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Get in the "Spirit" at Townline

Townline Wine & Spirits located at 2430 Foxon Road, North Branford, CT 06471 celebrated their 2nd Annual Holiday & Gift Shopping Event (apparently this is the 2nd anniversary of their business ownership). 2nd Annual event was opened in presence of Vincent Candelora, State Representative, Earl Norwood, Owner of Country Paint & Hardware, John Castlevetro, Owner of Total Interiors & The Townline Family. This 2nd annual "Holiday & Gift Shopping Event" was organized to showcase holiday gift ideas, early holiday shopping w/ pre-ordering special pricings, new products and much more. As Townline received an incredible response to this event, Townline did plan to organize this event "Every 2nd Saturday of November Every Year," so mark your calendar now, you do not want to miss out on this great yearly event. Apart from event Townline also offers weekend tastings, to have you explore a new side of your palates, personal gift deliveries for your loved ones on this holiday, corporate giftings, concierge sales, one on one party planning and many more services and they also have the largest selection of wines on the shoreline, they are just way beyond just a regular mom and pop store, go check out. This year they released their new services "Hassle-Free Gifting," it's pretty simple and cool, 3 step process, just pick your product, they will pack for you and you just hand out to your friends and family and you can also customize the label for your gift bottle just for 10 cents (100% of label proceedings goes to the local community). Now you can shop anytime go to the Townline's website www.townlinewines.com or download their app search for "Townline Wine And Spirits" in apple or android store. This year Townline Wine & Spirits is offering a huge sale on all wine & spirits and a great discount on a case of wines during this holiday season.

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State Representative Vincent Candelora

Ditch the Gamesmanship, Take “Unintended Consequences” Seriously



Public policy is a constant, influential force in the lives of residents, and when the weight of government's decisions grows too heavy, residents and main street shop owners begin to contemplate their futures in our state. And in 2018, there was a lot of contemplation.

Last year marked the ninth consecutive year that Connecticut lost residents to other states as another 30,000 people became ex-Nutmeggers. It was one of the largest out-migrations we've seen over a single year in the past decade. Tax hikes passed in 2011 and 2015 weighed heavy.

Considering decisions made this year, more tax hikes and the current push for tolls, it wouldn't surprise me to see even more people seek prosperity elsewhere. The budget signed back in the spring increased the cost of living here in Connecticut through a radical sales tax expansion, going as far as targeting a purchase you might make while playing an app-based game on your cell phone. Now, Angry Birds enthusiasts will, perhaps, be angry when they play.

Democrats' no-stone-unturned revenue hunt led to one of the year's biggest and perhaps unresolved controversies—a hidden tax on most grocery items that came to light through taxation instructions offered to stores by the state's Department of Revenue Services (DRS.)

Republicans successfully objected to the implementation of that hidden tax, though an enduring discrepancy between revised DRS tax instructions to stores and the actual law on the books has left many audit-fearing grocery store owners feeling uneasy if not uncertain about what to tax.

If you think that sounds problematic, just wait until the state's new paid family and medical leave program—a mandatory payroll tax—hits its full stride.

Unfortunately, the phrase “unintended consequences” has become synonymous with Democrat policy initiatives. With it, the arts of deflection and gamesmanship have grown.

That grocery tax problem? Democrats say it wasn't the words in their budget, but rather an overzealous DRS bureaucrat and Republicans making a misleading fuss over nothing.

Right now, the debate over tolls is steeped in that gamesmanship. Tolls remain a linchpin in Governor Lamont's vision for transportation despite opinion polls that show most residents oppose the idea of heaping hundreds of millions of dollars more in annual taxes onto the backs of in-state drivers. Legislative Democrats, who have offered no transportation plan of their own, say they'll support the governor's plan—but *only if Republicans do, too*.

Translation: They understand tolls are unpopular, and they're leveraging Republicans' crystal clear opposition to tolls as a tool to avoid casting a difficult vote ahead of an election year.

Last week, Republicans continued our strong record of offering alternative ideas. This time, it's a transportation plan that not only funds our infrastructure needs, but also reinstates the transportation oversight committee (eliminated by Gov. Malloy) that was responsible for prioritizing our state's projects. The Republican plan also moves labor and pensions costs from transportation bond funds to the general fund where it belongs.

While I appreciate that Gov. Lamont is fighting for what he believes in, I believe his pursuit of tolls will result in one heck of an unintended consequence: more fed up people leaving an already-unaffordable state, feeling as though government is working against them.

