you do not know a graduate, please consider making a donation so that all graduates can have a balloon during this special time. NO ORDERS WILL BE TAKEN AFTER 5/30

WHY WAIT ORDER TODAY!!! Sender Name and Email

Address	
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Graduate's Full Name_____

Check off which grade – Senior ______ 8th Grader _____

Graduates Address – Street and Zip Code

Note to Graduate (limit 3 lines)

Total Balloons Ordered Total Due (# of Balloons x \$5.00)

Make checks payable to North Branford Girls Soccer c/o Patricia Sarmento,

21 Doral Farm Rd. North Branford, CT 06471 If you have any questions, please call/text 203-214-5368

North Branford High School recently recognized their senior players on several sports teams.

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Girls Lacrosse

Pictured with coach/AD Lori Connelly, left to right: Jordan Regan, Cayleen Defaranos, Morgan Ryan, Jesse Kilburn, Mary-Kate Torgerson, Joanna Phabmixay and Julia Pietrogallo. Photo by Todd Ingarra

Looking for Baseball Players Boys 16-18 or born in 2000 are eligible to play in a Summer Babe Ruth

Senior League. Teams from Hamden, North Haven, Cheshire, Essex, Durham, Middletown, Milford, Amity and Branford / North Branford will enter a team. Interested players should contact Mike Lucibello at 203-481-0628 (H) or 203-314-6700 (C)



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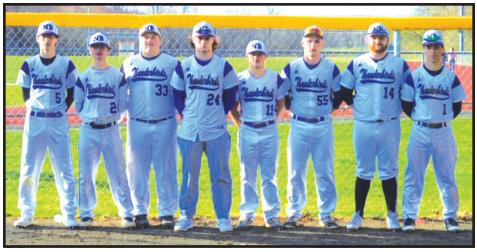
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Girls Softball

Left to Right: Kaylee Velez, Ang Ramada, Ashley Anderson, Amy Raucci and Brianna Raccio. Photo by Morgan Onofrio



Baseball

Left to right: Gio Parillo, Matt Cosgrove, Tyler Sibley, Nick Mancini, Lou Raffone, Carl Jacobson, Colin Baxter and Steve Galluba.



Boys Lacrosse

L-R Cameron DiPentina, Ben Acker, Nicholas Barrett, Alex Grimm, Jacob Montanaro, RJ Sobask and Dylan Martinik. Photo by William O'Brien

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BUS TRIPS

BOSTON RED SOX VS. TAMPA BAY RAYS

When: Sunday, June 9th \$95 res / \$100 non-res Cost:

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 \$120 res / \$125 non-res Cost:

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.

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ACTIVITIES

BABYSITTER'S CERTIFICATION

Ages 12 - 15 June 15 Who: When:

Saturday, 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Time: Ambulance Co. #4 - Northford \$65 res / \$70 non-res Where: Fee:

David Búrich Instructor:

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 Monday - Friday 8:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. Time:

North Branford High School \$150 res / \$155 non-res Where: Fee: 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+ June 20 - July 25 When:

Thursday, 5:00 – 6:00 p.m. Memorial Park Tennis Courts Time: Where: Fee: \$60 res / \$65 non-res

Phillip Guliano Instructor:

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.

Who: Ages 15+ When: June 20 - July 25

Thursday, 6:00 – 7:00 p.m. Memorial Park Tennis Courts Time: Where:

\$60 res / \$65 non-res Fee: Phillip Guliano Instructor:

Description: Learn advanced techniques for forehand and backhand, serve, volley, specialty shots, footwork and playing strategy. Need to bring your own racquet.

REGISTER NOW FOR KIDS KAMP 2019!



Week 1: June 17 - Jun 21 Week 2: June 24 - Jun 28 July 1 - July 5 July 8 - July 12 Week 3: Week 4: Week 5: July 15 - July 19 July 22 - July 26 July 29 - Aug 2 Week 6: Week 7: Aug. 5 - Aug 9 Week 8: Week 9: Aug. 12 - Aug 16

(203) 484-6017 www.nbrecreation.com 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.

