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Lauren Danner - CT Teacher of the Year

At a recent "surprise" assembly in the North Branford Auditorium, Governor Dannel Malloy named NBHS teacher Lauren Danner, Connecticut Teacher of the Year. The NBHS graduate competed with more than 100 districts throughout the state to receive this honor.

In her new capacity as the teacher-ambassador for public education, Mrs. Danner will be appointed to various education advisory committees where she will engage in work with the Commissioner of Education. She will be a presenter at workshops and speak at education conferences to address student, civic, university and government groups.

Mrs. Danner now represents the state at the national level by participating in national educational forums, National Teacher of the Year program planning and networking sessions as well as the U.S. Department of Education Meetings.

Photo above: Front Row, State Commissioner of Education Dianna Wentzell, Mrs. Danner and NBHS Principal Todd Stoeffler. Back Row: State Representative Vincent Candelora, AFT Connecticut President Jan Hochandel, Governor Dannel Malloy, Superintendent of Schools Scott Schoonmaker and State Senator Ted Kennedy.. Phot is courtesy of Press Secretary Alicia Mucha

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Hometown Auto Now Under New Ownership

Walter Vongher, founder of Hometown Auto in North Branford, CT, has announced the sale of his eight-year-old automotive repair shop to two of the shop's employees, Matt Koegler and Joe Maynard.

Vongher said he has enjoyed immensely running Hometown Auto but started wanting to pursue other business interests two years back and began looking for a buyer who could deliver on his promise of quality automotive repair with friendly, neighborly service. He said he has found the right people to do this in Koegler and Maynard.

"Beyond being great car guys who really know their stuff, Matt and Joe are honest and forthright; they really get the idea that I started this place for the people of North Branford and surround towns. I think they are just the right two guys to hand the keys to Hometown over to as I shift my focus to other opportunities," said Vongher.

Koegler and Maynard will function as co-owners of the business with Maynard heading up the mechanical operations and Koegler, a talented mechanic himself, handling the front office duties. Both have extensive experience in the automotive repair industry; with Maynard having worked for 15 years in high volume shops which has given him a comfort level working on any year, make or model.

"I have been a mechanic for 15 years working for some of the best in the industry. Matt my business partner and "right arm" brought this opportunity to my attention. It would be our great pleasure to be this community's hometown auto facility," said Maynard.

Koegler, a graduate of Porter and Chester Institute with five years of hands-on automotive repair experience, has been a part of the Hometown Auto family on and off for the last four years. Since he rejoined the Hometown Team earlier this year, it became more and more evident to original owner Vongher that he was right for the job.

"I feel extremely lucky to have this opportunity with Joe to take ownership of such a great business in such a wonderful community. Everyone that I have had the pleasure of dealing with as a customer at HomeTown Auto has been so welcoming and everybody offers such encouragement, they really make Joe and myself feel like part of their community", said new co-owner Matt Koegler.

Hometown Auto is located at 2049 Foxon Road in North Branford. The shop handles foreign and domestic automotive maintenance and repairs and is an approved Connecticut State Emissions Testing facility.



Pictured left to right: Walter Vongher, Joe Maynard and Matt Koegler.

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"I am Truly Humbled..."

To the North Branford community,

I am truly humbled and grateful for the outpouring of support that people have given this past election. I thank all of those who voted for returning me to Hartford to be your voice for the 86th District and I hope to earn

the support of those who have not. When I first ran for office, I never envisioned these economic challenges and the time commitment that it now takes. I want to also thank my wife and children who have supported me along the way and who never complain about the missed concerts and games and late nights in Hartford. It is truly an honor to serve all of you, and please don't hesitate to reach out to me with any concerns, questions or conversation.

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State Representative Vincent Candelora

A New Horizon in Connecticut



I want to take this opportunity to thank the voters in North Branford, Guilford, Durham and Wallingford for returning me to Hartford to represent you. It is truly an honor to be your voice in Hartford and I am grateful for the opportunity. When I first got elected ten years ago, Connecticut entered what some now call, the Great Recession, and for the

past ten years, the House Republican caucus has proposed eight balanced budgets. All of those budgets, except one, were summarily rejected by the Democrats. Each year, we continue to see our revenues erode and our spending increase; and the legislature has met every shortfall with tax increases only to find the economy becoming more sluggish.

The latest election has created an opportunity for better dialogue as Connecticut voted for balance in the General Assembly. On November 8, residents voted 3 additional Republican senators and 12 additional Republican representatives into office which changes the vote margins to an 18 to 18 tie in the Senate and 79 to 72 margin in the House. While Democrats still maintain control in the House, their margins have shrunk to a four vote majority. Naturally, I believe we will have greater, more meaningful conversations.

Because the Senate is tied, the Lieutenant Governor will need to cast a vote to break any tie. At the committee level, most committees will only have a one vote plurality. These committees serve as the originator of legislation and the first deliberative bodies for our laws and budget. I am hopeful that we will have more inclusive and comprehensive dialogue at the committee level. In the past, the majority party on the committees would pass bills out as a "work in progress", and often times, the chairs would rewrite the bills behind closed doors before they reached either chamber. This process cannot happen any longer. With greater Republican numbers comes better conversation, and that's a good thing for Connecticut.

Ultimately, the legislature has our work cut out for us. As predicted in my column last month, the Governor's office and our Office of Fiscal Analysis reported four days after the election that our budget deficit has grown. In

the current year, Connecticut is facing a \$100 million revenue shortfall, and in the 2017-19 budget biennium, our deficit has swelled to \$3.25 billion. While these numbers are daunting, I return to Hartford with more optimism than ever because with our new numbers, we will see better dialogue, more transparency, and meaningful conversation to put Connecticut back on track without more tax increase.

