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Night of Fun to Fight Friedreich's Ataxia

Join the Caruso/Bode family this year for an evening of fun, food and fundraising to find a cure for Friedreich's Ataxia at 6- p.m. on September 22nd at the Owenego Beach and Tennis Club, 40 Linden Ave.

There will be appetizers, dinner by Outback Steakhouse a cash bar and a raffle. This year's theme will be "Living a Happy Life," and there will be many unique participants to entertain guests throughout the evening. It promises to share how the family rises above all the obstacles of Friedreich's ataxia and maintains their life giving back, raising awareness of differences in this world and the importance of accepting everyone.

Tickets are \$50.00 and can be purchased by calling Raelene – 203-246-8820 or Mary – 203-889-6484. You may also go online to purchase tickets at <http://bit.ly/2rEyaPN>

Friedreich's Ataxia is a life shortening, progressive and devastating disease. It robs people of their ability to walk, talk and use their hands. It causes heart disease, diabetes, hearing loss and blindness. At the time Sam and Alex Bode were diagnosed as young children, the disease was considered so rare that no research was being done.

However, Sam and Alex's mother Mary has been relentless in rallying communities of families affected by the disease to raise awareness and research dollars. Guided by the Friedreich's Ataxia Research Alliance, which Mary is a Founding Board Member, scientists and researchers from all over the world are brought together and funded to do top notch research racing for a cure. In the last twenty years, so many strides have been made that recently scientists have announced they are hopeful that a cure can be found.

In 1995 when Sam was first diagnosed, there was very little hope or even knowledge of the disease. Today is different, today brings tremendous hope and awareness to the importance of living life to its fullest despite the obstacles of FA. Work done on potential through gene therapy is the newest hope, this year's funds will once again help build momentum on bringing gene therapy to clinical trials. The Caruso/ Bode Family will continue to support efforts to get gene therapy to clinical trials as fast as possible. Sam and Alex both continue to hope for cardiac gene therapy in time for them.

There is also new hope to restore eye sight, which has been a recent loss for both Sam and Alex. Caruso states "these are the losses that really hit home as both Sam and Alex have recently had to stop riding their hand trikes outside the home. This was one activity they both enjoyed so much, to watch them lose the few activities they enjoy is so difficult." Besides losing vision, this year the family has been faced with additional challenges

Sign up for one of the many events listed in the North Branford Parks, Recreation and Senior Center, Fall & Winter Brochure inserted in this issue of the Totoket Times.

from FA in the form of cardiac involvement. Both Sam and Alex face the fears of the disease with such courage, most have no idea as to the devastation of FA on the family.

Not only do these annual fundraising events bring about an awareness of the disease and raise money to speed the research along, but they also bring together a wide community of people who care, with everyone welcome. It's an uplifting evening filled with the spirit of friendship and kindness and love, emphasizing the dignity and respect for all people. "Our annual fundraiser keeps Sam and I optimistic and really feeling supported, we really enjoy these events" states Alex Bode.

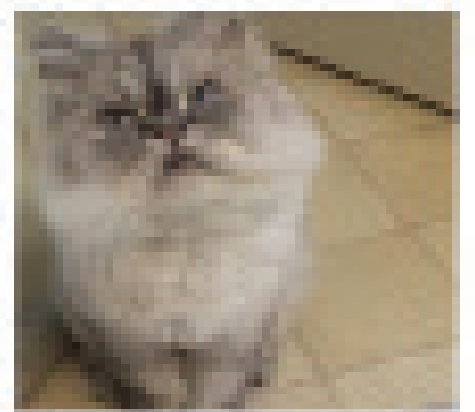
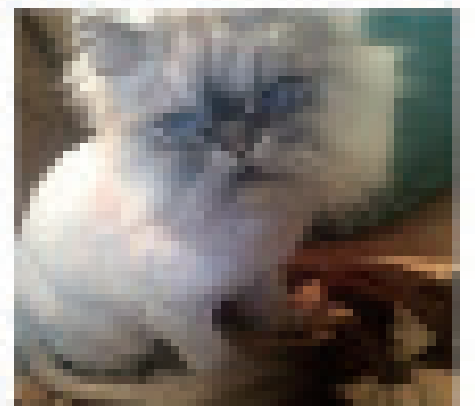
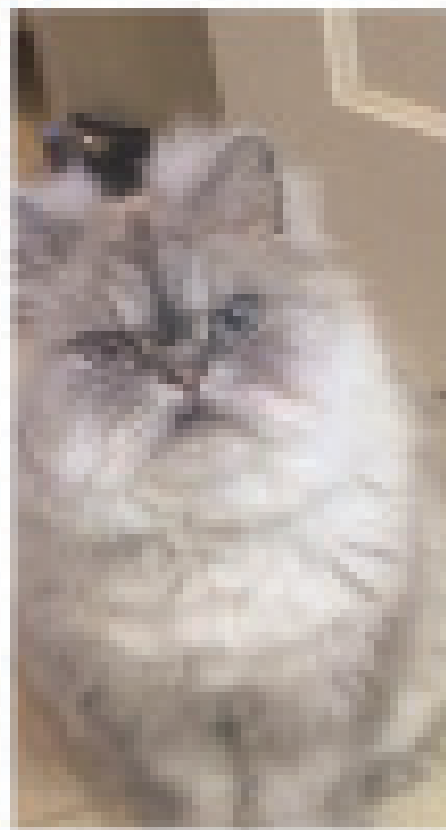
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The Friedreich's Ataxia Research Alliance is a national, public, 501(c)(3) nonprofit, tax-exempt organization. See more information at www.curefa.org.