Never miss a monthly newsletter and sign up for email or snail mail delivery (snail mail \$8 for the year). Weekday transportation to the Center available to town Residents

Please call by 9am

BUS TRIPS

Rose's Orchard, Wednesday, May 29, 12:45pm, FREE Enjoy an after lunch visit to the orchard's ice cream stand!

Potluck Picnic, Friday, May 31, 11:30am, FREE Join us for a potluck picnic at Coginchaug Park in Durham. Please sign up at the front desk with the dish that you are planning to bring!

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.

<u>Aqua Turf/Celebrate Italia, Tuesday, July 16, Departs 10:30 a.m.</u> **\$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

RSVP Volunteer Program

Monday, June 10, 11:00 a.m. When: Where: STW Community Center

Fee: Free

Cherie L. Strucaly - Agency on Aging Instructor:

Description: RSVP Volunteer program provides adults 55 and older an opportunity to use their skills and experiences to help strengthen and improve their communities, assist the individuals that live in them and maintain a sense of value and purpose. Come learn about the volunteer opportunities available.



CHURCH DIRECTORY

Branford Bible Chapel. 212 Branford Rd., corner of Twin Lakes Rd. 203-488-3586. Sunday morning: 9:15 - 10:30 Worship & Lord's Supper, 11:00 -12:15 Ministering of God's Word & Sunday School. Nursery provided. Awana for kids, vacation Bible School, missions & outreach programs. www.branfordbiblechapel.org

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 wecome no matter who you are, no matter where you are on life's journey, you are welcome here.

Northford Congregational Church. United Church of Christ. Church is located on Old Post Rd., (corner of Rte 17 and Rte 22), PO Box 191 Northford. Phone 203-484-0795, Fax 203-484-9916.. email; ncchurch@snet.net. 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, North Branford. 203-488-7395 Rev. Lucy LaRocca, Vicar. In June we begin with single summer service of Holy Eucharist at 9 a.m.. The first Sunday in September we return to two services of Holy Eucharist at 8 & 10 a.m. Music and two safe church certified babysitters are available for childcare during the 9 a.m. service and at the latter service September – May. Healing prayer is offered after each service on the second Sunday of each month. 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.

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!

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.

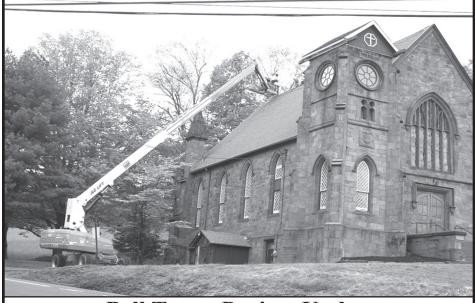
Ticket prices are: Adults \$18, children 6-10 \$8, and children 5 and under dinner is free.

To purchase tickets please call Donna at 203.927.5562

Come to the Church by the River

Northford Congregational Church, "A Little Church with a Big Heart," and the Rev. Robin Blundon invite local residents to participate in a community and family worship service at 10 a.m. on Sunday, July 21, as everyone gathers at the Farm River in Northford. The location is behind the municipal buildings and ball field at Totoket Park. Bring a lawn chair or picnic blanket, bug repellent (and boots if it has rained).

This community event will feature the Rev. Robin Blundon from historic Northford Congregational Church (203-484-0795), which is located in the Northford V illage in North Branford.



Bell Tower Project Update

The Bell Tower Project continues at Northford Congregational Church, "A Little Church with a Big Heart." Petra Construction of North Haven is coordinating the various aspects of the project. Workers from Acme Lightning Protection installed lightning protection last week for the entire church, and electricians installed wiring for the bell's electronic striker mechanism.