Let's Be "Frank" - A Message from Beyond

Last month, a friend sent me this article. It was taken from a column in the Hamden Daily News (an online newspaper that my brother use to write a column for called "Tony Talks Sports"). I figure it's time for you to meet the man I have worshipped my entire lifetime. This is him writing and he called this one "Tony Talks Turkey". I hope you enjoy it.

Believe it or not, it is turkey time already, a time to reflect on some of the things for which we can personally be thankful. I am thankful for my father, his five brothers and two sisters who gave me my love of sports. On Friday nights, they would meet at the family homestead on Water Street in New Haven. If the weather was good they would hang around outside. If the weather was bad, they would assemble in their sister's kitchen and sit around and drink coffee. The discussion was always centered on sports. At 10 p.m. religiously, they assembled in my aunt's living room to watch the Friday night fights. Obviously their favorites were Marciano, Pep, Pastramo, Basilio and Giardelli. But they appreciated good boxing and they loved Sugar Ray Robinson, Kid Gavilan with the bolo punch and Chico Vejar. It was a rite of passage to attend these sessions as I got older. I learned more about sports and life in general there than I ever learned in a classroom.

I am thankful for my mother's family, who showed me what charity and love are all about. Uncle Red helped the veterans. Uncle Al gave my family his car when he went into the Army. Aunt Tessie just gave and gave to anybody who needed help.

I am thankful for the Yale-Harvard football rivalry.

I am thankful for my recently deceased friend Gloria Sandillo. If she thought I was acting like a jerk she told me and I did the same to her. That's what a real friend is about.

I am thankful for the Yankee-Red Sox rivalry. Of course, if you are a Boston fan, it's the Red Sox-Yankee rivalry.

I am thankful for the Hamden High hockey team, especially the yearly games against Fairfield Prep, ND-West Haven and West Haven High.

I am thankful for all sports, but especially baseball.

I am thankful for Bassett Field on Ridge Road. Sometimes four baseball or softball games are going on at the same time.

I am thankful for Brooksville Park and the Canal Trail, truly the gems of Hamden.

I am NOT thankful for having diabetes and having to poke myself with needles four or five times a day. But I am thankful that these needles let me live a somewhat normal life.

I am thankful for provolone, pepperoni, cappicola, salami, sopressata. My doctor is not thankful for these things, but every once in awhile you have to go for the gusto.

I am thankful for the traditional Italian Christmas eve meal of the seven fishes. I am thankful for Santa Claus and the Easter Bunny.

I am thankful for my family, especially my wife who is everything to me, my two sons and daughter-in-law because anytime I really need them they are there


I am thankful for my brother and his wife whose house is the hub of most family activities, and my sister who dedicates her life to her family. I'm also grateful for my sister-in-law, Donna, who has a true love for animals.

I am thankful for pizza, because you can eat it for breakfast, lunch and dinner. That's right, breakfast. You can eat it as an entrée or side dish or as a snack any time of the day. It's truly the perfect food.


So, if you are sitting around feeling down, think of all the things you are thankful for and you will feel much better.

I would add to this that I am thankful for my brother who took this upbringing and love of sports and life and passed it on to me. I am also thankful for my friend who sent me this piece. And I am thankful for all those who put up with me all the time both in this paper, the community and at home.

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And yes brother, I will see you soon.



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It’s About the Land

I confess. I’m an analog man. I enjoyed drawing features of the landscape on maps to show contours, water courses, wetlands, soil types, forest types, high rock ledges, and other distinctive features of the land. Maps of this nature were hand-drawn and based entirely on field surveys. However, preparing maps with this kind of information was very labor intensive, and time consuming. Now, technology has made it possible to produce detailed maps generated through the use of very high resolution cameras mounted in planes and land sensing instruments in satellites orbiting the earth. But that doesn’t solve the problem of locating parcel boundaries, town lines, and trails. These cannot be seen from a photograph and/or outer space. Survey crews must locate them on the ground. With specialized instruments which can communicate with satellites, a point on the ground can be given a precise digital location. Even a smart phone can be used to locate a trail or a property corner, less accurately than a professional survey, but with adequate accuracy for the need. So what does this have to do with a land trust?

Maps are essential to our understanding of the earth we all share. As a land trust we rely on digitized information to identify and make plans for saving land with natural features we think should be permanently conserved (including farmland and historic sites) for public benefit. Imagine if the only information we had available to make important land use decisions were vague property descriptions of the past, a rough estimate of acreage, and no map to show parcel locations, environmental features and proximity to other parcels with similar qualities.

A few NBLCT members have mastered the use of mapping software to make maps for planning purposes. Mapping helps us see where our parcels are in relation to other open space such as town-owned land, RWA and other privately-owned property. Discovering ‘connections’ among each of the land ownerships will be useful in identifying locations for future foot-paths, scenic vistas, access to fishable streams and protection of water quality. We’ve already identified larger tracts of land which we think should be protected as open space; some because they have outstanding scenic ridge lines, others because they would connect existing NBLCT parcels with open space in Guilford, Wallingford, and other smaller parcels which would complement existing historic districts and/or preserve farmland. That is the type of land we want to identify and assign a priority for acquisition.

Here are upcoming NBLCT events. Entries to the annual NBLCT Art Contest will be displayed at the Atwater Memorial Library on Sunday afternoon, 1-3:00, December 4. Winners will be announced and awarded prizes at a ceremony to be held that afternoon.