I hope this difficult conversation over transportation and the resounding outcry over taxes and business policies will cause the governor and Democrats to recognize the impact of their decisions. Such awareness, combined with Republicans carrying alternative ideas, could produce fertile ground for bipartisan talks as the holiday season approaches.

Otherwise, a year from now we could find ourselves looking back on 2019 as a year of great—and unfortunate—contemplation.

Let's Be “Frank”

I hate turkey. Always liked Thanksgiving but never liked turkey. So here we are my brother, ready for another holiday. In the past, I enjoyed the accompanying dishes. Candied sweet potatoes, stuffed mushrooms, stuffed artichokes, lasagna, antipasto, turkey stuffing, pies and pastry and even that lousy string bean casserole. I didn't really need the turkey.

So now I'm on the diabetic healthy heart diet, some family members are gluten free, some are dairy free and others are just good food free. So we take the candy out of the sweet potatoes, the salty items out of the antipasto, the cheese out of the lasagna, the stuffing out of the mushrooms, the onion soup mix and noodles out of the string bean casserole, and the pies and pastries must go. We are left with chick pea noodles, salad, string beans and sugar free jello for dessert and yes, the dreaded tasteless turkey.

Most of the high school football games are now on Wednesday evening instead of Thanksgiving morning. The majority of the people who enjoyed all these traditional items on the menu are now gone (not because of the food) so a trip to the cemetery instead of the football game takes much less time but there are more people there then there are at the Thanksgiving table.

With that being said, let's concentrate on what I can be grateful for. My pacemaker is working well. My periodic kidney stones are always something to look forward to. I am now blessed with occasional flare ups of gout to go with my kidney stones. My diabetes numbers are off the charts which aren't the high test scores I was looking for in school. I still get the periodic abscess in my undercarriage and the doctors have informed me that with the high sugar numbers I can no longer substitute lemoncello, sambuca or wine for the pain pills they prescribe. Thankful, I wonder?

As I was writing this column, someone from the community called to ask me to serve on another board. I got two phone calls from other organizations I am in to discuss marketing, fund raisers and grant awards for our upcoming events. My wife called to see how I was doing and I started to feel a bit upbeat.

Then the door flew open and two young boys popped into the house. “Hi poppy, how is your day?” Asked Nico. Hey poppy, do you want to play checkers? I won't cheat this time.” Was John's (don't call me Johnnie) request. In unison they both asked for snacks and they both told me they loved me. Nico (the three year old) hugged and kissed me and John gave me a high five (hugging and kissing is not his “cup of tea” he keeps reminding me).

We watched a show, chatted and I watched them, fight, hug, argue, fight some more and hug again. I watched their mother discipline them and remind me (when I thought she was being to harsh) that her discipline is much more lenient than the corporal punishment I distributed when she was a kid.

When they left, I dozed off for a few minutes and woke up with a smile on my face. I guess I had accomplished a few things during the day and I really enjoyed having my family over. I think they enjoyed it as well.



So I guess I have a lot to be thankful for. I still miss you my brother but

your family still joins us for the holiday. I miss Mary's special laugh and I miss arguing with the both of you over your flaming liberal views.

I'm grateful for everything in my life, past and present. Missing you guys makes the past seem better cause without those memories my heart would be empty.

So I guess I'll hang around here as long as I am allowed.

Happy Thanksgiving and I'll see you soon. My best to the rest.

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The Editor

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In Search for Light

I’m constantly searching for light in the midst of what seems a modern age of darkness. Everything on TV, in the movies and in our news seems a constant effort to frighten, alarm or warn of lurking catastrophe at every turn. I’m tired of the constant preaching of global doom and death on Netflix. So, I thought I’d share some recently discovered things of more uplifting and enlightening substance.

The foul language and overt sexual content that has come to plague most comedy today is almost completely absent in “Dry Bar,” stand up comedy featuring many varied comedians. You can find it on YouTube. Of the many comedians featured, I recommend Fred Klett, particularly if you’re from a big family.

A little known movie from 2008, “Adopt a Sailor,” is about a young man from Turkey Scratch, Arkansas who changes the lives of a couple in New York City who thought their membership in the upper crust of society gave them dibs on the proper view of life and the meaning of things.

