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Shoreline Orthodontics

Opens in Branford and North Branford

The towns of Branford and North Branford welcome a new face with the sale of Dr. Michael Baron's practice to Dr. Jonathan Fisk. After thirty years of service to the local towns, Dr. Michael Baron has decided to spend more time with his family and one year old granddaughter. Dr. Baron is grateful to have found a caring and suitable replacement in Dr. Fisk.

Dr. Jonathan Fisk is excited to continue the practice's commitment to personalized and comfortable care. Dr. Fisk grew up in Needham, Massachusetts and graduated from Penn State University with a Bachelor of Science in Bioengineering. He returned to New England to earn his D.M.D. from the University of Connecticut School of Dental Medicine. Dr. Fisk then completed his orthodontic specialty training at the Stony Brook School of Dental Medicine. Dr. Fisk is a member of the American Association of Orthodontists, the Connecticut State Dental Association, and the American Dental Association.

"Orthodontics is the perfect blend of dentistry, engineering, and biology, and the reason I initially pursued the field," says Dr. Fisk. "But what excites me the most is seeing the genuine happiness of my patients when we finish their orthodontic treatment. That never gets old, and it's the reason I love coming to the office every day."

Shoreline Orthodontics has two convenient locations in Branford and North Branford, and is accepting new patients. The Branford office is located at 179 East Main Street (next to Branford High School) and can be reached at 203-488-6616. The North Branford office is located at 630 Foxon Road (next to North Branford High School and Intermediate School), and can be reached at 203-484-1111.

Happy Hour is Going to the Dogs!

Join the gang on Saturday, June 14th from 4:00 - 7:00PM at O'Tooles Irish Pub for a dog friendly party on the patio. The \$10.00 cover charge includes entertainment, door prizes and discounted food prices. Otoole's is located at 157 Orange Street in New Haven. Dog less people are welcome and all proceeds will benefit The Animal Haven.

The Animal Haven is a no-kill shelter whose mission is to provide a temporary, safe, caring and humane refuge for homeless adoptable cats and dogs and place those animals in a quality, adoptive permanent home.

Candelora Seeks Another Term for State Representative

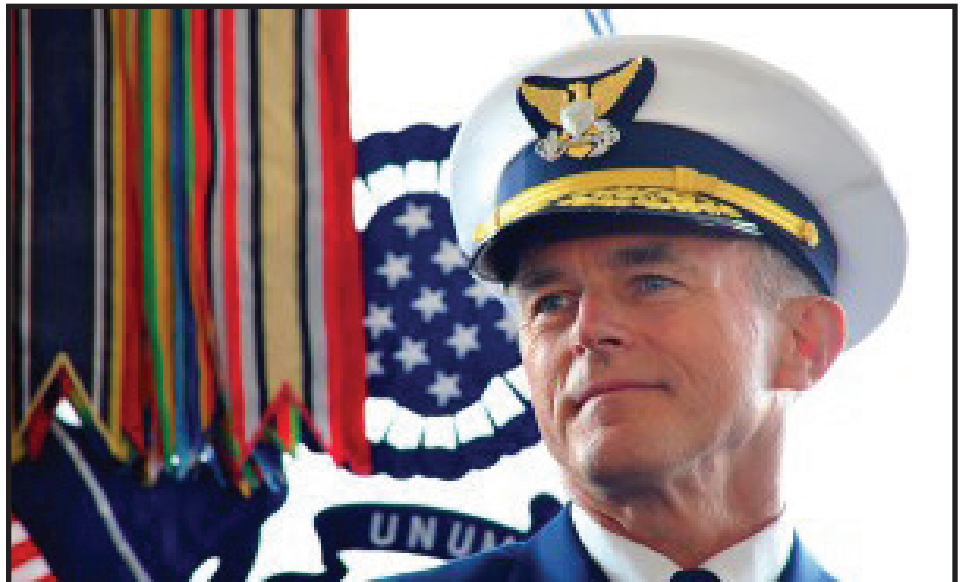
North Branford –State Representative Vincent Candelora (R-North Branford) received the nomination for re-election to the 86th District. He is seeking a fifth term. "I am honored once again to be nominated represent this great District," stated Candelora.

Vincent Candelora serves as Deputy Minority Leader and is a Member on the Finance, Revenue and Bonding Committee, Regulations Review Committee, and Planning and Development Committee.

