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## Rob Reardon Joins Pascale's Garage



**Rob Reardon who has served the car repair needs of the North Branford community for more than 6 years has partnered up with Steve at **Pascale's Garage.** Rob who has 20 years experience, servicing your foreign & domestic car needs. Most recently as a partner at Hometown Auto, has brought his talents to Pascale's, at 1143 Foxon Road, North Branford. *Stop in and Visit Rob!***

## Shoreline Chamber Grows

Two years removed from the merger of the Branford and Guilford Chambers of Commerce, the Shoreline Chamber is proud to announce that North Branford will be joining the Shoreline Chamber organization. The move, which is effective immediately, came from a request by the North Branford Economic Development Commission. All see this as a perfect marriage that will ultimately help and support the businesses of North Branford.

The addition of a third town to the Alliance will be beneficial to members in a myriad of ways. Specifically there will be an immediate increase in networking opportunities and the opening up of new markets to member businesses. The ability to grow the size of the Shoreline Chamber increases their reputation and subsequently enhances their ability to represent and serve as an advocate for businesses and organizations.

"We are very excited about this new chapter and are pleased with the confidence that North Branford has shown in our organization," stated President Edward Lazarus.

Need to jumpstart your networking? The Chamber has added a new member benefit. We are pleased to invite you to try out NET90 a new fast paced networking group. In the space of ninety minutes you will have the opportunity to interact with over forty businesses.

For upcoming meeting information consult the website at [www.shorelinechamberct.com](http://www.shorelinechamberct.com) or call Michele at 203-488-5500.

*To find out more about North Branford and the Shoreline Chamber, watch the Let's be "Frank" Show (after August 8th) on Totoket TV.*

## Potato & Corn Festival News August 5-7



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Poco Program Book

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## Save the Date!

You are invited to the first annual North Branford after hours Business Social

August 4, 2016

6:30-8pm

Under the POCO Tent



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September 9	September 2
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## Meet the Merchants with the Totoket Times

Our next issue of the Totoket Times will be the normal publication date of August 12th.

However, many of our merchants are feeling the heat (Pun intended) of the summer with losses in revenue.

For this reason, the August 12th issue **Totoket Times** will not be mailed. We are asking all residents to visit our store drop locations (See full list on page 11) to pick up their copy of the Times.

This will give you an opportunity to **say hello** to our friends whose advertising dollars bring this paper to you mailbox on a regular basis.

We will resume the regular mail schedule on August 26th but for the next issue

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## Let's Be "Frank"

Well brother, it seems like forever since we spoke. The good news is, I made it through the cruise. Eight days out to sea with nineteen family members was incredible. Eight days being away from the comfort levels of home was a bit long but still incredible. With that said, having not gone on a cruise in more than twenty five years, I might be ready for another one in twenty five more. I know people who have been on more than thirty cruises and I just don't see the draw.

First of all, the three pools were as big as my living room and there are 3,000 people trying to enter them. With three thousand people on the ship, there should be that many deck chairs as well. You have to get out there at 5am to reserve one, even though they tell you that isn't allowed.

The serenity section is suppose to be a relaxing area. If it's so relaxing, I don't know why they let the kids (who can't get into the other pools) run all over the place. They also have a section up there for the smokers. So much for relaxing and breathing that clear ocean air.

The rooms were bigger than I remember and there were televisions in each room. You couldn't get more than a few channels but at least it was something when you wanted to get away from the overcrowded ship. Speaking of overcrowded, There were musical and comedy shows, but again, there weren't enough seats. You stood in line for fifteen minutes and then walked through one side of the arena and out the other because once you got in, there were no seats left.

The food was tremendous and I have already lost the pounds I put on so that's a good thing. they say ( I don't really know who "they" are) you should try new things so I went with conch fritters, alligator fritters and escargot. I drew the line on ox tongue and frog legs.

Although not much of a drinker anymore, I did manage to average three a day(in years past that would have been breakfast). Orange juice has too much sugar so I have a regular diet of tomato juice but when on a cruise, it's sort of sissyfied to order tomato juice without vodka. Also, the vodka went well with the pain killers for my back. Walking all over the ship actually helped as well so there is more good news. With all the walking, I still couldn't keep up with SueAnn who went down the big slide as well as a banana boat ride. There was a time when she couldn't keep up with me but that ship has sailed (pun intended).