“Seabiscuit” is a great read for those who like to root for the underdog. Yes, I said “read,” because the novel is far better than the movie in portraying its many, varied underdog characters. Yes, its technically about a horse, but don’t fret that if you’re not into horses because its really about the people around the horse and their awkward fit into a society changing from the wild west into the roaring twenties and the dawn of urban frenzy.

I must also recommend the Book Swap at our Senior Center for its variety of good reads. That’s where we found Seabuiscut. Drop off some of your favorite reads and grab a couple new ones for yourself!

Kirt Westphal & Theresa

GET INVOLVED!

Dear Editor,

I would like to take this time to thank all the people that came out on Wednesday, Nov. 5th and voted for me in the recent town election. Some might say that I lost, but that is not so. When you have an opportunity to see so many “Old” friends that came out to support you, and meet so many “New” friends, who supported me, then you can’t consider yourself anything but a winner.

I would like to express my appreciation to the North Branford Democratic Party for giving me the chance to be part of a great slate of Democratic candidates. I did not know any of the other Democratic candidates before we ran, and now I have the pleasure of having eight new friends.

I would like to wish all the newly elected Town Council members the very best as they lead our Town during the next two years, in particular Mayor Robert “Bob” Viglione and Deputy Mayor Thomas “Tom” Zampano, two men I recently met and was veryimpressed with.

I would also like to express a special thanks to my wife, Cecilia and our children, Elizabeth, Ellenmary, Patrick, Catherine and Amy for their unquestionable support and involvement in my campaign from the very beginning.

Finally, to all the other members of the North Branford Democratic Party, don’t wait as long as I did to get involved and run for office. The North Branford Democratic Party as well as the Town of North Branford needs you now.

Get involved!!!

Joe Martin

NARFE Holiday Luncheon

The National Active and Retired Federal Employees Association will hold its annual holiday luncheon and installation of elected officers on Monday, December 2, 1:pm, at Brazi’s Restaurant, 201 Food Terminal Plaza, Long Wharf, New Haven. Reservations are required; RSVP by November 25. Info: Linda at 203/287-8673

KAYAKS AND PADDLEBOARDS

Eileen Martin, owner of Branford River Paddlesports, will be making a presentation about self-propelled watercraft and how to enjoy them safely. She will bring a paddleboard, kayak, and related gear to the meeting for your inspection. Her discussion will include anecdotal accounts of the smart and not so smart things she has seen over the years of renting watercraft to the public. Thurs., Nov. 14, 6:30 dinner, 7:30 presentation, Pompeo’s Restaurant, 485 West Main St., Branford, \$18 includes buffet dinner, cash bar. Reservations required: contact Mike Drozd at michaeldrozd@att.net or 203-389-4692. Hosted by New Haven Sail & Power Squadron, part of America’s Boating Club®, at their monthly meeting. The public is invited.

North Branford Fire Department

Carbon Monoxide. What you need to know:

Carbon monoxide (CO) is an odorless, colorless gas that interferes with the delivery of oxygen in the blood to the rest of the body. It is produced by incomplete combustion of fuels that include coal, wood, charcoal, natural gas, propane, and fuel oil. Problems can arise as a result of improper installation, maintenance, or inadequate venation. The symptoms are sometimes confused with the flu or food poisoning. Infants, elderly, pregnant women, and people with heart or respiratory illness are particularly at high risk from the effects of carbon monoxide poisoning. Nationally an estimated 300 people a year die as a result of carbon monoxide poisoning and thousands of others end up in the emergency room.

What you need to do: Ensure that all fuel burning appliances are properly adjusted and maintained. Have annual inspections of heating systems, chimney and flues. Never leave a car running in the garage. Install a carbon monoxide detector near your sleeping area.

If your CO detector goes off, or if everyone in the house are experience flue like symptoms that improve when your not home, call 911 and get out of the house.

Fireplace and Home Fire Safety:

With the high price of fuel oil and natural gas, many homeowners are using alternate heating sources. Last year, North Branford Fire Department responded to numerous chimney fires, and furnace malfunctions. More than one-third of Americans use fireplaces, wood stoves, and other 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
8. ***Never leave a fire unattended*** and extinguish before going to bed or leaving the house
9. Soak hot ashes in water and place them in a ***metal container outside and away*** from your house
10. Cover the chimney with a mesh screen spark arrester
11. ***Install smoke alarms and carbon monoxide detectors*** on every level of your home
12. ***Have your oil or gas furnace serviced*** at least once a year
13. Provide proper venting for all heating appliances

Don’t Forget Your Appliances

Dryers: The leading cause of dryer fires is a lack of maintenance. Whether you have electric or gas these simple rules can prevent a tragedy.