"Connecticut has had a difficult economic recovery, and we must focus on bettering the climate to create jobs." Connecticut is facing a \$2.5 billion deficit in the next biennium. "We need representation in Hartford that will eliminate this deficit without massive tax increases like we saw four years ago. The state can no longer continue to borrow and tax its way out of this recession," commented Representative Candelora.

Vincent owns and manages his family's business, the Connecticut Sportsplex in North Branford, and resides in North Branford with his wife, Carolyn and their three children.

The 86th District includes the town of North Branford, and parts of Guilford, Durham and Wallingford.



North Branford Man Named to Top Coast Guard Post

Admiral Paul F. Zukunft, an early 70's graduate of North Branford High School, has been named Commander of the United States Coast Guard. Zukunft will now lead the largest component of the Department of Homeland Security which will be comprised of 41,700 active duty, 7,800 reserve and 8,300 civilian personnel as well as 31,00 volunteer Cost Guard Auxiliaries.

The Admiral graduated from the United States Coast Guard in 1977 with a BS degree in Government; from Webster University in 1988 with a Master of Arts degree in Management; and from the U.S. Naval War College in 1977 with a Master of Arts degree in National Security and Strategic Studies. He is a graduate of the Asia Pacific Center for Strategic Studies Executive Seminar and Harvard's Kennedy School of Government National Preparedness Leadership Initiative Course.

His personal awards include the Department of Homeland Security Distinguished Service Medal. Defense Superior Service Medal, three Legions of Merit and five Meritorious Service Medals, and he wears the permanent Cutterman pin.

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Memorial Day Parade Remarks

The remarks below were made by William H. James PHD, at the memorail Day Parade. Dr. JAMES a World War Two 2 months shy of his 104th birthday was the grand MARshall of the Parade and took the poduim in full uniform

This is a day for remembering many millions of brave men and women who have served the United States in all our wars - in the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marines, and other services.

In November 1941, in two newspaper articles I forecasted war with Japan. About 3 weeks later Japan made a "surprise" attack against the U.S. at Pearl Harbor on December 7, 1941. The U.S. was then at war.

I enlisted in early July, 1942, and served primarily as a Combat Intelligence Officer with two 20th Air Force Squadrons which flew B-29 bombers from bases in the U.S., India, China, Australia, and on Tinian Island in the western Pacific. Tinian Island is only 39 square miles in size but North Field on Tinian was huge and was the base from which two atomic bombs were launched against Japan and helped to end WWII.

Since WWII there have been other wars and battles - in Korea, Vietnam, Iraq, Afghanistan, and elsewhere. Now it is Memorial Day, 2014, and we are here to honor our veterans of all those conflicts. They have fought and died in many lands, at sea, and in the air, in order to preserve our great nation. It also seems appropriate to honor our many dedicated civil servants such as the police, firemen, health workers, educators, postal workers, and others who help the nation to be strong. This strength and power is important. We are facing rising dangers and the U.S., in terms of population, is a small nation with only about 5% or one-twentieth of the world's population. Our veterans preserved the nation. Now we, the living, must build and strengthen it in all ways possible. This means that we must increase employment, improve the education and health of our people,

emphasize technologies and strategic imports, strengthen and expand our industries, and improve all our national assets. To honor our veterans, we should truly build our nation and our people.

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Dear Friends;

Congratulations to the graduating North Branford seniors who received a scholarship during the annual North Branford Scholarship Association Awards Ceremony. A most appreciative thank you to Mr. Lars Seland-er who is the President of the Scholarship Association. As many may know, Lars has been an active member of the association for many years. The NB Scholarship Association celebrated 51 years this year, one more year in existence than NBHS.

A thank you to the many businesses, families, and citizens who continue to support the NB Scholarship Association. We are appreciative of their efforts in supporting the youth of North Branford. Thank you to the presenters who were on hand during the ceremony last evening including family members, residents, and staff at NBHS.

Sincerely,
Todd Stoeffler
Principal, North Branford High School

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Let's Be "Frank"

Well brother, a few more examples of the aging younger brother. As you know, we graduated our last child. The young prince requested a party in "his" back yard like the olden days. I tried to explain to him that he now lives in New York and he doesn't have a back yard. When that didn't work, I tried to explain that the olden days were a thing of the past and I was about thirty years older since he graduated from high school 6 years ago, but that didn't work either.

