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**NORTH BRANFORD PUBLIC SCHOOLS**

**33<sup>rd</sup> ANNUAL COMMUNITY ROUND UP**



Each year, the North Branford community celebrates **Make a Difference Day** by holding a food drive. For the last thirty-two years students and parents from NBPS have traveled through the community collecting nonperishable food items and monetary donations which were then gathered, sorted, and sent to our town's food bank.

The food bank distributes the items to our neighbors in need of a little help maintaining nutritious meals for their families. Over the years, thanks to the support of our students, their families, and the staff of North Branford Public Schools, the food pantry shelves have been well-stocked and able to support the needs of our town members.

For the entire month of October we have expanded our celebration **Make a Difference Day** to **Make a Difference MONTH!** We are asking for donations of gift cards to supermarkets such as Stop N Shop, Big Y, ShopRite, Aldi's or T&J Market or cash gift cards for the food pantry to purchase needed items. Donation boxes will be located in the main lobby of our schools for you and your child to drop off the cards. When making a donation, please make sure the monetary amount is listed clearly. Donations will be accepted throughout the month. At the end of the month, all donations will be given to our food pantry for their use in supporting those in the town who need them.

In addition, on **October 22, 2022, starting at 8:30 am**, we will hold the traditional **community food round up**. Teams of students collect canned goods, pasta, and personal hygiene items from all segments of the community. **Please remember to check expiration dates of food items prior to donating them.**

**You can assist by placing items by your mailbox  
on the morning of October 22<sup>nd</sup>**

When teams have completed their route, each team will return to the N.B.I.S. cafeteria and present their items for the official tallying. The three teams with the most donations will receive prizes.

The drive is spearheaded by North Branford teachers, administrators and students. In addition, the North Branford Public Works Department has volunteered their services to help deliver the food to the local food pantry.

We appreciate and are very proud of the North Branford community who have made this event such a great success for the past 32 years!

**Thank you for your generous support!**



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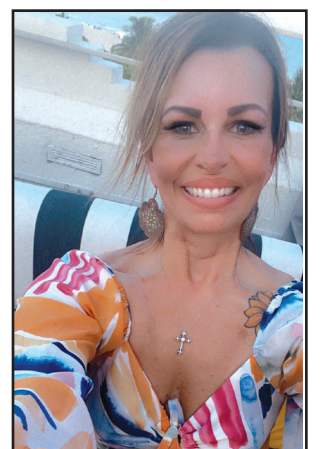
## **Time to Purchase Tickets To Honor Shining Stars**

Tickets are going fast as the North Branford Education Foundation recognizes Frank Forgione, Rita Ney and Lori Connelly with the Alan Davis Shining Star Award. All three honorees go above and beyond the call in serving our community, particularly our youth.

The dinner will be on October 27 at Woodwinds in Branford. Tickets for a full buffet dinner are only \$50 per person. Don't wait until the last minute just to find there are no tickets available.

Tickets will not be sold at the door.

For more information or to order tickets call Frank Mentone at 203-410-4254.



### **TOTOKET TIMES**

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## More on State Roadways

Dear Editor,

In the last issue, Sen Cohen pontificated on her expertise in the area of motor vehicle violations and motor vehicle fatalities. She congratulated herself on a budget that included \$20 million in new spending for “wrong-way signage”, and “cameras that detect wrong way drivers”. Wrong way signage?? With all due respect to the Senator, her entire statement regarding motor vehicle accident rates and causes, is grossly negligent. For starters, 10 out of the 11 “wrong-way” accidents were caused by drunk drivers. In a recent CT bond hearing, the CT DOT said that “80% of motor vehicle accidents have involved impaired drivers” The CT motor vehicle accident and fatality rates have skyrocketed since 2020. Do you want to know why? Let me share with you a direct quote from the director of the CT State Police Union, regarding the Police Accountability Act, that Cohen championed back in 2020:

“I think politics is very toxic these days and has contaminated how we can properly protect public safety,” he said, noting a sharp decline in traffic-violation enforcement that he said largely stems from officers’ fear of repercussions in the current

political climate. “Morale is extremely low – I would say at an all-time low. The legislature and the current administration have made our job more dangerous and they have negatively impacted public safety and we can’t support that.”

So Cohen’s idea of improving highway safety is to throw 20 million dollars into a problem that she created! Sen. Cohen, and Gov. Lamont, did this! Since 2020, exactly 90% of CT State Police senior officers, have retired. Exactly 9 out of ten State Police Commanders, have retired! Interstate 91 is a horror show! Psycho Drivers routinely pass drivers at speeds in excess of 100mph! In the right lane, no less! Nobody gets pulled over. There is no police presence. We’ve all seen it, and it horrifying. You want to know why CT crime rates are out of control?? Now you know. Because CT Democrats, ripped the backbone out of our police departments. In any sane universe of accountability, Sen. Cohen would be asked for her resignation. So please Sen Cohen, should you somehow remain in office, I ask with all the sincerity a human can have, either rescind the Police Accountability Act, or never speak of roadway safety for the rest of your life.

Respectfully, Edward J. Boughton



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State Representative Vincent Candelora  
A Contract to Improve Our State



Last week, I was among roughly 100 legislators and candidates from throughout the state who gathered at the capitol to say that state government must work for the people who pay for it instead of the bureaucrats and politicians who control it.

Together, we released our plan to make our state more affordable, safer, honest and accountable through our Contract with Connecticut—a blueprint from which we would legislate starting in January if we’re elected by voters this November.

Connecticut’s government has unfortunately grown beyond the reach of its taxpayers and families who foot the bill for a bloated bureaucracy that is unaffordable and unresponsive. That has to change, and through our Contract we aim to tell residents that help is on the way. The Contract was delivered through a series of five “acts” that Republicans are committed to. The acts form the basis of detailed legislation that voters and taxpayers can expect to see from us at the start of the year.

*An Affordable Connecticut Act* will reduce the state income tax from 5 percent to 4 percent for families earning less than \$175,000, repeal the highway use tax that Democrats put in place beginning Jan. 1 and increases the property tax credit from \$300 to \$500.

*The Protecting Our Families Act* puts victims’ rights ahead of criminals’ rights.

It strengthens law enforcement by giving police the tools they need to keep communities safe and enhances penalties for car theft and stolen firearms.

*The Families First Act* makes the interests of families primary when it comes to education and healthcare. It adds appointments to the State Board of Education, both parents, expands mobile crisis services and protects seniors from fraud and abuse.

