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MARIE DIAMOND & ASHLEY FERNANDEZ RECOGNIZED BY CHAMBER

CONGRATULATIONS to Councilor Marie Diamond and Ashley Fernandez on receiving the Women of Excellence Award by the Shoreline Chamber of Commerce at their annual ceremony at Woodwinds in Branford.

Marie Diamond received the Chamber's Educational Leadership Award, celebrating her lifelong dedication as an educator and lengthy and distinguished career in the North Haven School system. She is also a dedicated local volunteer here in North Branford, having served on the Board of Education, the Parks & Recreation Commission, and has served on the North Branford Town Council since 2015.

Ashley Fernandez was recognized with the Chamber's Philanthropic Leadership Award for her passionate advocacy for Cornelia de Lange Syndrome (CdLS) following her daughter's diagnosis in 2013. She has served in multiple roles, currently as Family Service Coordinator, with the CdLS Foundation. She has also worked to promote literacy as well as supporting the nonprofit work of SNORT Rescue (Short Noses Only Rescue Team) fostering dogs to safe loving homes.

Congratulations to these two amazing North Branford residents who *have truly made a difference for our community!*

Marie and Ashley each pictured State Representative Moira Rader, State Representative Robin Comey, North Branford Mayor Rose Angeloni, Shoreline Chamber President Dee Jacob, Chamber VP Chad Edgar, and event MC Ann Nyberg.

Republicans & Democrats Endorse Candidates for November Elections

Both the Republican and Democratic parties have endorse their candidates for the Town Council and Board of Education, November 4, election.

At the Republican Committee caucuses, nominated incumbent members were:

Rose Angeloni
Jeffrey Macmillen
Ronald Pelleccia Jr.
Walter Goad Jr.
Thomas Zampano
New nominee is
Robert Whitworth Jr.

Democratic Town Council nominees were incumbent

Bruce Abelson
Marie Diamond
Craig Miller
New nominees are
Christopher Heon
Daniel Seiden
Vincent Mase

The Republicans presently hold the majority with a six to three count. Each term is a two year term and 9 out of the twelve nominees will be elected.

The election for the Board of Education will fill four seats on the seven member Board. Republican

Incumbent members	Marjorie Bondies
	Elizabeth Siena
New Candidate	Carolyn Candelora
Democratic Incumbent	Marcey Onofrio
New Candidate	Stephanie Byrd.

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Please save the dates and deadlines below. Tihs will carry through November so you can plan your ads for holidays, election and letters to the editor as well as all other press releases.

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State Representative Vincent Candelora



A deeply troubling scandal has burst onto front pages across Connecticut, revealing a crisis that can no longer be waved away with partisan spin. Federal investigators are now probing in and around state government, and a grand jury has been convened with a Bloomfield state senator at the center of the scrutiny. Investigators have questions

about the Democratic legislator as they examine a tangled web of non-profits, businesses, and personal connections tied to state economic-development grants. With new details emerging daily, the inquiry now also includes questions about his campaign finances and the state's commercial marijuana licensing process.

The questions piling up go to the heart of transparency, accountability, and whether taxpayer dollars were handled properly.

This isn't some isolated incident Governor Lamont can dismiss as "small ball"—his unfortunate characterization of the wildly inappropriate spending by former state colleges chancellor Terrence Cheng, who wasted taxpayer money on expensive meals, chauffeured rides, and took moving expenses money without actually moving to Connecticut. Rather than face criminal investigation, Cheng was rewarded by keeping his \$440,000 salary in a nebulous new lesser role while students and parents continue feeling the financial squeeze.

Connecticut's ethical lapses extend far beyond this latest federal probe. We have ongoing school construction and Medicaid fraud federal cases, an improper vehicle use scandal in the Governor's office, and a DMV employee allegedly running a car sales scheme using towed vehicles. The Governor's tepid response to all of it is akin to a green light for others.