Regardless of my usual complaining it was great to celebrate Rudy & Patti's 50th wedding anniversary. Fifty years ago I was a cute (in the eye of the beholder) little Altar Boy at their wedding and now I am older then they are. I wonder how that happened.

So after eight days (five would have been plenty), I came home and drove down Route 80 to see kids playing at the tennis and basketball courts. It was a great thing to see and the courts looked great.

I then went to Facebook to see what I missed. The first thing I saw was that our town made the news with the new school activity fee. I was confused as to why it made the news in June when notes went out in early May. After having the Board of Education budget cut by more than one million dollars, the BOE decided to institute an activity fee. The fee will be \$50 per sport per student for middle school, and \$75 for high school with a \$300 cap per year.

Once again, a small group was making this a major issue. I for one have nothing against this fee. As a matter of fact, I have been an advocate of it for several years. It saves a teaching position, it is not too painful and many other schools in the area charge much more.

Some of the arguments were comical. The best one was "if I am paying, my kid better play". This theory is comparable to participation trophies. It is also one of the reasons our kids and our society have become soft.

Teach a kid that playing time and trophies are earned not bought. This will help them in the next phase of their life and it won't be a shock when they realize that promotions and raises don't go to everyone. They mostly go to the hard workers who earn them.

Also, if they check AAU sports, Little League and Youth Football, they will learn that the fees for these activities are much higher. Yes, you do pay taxes, but these above mentioned activities charge, so why not the school system. Besides, if it saves a teaching position, I'm all for it.

Not much else going on. Nothing has changed much since the "new regime" has taken over. The POCO is now only a few day away and I just found out that one of the few local vendors left has pulled out and another outside vendor will take his place. I still don't get this logic but it continues year after year so I guess I must be the idiot.

Well keep in touch and mom will be happy to know that although it might not be a cruise, I am already planning the next vacation with the family. Three days in Vermont just isn't enough. Take care and I'll see you soon.

## Fighting This Summer Heat Wave

- **Take advantage of the cooling power of water.** Fill buckets or basins and soak your [feet](#). Wet towels and bandannas can have a cooling effect when worn on the shoulders or head. Take cool showers or baths, and consider using a spray bottle filled with [cold](#) water for refreshing spritzes throughout the day.
  - **Head downstairs.** Since hot air rises, the upper stories of a home will be warmer than the ground floor. A basement can be a cool refuge from the midday heat.
  - **Eliminate extra sources of heat.** Incandescent light bulbs can generate unnecessary heat, as can computers or appliances left [running](#). Eat fresh foods that do not require you to use the oven or stove to prepare.
  - **Remember to maintain an adequate level of hydration,** which means you'll need to consume more water than you usually do when it's hot. If you're [sweating](#) profusely, you will also need to replace [electrolytes](#) by eating a small amount of food with your water or by drinking specially-formulated electrolyte replacement [drinks](#). [Thirst](#) is the first sign of [dehydration](#); you should drink sufficient amounts of fluids before you feel thirsty in order to prevent [dehydration](#).
  - **Avoid alcoholic beverages and caffeine,** as both of these substances can act as diuretics and promote dehydration.
  - **Try to visit public buildings with air conditioning** during the hottest hours of the day if the heat becomes unbearable. Libraries, shopping malls, and movie theaters can all be good places to cool down.
  - **Don't eat large, protein-rich meals** that can increase metabolic heat and warm the body.
  - **Be able to recognize the symptoms of heat-related illnesses** and true heat emergencies ([heat cramps](#), [heat rash](#), [heat exhaustion](#), [heat stroke](#)).
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## State Representative Vincent Candelora

### Connecticut State Parks: One of the Many Budget Casualties



Connecticut celebrated its 100th year anniversary of its state parks. Connecticut has over 107 parks and 32 forests covering over 255,000 acres according to a Report on State Parks and Forests: Funding, written by the Legislative Program Review and Investigations Committee Staff,

January 2014. In 2009, the state made a grave mistake of eliminating our special revenue funds for our parks and other environmental programs and moved them into the General Fund. It fundamentally altered the way we view our natural and recreational resources. Despite outcries, nothing has been done since.