So I and the Mrs. wound up cooking for close to 100 people. Good news is, we pulled it off. Bad news was I had trouble walking for a few days after the party. More bad news, I didn't recognize half the kids he went to high school with. More bad news for me, SueAnn ran around like a nut and for some reason she has not aged on the same schedule as I have. All in all it was a good time and it was great to get together with family and friends.

Speaking of his apartment in New York, we went to visit him this weekend. Pop was right when he used to say, "kids these days". They explained to me that they got the best deal ever. I didn't see it. I had to turn sideways to get through the kitchen and if I had to go to the bathroom, I would have been in trouble. The neighborhood wasn't impressive and it seemed as though I worked my entire life to stay out of neighborhoods like that. The rent is twice as much as my mortgage was, and I now own the house. But as mom use to tell pop, "If he's happy, shut up and mind your own business."

While we were there we drove over to Little Italy and went to the place we use to go to about five times a year. The good news there was that the food was still great, I can still drive in New York with the best of them and I remembered how to negotiate the parking. The bad news is, SueAnn informed me that it has been a dozen years since our last visit. Once again, where have the years gone.

The high school baseball season is over. For the third year in a row we got beat in the quarter finals of the state tournament. This one was a heart breaker as we lost in extra innings to a walk off home run. Once again there is a good news, bad news scenerio. The good news is, it's our third consecutive trip to the quarter finals which puts us at the top tier of school athletic programs. The bad news is that once you're up there you want to win it all. It's a team effort and next year the coaching staff and the kids are going to have to figure out how to bring baseball's first State Championship trophy home to North Branford. Go T-Birds.

Well, that's it for now. Between the kids on the high school team, cooking for a hundred (like the old days) and the trip to Little Italy, I am rejuvenated, so I will sign off a bit differently and let's just leave it at, "I miss you but I'm in no hurry to be with you. I'll see you when I get there."



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State Representative

Vincent Candelora

The Office of Early Childhood: A Need Addition For Our Children



During the latest legislative session, the General Assembly worked hard to pass a bill creating the Office of Early Childhood (OEC). This office combines the work of several agencies and eliminates the coordinated system of early care, education and child development. Essentially, it streamlines these functions into one office, and I was proud

to be a cosponsor of the legislation.

At a time when dramatic changes in education are occurring, our state must devote more focus on early childhood programs to ensure the success of our young students. The office will assume the responsibility for administering early childhood programs and services currently run by the State Department of Education (SDE), the Department of Social Services (DSS), and the Department of Public Health (DPH). These responsibilities include: school readiness; the Children's Trust Fund; Connecticut Chats-a-Course; state and federally funded child day care subsidies; child day care services management, evaluation, and professional development; child day care facilities licensing and inspection, and youth camp oversight.

The bill also incorporated a provision championed by myself, Representative Noreen Kokoruda, Senator Len Fasano and Senator Ed Meyer, which requires that dyslexia be added to the special education individualized education program (IEP) form as a separate category and instruction in dyslexia be added to teacher preparation programs that leads to a professional teacher certification. During public testimony, we heard too many stories of students who have not been timely diagnosed with dyslexia. While these changes are not dramatic and don't cost the states or town any money, I believe that they will help raise proper awareness and encourage earlier detection of dyslexia.

As the rigors of common core is applied, the state must also address what the appropriate age for children entering kindergarten. For better or worse, kindergarten is no longer just about socialization and "abcs". Many more demands are put on these young children, and as a result, we need to question whether five years olds ready to enter kindergarten. As a small step toward addressing this issue, the bill requires boards of education to notify parents or guardians of preschool special education students who reach age five or age six of their legal right to hold the child back from entering kindergarten for a year. In the next legislative session, we must begin the dialogue for every student.

Anyone in the teaching profession and everyone with children or grandchildren have experienced dramatic changes to our education system. I believe the Department of Education must provide better support for policies that they've mandated. In the meantime, the legislature must begin the conversation to make appropriate changes to ensure the success of our student. I believe the Office of Early Childhood is a good beginning to that process.

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WIT & WISDOM

Before I wrote this I had intended to write of how GM, genetically modified foods, are not only creating health problems with the injections of herbicides, insecticides and a variety of other unnatural ingredients into our foods, As preposterous as it seems Monsanto and others surreptitiously and purposely resorted to insidious tactics that would so change, even Nature itself, that any effort to stop what they had already accomplished had become so ingrained in nature itself that any efforts to stop what they had already accomplished was an effort in futility. Fortunately, although having already created havoc in the natural food industry, organics, their engaging even the courts and politicians insupport of their scheme I have been made aware of how the uprising by natural food supporters and the failure of Monsanto and the others, of the superiority of their creations over all others just isn't working out.