Last March, Republicans called for empowering the state Inspector General to investigate misconduct among inside the state's workforce. The Governor and Democrats laughed off our concerns and proposal. With the new federal investigation, I doubt they're laughing now.

This crisis has exposed flaws in how Connecticut distributes millions in taxpayer dollars to nonprofit organizations—money that often serves as political sweeteners legislators can tout back home. I worry these budgetary earmarks—\$5,000 for the Jeep Enthusiasts of Connecticut, for example—that I wrote about here earlier this summer lack proper vetting and follow-up. Do these organizations actually need the funding? How is the money used? Are taxpayers getting value for their investment?

The federal investigation should force an overdue conversation if not reform. We need transparent criteria for all funding awards and accountability measures. Connecticut taxpayers deserve a government that treats their hard-earned dollars with respect, not as political currency.

The time for excuses and deflection has passed. This federal investigation isn't just examining one senator's conduct; it's holding up a mirror to our entire system of governance.

Either we seize this moment to implement meaningful reforms and restore ethical standards, or we resign ourselves to a government where corruption flourishes and public trust withers. The choice is ours, and Connecticut's future hangs in the balance.

Rep. Vincent Candelora,
House Republican Leader
86th Assembly District, North Branford,
Durham, East Haven, Guilford

Connecting our Town

For Immediate Release:

Common Ground – Connecting Our Town Invites Residents to Build a more connected North Branford Upcoming “Community Day of Connection” Offers Chance to Meet, Share, and Celebrate Together North Branford,

CT —August 16, 2025 — Common Ground – Connecting Our Town is calling on residents, local organizations, and community leaders to come together and help shape the future of our town. Common Ground is a growing network of local organizations and residents with diverse backgrounds, stories, and perspectives. Our mission is simple but powerful:

1. Support each other.
 2. Work together to identify and address our common wants and needs.
 3. Ensure every resident has a voice in how our town grows and develops.
- Throughout the year, Common Ground hosts community conversations, town-wide events, educational sessions, and other opportunities for neighbors to gather.

Now, we're inviting everyone to join us at our next big event — the Community Day of Connection hosted and sponsored by BHcare*— to experience the spirit of Common Ground firsthand. The Community Day of Connection will take place on Saturday, September 13, from 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM at BHcare, 28 Branford Road, North Branford.

The free, family-friendly event will feature music, crafts, games, and the chance to meet local organizations, nonprofits, and service providers. Participants can learn about available services, share their ideas, and enjoy time with neighbors in a fun and welcoming setting. Whether you've lived in North Branford for generations or just moved here, Common Ground invites you to be part of this growing movement for connection, collaboration, and community pride.

*BHcare provides comprehensive behavioral health, prevention, and domestic violence services that improve the lives and health of individuals, and families throughout the community. Learn more: www.BHcare.org

Event Details: • What: Community Day of Connection • When: Saturday, September 13, 2025 – 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM • Where: BHcare, 28 Branford Road, North Branford • Cost: Free and open to all For more information about Common Ground or to get involved, contact Kara Papa at 2038591512 or klcpapa@gmail.com




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

This paper reserves the right to edit all letters.

All letters should be addressed to :

The Editor

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7th Annual Richard M DeCrosta Memorial Golf Tournament



The North Haven Sons & Daughters of Italy, Lodge 2805 is holding its annual Richard M DeCrosta Memorial

Golf Tournament, benefitting their scholarship program and the Epilepsy Foundation, on Sunday, September 21, 2025 at Hunter Memorial Golf Course in Meriden.

The registration fee is \$165 per player and includes lunch, dinner and refreshments on the course. The tournament will utilize a scramble format. Registration starts at 11:30 am, followed by lunch and a 1:00 pm shotgun start, with dinner taking place at 5:30 pm.

In addition to team score prizes, there will be prizes for closest to the pin, hole in one, and men's and women's longest drives. In addition to players, the Lodge has a number of options available for those who wish to sponsor the event.