As Connecticut continues to face budget woes, our parks and forests are suffering, and in my opinion, short-sighted budget decisions are being made that will potentially send our parks into a spiral. Prior to this year, our parks already saw a dramatic decrease to personnel in the areas of park maintenance and supervisors. Since 2010, our funding levels have steadily decreased, and Connecticut is one of the only states in the country that does not allow its parks to use the revenue they generate to support the park system.

My family camps the same week at Hammonasset Park each year. I noticed fewer gates were open to let vehicles into the beach despite the fact that most are paying \$8 per car to enter. At times, the lines reached Route 1. I don't want to overstate the issue, but if people are waiting in long lines, they may be less apt to return. In addition, the campgrounds have cut back on staff so fewer employees are able to inspect the camp sites and determine whether they're free of trash from a previous camper. If we actually maintained these services by putting the money collected directly back into the campground, there is no reason why our campgrounds and beaches could not become self-sustaining and would prevent the state from using this revenue for unrelated budget items. I believe campers would be willing to pay more than \$20 per day and many would pay even more if the state would add more electrical sites.

I'm a member of the Sportsmen's Caucus as well. Hunters, fishermen and sportsmen pay annual fees to enjoy our parks and streams. We created a trout stamp program and pheasant tag program to help fund our fish hatcheries and pheasant stocking program. Because these funds are being comingled into the general fund, the state is now cutting these programs. Hatcheries are being reduced 20%, and yet somehow the state thinks it will maintain the same level of fishing and hunting licenses. I'm concerned about these cuts. I believe in the long run, we will see a correlating loss in revenue and the spiral will begin as our parks and programs deteriorate. Our caucus has had several meetings and will continue to advocate for a self-sustaining park system for the viability of these assets.

## HazWaste Corner

Enjoy this year's Potato and Corn Festival  
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North Branford's next Hometown Day at HazWaste  
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August 20<sup>th</sup>

## WIT & WISDOM

I have spent most of my life hoping to see certain things I envisioned and hoped to see incorporated in our lives for our betterment. While most were of a political nature and never accomplished the one dearest to my heart, and most important from a health standpoint that has made these last days rewarding is our final success in making Raw Milk available to us who want it. While far from complete, thanks to Sally Clemente, of The Weston A. Price Research Foundation and the Farmers to Consumers Legal Defense Fund they have succeeded in making raw milk available direct from the farm in many states and available from local stores. Once proclaimed the cause of every disease and physical affliction on the face of the earth it was reported by the Center For Disease Control, about 6 months ago, as the cleanest most pure and disease free of all foods, with out a single affliction attributable to drinking raw milk. Imagine, not a single death attributable to Raw Milk in 30 years. I need not relate the thousands of people sickened by Peanut butter, Spinach, Chicken, Eggs, Cantalope, you name it, since our papers are full of these food borne illnesses. Even pasteurized milk, pasteurization supposedly making raw milk safer has caused more physical afflictions than in its unheated state.

But, with the Farmer to Consumer Legal Defense Funds support of farmers and helping goverturning illegal laws originally passed to deny the farmers the right to sell their products direct from their farm or at any off farm site such as Farmers Markets. Denying them the right to sell not only rawmilk, but whatever products they raise, has the big boys concerned with the amount of business they are losing with new farmers markets opening daily country wide and Raw Milk being made available.

I have related the history of how Raw Milk, the savior of more lives, both human and animal than any other food, in an article you can read in it's entirety by typing in "The Crime Against Raw Milk" or just my name on your computer. I am most rewarded with my lifelong proselytizing for the making available of Raw Milk by it's continuing to be presented, going on 13 years. Yes, it has even been made available in other languages.

I cannot recommend too highly the book, "The Raw Milk Answer book by Davidc E. Gumpert, published by the Lauson Publishing Co, Needham, MA. It answers all the concerns years of fallacious accusations may have given you. It is a small book, easily read. It's very reasonable and worth far more then it's price.

Did you know that when that white liquid, an excuse for real milk, you are buying is pasteurized the beneficial bacteria is destroyed and it doesn't sour in a normal fashion, but turns rancid in a sickening, foul smelling concoction. I sometimes allow my Raw Milk to clabber into a yogurt like food and mixed with sugar, honey, and fruit in season or whatever flavor your taste-buds prefer at the time make it my dessert.