NBLCT director Geoff Smith will lead a hike on woodland trails at Evergreen Woods retirement community. Meet 9:45 am at the visitor parking lot on Saturday, December 17. The hike should be over by 12:00 noon. Rain postpones the hike to Sunday December 18.

Become a member! Check us out on our website, NBLandTrust.org; Facebook; and via E-mail, Info@NBLandTrust.org. Our surface mail address is NBLCT, PO Box 378, North Branford, CT 06471.

Otto Schaefer, Secretary
North Branford Land Conservation Trust, Incorporated

PLANNING FOR THE FUTURE

By Attorney Marc P. Guertin

If 2016 was your year to put a comprehensive estate plan in place, you have about two months to accomplish that goal. In my experience, the toughest part of estate planning is starting the process. Once the process has begun, it rolls along rather quickly and can be accomplished in a fairly short amount of time.

The best way to begin the estate planning process is by having a conversation with your spouse and adult children. Clients often ask me if they should discuss their estate plans with their adult (or nearly adult) children. As long as your kids are not anxiously waiting for you to die or actively planning your demise, there are many benefits to discussing your plans with your children. Talking about your estate plan with your children can eliminate surprises after you die.

A quick conversation can ensure family harmony long after you are gone. Whether you have a plan in place or are considering putting an estate plan into place, family get-togethers provide the perfect opportunity for such discussions.

Communication is the key to a successful family meeting. When speaking with your children explain the: who, what, when, where, how and WHY of your estate plan. This makes it easier for your children as well as the planning professionals who may be left with the task of explaining what you were trying to accomplish through your estate plan. Some children may feel slighted because they were not named as Executor or Trustee. If you are concerned about one of your kids feeling this way, I suggest getting out in front of this problem. There may be very good reasons why that child was not named. Look for opportunities to communicate these reasons.

Often children will regard unequal treatment in an estate plan as a statement of their parents love or lack thereof. This is usually far from the truth. Sometimes parents wish to provide more for a child who needs more help, and less to children who are more successful. It is imperative that you communicate your reasoning with your children. If there is no communication, it is usually left up to the (often vivid) imagination of the child to assume why you planned your estate that way.

A decent estate planning attorney will always help you plan for dollars and cents. A good estate planning attorney also takes into account the family issues and dynamics. For many people, preserving the family unit after they are gone is a major concern. There are things that you can do today that will have an impact on the lives of your children long after you pass. We often invite our clients to bring their children in to meet with us. It is always nice to meet the people who will benefit from the planning that we do. Your children can be involved in the process by discussing Executor and Trustee selections with you. This gets them involved and makes them feel like their opinion has worth, which will reap dividends for many years to come. Your kids should know (or at least know how to contact) your life insurance representative, financial planners, accountants and attorneys. Parents should try to introduce these professionals to their children. When they do meet, note how the advisors respond. Their response to your children will be a good indicator as to how helpful these advisors will be to your children in the future.

If you are interested in starting that conversation, Guertin and Guertin, LLC will be hosting a workshop on December 10th, at 10 am, that will focus on protecting assets, even in the face of nursing home care. If you would like to reserve a seat, please call our offices at 203-234-7400. We also offer free consultations, which may be a great way to get the estate planning ball rolling. If you would like a free estate planning consultation please call out office for an appointment.

If you have estate planning questions that you would like answered in this column, email me at marc@guertinlaw.net.

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North Branford Fire Department

Use Common Sense During the Holiday’s

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2. Keep extension cord use to a minimum. Do not overload your electrical system. If you are blowing fuses, find out why. Check for frayed wires. If the lights don’t work when you test them, toss them. Don’t take the chance.
3. Keep decorations away from open flame and heating sources.
4. If you have a live tree, keep it watered and dispose of as soon it starts to dry out.
5. Keep your means of escape clear. Don’t block a door with the tree or other decorations.
6. Use candles correctly. Keep away from any decorations, curtains and paper tablecloths.
7. Do not leave home without turning off all lights, extinguishing all candles and any portable heating units. At night check to make sure that your house is safe, before you go to bed.
8. Make sure you have at least one operating smoke detector on every floor.

Fireplace and Stove Safety:

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fuel – fired appliances to heat their homes. Unfortunately, many people are unaware of the fire risks associated with wood and other fuels.

North Branford Fire Department encourages you to practice the following fire safety steps:

1. Have your chimney or wood stove cleaned and inspected annually
2. Keep the area around your fireplace or stove clear of flammable decorations or materials
3. Always use a metal mesh screen with fireplaces, and keep your glass doors open
4. Never use flammable liquids to start a fire
5. Use only seasoned hardwood
6. Build small fires that burn completely and produce less smoke
7. Never burn cardboard, trash or other debris in your fireplace or wood stove
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WIT & WISDOM

I’m fully vindicated from predicting it was time for the 60 percent of the voters discouraged from voting by the unholy alliance between both parties and the corporations and their lobbyist. They came out of the woodwork and voted. For the first non-politician in our history .They took advantage of the opportunity to show their contempt for the welcoming of aliens, both legal and illegal, by both parties, preaching of it as humanitarian when it’s effect was really to bring in cheap labor and break the unions. Not only farm workers, but high-tech such as our workers performing the work requiring greater skills. While the very companies they worked for were claiming the skilled workers were not available. At the very same time our skilled workers were graduating from colleges and seeking employment. To add to the heartlessness of these, sorry excuses for humanity, were importing

people from India and forcing the very workers already doing the work were forced to train their replacement to do their work under threat of withholding their severance pay if they refused. Forgetting that charity begins at home those susedo bleeding heart humanitarians dismissed it’s effect as part of the process of competing in the 21st century.