If you have any questions about this event, please contact the Lodge at 203-239-2999 or visit the golf tournament page on our website: northhavenlodge2805.club/golf-tournament

The North Haven Sons and Daughters of Italy, Lodge 2805 will be sponsoring a Red Cross Blood Drive on Wednesday, September 3rd, from 1:00-6:00 p.m. It will be held at Hope Christian Church, 211 Montowese Avenue, North Haven. We hope you will register to donate blood, helping to save lives! To do so, please visit redcrossblood.org or call 1-800-REDCROSS. For information about our Lodge, please visit northhavenlodge2805.club.

North Branford's Totoket Historical Society

House Tour 2025

Saturday, October 4, 2025 10:00 am
– 3:30 pm

Join us for the first historic house tour in over 50 years! Take a step back in time and visit 5 historic private homes in North Branford and Northford plus the Totoket Historical Society's Reynolds-Beers house.

Ticket Information

- Advanced sales tickets are \$40.00 through the Historical Society's website: www.thetotokethistoricalsociety.org. Advanced sales open until Oct. 1.
- Day of Tour tickets will be \$45.00 – CASH only.
- Tickets are non-refundable – thank you for understanding.

Any questions, contact Lynn Walczak 203-214-9172 or Nancy Gierwielanec 203-500-0267

North Branford Fire Department Be Prepared.

As summer rapidly comes to a close, remember it is also Hurricane Season. The National Hurricane Center expects a busy year. But we should all prepare for any type of natural emergency. Everyone should have a plan.

Before

• Prepare your evacuation plan if needed, including pets, transportation routes and destinations. • Keep all trees and shrubs well-trimmed and clear loose and clogged rain gutters and downspouts. • Consider building a safe room. • Stay informed! Listen to local weather forecasts and news reports regularly. • Cover your home's windows with pre-cut plywood or hurricane shutters. Tape does not prevent windows from breaking. Bring all outside furniture, decorations, garbage cans, etc. • Turn off utilities if instructed to do so. • Turn off propane tanks. • Fill the bathtub or buckets with water to use for cleaning and flushing toilets. • Always keep your gas tank at least 3/4 full. • Keep your emergency supplies kit, including water, and copies of important documents, in a waterproof, portable container, in an easily accessible location

Evacuate under the following conditions: If local authorities tell you to evacuate, follow their directions. • If you live in a mobile home or temporary structure, which is particularly hazardous no matter how well fastened to the ground. • If you live on the coast, on a floodplain, near a river, or on an inland waterway. • If you feel you are in danger. • If you live in an area below sea level.

During

• If you choose not to evacuate, stay indoors and away from windows and glass doors. Close all interior doors and secure and brace exterior doors. Keep curtains and blinds closed. Take refuge in a small interior room, closet, or hallway on the lowest level. Lie on the floor under a table or another sturdy object. • Do not be fooled by a lull in the storm—it could be the eye of the storm and winds could resume. After • Be aware of flooding and tornadoes. • Stay out of flood waters, if possible. • Stay away from downed power lines. • If you evacuated, do not return to your home until local authorities say it is safe.

The supplies can be kept in a plastic tub, small suitcase, trash can, backpack or another container. To learn what else you need in an emergency supplies kit, go to www.ready.gov

Emergency Supply Kit

Water – one gallon per person per day for drinking and sanitation — store 3-day supply. Ready-to-eat food, canned juices, comfort/stress foods — at least a 3-day supply. Battery-powered or hand-cranked radio and a NOAA weather radio, and extra batteries for both. Flashlights and extra batteries. First aid kit. Non-prescription drugs such as pain reliever, antidiarrhea medication, antacid, laxative. Prescription medications, contact lenses and supplies, denture needs. Infant formula and diapers. Water and pet food if you have pets. Moist tow-elettes, garbage bags and plastic ties for personal sanitation Plastic sheeting and duct tape to shelter-in-place. Wrench or pliers to turn off utilities. Can opener for food. Aluminum foil. A jacket or coat, extra clothing. Disinfectant and household chlorine bleach q Important family documents such as copies of insurance policies, identification, and bank account records in a waterproof, portable container. Remember to include emergency contact numbers and your cell phone charger.