*The Honesty in Government Act* increases transparency by cleaning up contracting procedures, auditing COVID funding and requiring voter identification at the polls.

*The Local Control Act* extends greater autonomy to towns and cities and frees them from undue state control. It will enhance greater regional cooperation and require a two-thirds majority vote by the legislature before any new conveyance taxes can be enacted.

The proposals in many ways common sense solutions that will restore confidence in taxpayers and voters that their government leaders are listening to their concerns and understand changes are much needed in Connecticut.

Our path to improve the quality of life in our state can be found at [contractwithct.com](http://contractwithct.com).

**Rep. Vincent Candelora**  
**House Republican Leader - 86th District**  
**North Branford, Durham, Guilford, Wallingford**

“Vote for Al Ippolito”

Dear Editor,

Selecting a Judge for the Probate Court is a very serious decision. We need a judge who is, first and foremost, well acquainted with Probate Law. We need a person who has dedicated their career to serving the public practicing Probate Law. Electing a Probate Judge is not a popularity contest. It’s more about having the best person ready, willing and able to do an outstanding job on the first day of work. This office is not meant to provide on the job training. The person who is elected Probate Judge must be ready to deliberate, act and rule on the first day. Only Al Ippolito is qualified to do that from the start. I have known Al Ippolito since my high school days and he has always been accessible, reasonable, reliable, and fair. With his long history practicing Probate Law, the choice for Probate Judge is simple. I have lived in both Branford and Northford for the past 32 years; I love this community and ask you to please vote for Al Ippolito for Probate Judge to represent the towns of Branford and North Branford.

Thank you,  
Val Mirabella

Let’s Be “Frank”

So in my last letter, I told you about my trying time at the airport. An old friend once told me that if you want to go to heaven, you have to die first. That was my thought as I walked into my suite on the ship.

As I mentioned in previous correspondence, I have claustrophobia, so a small normal sized stateroom (a bit of ship talk) was not going to make me smile. As a matter of fact it would probably elicit a cry of “man overboard”. But the room was spacious. A large sitting area with a couch, a desk, two tv’s and a deck overlooking the ocean, accompanied our king sized bed. I even fit comfortably in the bathroom and shower area (another big plus).

We had a little time to relax and clean up for dinner so I figured I’d catch up on emails, messages etc. Those who know me, know that I try to stay on top of everything and I never really go on one of those vacations where I shut myself out from the world. You can imagine my panic when Wi-Fi and internet were not available even though they advertised it was. They did have an entire area dedicated to helping make the connections, but the two service people couldn’t handle the long lines of disgruntled people whose idea of a vacation was the same as mine. After a long wait and many instructions and the assurance that I was all set, the Wi-Fi during the trip was spotty at best and gave me several anxious moments as even in Alaska, I was working on a deadline.

Dinner was impressive. With the pandemic affecting every part of the world, they apologized for being short staffed, although you couldn’t really notice it. The menu was limited but the food was top shelf, and so was the atmosphere. Following the dinner we found a nice lounge with very comfortable chairs. The service was tremendous and they often left the immediate area to fetch SueAnn a cup of tea which they offered every night soon realizing that she doesn’t drink. They didn’t have to go to far to fetch my wine, sambucca or lemon cello depending on the time of day or my mood.

Following some relaxing conversation we called it a day and went to the room. I am usually a terrible sleeper but between the rough day, the excitement of what was to come and the booze I fell right to sleep. Some people don’t like the rocking of the boat, but I immediately recalled the tune of mom’s favorite lullaby as it was one of the best nights sleep I had in quite some time.

Our first shore excursion (another term we became familiar with) was Ketchikan, Alaska. Ketchikan has the world’s largest collection of standing totem poles. Many of the poles were re carvings or those rescued from abandoned villages and they tell a great history of the area. While there we saw an entertaining lumberjack show and walked through the villages of stores and history ( yes I did say walk). Funny thing my legs didn’t start hurting until we returned home. It must have been that long flight stuffed into an MRI machine they call an airplane and once home, I stopped drinking.

We also learned that the chief Kyan Totem Pole in Whalenpark is one of the featured background images on the US passport. Imagine, after 20 years, “Let’s be “Frank” with a history lesson.

Well, that’s it for now. My best to the rest and I’ll see you soon.

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Letters to the editor..

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

The Totoket Times is not responsible for erroneous information or statements in letters to the editor. Letters should be as brief as possible.

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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## Vote for Chuck Tiernan

Dear Editor.

I am writing in support of Chuck Tiernan for Probate Judge. I'm a long time resident of North Branford. I raised my family here and I am a proud volunteer for North Branford Fire Company #3. I've known Chuck since he was a young attorney and I was the office manager of the law firm we both worked at years ago.

Chuck is less well known here than Branford, the town he grew up in.

I'd like to tell my neighbors about what a tremendous opportunity they have to elect Chuck Probate Judge on November 8. Chuck is an excellent attorney and even better person. He has a strong work ethic and he always treated the clients and staff of the firm with care, respect and dignity. Anyone who has met him knows that he has fabulous people skills. He has a natural ability to work out disputes, large and small.

I know Chuck Tiernan. I know he is thoughtful and caring. He would be there for the people of North Branford when they come before the court. I urge you to vote for Chuck on November 8.

Sincerely, Jack Moran

## A New Political Party

Dear editor;

Prior to the 2020 Presidential election, Congress consisted of members that honored their Oath of Office to support and defend the Constitution of the United States against all enemies foreign and domestic. Violation of the oath can result in removal from office and confinement, or a fine. During an impeachment trial of the President, Senators take an additional oath to do impartial justice according to the Constitution laws.

The results of the popular vote in the 2020 Presidential Election, showed Joseph R. Biden Jr. with 81,268,924 votes (306 Electoral votes) to Donald J Trump's 74,216,154 (232 Electoral votes). Donald Trump and his supporters challenged the election results in over 60 lawsuits claiming massive voter fraud and that he had won by a landslide. All 50 states reinvestigated their election results and found that massive voter fraud did not exist. Almost all of his lawsuits were either dismissed by the courts or withdrawn due to a lack of evidence.

In spite of the Courts rulings and the state's election recount investigations, he continued to claim massive voter fraud and instructed his supporters to get tough and fight.

On January 6, 2021, in compliance with his instructions, his supporters invaded the Capital and attempted to stop Congress from certifying the Electoral College vote that is required by the constitution.