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Floyd's 5K

Dear Floyd's 5K Volunteers, Sponsors and Runners,

It could not have happened without you. We carried on his legacy on August 6th with every step we took on that course whether it was running, walking, setting up flags, taking flags down, directing runners, spray painting arrows, marking hazardous spots, and cheering on athletes as they passed through the finish line. I know he was sitting somewhere (hopefully on the most magnificent beach eating a PB&J sandwich) with a huge smile on his face.

Floyd's 5K was the most amazing tribute to the most amazing coach, friend, mentor and father.

Thank you for allowing us to carry on his legacy. We hope to see you all again next year.

With gratitude,
The Parness Family

Correction on Recent Letter

Dear Editor:

I wish to note that the websites I listed in my recent letter to the editor in the Totoket Times was incorrectly transcribed.

The first website is:

<http://unfccc.int/resource/docs/2009/awglca7/eng/inf02.pdf>

The second website to which I referred readers is:

http://unfccc.int/meetings/copenhagen_dec_2009/items/5262.php

I certainly don't want readers to be unable to find the appropriate documentation since my point is to "do your own research."

Also, I am again delighted to see another article by Alton Eliason, whose contributions to the *Totoket Times* are charming observations drawn from a life lived well replete with both wit and wisdom.
Sincerely, Susan DeSilver

CHARLOTTESVILLE

Kirt Westfall

Are you in disbelief at the events and aftermath of the Charlottesville riots? So many different versions of an event that should have been on many police body cams and helicopter videos. Foremost in the forest of confusion is the mainstream media's use of the term "White Nationalist" to describe the KKK, Nazis and White Supremacists.

I always check the "white" box on all the forms and applications I fill out because I'm half Swedish and don't tan very well. I believe in my country and do not believe globalism is a rational solution to any of our problems right now, so there is little question that I am a nationalist. (definition: a person who advocates political independence for his/her country). I am quite literally a White Nationalist.

So, as of Charlottesville, my identity as a white person who believes in his country is now that of a racist-socialist white supremacist. I can no longer

say "I did not see that coming." I am condemned no matter my egalitarianism, affiliations or actions.

The term is corrosive and intended to sever a very large group from the body politic. Who chose to coin this phrase? How and why did the mainstream media use it in unison in the wake of Charlottesville? Who might want to do this and why? These are all profound questions that each and every "white nationalist" might want to answer to protect themselves from the violent reprisal of those who choose to defame us [in the name of what?]

Attorney Kirt Westfall graduated from the University of Pennsylvania with a major in history and sociology of science. He and his wife and law partner Theresa Behrens, settled in North Branford in 1994 and have run their law practice from here since 2010. They appreciate the small town oasis that is North Branford and offer their thoughts into our contemporary social issues.



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State Representative Vincent Candelora Connecticut's Energy Assistance Program



As the school year begins, I share everyone's anxiety on the status of our state education funding. We have made very little progress on a budget. While Republicans and House Democrats each have their own budget proposal, we still await the Senate Democrats' budget proposal. The Speaker has called the House into session on Sep-

tember 14th, and the Senate has yet to commit on anything. It's no way to lead this state, and I hope they come to the table soon to resolve this mess. I still believe that the only way we will come to a budget is with a bipartisan solution, and at the very least, I will continue to advocate for passing an education funding formula that fairly distributes money to our towns and cities.

This past week, the Energy, Human Services and Appropriations Committees met to approve the state's LIHEP program. This program provides energy assistance to low income residents for heating their homes during the winter months. While the committees approved the funding, it was not without incident. In Connecticut, the federal money is distributed to the Department of Social Services and Department of Energy and Environmental Protection. These Departments release the money to the Community Action Agencies (CAAs), a quasi-public agency. These agencies take in applications for residents seeking aide and coordinate the delivery of oil to homes from private oil companies. If a resident is eligible, the oil company delivers the oil and collects its payment directly from the agency.

