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Store Drops for August 7 Issue

As the pandemic continues to put the squeeze on many small and local businesses, the Totoket times will continue to provide you with the events of our community. However, with advertising where it's been, the postage has been more than a burden. Due to this, the August 7th edition will be dropped off in our local stores.

This does not mean we are no longer mailing. It just means for this issue, postage is not feasible. With the internet and the cooperation of our local merchants, the paper is being read by a large group of followers. You can keep up with local events by visiting some of our businesses or by going online to visit our website for the full edition of the paper at www.totokettimes.com.


We will resume mailing it to your home with the August 21st issue. Until then, you can visit the following locations:

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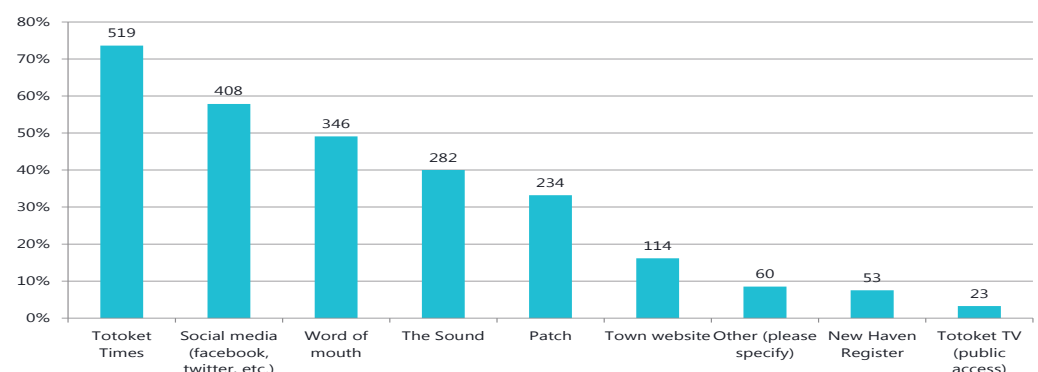
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State Representative Vincent Candelora

Clearer Picture on State Revenues
Desperately Needed



A primary job of the General Assembly and the governor is to manage the state’s finances, but these days it feels like the people who control Connecticut’s checkbook and credit card are shirking that critical responsibility.

Over the last few weeks, conversation at the state capitol has focused on police accountability and voting by absentee ballot. The state’s budget picture, already challenged but made worse by the pandemic, has been shoved to the back seat. Republican lawmakers have written to our majority colleagues asking for focus on finances, and have even tried to petition for a session on the issue. And it is an issue that needs addressing.

When the two-year budget was adopted in June 2019, this fiscal year’s revenue was projected at \$17.4 billion. According to estimates adopted April 30, state revenues were off by more than \$2.5 billion.

Ordinarily, the Finance Committee would have met by July 1 as a component of adjusting the budget’s second year. But the pandemic has curtailed our ability to adopt a full set of fixes. But adopting new revenue estimates? If the Judiciary Committee can hold a 12-hour Zoom hearing on police accountability, the Finance Committee can meet virtually to adopt a new state revenue schedule.

Why is this important? The state’s general obligation debt is linked to general fund tax revenue, and for the purposes of state borrowing, Connecticut is still operating like we’ll have \$17.4 billion in revenue.

Simply put, reality—and responsibility—is being ignored.

If we tackled that revenue reality, we’d have to adjust the bond cap—less revenue means less borrowing, triggering a process requiring the governor to produce a plan to reduce bond authorizations. Those reductions could top \$2 billion, but without the new revenue estimates the governor won’t act.

I’m worried that the Finance Committee won’t tackle those new estimates until after November’s election. No incumbent wants to tell his or her constituents that funding is no longer on the way.

I wrote to the governor’s office about all of this recently after requests for new consensus revenue estimates from the Finance Committee’s leading Republican went ignored.

Meanwhile, as I write this the State Bond Commission will meet July 21 to perhaps allocate more than \$500 million in borrowing for projects already authorized by the legislature.

There’s no doubt about it—we need to get revenues and borrowing plans synced, and the sooner we do it the better off our state will be.

Rep. Vincent Candelora
86th District
Durham, Guilford, North Branford, Wallingford

Two Thumbs Up!

Dear Editor:

I have to give Frank two thumbs up on the most recent editorial (All Lives Matter), as I just posted the article on my Facebook page to my friends.

Finally, someone in the news has spoken the truth. This article should be printed in every newspaper across the nation and given air time in the media.

Frank, you are my hero and I salute you for standing up for what makes this country great.

Sincerely,
Raymond Bernardini Jr.