My favorite farm journal, Farm Show, which its reason of it accepting no paid advertising,fears no retribution from their advertisers and prints what the others fear most, loss of revenue .. Farm Show reports that the failure of the GM seed to ,as promised, to out yield the seeds they were supposed to isn't working out. Not only is their production far inferior, but the cost of the seed isprohibitive. Monsanto's seeds made immune to its, herbicide Round Up which supposedly would eliminate all weeds, by allowing Round Up to be used without affecting the corn or whatever crop is being grown only produced super weeds that reject all herbicides, plus the important part to farmers, their production has dropped significantly. This scenario is repeated in all the varieties such as more cold resistant, etc. developed and promoted as saving humanity from starvation in our over populated world.

Farm Show, under the title "*Demand Grows For Non-GMO Seeds*" The seed growers are asking why they should be paying for traits that we have resistance weeds and insects. Farmers are saving \$85 per bag on seed, a formidable amount when you are planting hundreds, even thousands of acres. One reason even conventional farmers, those concerned only with the bottom line,money, and no concern as to the effect on the consumers health switching back to non GMO seed is equal or better yield. Seed growers are reporting increasing demands for non GMO seeds. Some as much as 70percent increase.

Those of us engaged in the fight to have GMO food labeled so we will know what we are eating is growing at an astonishing rate. This has had an effect on the opposition gradually losing the battle, but it is slow process and if continuing at it's present rate will be years before labled food will be implemented. As I said, even those unconcerned feel empathy with us since most resent restrictions on their choice of any products but, as always, what plays the major part in a capitalist society is that whatever is engaged in " is it profitable".

. Scott Harris, sales manager of Masters Choice a seed company based in Illinois and marketed in all 48 states says, "Seed companies small, medium or large report increase in demand for non-GMO seeds and not all driven by the anti-GMO sentiment. The reason farmers are going non-GMO"is financial". I have to laugh on thinking, what we have been fighting for, labled GMO foods, is being won for us by those not giving a damn about labeling. There is more to come. **Alton Eliason**

PLANNING FOR THE FUTURE

By Attorney Marc P. Guertin

Most people never think that they will ever end up in a Nursing Home. However, the sad reality is that almost half of the population will spend some time in a skilled nursing facility during their lifetime. According to the Centers for Disease Control, the average time spent in a nursing home is 864 days, nearly two and half years.

A long term stay at a nursing home can be financially devastating for you and your family. Nursing home care rates of \$12,000-\$15,000 per month can quickly eliminate a lifetime's worth of hard work. Long term care in a nursing home can devour your savings and force your home, business and other assets to be sold at a "fire sale" price to pay for your care.

When people are faced with choosing between preserving their assets and paying for care, there really is no choice, unless the costs of long term care in a nursing home are planned for. Giving away your money (to a child, for example) before needing long-term care may sound like a good idea, but it can be risky. Children get divorced, sued, have creditor issues, or can become catastrophically ill. The assets gifted to your child could be lost through divorce, lawsuits, etc. and would not be available to you. Furthermore, due to restrictive gifting laws, you may not qualify for Medicaid because you gave your money away.

An Irrevocable Asset Protection Trust (IAPT) provides an opportunity for individuals, both single and married to protect their assets long term. These assets could be available to you at sometime in the future to pay for things that Medicaid does not, or for an individual's spouse or as a legacy for future generations, without the risks associated with giving these assets away to another individual.

An IAPT is a legal entity separate from the person who creates it. It is created by signing a Trust agreement where the Grantor irrevocably transfers assets to the trust which is supervised by a third person called a Trustee (often the Grantor's children or other relative) who holds and manages that property in Trust for the benefit of the people who are named as beneficiaries.

Timing is extremely important when establishing an IAPT. "Beat the Clock" is the name of the game. In order for an IAPT to work it must be set up well in advance of anticipated nursing home care (currently 5 years). After the passage of enough time the assets held by the IAPT will be insulated from the ravages of a long term stay in a nursing home, as well as creditor issues, and lawsuits. Furthermore, the assets held inside of the trust will pass to your beneficiaries probate free and within weeks, as opposed to months if these assets were to pass to your heirs through the probate process.

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If you have questions that you'd like answered in this column, email me at marc@guertinlaw.net.