This past season, oil companies in New Haven have failed to receive payment. Approximately \$200,000 of unpaid bills linger. How can this happen? When CAAs run out of money to pay salaries or overhead bills, they use this federal money to pay these bills rather than to provide oil assistance. Our state agencies are slow to audit them and do not have the proper safeguards in place so this practice continues. Republicans tried to amend the state plan to get these oil companies paid, and the Departments opposed the amendment citing that federal law does not allow future funds to be paid for past oil assistance. The amendment failed on party lines.

I'm lost on their logic. Federal law apparently does not prohibit CAAs from improperly diverting energy assistance funds for other purposes, yet these funds cannot be used to pay oil companies who have performed their service and has never been paid. It is also outrageous to me that we have a government funded benefit that ultimately has become a burden for the private sector. These oil companies are forced to carry thousands of dollars of unpaid receivables and expected to come back next year to deliver more oil for our most needy.

Connecticut must put the proper controls in place to protect this program and our oil companies. CAAs bad actions have put this vital program in jeopardy, and I will be looking to reform this process in the next legislative session. This program is critically important for our residents, and its integrity must be restored so that oil companies will continue to participate for years to come.


Check out the website at:
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WIT & WISDOM


I have written, many times before, of Eisenhower's farewell address on leaving the Presidency in 1961 when he warned of the dangers the military-industrial complex was creating in it's power over our war engaging activities. So stunned was everyone by this, from the man most assumed to have been the power behind it's implementation left everyone wondering what had suddenly changed his sentiment. I did my best to expose what had actually caused this change. I read, in one of my less noted, but highly respected publications, at that time, that Eisenhower, who trusted his speech writer, Malcom Moos, explicitly never read the speech before he gave it. Never having to question Moos dedication and his expressing Eisenhower's wishes to perfection every time before he had no reason to suspect that Moos would insert his concerns in the speech, My publication told of some members of the Washington Press Corp having been tipped off to expect some startling revelations awaited the speech with wonderment at what was coming. When Ike read the condemnation of the military-industrial complex they broke into hysterics of laughter. They reported that the expression on Ike's face was almost one of panic, but having no choice he continued on. It was reported that Ike's ire was quickly soothed when he read the favorable press that praised a military man who would condemn what was expected to be his most important accomplishment.

Now I went on believing and writing what I have just written for many years until several years ago when James M. Cullen, editor and publisher of The Progressive Populist publication sent me a press release by Rueters news service, dated in 2010 that supposedly proved that not only did Ike know what he was saying, but they had found 21 copies of Malcom Moos notes that proved it. Now how I ever missed that, since I read many newspapers, publications, periodicals, you name it and was completely unaware of it. Having spent many weeks trying to figure where I was at the time it was published I remembered I had been hospitalized with a leg and hip operation and spent 3 weeks in rehab at that time. Now that roused my determination to research the notes, Malcom Moos credentials and how the Ike worshippers, including those in charge of his papers, were waiting for years to grasp anything they could find to verify Ike's true place in history.


Alton Eliason



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

This paper reserves the right to edit all letters.

All letters should be addressed to :

The Editor

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North Branford Land Conservation Trust Art Contest

The North Branford Land Conservation Trust, Inc. is conducting its third annual art contest.

Do you have a favorite outdoor scene in North Branford or plant or animal, you'd like to paint or draw? Well, if you do, please complete an entry form and include that with your original artwork and send to NBLCT, Inc., P.O. Box 378, North Branford, CT 06471. All entries must be received by November 7, 2017.

There are 4 grade categories: Grammar (Gr. K-2), Elementary (Gr. 3-5), Intermediate (Gr.

6-8), and High School (Gr. 9-12).

Prizes of \$75, \$50, and \$25 will be awarded for First, Second, and Third Place for each grade category. That's a total of \$600 in prizes.

You can find entry forms, including contest rules, on the Land Trust's website (www.nblandtrust.org), at the Town Libraries, Town Hall, in all North Branford Schools, and at various businesses around North Branford.

A special thank you to the North Branford Schools' Art Teachers who are helping to promote

this endeavor in our schools.

Also, a second thank you to our sponsors, Aquatic Pool and Village Wines. If you are interested in donating toward the prizes, let us know.

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Complete Both Sides of Entry Form!