What’s going to prove interesting is if the people responsible and capable of making the change in our financial system, are willing to share the wealth or continue to think they can carry on as they have been. To do so threatens a real revolution.

I’m wondering if all the people threatening to leave the country if Trump was elected do so, Donald may have to hire the Mexican immigrants he’s threatening to deport to build his Wall. He can use the money he would pay them to pay for the Wall. It was reported the Mexicans living here sent 24,5 billion home to Mexico In 2015. Of course the Mexican government will be in trouble since it’s that 24.5 billion they depend on to keep them afloat financially. Bringing back all those manufacturing plants he promises will bring back a load of robots, but where are the jobs? Don’t tell

me making Robots. The Robots will be making Robots.

The fast food, custodial, hotel, motel and even our automobile companies have already started replacing workers with robots. so how do we get the money to keep the economy going.

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Alton Eliason

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Blueberry Pie	\$14.50	Banana Cream Pie	\$15.50
Coconut Custard Pie	\$14.50	Chocolate Cream Pie	\$15.50

Cheesecakes (8” \$22.50 10” \$30.00)

Pumpkin Cheesecake
New York Style Cheesecake with Strawberries

Breads

Snowflake Dinner Rolls	\$5.00 Doz.
Corn Bread Loaf	\$6.00

Assorted Stuffed Breads

Pepperoni & Cheese, Eggplant Parmesan, Chicken Parmesan, Buffalo Chicken, Broccoli & Cheese & Spinach & Cheese - \$10.00.
Antipasto Bread - \$11.50.

Full Stuffed Bread Menu is also available.

Desserts

Cannoli Chip Platter- Cannoli Chips with a tub of Cannoli Cream
(Small serves 8 \$20.00
Large Serves 16 \$40.00
Holiday Cookie Platters \$13.50 per pound
Assorted Italian Pastry

To ensure availability please place order by Monday, November 21st.

Store Hours

Monday - Wednesday, November 21st - November 23rd - 7:00 - 5:00
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Saturday, November 26th 8:00 - 4:00. Sunday, November 27th 8:00 - 1:00



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Invitation From the North Branford Economic Development Commission

The Shoreline Chamber of Commerce is inviting all business owners in North Branford and Northford to a Shoreline ECONOMIC AND LEGISLATIVE FORUM on Thursday, December 1 at the Stony Creek Brewery, 5 Indian Neck Road, Branford

Registration and Continental Breakfast is from 7:30-8:00am with the program from 8:00 – 10:am..

Featured is the Shoreline Legislative Delegation representing North Branford, Madison, Branford and Guilford.

Special speakers are:

Vincent Candelora, Ted Kennedy, Jr., Noreen K. Kokoruda, Lonnie Reed and Sean Scanlon

TOPICS are:

Transportation – Workforce Development- Health Care – Energy – plus questions from the audience.

This program is FREE! Register by calling the Shoreline Chamber of Commerce office at 203-488-5500.

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BHcare, Branford EDC, Guilford EDC, Madison EDC, North Branford EDC Madison Chamber of Commerce and Shoreline Chamber of Commerce

This is the perfect venue to learn what is being proposed in Hartford and to make your concerns heard. Plan to be at the Stony Creek Brewery on Thursday, December 1 at 7:30 am.

Food for Fines Week at the Smith & Atwater Libraries

For the week of Dec. 5 - 11, the North Branford Public Libraries will forgive \$1. in overdue fines for every non-expired, non-perishable food item brought in. This only applies to overdue fines, not to bills for lost or damaged items. Bring your canned goods or items in boxes or bags to the library circulation desk. No open, repackaged, or expired items, please. All donations will go to the North Branford Food Pantry. The most needed items are canned fruit, jelly (other than grape), boxed rice, canned potatoes and beef soup; however, all items are gratefully accepted.

North Branford Fall Leaf Collection

North Branford residents can bring their leaves to the leaf drop off center located at the Public Works Garage on Route 22 from 9:00am to 3:00pm on the remaining Saturdays this Fall: **November 19th and 26th.**

Please place leaves in biodegradable leaf bags (no tape please) or empty them loose onto the ground.

Curbside leaf pickup takes place for 2 weeks: **Nov 28th thru Dec 9th.** Please also use biodegradable paper bags without any tape. For more information, call the recycling hotline at **203-484-4091.**

TRY OUTS

The North Branford *Solid / Hazardous Waste/Recycling Committee* is actively looking for unique individuals to help make a difference in our community. Dedicated, creative and environmentally friendly volunteers are needed. It's your chance to make a BIG difference with just a little of your time.

Come and "try out" a meeting with us on a second Thursday of the month at 6:30pm at Town Hall.

Email us for a guest reservation at an upcoming meeting: **recycle@townofnorthbranfordct.com**

Recycling Reminders

Please remember to **recycle**:

All newspapers including inserts

All mail including envelopes, magazines and catalogs

Paperback books

Phone books

File folders

But please **place these items in trash**:

Plastic or wax coated paper (candy wrappers, Chinese food containers)

Heavily soiled paper / cardboard

Hardcover books

Styrofoam

Light bulbs



TVES Celebrates Veterans Day

TVES recently held their 2nd annual Care Package Drive to honor our veterans. Ms. Elyse Mortensen, Art Teacher at TVES, started this project as a way to help out a family member who was stationed in Kuwait last year. Over 100 care packages were sent to Kuwait last year in time for the winter holiday season.

This year all items collected will be sent to a military unit stationed in Afghanistan. Anyone wishing to help out assembling the boxes, wrap a few items, and write a card to a member of the armed services is invited to the Berlin VFW, 152 Massirio Drive, Berlin on Thanksgiving night starting at 7 pm.