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Senior Notes
Alicia Abelson

It seems as if there were some misconceptions in my last article about being able to relax! Homework is still being laid on heavy for the seniors; it even feels as if we've gotten more homework in this last month than we have during the whole school year! The only thing keeping me going is the fact that graduation is about two weeks away.

It is extremely difficult to keep from senior sliding at the moment with Chef Ed day, the Lake Compounce field trip, and the last full week of school occurring. The senior picnic at Lake Compounce was probably the biggest highlight of this last month. I enjoyed a fun day at the amusement park with all of my friends riding on their biggest attractions. If there was one point of the day that I will remember most, it would be my time spent on Boulder Dash. My friends got this idea of telling the ride conductor that it was my birthday, which lead to all of the employees and people on the ride and in line to sing happy birthday to me. Lake Compounce was the perfect way to spend the last field trip I will have with my peers for the last 12 years. Graduation day will be bittersweet.

North Branford Schools Bringing Back
Summer Camp

The North Branford Schools are getting ready for the summer of 2014 with the theme "Survivor Summer". Many of the past favorite weekly enrichment camps will be returning, along with some new, exciting options.

The camp will run from June 30th to August 22nd and it is open to all North Branford residents as well as residents from neighboring towns. There are camps available for students entering grades 1 through 8. Look for your 2014 Camp brochure and online registration form coming soon.



Kayleigh's Korner

By Kayleigh Melillo

Well, school is coming to an end. So the only logical decision is to increase the workload two hundred percent, right. Apparently! Teachers really are going down to the wire with assignments. Two literature books to read in History and LA, an array of tests and quizzes in Math and Science, and who can forget the Spanish and History finals for the eighth graders? We sure can't!

Yes, the school year may be ending but the real stress and work are just picking up! ...Yay. The fifth graders visited the middle school coincidentally the day all the eighth graders went on the trip to Holiday Hill... 'coincidentally.' Holiday Hill was an exciting time; it included a variety of fun activities including boating on the lake, sports competitions, laser tag, swimming, video games, lip-syncing contests, and best of all...food. And not just food, it was all the food. Burgers, hotdogs, fries, nachos, donuts, soda, cotton candy, popcorn, cake, watermelon, an Ice Cream Truck, and a whole bunch more. Yeah, while all the athletic people were doing their sports, the rest of us were eating. Everything. It's safe to say that the school nurse got quite a few eighth graders in her office the next day complaining of stomachaches...though it doubtful that those students regretted anything.

Also last week was the annual band and chorus trip to Lake Compounce, apparently it was fun...though us piano, guitar, and general music kids wouldn't know since we don't get to go on the trip. *Sigh* We're not bitter or anything though, I mean, we get to go to Ruby Tuesdays...does Lake Compounce have a salad bar? Yes? Well...okay, there are no arguments. We get gypped, no questions asked. Okay, maybe one question: why can't we come? We're fun people, and it's only like one extra bus to bring us. Come on, guys! So, in summary; lot's of tests, fifth graders are visiting, Holiday Hill has all the food, and equality for Lake Compounce!



Education Foundation Presents Large Grant to NBHS Band for New Uniforms

The North Branford Education Foundation recently presented a check in the amount of \$6,340 for their uniform fundraiser. \$5,000 was in the form of a grant and \$1,340 was collected by the Foundation from private donors.

The new uniforms will allow the band to perform on the next level. Under the leadership of Band Director Katie Trainer (pictured with band member Erik Selmquist), the group has rasied 70% of the goal. Individuals who are willing tocontribute can send checks to NBEF, PO Box 504, Northford, CT 06472.

“We give many grants throughout the year and we are proud to be able to assist in this worthy cause,” commented Foundation President, Frank Mentone. “These talented youngsters deserve to participate in the highest level possible and they are unable to do this without the proper attire.”

The North Branford Education Foundation is an independent non-profit organization which raises funds for grants and scholarships that are not in the school budget.

For more information contact Frank Mentone at 203-410-4254.

THEY MAKE US PROUD

Julia Allain graduated Magna Cum Laude and Marriana Marcarelli received a BA at Providence College.

Juliana Harrison and Kelly McGovern earned National Recognition on Spanish Exams taken at Sacred Heart Academy in Hamden, CT.

Kelsey Platner graduated Summa Cum Laude with a BS in Kinesiology, from Temple University. She is pursuing a doctorate in Physical Therapy.