Additional information can be found on the Town's website: <http://www.northbranfordct.gov/216/Emergency-Management> and the National Weather Service: <https://www.weather.gov/>



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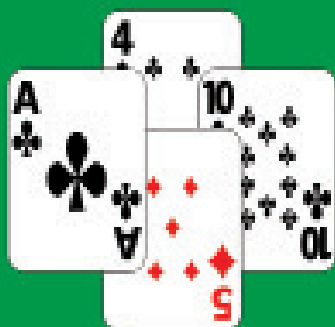
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Historian Celebrates the 92nd Anniversary of Civilian Conservation Corps at Chatfield Hollow State Park

How did the young men of the Civilian Conservation Corps (CCC) during the Great Depression build the trails, roads, campsites, and dams to create Chatfield Hollow State Park in Killingworth and other Connecticut state parks? Historian and author Marty Podskoch will speak on the history of the CCC and its work at Chatfield Hollow Saturday, September 6 at 2 p.m. at the Oak Lodge Nature Center in the park. The free event celebrates the 92nd anniversary of the CCC and is sponsored by The Friends of Chatfield Hollow. Information on the organization is available on its Facebook page.

The CCC began on March 31, 1933, as part of President Franklin D. Roosevelt’s “New Deal” to relieve the poverty and unemployment of the Great Depression. Chatfield Hollow was originally known as “Camp Roosevelt” and was established on May 23, 1933, on Route 80 in Killingworth in Cockaponset State Forest. It was one of 22 such “camps” founded in Connecticut that became state parks. The “hollow” was a lowland with a stream flowing through it, thus a place to construct a dam and create Schreeder Lake with a sandy beach and picnic areas.

Podskoch is a retired teacher and the author of 11 books about the CCC and the Adirondacks. He lives with his family on Lake Pocotopaug in East Hampton, Connecticut.

Cheryl Buckley, Guilford resident, leads the Friends of Chatfield Hollow group of volunteers who help maintain and upgrade in association with the state of Connecticut State Parks and Forests.

attached photo of CCC men lining up for mess.

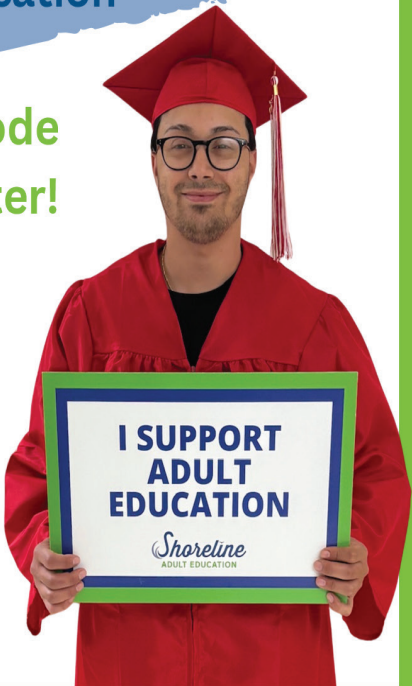
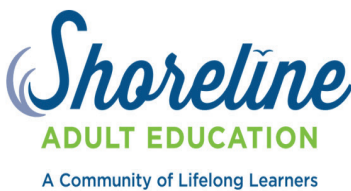
Hall of Fame for Babby Nuhn

North Branford legendary coach Babby Nuhn has been inducted into the Connecticut Field Hockey Hall of Fame. The induction will take place at the 25th Connecticut Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony and Dinner on Sunday, September 7th . Cocktails will begin at 3:00 PM- with dinner starting at 4:00PM. The Dinner will take place at the Aqua Room at the Aqua Turf Club in Southington Tickets are \$75. per person. For tickets please contact evaunboatman@gmail.com

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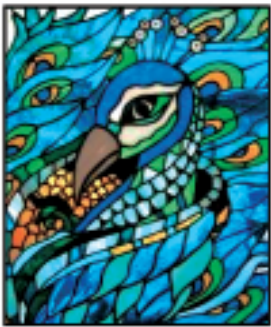
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Recycling News

Labor Day is September 1st. This is a trash Holiday. Trash pickup will be one day later this week.