The TVES staff is very appreciative and thankful to the families in North Branford who have contributed to our fundraiser. This year's fundraiser has already proven to exceed the collection from last year.



"We are truly Blessed to be in your Presence"

Jerome Harrison School celebrated area Veterans on Friday November 11. Local heroes were invited to breakfast, followed by a school-wide assembly to honor them for their service, and to educate our town's youngest students.

Lancraft Fife and Drum led the procession of Veterans, hailing from every branch of our military. They were welcomed by 400+ students waving American Flags. The Boy Scouts led the Pledge of Allegiance, and students sang patriotic songs lead by Mrs. Humphrey, the music teacher. Students were educated about the branches of our military, and cheered to celebrate our brave Veterans.

Second grade essay contest winners read touching essays written about Veterans and active duty service men and women who are special to them.



Principal Carter Welch, had a message for students: "It is very important that we honor our Veterans especially today, but every day!" He thanked our Veterans for their service and dedication to our country, saying, "We are truly blessed to be in your presence."

To conclude the ceremony, students sang to the Veterans: "You're a hero, a hero an example to the world for everyone to see. You're the type of person I would like to be." Special thanks to the program committee led by Linda Humphrey, Micki DeCaprio, and Patti Carlo, as well as Mrs. Remetta for decorating the school with patriotic student art. Very special thanks and a happy Veterans Day to our local heroes.



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NBHS Honors Veterans



Members of the NBHS Wounded Warriors Club hosted the annual NBHS Veterans Day event that included students meeting with Veterans and a luncheon for the guests. Pictured above front row: Aaron Biesaw, Danielle Ramada, Francesca Palma, Nick Olsen and Jason Ash. Back row: Ethan Despres, Cole Sauro, Mr. Rapport (Club Moderator), Zach Smola, Nicholas Ash, Jack Curran, Chris Candelora & Jarrett Cacopardo.

Photo by Principal Todd Stoeffler

HOLIDAY POINSETTIA SALE
CLASS OF 2017 PROJECT GRADUATION

All proceeds will go to PROJECT GRADUATION 2017, an all-night substance free party held at the school for the graduating seniors following their graduation ceremony.

Order your choice of locally grown, large nursery poinsettias in Festive red, white or pink in the following sizes:

\$12.00	6 1/2" pot (1 plant)
\$18.00	7 1/2" pot (2 plants)
\$23.00	8 1/2" pot (3 plants)
\$19.00	Log box with evergreens & decorations For outdoor and cemetery use
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\$12.00	12" undecorated wreath
\$16.00	16" undecorated wreath

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You may pick up your order at the North Branford High School on Wednesday, December 7, 2016, from 2:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Cut and return order form with your payment on or before Thursday, December 1 to:

Project Graduation
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49 Caputo Rd.
No. Branford, CT 06471

Or return it with your child for interoffice mail delivery via their school.
Orders will also be taken at parent/teacher conference nights.

Any questions, contact: Pam Sommo @ 203-500-8324 or Val Querfeld @ 203-641-3831

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16" Wreath	\$16.00	Quantity: _____ (no decorations or bow)	_____	_____	_____

Name: _____ Phone: _____ Total \$ _____

Northford Women's Club Is Accepting
Scholarship Applications

The Connecticut Federation of Women's Clubs has announced two scholarships that are available to Connecticut women pursuing advanced courses of study at Institutions of higher learning. Awards are granted on the basis of future promise, scholastic ability and financial need.

The Dorothy E. Schoelzel memorial scholarship has a maximum award of \$2,000. Candidates must have completed three or more years of undergraduate work in an accredited institution with a 3.0 average or higher in the field of Education.

The Phipps scholarship has a maximum award of \$1,000. Candidates must have completed two or more years on undergraduate work in an accredited institution with a 3.0 average or higher toward a Bachelor's or post graduate degree.

Completed applications, including general and personal information, a financial statement, instructor/employer references, official transcript of at least the most recent two years of undergraduate or graduate work must be received by February 10, 2017.

The application may be obtained by visiting the Northford Women's Club website at www.northfordwomensclub.org. For further information, contact Mary Connolly at 203-484-0722.

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Football Team Improves to 5-3

After getting off to a slow 3-1 start, The North Branford High School football team has run off 4 straight wins to improve their record to 5-3. On November 3rd, the T-Birds traveled to Granby, to take on the Granby Memorial Bears in a non-conference contest. North Branford had a balanced scoring attack scoring a touchdown in each quarter and beating the Bears by a score of 29-21. Junior quarterback Jeff Jablonski completed 7 passes but only threw 11 times as coach Basil decided to primarily use a ground attack. Headed by senior Nico Sommo who had 92 yards in 14 carries and junior Nick Mancini who rused 11 times for 75 yards and a touchdown, the T-Birds controlled the ball. Jablonski ran the ball twice for 7 yards but made the most of each carry scoring both times. Senior Dylan Blake had 3 receptions for 46 yards and senior Matt Sibley had a 6 yard reception for a touchdown. Defensively, the T-Birds received solid performances from Sibley, Mancini and sophomore RJ Sobask who all had 8 tackles and 10 assists each as senior Justin Augur was 6 & 6. Sibley, Augur, Dillon Nowak Xavier Cognata