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- Judging will be based on artistic quality, with extra weight given to native flora and fauna and/or natural scenery found in North Branford or Northford. Impartial judges are responsible for all voting. Judges' decisions are final.
- Only original paintings and/or drawings may be entered
- Artwork must be done on heavy paper, board or canvas. No office paper.
- Artwork may be black and white or color.
- More than one original painting and/or drawing may be submitted per artist.
- Use a separate entry form for each entry. Affix to the back of the artwork.
- NBLCT, Inc. Board Members, Officers, or their immediate family members are not eligible for prizes.
- By signing this entry form you are granting a worldwide limited license to the North Branford Land Conservation Trust, Inc. (NBLCT, Inc.) to use and re-use, publish and re-publish the artwork, in whole or in part, individually or in conjunction with printed matter, or in composite form, and in any medium, for editorial, promotional, and/or other legitimate purposes. You further understand that you hereby waive your right to inspect or approve any copy that is used in connection with the artwork and release and discharge the NBLCT, Inc. from any and all claims arising out of use by the NBLCT, Inc., for the purposes described above, including any claims for libel and invasion of privacy.
- Artwork will be returned to the artist by request. Priority Mail Postage must be included.
- Winners of the contest will be notified in November.
- Artwork may be displayed at a local public venue TBD. Check the NBLCT, Inc. website (www.NBLandTrust.org) or Facebook page for updates.
- Neither the NBLCT, Inc. nor its Board members, nor members may be held responsible for damaged or lost artwork
- All artwork must be postmarked by October 31, 2017 and received by November 7, 2017. Your entries may be mailed to the NBLCT, Inc, PO Box 378, North Branford, CT 06471-0378 or dropped off at the Stanley T. Williams Community Center front desk. If you are a NB public school student, you may turn in your entries to your teacher.
- By signing this form you are confirming that you have completely read and fully understand all contents of this form.
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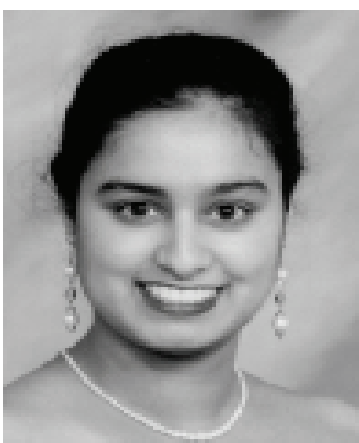

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This is a once-a-year opportunity to enjoy a walk around this beautiful lake. The Lake Gaillard property is not open to the public and is not included in the Regional Water Authority properties accessible with their annual pass. This annual event is the only time the public is allowed onto the property to walk, at their own pace, all the way around the lake.

The distance around the lake is approximately 7 miles, but participants may choose any distance with which they are comfortable. Distance markers will be posted along the trail. Water and comfort facilities will be available. All walkers must be on the trail by 11:00 A.M. as no one will be allowed to start their walk after that time.

On the day of the walk, a shuttle will be available for transporting participants to the Lake Gaillard property from Jerome Harrison School on Route 80 beginning at 8:30 am. The walk begins at the Beech Street entrance and access there will be by bus or on foot only. Parking will be prohibited on Beech Street and Poms Lane where posted. Sturdy strollers and wagons are welcome, but no bicycles, roller blades or pets will be allowed on the trail. Registration fee is \$10.00 for anyone over the age of 6. Pre-registration is strongly encouraged! Participants may also register on site the day of the walk.

Proceeds from this event will be used to benefit the North Branford Scholarship Association, the Watershed Fund, and other charitable club projects.

For additional information call Eileen at 203-481-3553.

LAKE GAILLARD WALK REGISTRATION

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Welcoming Piper Marie Carpenter



William and Marcy Carpenter of Lexington, Va.welcomed a daughter, Piper Marie Carpenter on July 21st @2:19am.
She weighed 7 lbs 10 oz and was 21 inches long.
She is also welcomed by her grandparents, Elaine and James Carpenter of North Branford, CT

Fall Programs for Children The Smith Library Children’s Room

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Debbie Verrillo – email: smithlibrarynorthford@gmail.com, phone: 203-484-0469
Erin Collins - email: ecollins@northbranfordschools.org, phone: 203-484-2609

Paws to Read (ages 4-8) Young readers are invited to improve their reading skills by reading to Mason, a licensed therapy dog. Wednesday, September 20th at 6:30 pm.
Space limited. Sign up in the Children’s Room or call: 203-484-0469

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North Branford High School senior Gloria Carr recently received a scholarship from Totoket TV, for her PSA on “Adopt Don’t Shop”. This project was for her intermediate TV/Video Production Class. Photo submitted by Nick DeLizio



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NBHS Athletic Hall of Fame 2017



North Branford High School 2017 Athletic Hall of Fame Inductees

First Row: Kirsten Kolstad, Jackie Gallo, Karin Kolstad, Mary Philipp
Second Row: Luke Gagliardi, Tricia Mase, Colleen Augur, Chris Webster, Pete Glenewinkel



Teammates from the 1987 undefeated girls basketball team winners of Shoreline and Class M State Championship.

left to right: Nicki Hennessey Brushman, Jennifer Walsh, Jackie Tondalo DeFrancesco, Kirsten Kolstad McCarthy, Karin Kolstad Augur, Chris Woodman and Catherine Martin Brown.