A large portion of store milk is fortified with a substantial amount of driedmilk from China. Did you know that when the milk from a cow that has just given birth is pasteurized and fed back to it's calf the calf will barely live 30 days. So much for the wonders of pasteurization. Even Pasteur, who developed pasteurization, from whom it got it's name, to control the fermentation of the wine industry was told of it being used for milk lamented, "What are they doing to my wonderful food"?

The legalization of Raw Milk in State after State, has given me much happiness in these wayning days, making my long life finally fulfilled with contentment and satisfaction in that all my efforts were not in vain.

Alton Eliason

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**Paul Wentworth** graduated from Brooklyn Law School on May 16, 2016. He spent one semester abroad attending Bucerius Law School in Hamburg, Germany. He is a 2008 graduate of NBHS and he is employed at a law firm in Manhattan, NY.

**Hannah Albert, Alyssa DeNardis & Heather Edwards** were named to the Dean's List at Marist College in Poughkeepsie, NY.

**Chris DePino** received high honors for period IV, at Vinal Tech High School.

**Mariana DelGaudio** was named to the Dean's List at Curry College in MA. Mariana is the president of the Curry College Student Nurses Association.

**Hira Sellas, Stephanie Barthel and Brittany Bonito** were named to the President's List at Goodwin College in East Hartford.

**Jordan D'Aurio** was named to the Dean's List at Nichols College in Dudley, MA.

**Courtney Decolle** was named to the Dean's list at Hofstra University in Hempstead, NY.

**Austin DeFrancesco and Jessica McMorrow** were named to the Dean's List at Roger Williams University in Bristol, RI.

**Deirdre Reidy** was named to the Dean's List at the College of Holy Cross in Worcester, Ma.

**Sarah Anastasio, Kristen Austin, Olivia Bizzario, Madison Blakeslee, Isabella Crotta, Marissa Czarnecki, Juliana Harrison, Kayla McMillen, Molly Murphy, Nicole Montalto, Alisyn, Narracci, Elisa Palmieri, Olivia Pietrogallo, Celeste Rice, Amanda Savona and Vivian Wang** received High Honors at Sacred Heart Academy in Hamden, CT.

**Ava D'Agostino, Megan McMillen and Megan Wells** received Honors at Sacred Heart Academy in Hamden, CT.

**Mia Doody** was named to the Dean's List at Suny Delhi a member of the State University of New York. Mia is in the Nursing Program.



**North Branford High School Band Members Collaborate with Guilford**

NBHH students Sarah Criscuolo, Michael Madoule, Makayla Harrison, Abby Raucci, Courtney McNelis, Aaron Beisaw, Spencer Wilson, and Brook Powers were excited to perform in the Guilford Town Band on July 11th. This collaborative concert was directed by Mark Gahm. Local musicians of all ages participated in this high spirited concert.

This evening was enjoyed by all is an annual event which is the prelude to Forth of July Firework.

**North Branford Land Conservation Trust Art Contest**

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

Do you have a favorite outdoor scene in North Branford or plant or animal, you'd like to paint

or draw? Well, if you do, please complete an entry form and include that with your original artwork and send to NBLCT, Inc., P.O. Box 378, North Branford, CT 06471. All entries must be postmarked by

November 7, 2016. There are 4 age categories: Adult (age 19 and over), Teenage (ages 13-18), Youth (ages 9-12), and Grammar (ages 5-8). Prizes of \$75, \$50, and \$25 will be awarded

for First, Second, and Third Place for each age category. That's a total of \$600 in prizes.

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

A special thank you to the North Branford Schools' Art Teachers who are helping to promote this endeavor in our schools.

Also, a second thank you to town businesses and individuals who have made donations for the prizes.





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## Get Growing!

By Kris Lindsay, Principal

This spring, third grade students from Totoket Valley Elementary School teamed up with Bob Boudreau and the North Branford High School Garden Club to participate in the Bonnie Plant's 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Cabbage Program.

The Cabbage Program is a self-guided, family friendly gardening project designed to inspire children to dig in the dirt and grow their own food. Bonnie Plants provided the cabbages, and members of the NBHS Garden Club distributed them to participating third graders. Students were challenged to plant their cabbages at home, care for them according to instructions, and then photograph their full-grown cabbages for a chance to win a \$1,000 scholarship from Bonnie Plants, plus statewide recognition.

Many participating students are completing the growing process and getting ready to weigh (and eat) their final product! We can't wait to see the pictures and congratulate all of our young gardeners!