and Jason Rysczyk all had sacks while the freshman Cognata recovered a fumble caused by Mancini. Senior Keane Regan had an interception. Next up, the T-Birds returned home to play the 6-1 Ellington Knights. It looked bad as the Knights scored late in the fourth quarter to take a 14-6 lead but Jablonski led the team up the field and with time running out, North Branford scored a touchdown and Nick Mancini caught the 2 point conversion from Jablonski to tie it up and force an overtime. North Branford won the toss and deferred to the Knights who score from the 10 yard line on three plays and kicked the extra point to go up 7. The Thunderbirds only took 2 plays as Mancini ran it in on the second play with a 9 yard scamper. Setting up to kick the extra point, the NB sidelines had a trick left up their sleeves as the snap went directly to Dylan Blake who carried a host of Knights into the end zone as the Thunderbirds raced onto the field in jubilation with a 22-21 victory. On a windy night, coach Basil played it conservatively with only 12 passes and it was an “old school” football game with both teams pounding it out on the ground. This time, it was Mancini and freshman Charles Walcott who handled the bulk of the carries as Mancini carried 18 times for 70 yards and Walcott had 96 yards with 13 carries. Jablonski ran 3 times for 26 yards and scored on all 3 carries. North Branford was sound defensively where it seemed as if everyone was getting into the act. Once again Sibley who seems to be in on every play, led the team with 7 tackles and 8 assists. Senior Justin Augur had 5 tackles and 4 assists and the reliable Mancini playing tough on both sides of the ball added 4 and 4 and also recovered a fumble. Keane Regan and Charles Walcott had 3 each. Reagan also had an interception as did freshman Bryce Sweetapple. At press time, the T-Birds had 2 games left angainst Cromwell and Coginchaug, with an outside chance of making the State Tournament after a 1 - 3 start.



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Line Dancing

Who: Adults

Session: November 29 - December 27

Time: Tuesdays, 1:30 - 2:30 p.m.

Location: STW Community Center

Fee: \$30 res/\$35 nr

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Gentle Yoga and Meditation

Who: Adult

Session: Dec 1 - Jan 26 (no class Dec.29)

Time: Thursdays, 5:45 - 6:45 p.m.

Location: STW Clarino Room

Fee: \$75 res/\$80 nr

Relax and unwind with yoga. Guided meditation will help to slow down and reduce stress.

Babysitter's Certification

Who: 11-15 Years old

Session: January 16 NOTE: NO SCHOOL

Time: Monday, 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Location: Ambulance Co. 4, Northford

Fee: \$65 res/\$70 nr

Description: Learn the skills you need to care for infants and school-aged children including safety, preventing injuries and illnesses, basic childcare, and first aid. American Safety and Health Institute certification. (Be sure to bring your lunch)

Tai Chi-Chi Gung

Who: Adult 13+

Session: Dec 20 - Feb 7

Time: Tuesdays, 6:30 - 8:00 p.m.

Location: STW Gym

Fee: \$70 res/\$75 nr

Bring balance and harmony to your life while you strengthen your body in this traditional T'ai Chi Ch'uan class.

Cheese Making

Who: Adult 13+

Session: Dec 7

Time: Wednesday, 6:00 - 7:00 p.m.

Location: STW Kitchen

Fee: \$25

Learn the science for turning milk into something truly special. Equipment & ingredients supplied.

SIGN UP NOW FOR OUR HOLIDAY TRIPS!

TICKETS STILL AVAILABLE!

Radio City Christmas Spectacular

Monday, Dec 5. Cost: \$105 res/\$110 nr

Come see the Rockettes and the story of Christmas. Orchestra seats to 2 p.m. show with time on your own for shopping, lunch and to view the Rockefeller Center Christmas Tree. RT deluxe motor coach transportation.

Trees of Hope

Friday, December 9. Cost: \$2 for van transportation

Join us in touring the beautifully decorated Trees of Hope at the Long Wharf Maritime Center in New Haven. Lunch stop at The Greek Olive restaurant, on your own.

Fantasy of Lights

Sunday, December 11 - Cost: \$8 for van transportation

Join us for a leisurely drive through Lighthouse Park and enjoy the colorful display of holiday lights.

Aqua Turf / Jimmy Mazz Holiday Show

Tuesday, December 13. Cost: \$45 resident/\$50 non-resident

Holiday entertainment will be accompanied by a delicious luncheon of salad, pasta, sliced roast beef, baked scrod, bean medley, potato and ice cream.

Westchester Dinner Theater-Christmas Inn

Wednesday, Dec 14. Cost: \$95 res/\$100 nr

Enjoy a delicious luncheon and an afternoon of holiday music and laughter. The show features all your favorite Christmas music including an old-fashioned sing-along. RT deluxe motor coach transportation.

North Branford Senior Center

8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Activities throughout the week days

Hot Lunch available Monday – Friday, 12:00 p.m. \$3

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Thrift Store Treasure Hunting & Lunch – Monday, November 21 at 10:30 a.m. Join us for thrift store treasure hunting and lunch! First stop is at SARAH’s Cupboard Thrift Shop, next it’s over to the Townhouse Diner for lunch, and then we’ll head over to The Cedar Chest for our final stop. Van departs at 10:30, please sign up in advance for this FREE trip!

Ceramics by Fire It Up! – Tuesday, November 29 at 10:30 a.m.

Fire It Up! of Branford is bringing the fun of painting ceramics here to the Senior Center! 5 different items to choose from, be creative and have fun with friends. Please sign up in advance and indicate which item you would like to paint. Cost is \$20.00.

Mixed Bag Sale - Thursday, December 8 & Friday, December 9, 8:30 a.m. - 7:00 p.m. Stop by the STW Community Center and shop our collection of gently used pocket books, backpacks and duffle bags. Wide variety and styles for all ages!