Erick Bilides received a BA in Social Change & Asia Studies, **Tyler Flanagan** received a BA in Physics and **Rachel Monge** received a BA in Sociology at Clark University in Worcester, MA.

Matthew Proto received a BS in Environmental Science & Policy from Marist College in Poughkeepsie, NY.

Margaret Sullivan and Connor Sullivan were named to the Dean’s List at the University of Vermont.

Margaret Mirabella received the Gettysburg College Book Award at Sacred Heart Academy in Hamden.

Morgan Ras was awarded the Outstanding Achievement Award on his senior project at Sacred Heart University annual Academic Festival.

Meagan Halligan was named to the Dean’s List at Saint Anselm College in Manchester NH.

Kristen Austin received a Maxima cum Laude national recognition on her Latin test at Sacred Heart Academy.

Jordan Gleason graduated from Springfield College in Springfield, MA. Jordan was also named to the Dean’s List.

Eric Podbielski was named to the Dean’s List at Springfield College.

Angela DiLella, Kyle Hottin and Chelsea Myers were named to the Dean’s List at Eastern Connecticut State University.

NBHS Reunion Class of 1989

The class of 1989 is looking for classmated for thier upcoming reunion in November. If you would like to join the big 25th Reunion contact Debbie at 203-738-8244 or Ylliereibbed@yshoo.com or Bonnie at 203-230-9066 or abyoun@comcast.net. Leave a message with your full name, address and preferred method of contact.

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Pollick Receives "No I in Team Award"

North Branford High School baseball captain Evan Pollick received the Greater New Haven Diamond Club's "No I in Team Award". The award is given to the player who most demonstrates leadership and sportsmanship in representing his school and team. Evan is pictured above with Coach Billy Mitcheel (left) and Diamond Club President Ed Klinkhammer.

Softball Team Finishes Season Looking Ahead

The NBHS girls Softball team finished the season with a record of 15-8, qualifying for both the Shoreline and CIAC State Tournament. Kayla Nowak was the Shoreline player of the year making first team all Shoreline, while sophomore Sabrina LeMere made the first team all shoreline. Sophomore Lindsay Golia was named to second team all shoreline and junior Steph Hogan was recognized with honorable mention.

Coach TJ Shatz was named as the Shoreline Conference Coach of the Year. The team is young and looks forward to improving on an already solid record, moving ahead to next year.

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NBHS Baseball Team

Reaches Quarter Final Round

For the fifth year in a row, the North Branford High School baseball team qualified for the CIAC State Tournament. The T-Birds who struggled at the plate all year long entered as the 25th seed with a record of 11-9.

In the first round, the Birds faced the number 8 seeded Wilcox Tech. Demonstrating the strong pitching and defense which had been their mantra all season long, Sean Halligan led the way throwing a complete game 3 hitter, striking out 11, in a 4-1 victory. The silent bats woke up as Will Coleman led the 13 hit attack with two triples and a single. Mike Querfeld doubled and singled as Mike Funaro, Matt Chamberlain and Jay Quido had two singles each. Third baseman Nick Candelora made several dazzling plays at third base.

Next up was the number 9 seeded Holy Cross. The boys came out of the gate early with two runs in the first and four in the fourth and held on to a 6-2 victory. Tyler Hawk pitched the complete game with five hitter for the victory. Mike Funaro led another hitting barrage with 3 hits, a sacrifice fly and 3 RBI. He also saved several runs with two sparkling catches at short-stop, with his back to the infield. Evan Pollick doubled as well.

In the Quarter Final game the team took on the number 1 ranked Rocky Hill. Another great performance on the mound by Halligan and a two run home run by Mike Querfeld weren't enough as Rocky Hill benefitted from a walk-off home run in the 8th inning to take the contest 4-2. The T-Birds had several opportunities to break the game open but could not capitalize.

For the third year in a row North Branford was defeated in the quarter final round making them the eighth place finisher each year. With only two graduating seniors, the T-Birds are looking to top that mark next year



NBHS Baseball Team Names MVP & D & D

Coach Billy Mitchell awarded Evan Pollick left the Desire & Dedication Award and Mike Funaro the MVP for the 2014 NBHS baseball team.



Baseball Team Names 2014-2015 Captains

At the Annual Baseball Banquet the baseball captains for the upcoming season were named. Left to right; Nick (stix) Candelora, Sean (Irish) Halligan, Tyler (T-Hawk) Hawk and Will (Robbie) Coleman.