*(Pictured above is TVES student Shane Esposito and his oversized cabbage!)*

## TOTOKET TIMES

### LOOKING FOR LITTLE LEAGUE INFORMATION

DURING MY VACATION I WAS LED TO BELIEVE THAT SEVERAL OF OUR NORTH BRANFORD LITTLE LEAGUE TEAMS (BOTH BOYS AND GIRLS)

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## Soccer Club Looking for Members



The North Branford Soccer Club is looking for individuals interested in joining their organization.

Interested parties can call Joe Criscuolo at 203-645-0286

## North Branford Youth Field Hockey Camp

For girls in grades 3 through 8!

Have fun at this five day field hockey camp at Jerome Harrison School.

August 15, 16, 17, 22 and 23 from 5:15 to 7:15pm

Cost is \$90. for five days or \$20. per night.

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NB Field Hockey and send it with permission waiver form to: Amy Norton, 7 Meadow Lane, North Branford, CT 06471

Sticks will be provided.

Shin guards and molded mouth guards are mandatory. Tee Shirts for all participants who register by August 15th

Contact:

Coach Babby Nuhn at 203-484-1465

or Amy Norton at 203-214-9198.

[bnuhn@northbranfordschools.org](mailto:bnuhn@northbranfordschools.org)

or [amynorton7@comcast.net](mailto:amynorton7@comcast.net)

## Looking For NB College Athletes

The Totoket Times is looking for any graduate of North Branford High School who is either participating in a college sport or has just graduated from a college athletic program.

In recent years, many have passed through the doors of NBHS to have college athletic careers. Our goal is to do a special page on these young people.

Don't be shy. Send the info to [totokettimes@comcast.net](mailto:totokettimes@comcast.net).

Include statistics and a photo. We need your help to make this project a success. We don't want to miss anyone so please help us out. If you know of anyone who may not see this notice, please let them know. We want to let our town know the success of our athletic programs.

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Week 8	August 8-12
Week 9	August 15-19

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## North Branford

### Parks & Recreation and Senior Center

1332 Middletown Ave, Northford - 203-484-6017

## North Branford Potato and Corn Festival

August 5-7

290 Forest Road, Rt. 22

### AMUSEMENT RIDE DISCOUNTS

#### *\$25 daily ride wristband available*

*\$20 wristbands for North Branford residents on Sunday with ID*

#### *\$45 Multi-Day wristbands available*

For Friday and Saturday\*

*Advance Sale wristbands now available through the Recreation Department\*\**

#### *Find your \$5 off discount coupons*

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*STW Community Center, 1332 Middletown Avenue, Northford*

\* Multi-day wristbands are good for Friday and Saturday only and cannot be exchanged for any reason, including inclement weather

\*\* PLEASE NOTE: NO Refunds are available on any prepaid Items

### Bus Trips

#### **Saratoga Raceway - Thursday, August 18**

**Cost \$80 resident/\$85 non-resident**

It's race time and excitement fills the air at the world-renowned Saratoga Race Course. Enjoy the best in horse racing! Motor coach transportation, admission and reserved Grandstand Seating included. Lunch on your own at the raceway. Numerous concessions and restaurants available or feel free to pack a lunch.

#### **Evening Thimble Island Cruise and Lobster Bake**

**Friday, August 26. Cost: \$65 resident / \$70 non-resident**

Nothing says summer like a lobster bake and a boat ride! Departing from lovely Stony Creek in the evening, enjoy the beautiful sunset as we cruise the iconic Thimble Islands. For dinner, LOBSTER! On board, we'll dine on a traditional lobster bake with steamers, mussels and more. Soft drinks included, cash bar available on board.

#### **Red Sox v. Kansas City Royals. Sunday, August 28**

**Cost: \$121 resident / \$126 non-resident**

Visit Fenway Park, home of the Boston Red Sox, and watch them battle the Royals. Watch this afternoon game from the Right Field Box section 2-B1. Includes motor coach transportation.

#### **Brimfield Antique Show. Saturday, September 10**

**Cost: \$35 resident / \$40 non-resident**

Home to arguably the world's largest antiques market, Brimfield Antique show offers thousands of dealers offering everything from fine furniture and art to tag sale junk to pick through. Bring your money and walking shoes and explore all this vast marketplace has to offer. Food courts and rest areas abound!