***As a reminder, we offer weekly grocery shopping trips every Tuesday at 12:30. Come by or call the Senior Center to register.**

Hike with the North Branford Land Trust

Saturday, December 17. 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Evergreen Woods Trail

Join the NBLT for a leisurely walk on part of the trail system at Evergreen Woods. Land trust member, Geoff Smith, will lead this family friendly walk. Meet at the Evergreen Woods visitor’s parking lot at the Community Building by **9:45 a.m.** Pre-register at the STW Community Center (203-484-6017).

We’re proud to announce that we are now offering OPEN GYM for multiple activities at the STW Community Center!

Pickleball: Thursdays 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Basketball: Fridays 4:30 – 8:00 p.m.

Table Tennis: Fridays 4:30 – 8:00 p.m. (please bring own equipment)

Energy Deregulation and Opportunities for the Consumer

November 9th-(11:00 am) Smith Library, Northford

December 12th (6:30 pm) Atwater Library, North Branford

This seminar will focus on: Which suppliers are most cost effective, the advantages and disadvantages of various categories (traditional fossil fuel or environmentally friendly sources); and will alert consumers to potential problem areas-such as penalties for early termination or switching suppliers. The presenters will pay special attention to environmentally friendly energy sources such as Solar energy.

Seminar to be presented by Joe Paul (former Senior Banker, candidate for Mayor of Stratford) and Ellis Ratner (former Program Director, Bureau of Consumer Protection, Federal Trade Commision). There is no industry affiliation with this informative seminar.

New England Carousel Museum

at Northford Women’s Club Meeting

The Northford Women’s Club, GFWC will be hosting Louise DeMars, executive director of the New England Carousel Museum at our meeting on Tuesday, November 15th. Louise will present an interesting program about the history of the museum and the programs that they offer. The meeting will take place at the Stanley T. Williams Community Center, 1332 Middletown Avenue in Northford at 7:00pm and the public is invited to attend. For further information about the Northford Women’s Club, GFWC, please contact Michele Nilson at 203-717-2203 or michelehanah00@gmail.com. You can also visit our website at www.northfordwomensclub.org or check us out on Facebook. The Northford Women’s Club is a member of the General Federation of Women’s Clubs.

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

North Branford Congregational Church, UCC. 1680 Foxon Rd., North Branford, CT, 203-488-8456 or nobfdcong@sbcglobal.net or www.northbranfordcongregational.org. Office Hours: Wednesday through Friday, 9:00 - 1:00pm. We worship every Sunday at 10:00am. Nursery care available. Get to know us by joining us for Coffee Hour following Services. The second Sunday of every month is Family Sunday when the children remain with their parents during the Service. This is followed by our second Sunday Brunch. Holy Communion is on the first Sunday of every month. Church School through grade 8 meets during worship. All are welcome no matter who you are, no matter where you are on life’s journey, you are welcome here.

Northford Congregational Church. United Church of Christ. Church is located on Old Post Rd., (corner of Rte 17 and Rte 22), PO Box 191 Northford. Phone 203-484-0795, Fax 203-484-9916.. email; ncchurch@snet.net. Rev. Robin Blundon, Interim Pastor. Jane K. Leschuk Minister of Music. Worship service and Sunday School, 10:00AM (9:00 Summer). Join us for coffee hour following worship. Holy Communion on the first Sunday of each month. Office hours, Monday an Wednesday 10am - 1pm. Like us on Facebook. Our website is www.northfordcongregation-alchurch.com

St. Andrew’s Episcopal Church, Middletown Ave. (Rte 22 & 17) Northford. 203-484-0895. or <http://standrewsnorthford.org> We are a member of the Middlesex Area Cluster Ministry. The Reverend Jim Bradley, Interim Missioner in charge of MACM, 203-525-6846. The Cluster office is 860-345-0058. Sunday morning Eucharist is 10:00am. We have a rotating clergy during the academic year. Join us for coffee and fellowship following service. All are welcome. Like us on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/standrewsnorthford>,

St. Ambrose Parish is a Roman Catholic Parish in the Archdiocese of Hartford comprised of two church locations; St. Augustine Church located at 30 Caputo Rd in North Branford and St. Monica Church located at 1321 Middletown Ave. in Northford. The Pastor is Reverend Robert Turner. Weekday Masses are celebrated on Monday and Wednesday at 9am at St. Augustine Church and on Tuesday and Fridays at 9am at St. Monica Church. Weekend Masses are celebrated on Saturday at 4pm at St. Augustine Church and 5:30pm at St. Monica Church and on Sunday at 9am at St. Monica Church and 11am at St. Augustine Church. The Sacrament of Reconciliation is celebrated every Saturday afternoon from 3:00 to 3:30 at St. Augustine Church or by appointment by calling the parish office at 203-484-0403. If you are new to the area and are looking for a parish family to join, please visit us! The office is open M-F from 9am-1pm at 30 Caputo Road in North Branford.

Zion Episcopal Church, 326 Notch Hill Road, No. Branford. 203-488-7395 Rev. Lucy LaRocca, Vicar. Sunday Holy Eucharistservices 8 & 10AM ealing Prayer and Compline 7PM, second Tuesday of the month. Two babysitters available downstairs during the service. Coffee hour after the service. Visit our Facebook page or website at zionepiscopalchurch.com.

NBCC Advent Services

North Branford Congregational Church invites you to “Come Home for the Holidays.” Services during the Advent Season offer something special for everyone.

Advent Services

Sunday – 11/27/16 at 10am: The lighting of the first Advent Candle.

Wednesday – 11/30/16 at 7pm: Taize Service – Enjoy a quiet oasis filled with contemplative music & prayer.

Sunday – 12/4/16 at 10am: The lighting of the second Advent Candle.