North Branford Girls Track & Field Shoreline Conference Championship

The North Branford High School Girls Track & Field Team traveled to Westbrook High School to compete in the Shoreline Conference Championship. The Lady T-Birds scored twenty five points placing them 8th among thirteen schools. Rachel Sokoloff placed 3rd in the 100 Meter Hurdles at 17.22. Also placing 3rd was Winnie Chan in the High Jump at 4'10".

Other athletes scoring points in their individual events were Julie Costillio taking 6th place in the Discus with a throw of 81'03" and Sara Olsen placing 7th in the 400 Meter Dash at 1:05.04 and coming in 8th in the Long Jump at 14'01".

Remainder of the points scored were by the 4x800 Relay Team of Marissa Bale, Holly Dulak, Kelly Oliver and Maggie Dulak taking 5th place at 10:46.6 and the 4x100 Relay Team of Erika Chironno, Katie Stevens, Rachel Sokoloff and Sara Olsen coming in 6th place at 54.42.

Also competing for the girls was Deanna Sgambato taking 9th place in the Triple Jump (29'05.5") and 10th place in the Pole Vault (6'6"). Alicia Abelson placed 9th in the Pole Vault (7'0"), Melissa Agro placed 11th in the Discus (67'03"), Catie Moran came in 14th in the 300m Hurdles (54.36), Marissa Bale 14th in the 1600m Run (5:57.93) and Maggie Dulak 15th in the 1600m Run (5:58.18).

Seven to be Inducted into Hall of Fame

On Sunday, July 20th the North Branford High School Athletic Hall of Fame will be inducting 7 exceptional athletes as well as one outstanding coach.

The athletes include Jim Moran (1971), Jimmy Wilborn (1982), Ellenmary Martin-Frye (1984), Wendy Elles (1992), Karen Vissicchio Czaplicki (1994), Dan Petroskey (1996), and Mike Gargiulo (2004).

Coach Rick Geremia, who guided the Boys Soccer Team to 2 State Championships and 5 Shoreline Conference titles then took over the Girls Soccer Team, will be honored for the exceptional success that his teams had. His girls teams also won 2 SLC titles.

The cost of the banquet will be a very reasonable \$40.00. So mark your calendars for this upcoming event. We would love to see many teammates and players of these outstanding people at this dinner.

More information can be obtained by contacting Chris Webster at cwebster@northbranfordschools.org.

Boys Tennis Team Has Best Season in Years

The North Branford Boys Tennis Team completed one of its most successful seasons in years, ending with a 10-10 won - lost record. The team was led by six seniors; Captains Andy Westwood and Jake Caplan, Marc Fillion, Killian Mitchell, Joe Puglisi and Nick Ghobrial, along with juniors Evan Diaz, John Opie, Jay Mavani and Manny Silva.

Diaz finished the season playing #2 singles, 21-3. Antonio Pavi was the team's lone freshman.

The team qualified for both the Shoreline and CIAC State Tournaments and represented themselves well as multiple players won matches.



Boy Scouts Meet Ted Kennedy Jr.

Northford Boy Scout Troop # 463 met with Ted Kennedy Jr., prior to marching in the North Branford Memorial Day Parade. This same group of boys placed American Flags on the graves of Northford and North Branford veterans, to honor their service to our country.



Womens Clubs Join Forces in the Walk Against Hunger

Members of the Northford Women's Club and the Madison Women's Club recently participated in the Connecticut Food Bank Walk Against Hunger. Pictured are Mary Ellen Collett, Patty Meglio, Theresa Hammond and Liz Boissard from the Northford Club and Barbara DeRosa, Mary Davis and Denise Daly from the Madison Club.

Both clubs are members of the General Federation of Women's Clubs and are volunteer organizations helping to better their communities.

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Ages 5 & 6 - Fridays, 11:30 -12:15 p.m.

June, 27 – July 18 (no class July 4)

Northford Park - \$18

Mommy or Daddy & Me

Ages 2 – 3 ~ Girls and Boys

June 28 – July 19 (no class July 5). Saturday, 9:30 -10:00 a.m.

STW Community Center. \$18

Pee Wee Baseball

Ages 4 & 5 - Saturdays, 10:30 -11:15 a.m.

Ages 5 & 6 - Saturdays, 11:30 -12:15 p.m.