#### **Feast of San Genaro. Saturday, September 24**

**Cost: \$50 resident / \$55 non-resident**

For 90 years sons and daughters of Little Italy in New York have celebrated the Feast of St. Genaro with food, games, rides, masses and a parade. This is your opportunity to join in the fun and experience this Nonno of street fairs. Arriving on the Official Feast Day, you'll have plenty of time to see the sites and grab a bite. At 2:00 p.m. you can attend Mass and then the grand procession begins with San Genaro being paraded through the streets to the fanfare of live bands. Don't forget, you are also only steps from Chinatown where you can try another continent's cuisine or do a little shopping.

#### **Beautiful: The Carol King Musical-Broadway Show**

**Saturday, September 24 Cost: \$150 resident / \$155 non-resident**

"Timeless" and one of the "Best musicals on Broadway," this Grammy Award winning show is sure to please. BEAUTIFUL tells the inspiring true story of King's remarkable rise to stardom, from being part of a

hit songwriting team with her husband, to becoming one of the most successful solo acts in popular music history. Along the way, she made more than BEAUTIFUL music, she wrote the soundtrack to a generation.

#### **Kinky Boots-Broadway Show. Saturday, September 24**

**Cost: \$135 resident / \$140 non-resident**

See the smash Broadway hit! Based on true events, KINKY BOOTS tells the heartwarming and humorous story of two people with nothing in common — or so they think! Charlie is a factory owner struggling to save his family business. Lola is a fabulous entertainer with a wildly exciting idea. This unexpected pair learns to embrace their differences and creates a line of sturdy stilettos unlike any the world has ever seen! But in the end, their most sensational achievement is their friendship.

#### **Cranberry Harvest Celebration. Saturday, October 8**

**Cost: \$87 resident / \$92 non-resident**

Celebrate a New England tradition and see the beauty of the cranberry harvest during an old-fashioned family festival. Start the day with a visit to the Cranberry Harvest Festival. Watch them harvest the crimson berries at Frogfoot Bog, enjoy cooking demonstrations, shop the marketplace, listen to local musicians and sample the food concessions. In the afternoon, depart for a cruise of the Cape Cod Canal. Enjoy the natural beauty of the fascinating waterway.

### 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

\*Now offering a cold lunch option for the summer such as tuna salad, egg salad, chicken salad, etc.

### POTATO AND CORN FESTIVAL

The Senior Center will have a Farm Themed Photo Booth and we are seeking VOLUNTEERS!

August 5, 6 & 7

Come be a part of the 15th annual Potato and Corn Festival. Have fun with friends and help raise money for our Senior Center.

Call Kerry or Kathy to sign up (or with any questions) at 203-484-6017

#### **Big Lots/Olive Garden. Friday, August 12, 2016**

Let's spend the morning shopping and then head on over to Olive Garden for lunch! We will leave STW at 10:30 a.m. Come by the Senior Center to register, \$2 for transportation.

#### **Aqua Turf – Grand Ole Opry. Tuesday, August 16, 2016**

**Cost: \$45 resident/\$50 non-resident**

Join us for a tribute to the **Grand Ole Opry!!** Featuring the return of Dave Colucci! Songs by singers you know and love: Hank Williams, Kenny Rogers, Glen Campbell, Patsy Cline and more! Joining Dave on stage will be the fabulous female country singer Judy Brinn, as well as Sarah the Fiddler and Ritchie's Country Wranglers Band! The meal includes: fresh fruit, pasta, chicken Katherine, meatloaf, broccoli, potato and peach cobbler.

#### **Lenny & Joe's Fishtale – New Haven**

**Wednesday, August 17, 2016**

Come join us for a delicious lunch with a view! Daily lunch specials available. Come by to register!

*For further descriptions and information on any of our programs or activities, call 203-484-6017*

### **Now accepting applications:**

#### **Part-time Van Drivers**

For senior center transportation and other programs. CDL with "F" & "P" endorsements required.

### **The North Branford Land Conservation Trust Will be at PoCo**

The North Branford Land Conservation Trust will host an informational booth again at this year's Potato and Corn Festival. Well-informed Directors and Land Trust Members will be on hand to answer your questions about your land trust, current and future plans for open space in North Branford, invasive plant species, your property and the land trust, membership and donation opportunities among other topics.