Due to higher costs, donations are still being accepted for the Bell Tower Fund. All donations of any size are gratefully accepted and appreciated. In recognition of donations of \$750 or more from individuals, organizations, businesses, and groups, a bronze plaque with the name of the donor(s) will be permanently placed on a monument at the base of the tower. Tax-deductible donations can be made payable to NCC Bell Tower Fund, P. O. Box 191, Northford CT 06472. For any questions or more information, call 203-234-7794.

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.



May 25th, 9 am to 2 PM 326 Notch Hill Rd, NB

Come Wish ZION EPISCOPAL CHURCH a Happy Birthday with our annual TAG SALE, HOT DOGS, FACE PAINTING and MORE.



Sons & Daughters of Italy Donate to Kids Camp

The North Haven Sons and Daughters of Italy, Lodge 2805 recently presented a check to the Channel 3 Kids Camp, specifically to support the needs of the children attending the American Academy of Dermatology Camp Discovery. This donation was from the proceeds of Lodge 2805's annual Fall Fashion Show.

Camp Discovery offers children living with a chronic skin condition a one-of-a-kind camp experience. Provided at no cost to the families, Camp Discovery is one week of fun for kids with conditions ranging from eczema and psoriasis, to vitiligo and alopecia, to epidermolysis bullosa and ichthyosis. In Connecticut, this camp is held at the Channel 3 Kids Camp facility.

The North Haven Sons and Daughters of Italy Lodge 2805 is a local branch of the National Order Sons of Italy in America. The Lodge is a non-profit, charitable organization which seeks to perpetuate cultural identity and solidarity within the Italian- American community. Please visit the website for additional information: www.northhavenlodge2805.club/. The fashion show will be held again in October of 2019!

Pictured from left to right: Regina Najarian Lodge Financial Secretary and Chair of the Fashion Show, Denise K. Hornbecker Chief Executive Officer, Channel 3 Kids Camp, Richard Antaya, MD, FAAD, FAAP Professor, Dermatology and Pediatric Yale University School of Medicine and Susan Baroni-Schaeffer Corporate Relations Manager, Channel 3 Kids Camp

On Saturday, June 1st 2019 at Rentschler Field in East Hartford there is the walk for Muscular Dystrophy. Myotonic Muscular Dystrophy affects muscles and many organs of the body. There is no cure for this disease. My daughter, son and I have this disease. Please make a gift today by donating to our team.

Casella Crusaders

Go to our website to donate or join our team https://mda.donordrive.com/team/5964

HELP WANTED

Twin Lake Children's Center is looking for an infant caregiver. Two positions are available. The first is a morning shift 7-1 and the second is an afternoon shift 12-6. If you love working with little ones, are willing to learn, and want to make a difference in the lives of children, please send your request to <u>Carol8615@sbcglobal.net</u>. TLCC is a smaller more personal center looking for the right person to add to a team of wonderful women.

Electrician Wanted. E2 to join our team for new apartment construction. Full time with benefits. Call Network Electric & Security at 203-288-1000.

Wanted: Low Voltage Technician for install and inspection of security, fire, access control and video surveillance systems. Need 1+ year of experience & valid CT driver's license. Full time with benefits. To join our team call Network Electric & Security at 203-288-1000.

Military Whist Party Called by Patty Meglio

Friday, June 28, 2019 St. Frances Cabrini Church 57 Pond Hill Road, North Haven

Doors Open 6:15 pm - Game Begins at 7:00 pm

The North Haven Sons and Daughters of Italy, Lodge #2805, is holding a Military Whist Party, Friday, June 28. Coffee and, will be served starting at 6:15 pm. Admission is \$10, with proceeds benefitting the Lodge's Regional Scholarship Program.

The Lodge's Regional Scholarship, is open to graduating public high school

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VENDORS WANTED/TAG SALES

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 raod parking. To reserve your space call 203-484-9737. cost is \$30 paid before May 27th. Vendors must provide their own tables.