Donald J. Trump's second Impeachment Tribunal was from 2/9/21 to 2/13/21. He was charged with incitement of insurrection on the January 6th invasion. All but 7 Republican Senators voted not guilty, in spite of all the evidence against him. They violated their oath of office to support and defend the Constitution and elected to support and defend Donald Trump from the Constitution. They abandoned the Republican Party and formed a new party called the Trumpublican Party. Sincerely, James B. Woodman

### TOWN OF NORTH BRANFORD OFFICE OF THE TAX COLLECTOR

#### LEGAL NOTICE OF SEWER USER FEES AND SEWER ASSESSMENT INSTALLMENT CHARGE DUE October 1, 2022

Property owners of the Town of North Branford are hereby notified that the first installment of Sewer User fees and Sewer Assessment charges are due on October 1, 2022. Payments not received or postmarked by November 1, 2022 will be considered delinquent and statutory delinquent interest charges will apply. Interest will accrue at the rate of 1 ½% per month with a minimum interest charge of \$2.00 for Sewer Use and \$5.00 for Sewer Assessment.

The annual Sewer User fee of \$500.00 was set by the North Branford Water Pollution Control Authority at its September 20, 2022 meeting.

Property owners that are on a single payment schedule for Sewer Assessment are hereby notified that payment is due on October 1, 2022 and statutory delinquent charges will apply if payment is not received or postmarked by November 1, 2022.

Bills may be paid at the North Branford Town Hall, Tax Collector's office Monday through Friday from 8:30 to 4:30. Payments can also be made online at the town website: [www.townofnorthbranfordct.com](http://www.townofnorthbranfordct.com), under Online Services. There is a fee for this service: 2.5% for any balance paid: \$3.95 for Visa Debit and \$2.00 for an ACH check withdrawal. If you have lost or misplaced your bill, call the Tax office for a replacement at 203-484-6011. If remittance is made by mail and a receipt is requested, please enclose a self-addressed stamped envelope. Checks should be made payable to the Tax Collector, Town of North Branford.

Dated this 26<sup>th</sup> Day of September 2022

Judy Haley, CCMC  
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## North Branford Rotary Club to Hold Shredding Event - \$10 per box! Saturday October 1st 9-12

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# T-Birds regroup after opening game loss

Following a tough opening game loss the North Branford High School football team came back with a 48-6 drubbing of Old Saybrook/Wsstbrook and followed that up with a tough overtime 26-20 victory over Stafford.

Against OSW the Birds scored 42 first half points and never looked back.

Sophomore Tommy Henson led a strong offensive attack with 146 yards on the ground. Senior Jace Kamienci added 50 and sophomore Shane Esposito had 26 on four carries.

Defensively senior Tyler Sorensen had 3 solo tackles and 11 assists. While classmate Branden Burns added 10 assist and junior Luke Blomster added 9 assist. Burns also had 3 sacks.

The Stafford game was a different story. The first half was a defensive battle with the T-Birds finishing it up down 6-2. After some halftime adjustments the boys came out on fire. Senior QB Mason Provencher tossed touchdown passes to senior Eric Izzo and senior Jack Meehan. Mason also ran one in as sophomore Tommy Hansen was again the work horse with 157 yards in 22 carries.

Defensively, senior Tyler Serenson had 14 tackles and got a lot of support as senior Dom Langelo had 12, senior Draden Brandisi had 11 and juniors Luke Blomster and Lucian DePino both had 10 as did senior Elias Defarnos.

Tommy Hansen score the game winner in OT.



Provencher airing one out.



Jace Kamienci on the move



Langelo leading the defensive charge



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In 1925, President Calvin Coolidge proclaimed Fire Prevention Week a national observance, making it the longest-running public health observance in our country. During Fire Prevention Week, children, adults, and teachers learn how to stay safe in case of a fire. Firefighters provide lifesaving public education to drastically decrease casualties caused by fires.

Fire Prevention Week is observed each year during the week of October 9th in commemoration of the Great Chicago Fire, which began on October 8, 1871, and caused devastating damage. This horrific conflagration killed more than 250 people, left 100,000 homeless, destroyed more than 17,400 structures, and burned more than 2,000 acres of land.

### Importance of fire prevention

In a fire, mere seconds can mean the difference between a safe escape and a tragedy. Fire safety education is not just for school children. Teenagers, adults, and the elderly are also at risk in fires, making it important for every member of the community to take some time every October during Fire Prevention Week to make sure they understand how to stay safe in case of a fire.

For fire safety tips, visit [www.firepreventionweek.org](http://www.firepreventionweek.org)

### Fire will not wait. Plan your escape

Today's homes burn faster than ever. You may have as little as two minutes (or even less time) to safely escape a home fire from the time the smoke alarm sounds. Your ability to get out of a home during a fire depends on early warning from smoke alarms and advance planning.

**Develop a home fire escape plan and practice it at least twice a year!** Having a home fire escape plan will make sure everyone knows what to do when the smoke alarm sounds so they can get out safely.

- Draw a map of your home, marking two ways out of each room, including windows and doors.
  - Children, older adults, and people with disabilities may need assistance to wake up and get out. Make sure they are part of the plan.
  - Make sure all escape routes are clear and that doors and windows open easily.
  - Pick an outside meeting place (something permanent like a neighbor's house, a light post, mailbox, or stop sign) that is a safe distance in front of your home where everyone can meet.
  - Everyone in the home should know the fire department's emergency number and how to call once they are safely outside.
  - Practice! Practice! Practice! Practice day and nighttime home fire drills.
- Share your home escape plans with overnight guests.

ADD "CLOSE YOUR DOOR" TO YOUR FIRE SAFETY CHECKLIST. 50% of house fires happen between 11 p.m. and 7 a.m. Closing your doors before you hit the hay helps keep you safe.

Learn more at [www.closeyourdoor.org](http://www.closeyourdoor.org)

**Make the first Saturday of each month "Smoke Alarm Saturday"!** A working smoke alarm will clue you in that there is a fire, and you need to escape. Fire moves fast. You and your family could have only minutes to get out safely once the smoke alarm sounds. • Smoke alarms should be installed in every sleeping room, outside each sleeping area, and on every level of the home, including the basement. • Test all your smoke alarms by pushing the test button. If it makes a loud beep, beep, beep sound, you know it is working. If there is no sound or the sound is low, it is time to replace the battery. If the smoke alarm is older than 10 years old, you need to replace the whole unit. • If your smoke alarm makes a "chirp," that means it needs a new battery. Change the battery right away. • Make sure everyone in the home knows the sound of the alarm and what to do when it sounds.