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Wednesday	9-20	Ansonia	5:30

Girls Soccer

Saturday	9-9	@ East Haven	1:00
Tuesday	9-12	@ Old Saybrook	3:45
Friday	9-15	@ Morgan	6:30
Tuesday	9-19	@ Old Saybrook	3:45

Boys Soccer

Monday	9-11	@ Old Saybrook	3:45
wednesday	9-13	@ Morgan	6:30
Saturday	9-15	Aerospace	5:00
Monday	9-18	@ Westbrook	3:45
wednesday	9-20	@ Innovation	4:00
Friday	9-22	East Hampton	6:30

Football

Friday	9-8	Granby Memorial	6:30
Friday	9-15	@ Cromell	6:00

Field Hockey

Friday	9-8	H - K	3:45
Monday	9-11	@ Stamford	4:00
Thursday	9-14	@ Morgan	3:45
Saturday	9-16	East Lyme	10:30
Tuesday	9-19	@ Sacred Heart	3:45
Wednesday	9-20	@ Westbrook	3:45
Friday	9-22	Old Saybrook	3:45

Diamond Club to Honor Hall of Famers

The Southern Connecticut Diamond Club will hold its annual Hall of Fame Induction dinner to honor those who have contributed to baseball in the area.

It will be held on Wednesday, October 25, 2017 at Monticello's Restaurant, 577 S. Broad Street, Meriden, CT. Hors d'oeuvres will be at 5:30 p.m. Dinner follows promptly at 6:30 p.m.

Those being inducted include **Rich Balzano** of Branford, the only coach in Connecticut history to take four teams to the American Legion World Series; **William "Tinker" Blake** (posthumously) of West Haven, known as the "Voice of West Haven," for many of the school's athletic events; **Chuck Burghardt**, varsity coach at Lyman Hall High School; **Ray Ciarlegio Sr.** former Notre Dame HS and SCSU great and long-time coach; **Jim Peccerillo** of West Haven, former West Haven HS and Harvard player; and **Sal Punzo** of New Haven, former Wilbur Cross HS and UNH great and president of the Annex Little League.

Stan Konesky, Jr. of Branford will receive the Andrew Gassira Memorial Umpire Award.

Bill Rhone of Hamden will receive the Tony Mentone Memorial Distinguished Service Award.

Two Teams of the Past will also be honored: the **1977 Hamden High School baseball team**, which was undefeated and state champs; and the **1972 American Legion Team (North Haven Post 76)** which was the New England Region champs.

Anyone needing tickets can contact Rose Mentone at 541 Hill St., Hamden on or before October 20, 2017 at rmentone@comcast.net or go to southernctdiamondclub.org. Tickets are \$55 per person and include a full-course surf and turf dinner or vegetarian, if preferred. Children's meals are available at a price of \$20.

2nd Annual Richard M. DeCrosta Golf Tournament

North Haven Sons & Dughters of Italy will be holding their second Annual Golf Tournament at Traditions Golf Club in Wallingford. The tournament will be held on Monday, September 25th. The fee is \$125 per person and it will benefit the Epilepsy Foundation and the Lodge Scholarship program.


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ACTIVITIES

Strength Training

Who: Ages 18+
Session: September 26 –November 21 (No class Nov 7)
Location: STW Community Center
Time: Tuesday, 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
Fee: \$75 res/\$80 nr
Description: *Designed to help you get strong and healthy, this class combines strength training with low-impact cardiovascular exercises to benefit your heart, strengthen your bones, and improve balance, flexibility, and endurance. Build long lean muscles to rev up your metabolism and add tone to your physique.*

Ballet n’ Rhythm

Who: Ages 2-4
Session: September 27 – November 15
Location: STW Community Center
Time: Wednesday, 9:15-10:00 a.m.
Fee: \$45 res/\$50 nr
Description: *Introduce your toddler to the basics of dance through pre-ballet, rhythm exercises, and creative movement. This class will incorporate music, movement, imagery, and props to develop motor skills and imagination. Dance clothing and ballet shoes are required.*

Ballet & Tap Combo

Who: Ages 3-5
Session: September 30 - November 18
Location: STW Community Center
Time: Saturdays, 8:00 - 9:00 a.m.
Fee: \$35 res/\$40 nr
Description: *Learn the basic techniques and fundamentals of both ballet and tap as well as the vocabulary of each style. Wear dance-able clothing, appropriate shoes and bring water. Children learning to dance while having fun is a plus!*