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., July 20 (rain date July 27) from 9 a.m. - 2 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 7:30 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: ncchurch@snet.net. Like us on Facebook.

students of Italian heritage from North Haven, Hamden, Wallingford, and North Branford, who wish to further their education at any college, university or trade school. Applications may be found in the school's Guidance Office and on the Lodge's website at www.northhavenlodge2805.club.

For more information or to reserve tickets, contact David D'Aniello, Scholarship Chair at (203) 234-7636. Please leave message on answering machine and your call will be returned.





Rotarians Hold Spring Shredding Event

The North Branford Rotary Club would like to extend a thank you to all those individuals that supported their Shredding fund raising event on April 27th. It was a huge success. Over \$3,000 was raised and will be distributed to Clothes for Kids, Scholarships, Easter Egg Hunt, Christmas Tree Lighting, etc. They will have another Shredding Event the beginning of October 2019.

Attached photo compliments of Donna Christensen

"Brunch at the Barn"

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.

TILCON QUARRY TOUR by the Totoket Historical Society

The Totoket Historical Society is sponsoring a bus tour of the Tilcon Quarry at the corner of Route 80 and 22 in North Branford on Wednesday, June 19 - 6:30 p.m. Stone from this quarry has played a vital role in building infrastructure throughout Connecticut. Don't miss this opportunity to visit North Branford's "hidden quarry treasure." The 90-minute tour will give you a chance to ask questions of the Tilcon guides and walk around the quarry floor, weather permitting. It is an amazing operation that you can only imagine when passing by on Route 80.

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.

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Camera Club Instructional Meeting

North Haven Camera Club will hold an extra instructional meeting on Tuesday evening, May 28, at Hope Christian Church, 211 Montowese Ave., North Haven. Social and mentoring will start at 6:30, with the meeting starting promptly at 7:00. Club member Darlene Whitmore will give instructions on how to create slideshows with music using Lightroom, Windows Video, Picasa and Elements (not the Premiere version). After this presentation, attendees will be able to show their slideshows at the club's June 4 meeting, same time and place.

North Haven Camera Club meets regularly on the first and third Tuesday of each month, September through June, and has workshops, expert guest lecturers and field trips throughout the season. The club also conducts monthly competitions for photographers at many skill levels, and prepares members for regional and national contests and artistic exhibits.

For more information about North Haven Camera Club, visit the club's website at <u>www.NorthHavenCameraClub.com</u>.

NARFE Monthly Meeting

The National Active and Retired Federal Employees Association monthly meeting will be held Monday, June 10, 1:pm, at the North Haven Congregational Church, 28 Church Street. Please note the meeting has been moved to June 10. All active and retired federal workers are invited to attend. A luncheon is planned; a \$5 per person charge will be collected at the door. Members not signed up and planning to attend are asked to contact Judy at (203)239-9234 by June 8.

NARFE is dedicated to protecting and preserving the earned benefits of federal workers and retirees. Info: narfe.org

Free Family Astronomy Night at Young's Park in Branford
Spend an evening under the stars with The Astronomical Society of New

Haven. This is a chance for the whole family to come observe the night sky through telescopes and binoculars and see things they might never get to see without having your our own telescope. If you do have a telescope, and you aren't sure how to use, bring it along before it gets dark, and the members will help show you how.

The event starts after sunset (approx. 8:15) on Saturday, May 25th at Young's Park, 60 Blackstone Ave. in Branford. The event usually ends around 10pm.

Early in the evening we should be able to see Mars setting in the west. The telescopes will be looking at the last of the spring star clusters including the Hercules and the Beehive clusters. The moon will coming up late so it will be a good night for viewing some deep sky objects. As always, there are always a few shooting stars and passing satellites.

There is no charge for the event. Bring a jacket and mosquito repellant. For more information and directions, go to www.asnh.org or call 866-808-ASNH. If the event is cancelled, the website will have a notice.

The Astronomical Society of New Haven, Inc. is a non-profit, scientific and educational organization which fosters new and continuing interest in amateur astronomy.

Tour participants should arrive at the North Branford 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.totokethistoricalsociety.org