**REMEMBER: When You Hear a Beep, Get On Your Feet!**

Get out and stay out. Call 9-1-1 from your outside meeting place. Hear a Chirp, Make a Change! A chirping alarm needs attention. Replace the batteries or the entire alarm if it is older than 10 years old. If you do not remember how old it is, replace it. Printed with permission [www.nfpa.org/education](http://www.nfpa.org/education)

**Call the Fire Marshal's office with any questions: 203-484-6016**



**NORTH BRANFORD BARBERSHOP**

**HAIR CUTS**  
MEN \$12.00  
SENIOR & KIDS UNDER 10 \$10.00

**Tues, 8:30 - 5:00 Wed 8:30 - 5:00**  
**Thur 8:30 - 5:00 Fri, 8:30 - 5:00**  
**Saturday 8:30 - 2:00**  
**- WALK - INS ONLY -**

**OWNER- ROBERT VIGLIONE**  
1179 FOXON RD, NORTH BRANFORD | (203) 484-6789

THE TOTOKET HISTORICAL SOCIETY

**Save THE LITTLE RED SCHOOLHOUSE**

THE AMERICAN ONE-ROOM SCHOOLHOUSE EVOKES MEMORIES OF SIMPLER TIMES AND CERTAIN NOSTALGIA FOR OUR NATION'S RURAL PAST

BUILT IN 1805, the Little Red Schoolhouse of Northford is the oldest preserved schoolhouse in all of New Haven County, and the fourth oldest in all of Connecticut. The building served as an active schoolhouse until 1904 when it was abandoned and left neglected for decades. In 1927 it was purchased by the League of Women's Voters and moved to its current location on Old Post Road across from the Congregational Church where it was repaired and restored. From 1933 to 1956 the schoolhouse operated as the Northford town library until the current Edward Smith Library was constructed. In 1985 it was accepted on The National Register of Historic Places and currently operates as a museum.

THE GOAL of this project is to fully repair and restore the schoolhouse so it can be appreciated by future generations. Once restored, the Historical Society aims to provide students and families from the surrounding area with unique opportunities for educational programming on-site.

Little Red Schoolhouse of Northford, circa 1900

Little Red Schoolhouse today

HOW TO SUPPORT Individuals wishing to support the restoration of the Little Red Schoolhouse may make checks payable to The Totoket Historical Society and mail to P.O. Box 491, Northford, CT 06472, or deposit a check directly by visiting any Gilford Savings Bank location. Additionally, donations may be made online by visiting [TotoketHistoricalSociety.org](http://TotoketHistoricalSociety.org).

To inquire about corporate sponsorship, please contact Veronica Glass-Garrett at [LRSHProject@gmail.com](mailto:LRSHProject@gmail.com). Sponsors will receive recognition through all community fundraising initiatives and throughout the duration of the restoration project.

Memories, stories and historic photos of the schoolhouse are also being collected. Should you have any to share, please email [LRSHProject@gmail.com](mailto:LRSHProject@gmail.com)

As a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization, all contributions are tax deductible.

★★★★★

**PAT'S PICKS MOVIE CLUB**

TOO GOOD TO MISS...  
GOOD ENOUGH TO SEE AGAIN!

Respected medical lecturer Dr. Frederick Frankenstein inherits his infamous grandfather's estate in Transylvania, and soon begins to recreate his grandfather's experiments with the help of servants Igor, Inga, and the fearsome Frau Blücher. After he creates his own monster, complications ensue with the arrival of his fiancée. The Mel Brooks classic stars Gene Wilder, Teri Garr, Peter Boyle, Cloris Leachman, and Madeline Kahn.

• Thursday, October 13, 2022  
• 1 - 3:30 PM  
• Atwater Library Community Room

**COMING NOV. 10:**  
I've Loved You So Long  
2008 Drama

Registration Required  
[nbranfordlibraries.org](http://nbranfordlibraries.org)  
203-484-0469

**NORTH BRANFORD PUBLIC LIBRARIES**

**ENGAGE EDUCATE ENTERTAIN**

Atwater Memorial Library 1720 Foxon Road North Branford, CT 06471 203-315-6020

Edward Smith Library 3 Old Post Road Northford, CT 06472 203-484-0469

[www.nbranfordlibraries.org](http://www.nbranfordlibraries.org)

**Adult Department**  
October 2022

**12 HOW TO START A FREELANCE BUSINESS FROM HOME - LIVESTREAMED**  
Atwater & Zoom @ 6:30PM - 8:00PM  
Be your own boss and work at home! This seminar will help you meet the challenges of home-based business start-up and expansion. Presented by Constance Hallinan Lagan.

**13 PAT'S PICKS MOVIE CLUB, YOUNG FRANKENSTEIN**  
Atwater @ 1:00PM  
"An American grandson of the infamous scientist, struggling to prove that his grandfather was not insane, is invited to Transylvania, where he discovers the process that reanimates a dead body." - IMDB

**13 MEDICARE AND BEYOND**  
Smith @ 6:00PM  
Join Lou and Jessica Pelletier from Pelletier Senior Planning as they sort through various parts of Medicare coverage. Topics include: differences between parts A, B, C & D, Medicare Savings Programs, and more!

**14 MOVIE MATINEE, OKJA**  
Smith @ 1:00PM  
"A young girl risks everything to prevent a powerful, multinational company from kidnapping her best friend - a fascinating beast named Okja." - IMDB

**17 IF THE BROOM FITS: HALLOWEEN & THE HISTORY OF WITCHES - LIVESTREAMED**  
Atwater & Zoom @ 6:30PM  
Ehris Urban & Velya Jancz-Urban, known as the Grounded Goodwives, answer: How did the benevolent image of a wise woman transform into the malevolent figure of the witch we know today? And much more!

**19 NOVEL NETWORK SERIES FT. KATE QUINN, THE DIAMOND EYE - LIVESTREAMED**  
Atwater & Zoom @ 6:30PM - 7:00PM  
Our Novel Network Series lets you chat with the author of your favorite books. How it works: read the featured book, gather your questions and comments, chat with the author! This session's featured author is, Kate Quinn, and her featured title, *The Diamond Eye*.