Hazwaste Central in New Haven is also closed for Labor Day weekend.

Hazwaste Central is open for the season until October Safe & Free Disposal of Residential Household Hazardous Waste

The Regional Water Authorities' HazWaste Central will be open on Saturdays through mid-October. **They are closed on the weekend of Labor Day.**

Now is the time to drop off your hazardous waste. There are no lines and it takes about 5 minutes in-and-out. If you wait until October, the lines will be longer.

HazWaste Central helps area residents in member towns protect water quality by safely disposing of household wastes. Located at RWA at 90 Sargent Drive in New Haven, HazWaste Central is open from **9 a.m. until noon on Saturdays only**. Household hazardous waste comes from everyday products used in the home, garage, yard or garden.

A visit to HazWaste Central is quick and easy. Participants never have to leave their cars, and the waste is off-loaded by professionals. Some of the household wastes that can be dropped off include aerosol cleaners and sprays, antifreeze, oil-based paint and pool chemicals. We also list some of the accepted items on your yellow trash information card.

Please visit <https://www.rwater.com/in-the-community/hazwaste-central> for a complete list of what is accepted along with the online registration form. You can also call 203-401-2712 or email ask.hazwaste@rwater.com.

Please don't put your bulky waste out at the curb.

The next bulky waste pickup isn't until November!

This means that no couches, tables, or large home goods should go to the curb until Bulky Waste.

Bulky Waste will not pickup construction debris, such as toilets, concrete blocks, roofing material or home cleanouts. Please dispose of property.

Bulky Waste will not pickup TVs, monitors, printers and other electronics.

We will have an electronics collection to collect these.

Please don't put these items by the curb as trash – ever.

You can post useful items on the Facebook page: North Branford & Northford Free Items.

There is also Freecycle.org in East Haven or New Haven.

Habitat for Humanity Restore in Wallingford

The ReStore is a donation-based retail store open to the general public. All proceeds from the ReStore benefit Habitat for Humanity of Greater New Haven. Your dollars fund the building of Habitat homes in our region. You may need approval to donate large items. <https://habitatgnh.org/restore/>

You can look up your item in the **New Haven Downsizing Donation Guide**. It lists multiple organizations that want your stuff! Just Google 'New Haven Downsizing Donation Guide'. Some places even pickup large items.

Plastic Film Reminder

Please remember to empty your plastic bags of food and liquids before placing in the collection bin. The best way to do this is to turn the bags inside out. It may just be water to you, but mixed with other things it becomes a sticky mess. Also, if you are putting the bags in another bag, please pack them loosely. Tightly packed bags tend to get smelly.

For more information about recycling in North Branford you can check out North Branford's Recycling Committee's website: <https://www.northbranfordct.gov/245/SolidHazardous-Waste-Recycling-Committee> or our Facebook page: North Branford CT Hazardous Waste & Recycling Committee

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

Grades 3-5 at STW Community Center

****EARLY DISMISSAL DAYS****

1:00 - 3:00pm Cost \$40 res/ \$45 non-res per class

WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 17, 2025

PASTA ALLA SORRENTINA & DECORATE YOUR OWN CUPCAKE

WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 15, 2025

CHEESY HALLOWEEN PIZZA SKULLS & HALLOWEEN OREO CAKE BARS



— SENIOR CENTER — AQUA TURF



Jukebox45 Show
Band: DooWop Show

At Aqua Turf Club

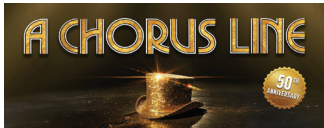
September 9, 2025- \$58res/\$63nr

This group plays some of the most memorable songs from the great era of DooWop. Paul Anka, The Duprees, Fred Parrish & The 5 Satins, Larry Chance & The Earls, just to name a few. Celebrating decades of legendary music, you won't want to miss this!!