TinyTykes Soccer

Who: Ages 2-5
Session: Sundays, September 24 - November 5
Location: STW Community Center Front Field
Time: For 2 - 3 year olds: 9:00 - 9:45 a.m.
For 4 - 5 year olds: 10:00 -10:45 a.m.
Fee: \$85 res/\$90 nr
Description: *Our soccer and child development professionals have designed an innovative curriculum that takes children on ‘Immersive Interactive Adventures’ through fun and exciting themes. Our British coaches are experts at working with young children and will combine soccer and adventure in a way that keeps your children entertained and enthused to return next week.*

Youth Beginner Tennis

Who: Ages 8-13
Session: September 26 - October 31
Location: Memorial Tennis Courts
Time: Tuesday, 5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.
Fee: \$60 res/\$65 nr
Description: *The beginner course includes learning forehand, backhand, serve, volley, scoring, and playing points. Must bring your own racquet and be sure to bring water!*

Adult Beginner Tennis

Who: Ages 14+
Session: September 28 - November 1
Location: Memorial Tennis Courts
Time: Thursday, 5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.
Fee: \$60 res/\$65 nr
Description: *Led by a qualified instructor, the beginner course includes learning forehand, backhand, serve, volley, scoring, and playing points. Must bring your own racquet and be sure to bring water!*

Archery – Beginner

Who: Ages 8+
Session: September 27 - November 1
Location: STW Community Center Gym
Time: Wednesday, 5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.
Fee: \$45 res/\$50 nr
Description: *Learn basic skills using the classic recurve bow. Practice great shooting habits and learn to put your arrow in the bullseye every time, all in a safe and supportive environment.*

Water Workout

Who: Adult
Session: Mon. Session: Sep 18 - Dec 18
Wed. Session: Sep 20 - Dec 20
Location: Soundview YMCA
Time: 1:30 - 2:30 p.m.
Fee: \$70 res/\$75 nr
Description: *Part workout, part dance party, part splashing in the water! Water Workout is a fun way to get and stay fit. The gentle resistance of the water is a perfect way to gain both strength and endurance while taking it easy on your joints.*

Cornhole League

Who: Ages 16+
Session: October 2 – December 11
Location: STW Community Center
Time: Monday, 6:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.
Fee: \$70 res team/\$80 nr team
Description: *Register as a team for our all new indoor Cornhole league. Teams are guaranteed five games per night. The last week will be a double elimination playoff for the top six teams in the standings!*

BUS TRIPS

One World-New York City

Friday, September 15 Cost: \$131resident / \$136 non-resident
The national 9/11 Memorial Museum serves as the country’s principal institution concerned with exploring the events of 9/11. The Museum displays artifacts associated with the events of 9/11 while presenting stories of loss and recovery. Ascend to the top of the World Trade Center to the One World Observatory, then look toward the horizon and feel the city’s invincible spirit. With a 360 degree view, take in the panoramic sights of New York City and beyond!

Scenic Vermont

Tuesday, October 3 Cost: \$120 resident / \$125 non-resident
Today’s journey goes back to yesteryear as we board the antique Green Mountain Flyer for a narrated roundtrip ride through scenic Vermont. View fall foliage like you have never done before. Lunch will be at the beautiful Castle Hill Resort and Spa.

New England Patriots @ New York Jets

Thursday, October 15 Cost: \$115resident / \$120 non-resident
Join us as we travel to Metlife Stadium to watch the Jets host the Patriots at 1:00. Seats are in the corner of the endzone, section 320. Price includes transportation and the bus will be leaving at 9:30 a.m. from the commuter lot in Guilford across from the Land Rover dealership.

North Branford Senior Center

Senior Hot Lunch available – Check out the menu at nbparkrec.com
Cold Salad option available weekly
Monday – Friday, 12:00 p.m. \$3
*As a reminder, we offer a weekly grocery shopping trip at 12:30. Come by or call the Senior Center to register. Please sign up for activities in advance.

Lifeline Presentation - Wednesday, September 13, 1:00 at Edward Smith Library. The senior van will leave STW Community at 12:45. Learn about the Lifeline one touch call assistance system.

Fall Ball at Woodwinds - Thursday, September 14 11:00, \$12. Enjoy a buffet lunch, music, dancing, raffles and more. A portion of the proceeds will go to the Alzheimer’s Association & Parkinson’s Organization.

Movie, Hidden Figures, at Edward Smith Library - Friday, September 15, 12:45. A 2016 American biographical drama. This is the story of 3 brilliant women who serve as the brains behind one of the greatest operations at NASA that helped win the space race.