**RESOURCE SPOTLIGHT**  
BOOK DISCUSSION KITS  
Available @ Smith Library  
Included in the kits: 8 regular and 2 large print books of the same title, and discussion questions to lead the group. Kits check out for 6 weeks!  
Here are some of the available titles:





**North Haven  
Sons & Daughters of Italy  
Lodge #2805.**



**Celebrating our  
Italian American Heritage  
With a Full Slate of Events during Heritage Week!  
Porketta Dinner \$30.00/ \$25.00 for Members**

**Porketta, Stuffed Shells Salad & Dessert.**

**Tickets must be purchased in advance. Email [sueann.mentone@yahoo.com](mailto:sueann.mentone@yahoo.com)**

**Sunday, October 9, 2022. 3:00**

**Author Joanna Leone “Slices of Life:  
Italian American Stories!”**

**Tuesday, October 11, 2022. 7:00**

**Author Rich Biondi - Italian American Experience in New Haven**

**Wednesday, October 12, 2022 7:00**

**Author Leo Marino “Amongst the Smoke Stacks in New Haven”  
Growing up in Wooster Square!**

**Thursday, October 13, 2022 7:00**

*Light refreshments will be served following all author presentations!*

**Fried Dough Pizza Night. Enjoy fried dough pizza for just \$6.00  
per pizza along with desserts and a free movie on our Italian  
Heritage. Call Peachy at 203-239-2868**

**Friday, October 14, 2022 6:00 - 8:00PM**

**Cooking Demonstrations Saturday, October 15, 2022. 11:00AM to 2:00PM**

**Learn how our chefs make:**

**Amaretti Cookies, Ewanda, Chocolate Morsetts, Pizzelles & Artichokes**

**Coffee & goodies Available!**

**Author Presentations, Demos & Movie are all  
FREE OF CHARGE!**

**View our numerous Italian American Posters  
All above events at St. Frances Cabrini Church  
57 Pond Hill Road, North Haven Ct.**

*Finish up the week at Il Monticello Banquet Facility in Meriden  
with a Brunch and Fashion Show featuring the fall and holiday styles of Carol's  
Creations in North Haven. October 16, at 11:30. Tickets are only \$45.00 per person.  
Cash bar and plenty of great raffle prizes. Call Regina at 203-376-8524.*

**Bring your friends and celebrate your heritage with the North Haven Sons  
& Daughters of Italy #2805. [www.northavenlodge2805.club](http://www.northavenlodge2805.club)**



# Recycling News

## The leaf drop off will open for the season on October 15<sup>th</sup>.

The leaf drop off will be open on Saturdays October 15<sup>th</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup>, 29<sup>th</sup>, November 5<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> from 9am till 3pm. The drop off is located around the fields to the left of the police station. Just follow the signs. No brush or grass clippings. There will be curbside pickup of leaves in untapped biodegradable paper bags the weeks of 11/28-12/9

Scrap Metal Pickup is the week of October 24<sup>th</sup>.

Bulky Waste is not until the week of November 7<sup>th</sup>.  
Please don't leave your items on the curb until then.

## Hazwaste Central will be closing for the year on 10/29<sup>th</sup>.

Located right behind the Regional Water Authority's headquarters,  
90 Sargent Drive, New Haven  
Hours are Saturdays from 9am to noon.

## Household hazardous waste comes from everyday products used in the home, garage, yard or garden.

Gather your household chemicals so they can be disposed of properly to protect our drinking water. Anything poured down into the storm drains goes into your ground water. Chemicals put into the trash can leach into the ground water where the trash is stored or gets into the air if the trash is burned.

To find the complete list and the registration form go to Hazwaste at [rwater.com](http://rwater.com) or call 203-401-2712.

**Not Accepted at HazWaste Central: Asbestos, Commercial Waste, Electronics, Fire Extinguishers, Gas-Grill Size Propane Tanks, Medicine, Needles, Smoke Detectors.**

## You can find a home for your used furniture!!

You can post on the Facebook page: [North Branford & Northford Free Items](#). Or, post on the New Haven, East Haven or Milford Freecycle.org site. Or, you can look up furniture in the **New Haven Downsizing Donation Guide**. It lists multiple organizations that want your stuff! Just Google 'New Haven Downsizing Donation Guide'.

Some places even pick up large items.  
Or, post it on Facebook Marketplace.

## Can I recycle it?

Connecticut has a website to help with recycling questions:  
[www.recyclect.com](http://www.recyclect.com).  
They also have an app.

## Plastic Film Reminder

The town's drop off locations are:  
[Atwater and Smith Libraries, Northford Store, STW Community Center, The Food Pantry of NB, Country Paint and Hardware, T.J.'s Launderette](#)

For more information about recycling in North Branford you can check out North Branford's Recycling Committee's website: [townofnorthbranfordct.com/government/boards-commissions/hazardous-wasterecycling-committee.aspx](http://townofnorthbranfordct.com/government/boards-commissions/hazardous-wasterecycling-committee.aspx) or our Facebook page: North Branford CT Hazardous Waste & Recycling Committee  
**Thank You for Your Participation**

# Military Whist Card Party

The Northford-North Branford Women's Club GFWC is sponsoring a Military Whist Card Party on Friday, October 28th at Stanley T. Williams Community Center, 1332 Middletown Avenue, Northford, CT. Doors open at 5:30 pm and games start at 6:00 pm. Refreshments will be served. The theme for the Whist is Halloween. Wearing of costumes is encouraged (but optional)!! We are also collecting non-perishable food items for the Food Pantry. Anyone either wearing a costume or donating to the Food Pantry will receive a ticket towards our raffle. There will be plenty of beautiful gift baskets and other donated prizes. Proceeds benefit various charitable organizations in the local area. Entry is \$12.00/pp. You can either contact Elissa @ (203) 793-7180 to reserve your space or use our Venmo @ NorthfordWomens-Club

# North Haven Camera Club Welcomes Local Award Winning Photographer, Mark Battista



North Haven will be hosting Mark Battista on Tuesday, Oct. 4th at 7pm for two new recently created online presentations on 'Developing Creativity' followed by 'Exploring Motion and Gesture'. The talk on developing creativity will focus on various ways of coming up with ideas that can be used to compose creative style photography shots. The presentation on motion is another way to look at using the camera in a slightly unusual way. So often photographers want to freeze action, but this talk is focused

on embracing motion and blur.

Mark and his wife Joy, who reside in North Haven are both members of North Haven Camera Club. Fellow club members have appreciated and benefited from the knowledge and photographic skills he has shared with them for several years.

Mark graduated from Paier College of Art. While at Paier he was awarded 'The Outstanding Illustration Major Award'. He is an award winning and nationally recognized painter and fine art photographer specializing in still life and portrait imagery. He is a juried member of New York's Salmagundi Club where he has several works of art and also a member of the American Artist Professional League in NYC. Mark has worked as an illustrator, fine artist and educator for 35 years.