Let’s Be “Frank”

Throughout my younger years, I was always told when you get to a certain age it’s suppose to get easier. I am now convinced that whoever started that rumor never got to that certain age.

Handling health issues during this pandemic have been somewhat different but totally amusing and eye opening. I speak of these not to focus on me but in speaking to many in my age group and older, they are experiencing some of the same situations.

First there are the many appointments where there was always urgency not to cancel for fear that neglect would have devastating consequences. Enter the pandemic. All of those appointments are no longer critical, but for some reason it is important to do video and phone chats.

To start with, they scheduled blood work which they tell me is very carefully set up and at low risk for the dreaded virus. With my normal blood test I usually wait anywhere from ten minutes to sometimes more than half an hour. Now you make an appointment in advance, check in electronically and before you can wash your hands, they call you in and you are out of there. I don’t want to compare blood testing with brain surgery but couldn’t someone figure this out years before the pandemic forced them to think.

Then there is the annual eye appointment that has been a must for twenty years. I have been told that with diabetes, getting your eyes tested annually is a must. The voice on the other end told me they were postponing it until next year. When I reminded them I was a diabetic and was told I needed to be seen every year, I was informed the doctor had told them my eyes do not regress that much from year to year so there would be no problem with waiting another twelve months. Yes, the same doctor who has insisted I need to be checked yearly. Either someone has been pulling my leg for twenty years or they know something about my life expectancy they are not telling me.

Then there was the appointment with my GP who likes to see me every three months. I had already gotten my blood work back and was well aware of the results. I called in at my appointment time, gave her my weight, sugar readings, blood pressure, oxygen level and heart rate. We talked about the kids, the weather and of course the pandemic and that allowed her to renew prescriptions. She did get to see me (on a video) and I don’t mind because she is very nice, but can we do this on a regular basis as it saved me a great deal of time and gas and I didn’t have to make sure I was wearing clean underwear.

The diabetic specialist thought the numbers were a little high so we should “tweak” the insulin a bit. The tweak involved, stopping two meds and starting a new one. This experiment was “tweaked” for three weeks as I watched my numbers go up 40%. Exasperated, I finally offered my own “tweak” and now my numbers are close to perfect. I do have \$700. worth of useless (to me) insulin in my refrigerator, and my self evaluation and diagnosis seems to be working.

One other med I was taking was keeping me up all night with eight to ten trips to the bathroom. I was getting cramps in my legs and my magnesium levels were plummeting, increasing the cramps and giving me migraines.

On my own I started cutting back on that particular script. Blood pressure stayed ok, cramps went away and magnesium level is creeping back to normal. They have now suggested I drop that med, keep an eye on my pressure and it’s possible I could probably stop with the magnesium supplements in a few weeks. Another few hundred dollars of meds (thank God for the insurance) that will be discarded.

After all this, the doctor who gave me my pacemaker looked at the transmissions I sent and proudly announced the implant was probably good for another six years.

With that proclamation I just asked him if someone else can use it when I don’t meet that same deadline.

Well take care my man and if I keep self diagnosing maybe I’ll delay my ultimate visit with you and the rest of the family.

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This paper reserves the right to edit all letters. All letters should be addressed to :

The Editor

P.O. Box 313, Northford, CT 06472





Storm Drain Clearing

Do you have a storm drain in your neighborhood that is covered with debris? If so, please help yourself, your neighbors, and the Town by clearing anything that will prevent runoff water from flowing into the drains, in a timely manner. This will help reduce street flooding.

Thank you from the North Branford Solid/Hazardous Waste and Recycling Committee.



Join the Sons & Daughters of Italy

It's time to meet new people, get out of the house and enjoy different cultural events every month as we try to reset from this pandemic. The Sons and Daughters of Italy, Lodge 2805, meet on the first Tuesday of every month, in the Saint Frances Cabrini Church Hall in North Haven.

While maintaining many of the Italian-traditions, the ethnically diverse group has donated close to \$200,000 through its charitable giving programs.

Some of the groups we have supported are: The North Haven Education Foundation, North Haven High School Scholarship Fund, Alzheimer's Research Association of CT., Cooley's Anemia Foundation, Doug Flutie Jr. Foundation for Autism, Epilepsy Foundation of CT., Ronald McDonald House, MADD, Fisher House, American Cancer Society, Make a Wish Foundation, Local Food Banks and Youth Groups, care packages for our Military troops and many more.

Do as much as you like or as little as you like and have fun doing it. Visit our website at www.northhavenlodge2805club or email us at: nhsdilodge2805@outlook.com or call Frank at 203-410-4254 for more information.

Dues is only \$45.00 per year with a one time \$15.00 Application Fee.