Sunday – 12/11/16 at 10am: The lighting of the third Advent Candle. Enjoy a special brunch after worship downstairs in Fellowship Hall.

Sunday – 12/18/16 at 10am: Enjoy the “Living Nativity” presented by the Sunday School.

Saturday – 12/24/16 at 11pm: Enjoy the inspiring Candlelight Service.

Sunday – 12/25/16 at 10am: Celebrate the Savior’s Birthday. Unwrap the greatest gift of all.

Holiday Services at Northford Congregational Church

Holiday services on Sundays at 10 a.m. during Advent will involve candles being lit by various families as special verses are read. Sunday School will be continuing at the same time.

There will be both Christmas Eve and Christmas Day services. The Christmas Eve service will be on Saturday, December 24, at 5 p.m. This service will focus on the special Bible verses highlighting the prophecy and Gospel of this Holy event. The Christmas Sunday service will be at 10 a.m. Take a few minutes out from your busy schedule and add some meaning to this special time of year. All are welcome.

The historic Northford Congregational Church (203-484-0795) is located at 4 Old Post Road at the corner of Route 22 and Route 17 in the Northford section of North Branford. Church office hours are Monday and Wednesday from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Website: www.northfordcongregationalchurch.com. Email address: ncchurch@snet.net.

HAPPY
THANKSGIVING

The North Branford Congregational Church will hold its Holly Fair on Saturday, November 19 from 9am - 2pm. Get some of your Christmas shopping done from our handmade items,crafts and jewelry booths, and so much more.

Also there will be a Basket Raffle, Cabot Cheddar Cheese Wheel, delicious Baked Goods and our famous Cookie Walk. And lets not forget our White Elephant and Better Treasures rooms.

Stop at Café Noel for breakfast and/or lunch and before you leave pick up a snack.

Any questions please call 203.488.8456

St. Therese Church, 105 Leetes Island Rd., Branford will have their Holiday Fair on Saturday, November 19 from 8:30 AM to 4 PM & Sunday, November 20 9AM to 12 noon

More than 20 vendors, handcrafted items, penny auction, home baked goods, jewelry and a giant tag sale. Breakfast and lunch are available for purchase. For more information, call 203-488-2998.

The Totoket Historical Society, Inc. will hold its annual Holiday Bazaar on Saturday, Nov. 19 from 9 - 2 p.m. in the Atwater Memorial Library Community Room in North Branford located at 1720 Foxon Rd. in North Branford.

The Holiday Bazaar will feature small “attic treasures,” costume jewelry, small Christmas items, handmade articles, baked goods, jams, pickles and condiments. The Miller Barn will be open for visitors, but the Reynolds-Beers house is temporarily closed for code renovation.

Donations for the sale are still welcome at the Atwater Memorial Library. For large item pick-up or information, call 203-488-0423 or e-mail: toto-kethistoricalsociety@gmail.com.

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.

Zion Episcopal Church in North Branford hosts its Annual Holiday Fair on November 19, 2016. We will be offering a variety of homemade crafts from ornaments to painted stem ware to scarves to doll clothes and more. all reasonably priced. Our amazing cookie walk will offer many kinds of homemade cookies. This year, we are also offering cookie trays made up to have for your Thanksgiving dinner, a perfect hostess gift.

We be offering a variety of special value gift baskets. They are very affordable, nicely packaged and ready for giving. We have a tasty selection of jams, baked goods, candies and the like. Many items are packaged and priced for one or two people. Our volunteers are heading to Vermont to get fresh Cabot cheese, always a favorite.

Take a peek at our White Elephant tables with many Christmas items as well as general household goods. Finally, come join us for lunch – home-made chili, pizza, hot dogs – make it a day of fun! 9am - 2pm

. Zion is located at 326 Notch Hill Road, North Branford.

TOYS FOR TOTS

Office of Social Service

1332 Middletown Ave. Northford, CT Phone: 203.484.6006

www.townofnorthbranfordct.com

Each year this Office of Social Service offers a toy program for children that live in Northford or North Branford. The Program allows parents to see the toys that have been donated and choose the toys that they feel their children would enjoy. The Program also allows grandparents living in the community to choose toys for their grandchildren. All toys are new and unwrapped. We ask that you show proof of residency, such as a photo ID with your address and two (2) utility bills in your name and that you be reasonable. Toys will be distributed at the Stanley T. Williams Community/Senior Center located at

1332 Middletown Ave, Northford, Ct.

PROGRAM SCHEDULE

Wednesday, December 7th, 2016 9:30 am – 12:00 Noon

Parents Only

Thursday, December 8th, 2016 9:30 am – 12:00 Noon

Parents & Grandparents

If you are interested in donating a toy for the program, we offer three drop-off sites. You may do so at the North Branford Town Hall, North Branford Police Department, and the Stanley T. Williams Community/ Senior Center. All toys should be new and unwrapped. Toys may be dropped off in the Collection Boxes located at all sites between November 1st, and December 5th, 2016

Bingo at the Guilford K of C

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NARFE Holiday Meeting

The National Active and Retired Federal Employees Association, Chapter 257, will hold its annual Holiday Party and Installation of Elected Officers on Monday, December 5, 1:00 pm, at Brazi's Restaurant, 201 Food Terminal Plaza, Long Wharf, New Haven. Reservations are required; RSVP by November 30. For more information, call Joan Montesi at (203)934-0002. NARFE is dedicated to protecting and preserving the earned benefits of federal workers and retirees. Website: www.narfe.org.

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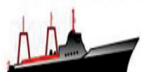


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Broccoli Au Gratin 1/2 Tray \$30 Full Tray \$55

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