## 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)

**North Branford Congregational Church, UCC.** 1680 Foxon Rd., North Branford, CT, 203-488-8456 or [nobfdcong@sbcglobal.net](mailto:nobfdcong@sbcglobal.net) or [www.northbranfordcongregational.org](http://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](mailto:ncchurch@snet.net). Reverend Kathryn King. 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.northfordcongregationalchurch.com](http://www.northfordcongregationalchurch.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 9:00am. We have a rotating clergy & choir 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.

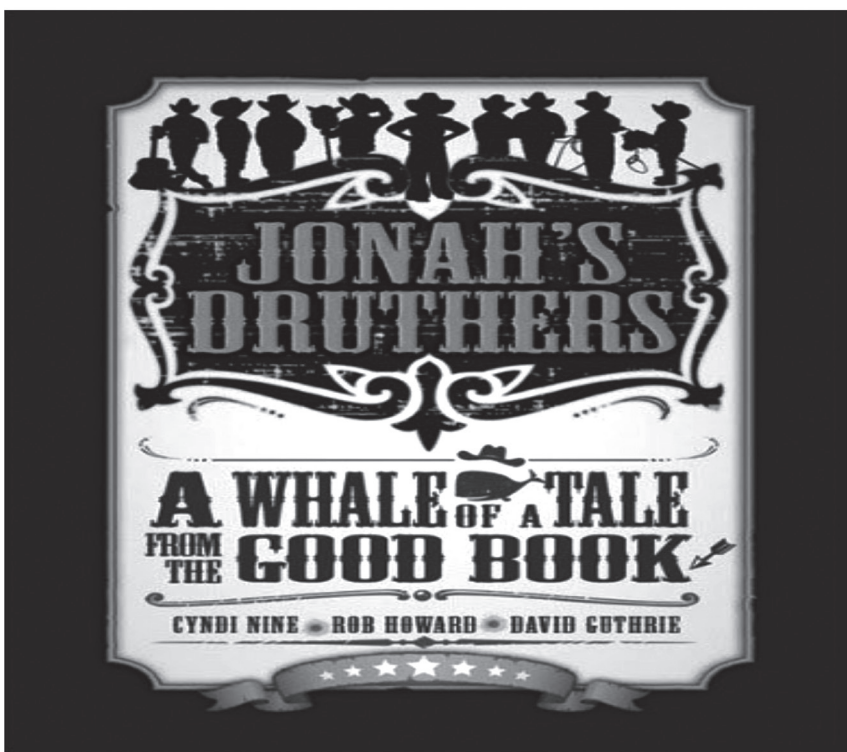
**Zion Episcopal Church,** 326 Notch Hill Road, No. Branford. 203-488-7395 Rev. Lucy LaRocca, Vicar. Sunday Holy Eucharist summer hours begin on July 10<sup>th</sup> with a single 9 a.m. service. Two babysitters available downstairs during the service. Coffee hour after the service. Visit our Facebook page or website at [zionepiscopalchurch.com](http://zionepiscopalchurch.com).

### Saint Ambrose Announces Kindergarten Class For Religious Education Program

St. Ambrose Parish is excited to announce that we have added a Kindergarten class to our Religious Education Program. Kindergarten classes will meet on Sunday mornings at 10a.m. at St. Monica Church in the Education Center, and will run from October-April.

Registration forms can be found on our website at [www.nbcatholics.org](http://www.nbcatholics.org) or just stop by the office during regular business hours.

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### 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Carnival Aug. 10 to 13

**EAST HAVEN, Conn. (July 16, 2016)** – Saint Vincent de Paul Parish in East Haven will hold its 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Carnival Wednesday, Aug. 10, to Saturday, Aug. 13, 6 to 10 p.m. Admission is free to the Carnival, which takes place on the church grounds, 80 Taylor Ave., East Haven. Featured activities include rides for all ages; games; a raffle; and a wide array of delicious food and drink, including hot dogs and hamburgers, sausage and peppers, eggplant parmigiana, meatball parmigiana, broccoli rabe and sausage, fried dough, chicken tenders, French fries, Italian ice, cannoli, baked goods, coffee, soda and water.

Every night is “Wristband Night,” featuring unlimited rides for \$25. Well-known local singer Rich DiPalma will provide the musical entertainment on Wednesday, Aug. 10, and Friday, Aug. 12. A DJ will provide music on Thursday and Saturday evenings.