Get off the couch, meet new friends and enjoy yourself in a pressure free atmosphere.



North Branford Public Libraries Summer Reading Program

Once upon a time in the Kingdom of North Branford, there were two great Libraries of knowledge and creativity. All the townspeople of North Branford traveled to the Royal Libraries for answers to their questions, guidance on their quests, and stories to share with their families. These great Libraries were the heart of their kingdom! But one day, a terrible sickness threatened their kingdom, and the citizens retreated into their homes. The King of North Branford was forced to close the beloved Library doors. Her Majesty, Lady Lauren of the Royal Atwater and Smith Libraries, knew that summer was upon them. Such a marvelous time for the Libraries to celebrate reading with festivals and gatherings. However, with the sickness looming, she feared that summer at the Royal Libraries wouldn't be the same. The summer proclamation "Imagine Your Story" inspired the queen to call upon the Duchesses of the Atwater and Smith Libraries, valiant librarians who would bring magic to the kingdom once more. And now, the Royal Librarians have developed a golden opportunity to inspire each and every citizen to participate in the Imagine Your Story Reading Quest for the summer of 2020. Though the townspeople cannot view them in person, the talented summer bards will host virtual "Imagine It" programs by sharing them on Facebook throughout the week. Young squires in K-2nd grade can pick up weekly crafts at the Library and join our Facebook "Imagine It" Adventures for craft demos and STEAM projects with Duchess Donna of the Atwater Library and Duchess Debbie of the Smith Library. These Readers will aspire to complete reading quests on the "Stuck in Our Castle" BINGO sheet for raffle tickets and prizes specific to our community. All the noble children and families of the North Branford Kingdom are invited to view the summer scrolls beginning June 24th on our website. Though things seem different this year, all of us at the Royal Libraries hope you will join us this summer in imagining a great story!

(Adapted from the works of Alyssa Larue at the Royal Derby Library in Kansas)



North Branford Public Libraries Summer Reading Program

Registration begins June 24th. Email

childrensroom@nbranfordlibraries.org to sign up

STUCK IN OUR CASTLE BINGO

- Be sure you have a library card or call the Library to sign up for one.
- Use the BINGO sheet available on our website at nbranfordlibraries.org
- Complete BINGO horizontally, vertically or diagonally by completing a row of quests. X each square that you complete.
- Finish 5 quests in a row for BINGO and we'll add your name to the weekly prize drawing and receive an entry for one of the GRAND PRIZES!

Stuck in Our Castle Grand Prize Drawing:

Thursday, August 10th, 2020

Take pictures of you and your family enjoying the quests and post them on our Library's Facebook page @NBPublicLibraries or email your pictures to childrensroom@nbranfordlibraries.org and write Quests in the subject line.

For each completed quest (5 per BINGO), or photo shared, we will add 5 hearts to our rainbow in the large windows at both of our Royal Libraries!



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CLASS OF 2020

A LOUD AND SHINING FINALE



The skies were a blaze with one final farewell to the class of 2020. At a socially distant farewell picnic, the class was treated to an exceptional



fireworks display sendoff. Picnic food was provided by Chat "N" Chew, Joey Cal's, Marco's Pizza, Dairy Queen & Johnny & Maria's. The North Branford Education Foundation and Palumbo Trucking graciously funded the firework display by Atlas PyroVision Entertainment Group, Inc.



Free Lunch is Being Served at TVES

When many have taken a back seat to this Corona Virus, North Branford School Food Service Supervisor Michael Augur and his crew are still working hard to feed the students. With the help of a Government grant, they are feeding about 150 students a day. Anyone from 18 years of age and under can take advantage of this free meal. Choice is either a cereal bag (preferred by some of the younger kids) or a meal of the day.

"It's a great program", said Augur. "It helps

some of the families that are out of work or have a compromised income, as well as serving as an event to get the kids out of the house."

The daily meal can be picked up at Totoket Valley Elementary School at 1388 Middletown Ave in Northford, Monday through Friday from 10:30AM to 12:00 Noon. Distribution will be at the main entrance inside the first entry door and you may utilize the drop off zone in front of the main entrance to temporarily park and pick up

meals.

You are asked to follow posted instructions to maintain the highest level of safety. Menu information can be found on the District website at www.north-branfordschools.org. You can obtain further

information by contacting Michael Augur at 203-909-1784.

Reprint from last issue in case someone missed this important information.

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Zachary John Jamieson was named to the Dean's List at Western New England University in Springfield, MA

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VIRTUAL FLOYD 5K

Even though we're not having our traditional in-person PoCo this year, we've got some fun ways to commemorate the event in the works, including the annual 5K, this year in a virtual style! Proceeds will benefit the Floyd Parness Scholarship Fund as well as the The Food Pantry of North Branford.
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**AN EVENING WITH
Li Liu**



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Come join us for this fun, FREE family event!