Ballroom Line Dancing - Tuesdays beginning September 5, 1:00 – 2:00 p.m., \$30 res/\$35 non-res.Join instructor, Karen Pfrommer, and learn the samba, cha cha, mambo, merengue, and more without the need for a partner! This class is designed to teach students basic ballroom patterns and steps while dancing as a group. Move those feet, swing those hips and have a blast!

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 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. Rev. Robin Blundon, Acting Pastor. Jane K. Leschuk Minister of Music. Sunday Worship service at 10am and Sunday school.. Join us for coffee hour following worship. Holy Communion on the first Sunday of each month. Office hours, Monday an Wednesday 10am - 1pm. Like us on Facebook. Our website is www.northfordcongregationalchurch.com

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 will again be transitioning to SUMMER HOURS beginning June 4th - celebration of the Holy Eucharist every Sunday will start at 9:00 a.m. Coffee and fellowship always follows. All are welcome. Please join us - we’d love to get to know you! St. Andrew’s is also the proud home of the Food Pantry of North Branford - a vital resource serving families in need in the communities of Northford and North Branford. St. Andrew’s is a member of the Middlesex Area Cluster Ministry. The Rev. Jim Bradley is Missioner In Charge of MACM, and we have rotating clergy serving the parishes of St. Andrew’s, 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; Nancy Monde, Sr. Warden, 203-481-9472; MACM office at 860-345-0058; Rev. Bradley at 203-525-6846.

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 and Wednesday at 9am at St. Augustine Church and on Tuesday and Fridays at 9am 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.

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 zionepiscopalchurch.org.

Are you thinking of becoming Catholic?

Have you been Baptized Catholic but never received the sacraments of Confirmation and the Eucharist and would like to do so?

If you or someone you know falls under either of these Categories, we invite you to join us for our RCIA program! Classes begin on Thursday, September 14th from 7:00-8:30pm at St. Augustine Church in the Parish Center at 30 Caputo Rd., North Branford. Call the parish office at 203-484-0403 to register or for additional information.

Craft & Tag Sale at St. Andrew’s

St. Andrew’s Episcopal Church, 1382 Middletown Ave. in Northford, will be holding a “Craft & Tag Sale” on Saturday Sept. 16th, from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Table rentals are \$20 each. Bring your crafts, clean out your attics, cupboards and closets! To reserve a table or for more information please contact Nan Monde 203-710-7005.

Movie Night Under the Stars

Please join us on the lawn of the North Branford Congregational Church,

1680 Foxon Road, North Branford for

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Saturday, September 9, starting at 7:45 PM

Bring a lawn chair or blanket so you can sit back and enjoy the movie
If it rains the movie will be shown in Fellowship Hall of the church
Any questions please call 203.488.8456.

Military Whist Card Party

The card party will take place on Friday, September 29th at the North Haven Congregational Church, 28 Church St. North Haven, Door open at 6:15pm with finger foods, dessert and raffle baskets. Games begin at 7:00pm with a cost of \$8.00 per person.

The event is sponsored by the North Haven Congregational Church Women’s Fellowship and the Greater Federation of Women’s Clubs.

For tickets or more information call Lynne at 203-239-7800.

Tag Sale/Fund Raiser at NCC

Northford Congregational Church will be holding a tag sale to benefit the church on Sat., Sept. 9 (raindate Sept. 16), from 9 a.m. - 2 p.m., in the Parish House, 16 Old Post Rd., Northford. Items for sale will include furniture, school supplies (chalkboards, bulletin boards, children’s chairs), adult & children’s books, household items, etc. Cleaning out the Parish House – everything must go The parish house is located on the hill on the opposite side of the parking lot.

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. Website: www.northfordcongregational.church. Email address: ncchurch@snet.net. Like us on Facebook.

American Red Cross Blood Drive

Saturday, September 30th

On Saturday, September 30th, the Northford Women’s Club, GFWC, will be sponsoring a blood drive at the Stanley T. Williams Community Center, 1332 Middletown Avenue in Northford from 9:00am to 2:00pm. Please make an appointment to donate by reserving a time at www.redcrossblood.org or calling 800-RED-CROSS. Each person that comes out to donate will be entered into a raffle for a gift certificate towards dinner at a local restaurant. Let’s show what great people we have in North Branford and come out to give blood!

K of C Tag Sale/Flea Market

The Knights of Columbus, Totoket Council 6801 is looking for vendors to fill 80 spaces, 15’W x 28’D, at their annual Fall Giant 80,000 Square Feet Tag Sale/Flea Market on September 30th.