Mark's most recent endeavor is the publication of two new e-books 'Composition, Shooting with Intent' and 'Creating Still Life Photography With A Painterly Approach'.

If you would like to attend Mark's presentation as a guest please send an email to [northhavencameraclub@gmail.com](mailto:northhavencameraclub@gmail.com).

# GALA WINE TASTING FUNDRAISER

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 boat handling, navigation, and related subjects.

A Gala Wine Tasting fundraiser will be held at Amarante's Sea Cliff, 62 Cove St., New Haven, on Fri., Oct. 28, from 6:30-10:30 p.m. Ticket donation of \$75.00 per person. Wine will be provided by Coastal Wine and Spirits. There will also be two beer vendors for beer aficionados. Social hour at 6:30 p.m. with tastings and dinner to follow. There will be hors d'oeuvres, tapas, a pasta station, and a carving station. Cash bar, silent auction, raffle, and live music by Michael Nigretti.

For information and reservations, contact Past Commander Peter DePascale at 203-671-2420 (leave message) or [bathworksinc@gmail.com](mailto:bathworksinc@gmail.com). **Payment deadline of Oct. 18.** Make checks payable to: NHSPS. Mail to: Peter DePascale, 839 Donna Dr., Orange CT 06477. Donations of silent auction and raffle items are being accepted. Tax-deductible donations will help support the NHSPS education programs. For information on NHSPS, go to: [www.nhsps.org](http://www.nhsps.org).



K of C Council 6801 Presents



# STAND UP COMEDY NIGHT

DINNER

SHOW

RAFFLE



**CHRIS MONTY**  
CBS, NETFLIX

With performances by:  
**DAN ALTANO**  
**TARA CANNISTRACI**  
**FRANK FAVIA**

**Tickets: \$35 BYOB**  
(We invite people to bring their own beverages)

**SATURDAY, 10/29**  
**7:00 PM**  
**St. Monica's Church Hall**  
**1331 Middletown Ave**  
**Northford, CT**

Tickets must be purchased in advance by contacting:  
**Wayne 203-410-3885**  
**Damian: 203-215-7699**  
**Or Email: [knights6801@gmail.com](mailto:knights6801@gmail.com)**



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](http://www.branfordbiblechapel.org)

**Hope Christian Church “A Place to Belong”.** 211 Montowese Ave., North Haven, CT. [www.hopeag.com](http://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 Road, North Branford, CT Join us for worship every Sunday at 10:00 AM. On the first Sunday of each month please attend and share communion with us.

Nursery Care is available.To contact our church: Office hours are Wednesday to Friday from 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM. Phone: 203.488.8456, email: [nobdcong@sbcglobal.net](mailto:nobdcong@sbcglobal.net), website: [www.northbranfordcongregational.org](http://www.northbranfordcongregational.org) Remember, all are welcome no matter who you are, no matter where you are on life’s journey; you will always be 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](mailto:northfordcc@gmail.com) Office Hours: Tuesday 9am - 1pm; other days by appointment. John Vigneri, Pastor . Jane K. Leschuk Minister of Music. Worship Service 10am. Join us for coffee hour following worship. Holy Communion on the first Sunday of each month. Like us on Facebook. Our website is [www.northfordcongregational.church](http://www.northfordcongregational.church)

**St. Ambrose Parish is a Roman Catholic Parish** in the Archdiocese of Hartford comprised of two churches. St. Augustine Church is located at 30 Caputo Rd in North Branford and St. Monica Church is located at 1321 Middletown Avenue in Northford. The Pastor is Rev. Robert L. Turner. Weekday Masses are celebrated on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Saturday at 9:00 AM at St. Augustine. Friday Mass is celebrated at 9:00 AM at St. Monica. Weekend Masses are celebrated on Saturday evening at St. Augustine at 4:00 PM (English Ordinary, no incense) and Sunday at St. Monica at 9:00 AM and St. Augustine at 11:00 AM (Latin Ordinary, with incense). The Sacrament of Reconciliation is offered 30 minutes prior to all Masses excepting Sunday and by appointment by calling the office. The Parish Office is located at 30 Caputo Road and is open M-F from 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM (Wednesdays until 6:00 PM). You can access the parish bulletin and staff emails at our website [NBcatholics.org](http://NBcatholics.org). If you are new to the area and looking for a parish to join or a homeschool co-op, please visit us!

**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). Sunday worship at 10:00 a.m. Coffee and fellowship always follows. The Rev. Bryan Spinks is Priest-In-Charge. St.Andrew’s is a member of the Middlesex Area Cluster Ministry Network (MACM Network), along with St. James (Higganum) and Emmanuel (Killingworth). Please join us - we’d love to get to know you! All are welcome! 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, boots, belts, purses, sheets, blankets, curtains and stuffed animals may be made at the donation shed in the church parking lot, available 24x7. Visit our website at <https://www.saintandrewsnorthford.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; Rev. Spinks, 860-304-5266; or MACM office, 860-345-0058.

**United Methodist Church, Branford** 811 East Main St, Branford (Route 1, across from Bill Miller’s Castle). [www.umcbranford.org](http://www.umcbranford.org) or (203) 488-0549. Sunday service 9:30am - both in-person and live on our website. “The Church on the Rock,” led by Pastor Kent Jackson. We invite you to discover the power of faith in Jesus Christ bringing God’s love to the world. Join us to worship, experience God’s word, and stay connected.

**Zion Episcopal Church** 326 Notch Hill Road, North Branford. 203-488-7395. Rev. Lucy LaRocca, Vicar.Sunday Worship at 9:15, coffee and fellowship follow. Masks are required in worship while North Branford is in the ‘red’ zone for COVID positivity. Worship is also accessible through Facebook Live. ALL are invited. Zion is an open and affirming congregation for those seeking a safe place to worship and grow in Christ. [www.zionepiscopal.org](http://www.zionepiscopal.org)

Death Notice



**Ronald Ernest Haskins,** 65, of Northford passed away peacefully on Tuesday, September 20<sup>th</sup>, 2022 at Yale New Haven Hospital with his family by his side. He was the beloved husband of Carol South Haskins. Ronald was born in Bridgeport on October 20, 1956, and was the son of the late Donald R. and Marjorie L. Jackman Haskins. He was owner and operator of the former Advanced Grinding for 25 years until his retirement. Ronald was a member of the Masons and enjoyed fishing, building computers, being with his grandchildren who he loved unconditionally. He was a well-loved man, was always there for everyone and will truly be missed. Father of Kristen Haskins (Michael Dorchinsky) and Dana Diaz. Stepfather of Ketema and Okene Brown. Grandfather of Ronald and Rachel Dorchinsky, Johannah Diaz, Ellie, Emmi and Enzo Brown. Brother of Donna Iodice and David Haskins.