Li Liu was born in the city of Shenyang in The Northeast of China and has been practicing acrobatics since the age of six. The performance includes hand balancing, plate spinning, trick cycling, foot juggling, ribbon dancing and more. Li also touches on various aspects of Chinese language, geography and culture while sharing her work and travel experiences.



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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; northfordcc@gmail.com Office Hours: Tuesday 9am - 1pm; other days by appointment. Rev. Robin Blundon, Acting Pastor. Jane K. Leschuk Minister of Music. Worship Service 10am. Join us for coffee hour following worship. Holy Communion on the first Sunday of each month. Like us on Facebook. Our website is www.northfordcongregationalchurch

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.



Rosary Walk 2020 No. Haven

All are welcome to join us every Tuesday evening at 6:00 PM at All Saints Cemetery (rain or shine). The Rosary Walk will continue until Nov. 3rd with a time change in October. Park and meet by the Crucifix in front of the main building. If inclement weather, please meet in front of the Mausoleum instead.

We are following CDC guidelines to ensure proper distancing between all walkers. If you wish to wear a mask, please bring your own. Disposable programs are provided for your convenience.

If you have questions, please call Barbara at 203 605-9845 or visit our website for additional info. and photos at www.ccacem.org.



North Branford Rotary Delivers Again

The North Branford Rotary Club recently shopped for and delivered over \$1300 worth of groceries to the North Branford Food Pantry!!!! The Club secured a \$550 Rotary District Grant and this was generously matched by members of the North Branford community! The Rotary Club would like to thank those who donated to the first Facebook fundraiser.

Now the Club is setting a new goal!!! They are asking the community to rise to the challenge once again. This time they are doubling their goal and hoping to raise \$2000 to purchase groceries for the North Branford Food Pantry.

These are difficult times. The North Branford Food Pantry needs your help. If you are able to contribute, even a few dollars to the fundraiser, it is greatly appreciated. You may make a donation directly through the Facebook page of the North Branford Rotary Club today. Or, you may also send a check made out to the North Branford Rotary Club Foundation c/o The North Branford Rotary Club P.O. Box 993, North Branford CT 06471.

For more information about the North Branford Rotary Club please visit their webpage or facebook.com/northbranfordrotaryclub.

Photo: ROTARIANS DELIVER OVER \$1300 IN DONATED FOOD TO THE NORTH BRANFORD FOOD PANTRY

“BLOOD CLOT AWARENESS”

Support Group Forming

The purpose of this group is to share our experience after suffering a blood clot, as well as information & support to each other.

Our next meeting will be

Monday, August 17, 2020 at 6:30PM.

This will be an outside meeting with mask and social distancing. Please bring a chair to North Farm Park, 251 North Branford Rd. If it rains, we will sit under the outside pavilion.

For more information please contact

Debbie at 203-483-0646.

This meeting was originally scheduled for March which is Blood Clot Awareness Month.

*Send your church events to
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As always,
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Recycling News

**Simple Recycling Weekly Curbside Collection Program
restarted our town’s pink bag pickup program June 1st.**

Thank you for your continued support of this program!

ReStores by Habitat for Humanity

**May be a great alternative if you cannot wait for the next bulky
waste pickup in November!**

**ReStores is a donation based retail store open to the general public.
All proceeds from the ReStore benefit Habitat for Humanity of
Greater New Haven.**

Check their website for more information:

<http://newhavencountyrestore.org>

**Some acceptable items for donation and purchase include: tools
and gardening items, appliances, doors, windows, cabinets,
lighting, plumbing items, upholstered and wood furniture, flooring,
hardware, lumber, home décor and more.**

HazWaste Central Open for the Season

- All HazWaste Central participants are required to pre-register online.
Paper forms will not be available.
- Household hazardous waste items must be accessible in the trunk or
truck bed of your vehicle.
- Participants are asked to wear a face mask while at the HazWaste
Central facility and to stay in their vehicles.
- Containers used to transport waste items will not be returned. Please
bring items in disposable containers.

For more information go to www.rwater.com, call 203-401-2712 or
email ask.hazwaste@rwater.com

Due to Health Crisis

Plastic Film Drop Off Suspended

***Please save plastic film at home until further notice.
Updates soon on program restart.***

Thank You!

NEXT BULKY WASTE PICKUP (TWICE A YEAR)

Week of November 9th

on your scheduled pickup day

****No home cleanouts****

STAY SAFE!