June, 28 – July 19 (no class July 5)

Northford Park. \$18

Performing Arts

Ages 6 – 12 years

July 28 – August 1. Monday - Friday, 9:00 -2:30 p.m.

STW Community Center. \$203

Home Safety For Youth

Ages 10 - 13

June 14.. Saturday, 9:00 -12 noon.

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Conditioning Camp

Grades 1 - 8

Session I: July 14, 16, 18. Session II: July 21, 23, 25

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ALL AGES PROGRAMS

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Cost: \$93 resident/ \$98 non-resident

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Welcome Eden Rae Lovelace

Eden Rae Lovelace came into this world on March 4, 2014 weighing 7.7 lbs and measuring 20.5 inches long. She is the daughter of Justine McCarroll-Lovelace and James Lovelace of North Branford. Her maternal grand parents are Cynthia and John McCarroll of North Branford and her paternal grandparents are Mary & James Lovelace also of North Branford. She was welcomed by her sister Kasha.

Totoket Historical Society Calendar

If you haven’t already registered for the TILCON TOUR on June 25, do it soon as seats are limited and sell out quickly. For more information on the tour, call Florence at 203 484-5072, or Cappy at 203 484-2133, or Aloha at 203 484-0794.

Be sure to check out our photo display, “The Way It Was”, at the Atwater Memorial Library, 1720 Foxon Rd., North Branford and see how our town has changed—the schools, stores and other various sites. Also on display are excerpts from the Civil War letters (Dec., 1862 - June, 1865) of Albert Uriah Platts, a member of the 20th Regiment, Connecticut Volunteer Infantry and resident of North Branford.

The Gordon S. Miller Farm Museum on the Reynolds-Beers House/ Atwater Library campus will be open from 9-12 on (Saturdays) June 21, Aug. 16, Sept. 20, and Oct. 18.

Back by popular demand is the “Navels” FREE family concert/picnic on Weds., July 16 which is co-sponsored by the Atwater Library and the Totoket Historical Society. There will be hot dogs, chips, drinks and ice cream available for purchase or you can bring your own picnic. Enjoy your supper on the lawn while enjoying the music you love!

The THS meets regularly on the fourth Monday of the month at the Reynolds-Beers House. Please joins! Visit our website at www.totokethistoricalsociety.org Not a member yet? Call 203 488-0423 or send an email to totokethistoricalsociety@gmail.com and someone will get back to you.

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Bus Trip to New York

North Haven Sons & Daughters of Italy Lodge 2805 is hosting a bus trip to New York on Saturday, June 28th. First stop will be the Garibaldi Meucci Museum that documents the “true” inventor of the telephone Antonio Meucci and Giuseppe Garibaldi who was instrumental in the unification of Italy. Next we will go to Arthur Ave. for the afternoon where you will have free time to shop and eat. Cost is \$40 per person which includes bus and entrance to the museum. Call 203-239-2999 or email navelleca@hotmail.com for more info and for tickets.

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Please contact Rosanne Krajewski, Festival Coordinator at admin@nbpotatofest.com or by calling 203-484-6017, or Tracey Fair, Volunteer Supervisor at traceyfair@comcast.net. You may go to our website at nbpotatofest.com, click on About tab, then Forms, and print out the volunteer form, and mail it in by July 15th.

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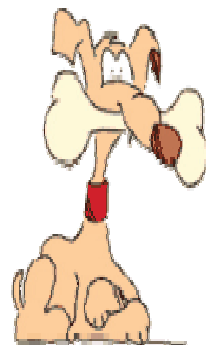
Branford Compassion Club to hold graduation party for its adopted cats.

On Saturday, June 21st from 11am to 3pm, Branford Compassion Club's Feline Rescue & Adoption Center will be hosting a graduation party for all of its adopted felines. The all-volunteer feline rescue organization will be celebrating the felines' "graduation" from BCC's adoption center and foster homes to their forever homes. A commemorative yearbook featuring pictures of many adopted "Graduates" and "Undergraduates" (those kitties still waiting to be adopted) will be available for purchase at the party. The cost of the yearbook is \$20 and will benefit all the "Undergraduate" kitties waiting to be adopted at BCC's Feline Rescue & Adoption Center.

There will also be raffle baskets and plenty of refreshments. The public is invited to attend the "Graduation" Party for the kitties.

As always, donations of unopened cans of wet food (pate), bags of dry food and litter are welcomed and greatly appreciated.

For more information, please visit www.branfordcompassionclub.com.



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