Interment will be private and at the convenience of the family. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Leukemia Society, 3 Landmark Square, Suite 330, Stamford, CT 06901.

The Totoket Historical Society

seeks quality donations for Holiday Bazaar

Our annual Holiday Bazaar will be held on Saturday, Nov.19 from 9 – 2 p.m. in the historic Reynolds-Beers House at 1740 Foxon Rd. in North Branford. The Totoket Historical Society is seeking quality donations such as small “attic treasures” and decorative items, costume jewelry, handmade articles, linens, baked goods, jams, pickles and condiments.

Donations for the sale can be dropped off on Wednesdays from 10 - noon at the Reynolds-Beers House. For large items or to arrange pick up, please call Bunny @ 203 484-4034.

All proceeds from the Bazaar will go towards expenses and maintenance of the buildings under the Society’s care: the Reynolds-Beers House, the Little Red School House, the Miller Barn and the Little White Gas Station.

The THS meets regularly on the fourth Monday of the month at the Reynolds-Beers House. Please join us! Not a member yet? Send an email to [totokethistoricalsociety@gmail.com](mailto:totokethistoricalsociety@gmail.com) and someone will get back to you

Saint Andrew’s Harvest Supper

St. Andrew’s Episcopal Church (the white church on the hill in the heart of Northford) at 1383 Middletown Avenue, will be holding its Annual Harvest Supper on October 15th. This is St. Andrew’s biggest fundraiser of the year and it helps fun many of the church’s community outreach programs.

Dining options this year include either dine-in or take-out. Choices are roast turkey, baked ham and roast beef with a variety of side dishes and desserts.

Take out orders may be picked up from 4:00 to 5:00PM. Dine-in is 5:30 to 7:30. the cost is \$30 per person and \$10 for children 12 and under.

Reservations are required and will be taken through October 8th. Dine-in availability is limited to 75 so make your reservations early. As usual, a large selection of raffle prizes will be available and tickets may be purchased at the door.

For reservations please contact Shelley Cruz at 203-823-6451 or Nan Monde at 203-710-7005. Cash checks and venmo will be accepted.

Christmas Craft Fair – Tables Available

We are pleased to announce the St. Ambrose Christmas Craft Fair is back! The craft fair will take place on Saturday, December 3, 2022 from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM at St. Monica Church, 1321 Middletown Ave., Northford.

The fair will feature handcrafted items by local artisans, a baked goods table, raffles, face painting and more. Come and enjoy!

Tables are still available. Call Lucille to rent a table at 203-484-9737 or the parish office for additional information 203-484-0403

Church Seeking Tag Sale Vendors

The United Methodist Church, Branford seeks *VENDORS/TAG SALES* for its first October Festival on Saturday, October 15, 2022, at 811 East Main Street, Branford.

Parking lot spaces are \$25; reserve two spots for just \$40. This is a terrific opportunity to show off your special wares or just dispose of some of your treasures. Vendors must provide their own tables and chairs. Space is limited, so reserve your space now.

To reserve your space, contact Rosemary Luzzi at (203) 589-1620 and leave a message with your name and phone number.

Grace Marx Colonial Dinner Fundraiser

The **Totoket Historical Society** will host its annual “Grace Marx Colonial Dinner” on Oct. 9 in two ways this year. You may eat in the historic Reynolds-Beers House at the 1:00 p.m. seating **OR** your dinner can be delivered to your car in the Reynolds-Beers House parking lot from 4:00 through 5:45 p.m. The cost is \$30.00 per person and is the main fundraiser for the Society. Please consider helping us keep the Totoket Historical Society functioning as a member of the North Branford/Northford community.

The menu includes a roasted Cornish game hen glazed with cider sauce, parsley potatoes, apple-squash bake, succotash and slices of pear and cranberry breads. For dessert there is pumpkin cake with whipped cream or dusted with powdered sugar. This menu is representative of a meal from North Branford’s colonial days.

For reservations and information, call Donna at 203 641-7878. After making your reservation, checks can be sent to the Totoket Historical Society at P.O. Box 491, Northford, CT 06472.





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Drive-thru the STW Community Center parking lot and visit BOO-fully decorated trunks in the comfort of your car. Register the treaters that will be in your vehicle at [www.nbrecreation.com](http://www.nbrecreation.com) by 10/12

**Saturday October 15  
3:00 - 5pm RAIN OR SHINE**

**TRUNK DECORATORS WANTED!**  
Visit [nbrecreation.com](http://nbrecreation.com) to register your vehicle!

Nightmare in North Branford

# HAUNTED CINEMA

Join Nightmare in North Branford for a haunted and all-ages event! A scary movie and a few spooky treats to get your heart racing!

## OCTOBER 29TH 7:00PM

Totoket Valley Park 290 Forest Rd. Northford

\$25 pre-registration (per car)  
\$30 at the door

MOVIE TBD!

## Mary's Culinary Classes

Join Mary Amiel in this unique, hands-on culinary experience that will engage children in creative delicious creations. They will explore, create, and learn basic cooking techniques!

**Ages 5-14 at STW Community Center**  
Tuesday 5:30 - 7:30pm  
Cost \$40 res/ \$45 non-res per class

**OCTOBER 4, 2022**  
JACK-O-LANTERN PERSONAL PIZZA & BUBBLING WITCHES CAULDRON

**OCTOBER 18, 2022**  
HALLOWEEN HAND PIES & GHOST CHOCOLATE CHIP COOKIE OREO BROWNIE

## Kristin Cafferty Kid Art

Local artist and educator Kristin Cafferty brings beautiful, fun, one-lesson projects to ages 7 to 11.

STW Community Center - Cost \$20 res/ \$20 non-res

**October 20, 2022 5:00-6:15pm One Point Perspective Trees**  
Learn foreshortening spatial strategies while creating a beautiful forest scene.

## FIELD HOCKEY CLINIC

OCT 1-22 8:45 - 9:45AM - NORTHFORD SOCCERFIELD GRADES 2-6 \$50res/\$55nr

Coach: Cheryl Canale, Head Coach at Sunnyside University, USA Field Hockey Level 3 Accreditation, CHS and Field Hockey Coach

Open to boys and girls of all skill levels that are new to the sport or looking to enhance their skill level. This camp is designed to develop the basic skills each athlete has by focusing on tactical game awareness, 1st defense, elevated passing, elimination and shooting skills. This camp is fun, exciting, and creates player synergy no matter what age or skill level.