Departs 10:15 am Returns: appx. 5:00 pm

Register by: 8/22 Payment is due at time of registration

GOODSPEED MUSICALS



A CHORUS LINE

At the Goodspeed Opera House

September 10, 2025

\$120res/\$130nr

Enjoy lunch at the Gelston House before the show!

Departs 11:00 am Returns: appx. 5:00 pm

Payment is due at time of registration

Please register by July 21st to reserve your ticket to lunch and this fantastic show!

The trip leaves from the Senior Center. If you need transportation to the Center, kindly let us know when you register.

MOVE TO MUSIC

Friday Sept 12 - \$5res/\$6nr

10:00—11:00am STW Gym/Cafe

Instructor: Adrienne Patrella

"Move to Music" is a low impact, fun, fitness class which can be done either seated or standing. This easy-to-follow program combines gentle movements with upbeat music to help you improve strength, mobility, flexibility, and balance—all while enjoying the rhythm and having fun.

SR CENTER BIG E TRIP!



Wednesday, September 17

9:00am - 4:00pm

\$30 res / \$35 nr

Please register by 9/9

Please join us on Wednesday, September 17, as we travel to Springfield, MA to celebrate Connecticut Day! Enjoy a day at the fair!

SWEET TREAT TRIP

Bishop's Orchards - Guilford

September 25, 2025

Departs STW at 12:00pm Returns 2:00pm

Hop on the senior bus and join us to get some delicious ice cream at Bishop's and time will be allowed for some shopping in the store! Please register by 9/19. The cost is on your own.

CHRISTMAS CARD CREATIONS

Sept 29th - \$10res/\$12nr

Oct 27th - \$10res/\$12nr

Nov 10th - \$10res/\$12nr

12:30-1:30pm - STW Art Room

Join us for a creative class where you will assemble beautifully detailed Anna Griffin Christmas cards! Using Anna Griffin's high quality embellishments and layered element, you will create elegant, ready-to-send holiday cards that will wow your family and friends. Your instructor is Donna Woolcott, Master Painter and avid crafter. All supplies are included, no prior experience needed. Three sessions to choose from!

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NARFE Monthly Meeting

The National Active and Retired Federal Employees Association monthly meeting will be held Monday, September 8, 1:pm, at the North Haven Congregational Church, 28 Church St. All active and retired federal workers are invited to attend.

The guest speaker will be Attorney Steven Allinson who will present “Wills, Trusts, Probate.” Attendees are encouraged to bring questions.

NARFE is dedicated to protecting and preserving the earned benefits of federal workers and retirees.

Info: <http://www.Narfe.org>

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Local Artist Exhibiting at Smith Library

Local artist, Patty Meglio, will be exhibiting her latest artwork at the Edward Smith Library from September 2 until September 30. She will appear in person at the library on Wednesday, September 9, from 6 to 8 pm to talk about her work.

Patty Meglio is a native Connecticut artist and writer. She paints with oils, pastels and watercolors from life, and often paints *en plein air* at different locations throughout New England. Patty’s work is modern impressionist style, usually depicting country landscapes, seascapes, portraits and still life.

Patty instructs Drawing and Oil Painting at Hamden Adult Education Enrichment Classes and at the Guilford Art Center, as well as providing private instruction. She loves to share her knowledge about art and guide her students as they develop their creations. During the COVID pandemic, Patty started writing a free weekly newsletter with articles on painting and drawing instruction and art history for more than three hundred of her friends and former students as a way to inspire and communicate. Her articles can be found on her blog, [Pen ‘n Paint on Art and Writing](#).

Patty has exhibited in numerous venues throughout the state of Connecticut and New Hampshire. Her work is held in private collections throughout the country. For more information, visit www.Pattymegliostudio.com.

Photo: Utrecht at Night, Oil on Canvas, by Patty Meglio.