The event will take place at Doody’s Field, 465 Foxon Rd, North Branford. It will run from 8:00AM to 3:00PM. Admission and off road parking is free,

To reserve a space call 203-484-9737. The cost is \$30 per space paid before 9-25 with a \$5.00 late fee after that date. Vendors must provide their own tables. (Rain Dates 10-7,10-14,10-21).

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This informative session is being held at Guertin & Guertin LLC’s offices at the historic Center Fire House building at 26 Broadway in North Haven. Advanced registration is required and seats fill up quickly. The public should call 203-234-7400 or e-mail guertinlaw.net to reserve a seat.

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Guilford Knights of Columbus Council 3928 is a nonprofit Bingo Every Monday night. \$5.00 dinner at 5:30 to 7pm. Games start at 7pm. Games include 50/50, winner take all and progressive games. All welcome to a friendly game at 390 South Union street Guilford 06437. Contact Ken at 203 621-4673 or Carl at 203-453-3330 for additional information

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If you would like to donate or contribute raffle items please contact Donna at assttreas@yahoo.com The Animal Haven is a private, nonprofit, 501(c)(3) charitable organization serving the greater New Haven area since 1948. It is a no-kill shelter whose mission is to provide a temporary, safe, caring and humane refuge for homeless, adoptable cats and dogs, and to subsequently place those animals in quality, adoptive permanent homes.

Wine Tasting for Sail & Power Squadron

New Haven Sail & Power Squadron (NHSPS), is a 501(c)(3) non-profit educational organization dedicated to making boating safer and more enjoyable by teaching classes in seamanship, navigation, and related subjects.

A Gala Wine Tasting fund raiser will be held at Amarante's Sea Cliff, 62 Cove St., New Haven, on Thurs., Oct. 26, from 6-10 p.m. Ticket donation of \$50.00 per person. Wine will be provided by Grand Vin. All wines will be 90+ rated. Deluxe social hour at 6 p.m., wine presentations at 6:30 p.m., full course dinner buffet 7-10 p.m. Cash bar, silent auction, and live music by Denise Parri's Three & Company. Halloween costumes are encouraged/optional.

For information and reservations, contact Past Commander Donna Ferrucci, at 203-215-0326 or d.ferrucci@snet.net. Payment deadline of Oct. 15. Make checks payable to: NHSPS. Mail to: Peter Jenkin, 32 Fieldstone Ct., North Haven CT 06473.

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3. Competition will begin at 9:30 a.m. with a mandatory break of an hour for lunch (11 - 12) and end promptly at 2:30 p.m. Light refreshments will be provided by the "Friends of the North Branford Libraries".
4. All teams will put together the same 1,000 piece puzzle.
5. The team that connects the most continuous puzzle pieces (not unconnected clusters) in the allotted time will be declared the winner. This will be determined by counting the number of pieces left unconnected. Each team will count their own pieces. In case of a close finish, a judge will recount.
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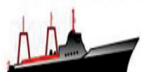


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Get Ready for a Night of Music, Food, and Fun

SAVE THE DATE! The North Branford Land Conservation Trust, Inc. together with the Community Foundation for Greater New Haven are sponsoring Rhythm & Brews, Craft Beer and Performance Night on Thursday, November 2, from 6 to 9 pm, at the Thimble Island Brewing Company in Branford. Tickets, \$20 in advance, \$25 at the door, include one free drink, light food fare, and live entertainment by fabulous local Americana musicians Ron Anthony, Denny Collin, and Peter Prizzi. Tickets on sale for some amazing raffle prizes as well.

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 Rhythm and Brews and NBLCT, go to www.nblandtrust.org or visit us on Facebook. To order tickets, call 203-484-0733 or email nblct@nblandtrust.org.

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WHAT: Non profit fundraiser to help with local rescue
 Connecting loved ones (and animals) to audience

members who have crossed over
 “All The Kings Horses Equine Rescue”
 Northford, CT

WHEN: **September 29, 2017. 7 to 9 p.m.**

WHERE: North Branford High School
 49 Caputo Road, North Branford, CT
 Tickets: \$30.00

WHO: Lisa Lanno, Intuitive Spirit Medium
 Mary Santagata - Rescue Owner

CONTACT: Mary Santagata – 203-815-4013

Pay pal account:

allthekingshorsesequinerescue@gmail.com

www.lisamlanno.com – events

Facebook: All the Kings Horses Equine Rescue
 Lisa Lanno

mail: ATKH, P.O. Box 88, North Branford, CT 06472

WHY: Lisa Lanno, Spirit Medium, has a passion for animals. Holds several Fundraisers for animal organizations as well as other organizations. This organization helps abused and unwanted horses and is in Need of funding which will offset expenses.

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When: Tuesday, October 24th, 2017

Time: 6:30 PM

Where: Tony Z's Apizza



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