The six raffle prizes are: monetary prizes of \$1,500 and \$750; a \$250 ShopRite gift card; two \$250 gift cards from Forbes Premium Fuel; and a \$250 local restaurant gift certificate package. The raffle drawing take place Saturday, Aug. 13, at 9:30 p.m.; winners need not be present.

All proceeds will benefit Saint Vincent de Paul Church.

### Saint George Carnival in Guilford

Saint George Carnival Sponsored by the Saint George Knights of Columbus council #3928 held on St George Church Grounds 33 Whitfield ST Guilford CT 06437 August 9th to the 13th time 5:30 to 10:30pm. Rides, Food Games of Chance White elephant Sale. Every night is wristband night, one price to rides all night. raffle tickets call Carl Swan(203)415-1168 Free Parking and entrance

### SUMMER WORSHIP SERVICES

#### AT NORTHFORD CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

Rev. Kathryn King is on sabbatical until early Sept., during which time the church will have guest preachers. Rev. Robin Blundon will cover three Sundays each month. Aug. 21 will be covered by Father Jordan Lenahan. Sunday worship services are held at 9 a.m.

The historic 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. Like us on Facebook. Website: [www.northfordcongregationalchurch.com](http://www.northfordcongregationalchurch.com). Email address: [ncchurch@snet.net](mailto:ncchurch@snet.net).

### North Branford Congregational Church “Be Our Guest”

The North Branford Congregational Church at 1680 Foxon Road, would like you to join us and “Be Our Guest” on August 27 from 12 noon to 5:00 pm for an Open House and an afternoon of fun in the sun. You will be able to tour our church and listen to its amazing past through our church historian.

If you get hungry there will be lots of BBQ hot dogs and hamburgers to eat and a large table of sweet tasting desserts. There will also be music and a bounce house for the kids.

Please join us for a day filled with fun as we say goodbye to summer. Any questions please call the church office at 203.488.8456.

### Bingo at the Guilford K of C

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

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## Art Show at Evergreen Woods



Evergreen Woods invites you to enjoy a gallery exhibition featuring the talents of our community residents. Among them, Gusta Abels (who recently passed away), served as our resident art teacher, assisting and counseling her peers in shape, color, and composition.

Gusta began studying drawing and painting at age 12 at the Art Students' League in New York City. She majored in Art History at Barnard College and received her Masters degree in art from Columbia University. After graduation, she was awarded the Fulbright Scholarship to study painting in Belgium.

For years, she taught a weekly painting class at Evergreen Woods, and in this exhibition, her students present their work alongside hers to celebrate the arts and her memory.

The Art show will be at evergreen Woods Community Building at 88 Notch Hill Road, North Branford from July 27th to August 24th.

## Summer Food & Supply Drive for Homeless Felines

Branford Compassion Club will hold its summer food and supply drive on Saturday, July 30<sup>th</sup> from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at BCC's Feline Rescue & Adoption Center, 2037 Foxon Rd, North Branford.

The shelter is in desperate need of canned and dry cat and kitten food, Yesterday's News cat litter, paper towels and kitchen trash bags. Cash donations and gift cards are also appreciated.

Please stop by and visit the cats and kittens available for adoption, and see our newly constructed screened outdoor patio. Lemonade and cookies will be served.

Please visit [www.branfordcompassionclub.org](http://www.branfordcompassionclub.org) for BCC's complete wish list.



## Visit the Dudley Farm Farmers' Market

The Dudley Farm Farmers' Market, now in its 21st year, is open every Saturday from 9:00 AM to 12:30 PM at 2351 Durham Road in North Guilford. It provides the opportunity to purchase local and organic, seasonal produce and handmade arts and crafts while enjoying the beauty and serenity of the Farm as it was in the year 1900. In addition to fruits and vegetables, also available are baked goods, eggs, fresh cut flowers, herbs and potted plants, honey and maple syrup, jams and jellies, naturally-raised meat, and pickles. Handmade items include hand-spun yarn, paintings, photographs, cards, jewelry, soap, woodworking, pottery, sewing, quilting and more.

For more information contact 860-349-3917, visit [www.dudleyfarm.com](http://www.dudleyfarm.com) or check out the Dudley Farm Museum Facebook page. The Market is subject to cancellation due to inclement weather.

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