## SAFE BOATING Personal Watercraft Class

Oct 17th, 19th & 20th

A computer, basic, safe boating certification course taught in three evenings  
6:00 - 8:00pm • STW Gym/Cafe • \$20/\$25

Those who successfully complete this course will receive a diploma which can be submitted to CT DEEP along with the license fee \$28/validates their ID license. This class can be taken by anyone 16 years or older. Anyone under 16 must be accompanied by an adult (Must attend all 3 classes). All students must bring their Connecticut identification number to the class. Student who have a fishing or hunting license will list the Examination ID number on their license. Students who do not have a fishing or hunting license can create a free Examination ID number at [dnr.state.ct.us/intermediate](http://dnr.state.ct.us/intermediate)

## OPERATION CARE KIT

For CT Air National Guard Service Members  
Currently 150 Service Members are stationed overseas. Let's come together as a community and provide care kits to these hometown heroes!

Some examples of items to purchase are personal care items, drink mixes, energy bars and other snack foods. A detailed list of items can be found on our website, social media, or can be found on our Amazon wish list. Please scan the QR code or type <https://a.co/djbu7TV> into your browser.

We will be collecting donations until 10/31/22

Drop-off locations are:

STW Community Center 1332 Middletown Ave. Northford	Water Library 1700 Foxe Rd. North Branford	Smith Library 3 Old Post Rd. Northford
Town Hall 500 Foxe Rd. North Branford	Country Point and Hardware 2400 Foxe Rd. North Branford	

## — SENIOR CENTER — JOURNEYING THROUGH GRIEF

Wednesdays 1:00—2:00pm STW Classroom FREE

Group facilitator: Bob Johnson

Join us here at the Community Center for a weekly bereavement program. This program is designed to help those who have lost a loved one and finding it difficult to cope with their loss. There is no charge for this program. Please register, visit [nbrecreation.com](http://nbrecreation.com) or call the office (203) 484-6017

## COFFEE WITH A COP

Wednesday October 5, STW Gym/Cafe 10:00-11:30am

Join us and some of the North Branford Police Officers for coffee (and donuts) and conversation at STW! No agenda or speeches, just a chance to ask questions and get to know the wonderful Officers in our Town. Please register by 9/30

## HISTORICAL SOCIETY MEET AND GREET

October 20, 1:00-2:00pm STW Senior Room

Don't miss this great opportunity to meet the board members from the Totoket Historical Society. Come enjoy a slideshow presentation and light refreshments. Register by 10/17

## MEDICARE SEMINARS

**October 11, 2022 6:00pm STW Senior Room**  
What's new for Medicare in 2023 - Preparing for the upcoming Annual Enrollment Period  
This Seminar is FREE, bring your questions and a friend to this Educational Seminar  
Register by 10/7

**October 18, 2022 1:00pm STW Senior Room**  
Medicare Made Clear - Don't Go Through It Alone  
This Seminar is FREE, bring your questions and a friend to this Educational Seminar  
Register by 10/14

## Polka! Polka!

### With The Polka Family Band!

This Band will keep everyone smiling and dancing the entire day!  
Family Style: Luncheon Chicken/ Pork Schnitzel

**October 11, 2022 \$52res/\$57nr**  
Departs 10:00am Returns: 4:30pm  
Register by Oct 3rd

## A Christmas Carol

by Charles Dickens

Enjoy this classic tale adapted and directed by Lucy Ballou-Knaflitz, this story illuminates the journey of one Ebenezer Scrooge and his guided self-reflection amidst the Christmas season in 1800s England.

**December 2, 2022 \$60res/\$65nr**  
Departs 11:00am Returns: 5:00pm  
Watch on your own at local restaurant TBD - Register by Oct 31st



CLASSIFIED AD RATES

Personal, For Sale, Help Wanted, Tag Sale, and all non-business classified  
1 issue \$9.00 2 issues \$12.00 3 issues \$15.00  
20 words or less, not including phone #. \$.05 per word, per run,  
after 20 words  
Lost and Found ..... FREE  
Business Classified Ads & Real Estate  
3 issues \$35.00, 6 issues \$60.00, 12 issues \$100.00  
\$.10 per word, per run, after 20 words  
Payment MUST accompany all ads. The advertiser must notify this  
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Send ad along with your check to:  
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For more information call 203-410-4254


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**Southern CT Restoration.** Insurance restoration and general contracting services. New construction, remodeling, kitchens, baths, roofing, siding, windows, doors, decks and painting. Call 203-239-9600.

PLUMBING

**D.A.E. Plumbing & Excavating** - well pumps, tanks, water softeners, serviced & installed. Spetic systems services and installed. call 203-996-4866  
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TREE SERVICES



**Tree Service - A Better Cut, Tree Service** - Local, full service tree company - we provide tree removal and trimming, chipping, and grinding. Please call 203-945-1808 for a free estimate.

SERVICES OFFERED

**Wanted Gold, Silver scrap jewelry.** Fair Prices offered. Call 203-627-6826 or 203-376-1249

TAG SALES

**Evergreen Woods Outdoor Tag Sale and Vendor Fair**  
Evergreen Woods located at 88 Notch Hill Road in North Branford will host an Outdoor Tag Sale, Vendor Fair and Bake Sale on Saturday, October 15, 2022 from 9am to 2pm. There is something for everyone! All proceeds raised from our Tag Sale, Vendor Registration and Bake Sale will go directly to The Douglas Burger Sportsmanship Scholarship Foundation and The Yale New Haven Hospital Toy Closet! If you are an interested vendor please contact Jaclyn Pascale at 483.3231 or email [jpascale@evergreen-woods.com](mailto:jpascale@evergreen-woods.com)

HELP WANTED

**Assistant - Part Time.** Super positive, energetic, creatively motivated: Help downsize, organize, light housework, errands, fill bird feeders, change litter box. Perfect job for a would be entrepreneur. Non smoker, integrity, affable, responsible and ethical. Please call 203-481-4524.  
**Food Service Perssonnel.** North Branford Public Schools. Part Time, Monday thru Friday. Paid time off. Experience helpful. Apply online. (NB BOE).

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**Free Whitfield Pellet Stove.** Excellent Condition. Call 203-488-6316.g

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11am to 3pm

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\$5 Entry Fee Benefits  
The Food Pantry of  
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