- Do not operate dryer without a lint filter. **Clean filter before and after each use.**
- Clean out the exhaust duct at least once a month.
- Once a year, remove the back cover and vacuum out the area around the heating element.
- Use only metal flexible pipe and the shortage distance possible to the outside.
- Make sure that the dryer is plugged into an outlet suitable for its needs. **Do not use extension cords.**

Ovens: Cooking fires are the number one cause of home fires and injuries. Unattended cooking is the leading cause of kitchen fires.

- Keep cooking area clean and clear of combustibles.
- Do not wear loose fitting cloths that can dangle onto stove burners and catch fire.
- Follow manufactures instructions on self-cleaning ovens. Clean heavy accumulations of grease before starting cleaning cycle.
- If a fire starts in the oven, turn off electric power or gas supply, do not open door.
- If a small fire starts in a pan on the stove, turn off electric power or gas supply and cover with a lid. Do not remove lid even if the fire appears to be out. **Do not use water to extinguish a grease or oil fire.**
- If you have a Microwave Oven fire, keep the door closed and turn off the power.

Dishwashers: Yes, even dishwashers cause fires. The heating elements and timing devices can short out and cause a fire.

Remember: *Never leave home without turning off all appliances*

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Bobby’s Apizza - 50 Years

Bobby’s Apizza Restaurant was founded in 1969 by Robert Ottoviano. The original restaurant location was in the Giant Oak Shopping Center in North Branford. In 1975, it moved to its current location on Route 80. In April of 1980, Bobby’s Apizza was sold to Joseph Cappetta upon Mr. Ottoviano’s retirement. Joseph had an abundance of experience in the pizza business, dating back to his teenage years. It was a perfect opportunity and Bobby’s Apizza quickly became an active participant in the North Branford Community!

The restaurant was expanded in 1988, with more ovens added to accommodate the booming business. Bobby’s is known for its outstanding pizza, which has been acclaimed by customers to rival that of Wooster Street. Bobby’s is also known for consistently introducing innovative, gourmet-style pizza, always using only the finest ingredients, including native North Branford grown produce (when in season).

Bobby’s Apizza has been a North Branford tradition for over 35 years! Joseph and the Cappetta family, along with loyal employees, still operate Bobby’s Apizza to this day, striving to provide a memorable and delicious experience for all who enter their doors.

From time to time, the North Branford Economic Development Commission will be recognizing businesses in our town who have been around for fifty years or more. *Pictured in the photo above are; Paul Cappetta, Danielle Cappetta, Joe Capetta, TC Member Bob Viglione, EDC Chair, Elisabeth Caplan, EDC Coordinator. Roger Salway and Town Mgr. Michael Paulhus.*

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2010 Honda Pilot 4WD 4DR LX	\$7,995
2012 Honda Civic LX 4DR	\$7,995
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2009 Honda CR-V 4WD 4DR	\$8,495
2009 GMC 2500HD 97K 4x4	\$9,995
2011 Chevrolet Silverado 1500 4WD	\$11,500
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Republicans Maintain Majority
New Mayor and Deputy Mayor

The republicans maintained majority party in our Town Council election but there was a switch in titles as Robert Viglione took over the seat of Mayor and Thomas Zampano will hold the title of Deputy Mayor. Both Michael Doody and Rose Angeloni repeated on the coucil, with newcomers Donald Pelliccia and Walter Goad rounded out the party.

Joe Faughnan and Marie Diamond will maintain their seats and Lou Paternoster will fill out the Democratic party on the Council.

For the Board of Education, Cynthia Rice, Vincent Mase and Jana Balsamo all retained their seats.

Here’s how the voting tallied:

Total Number of electors:		Total Number Voting
District 1	5324	1578
District 2	4459	1441
Total	9783	3019 30.8%

Council	District 1	District 2	Total
Robert Viglione R	882	839	1721
Thomas Zampano R	837	789	1626
Rose Angeloni R	802	810	1612
Ronald Pelliccia R	810	791	1601
Michael Doody R	802	791	1593
Lou Paternoster D	842	738	1580
Joseph Faughnan D	799	723	1522
Walter Goad R	759	742	1501
Marie Diamond D	770	646	1416
Joseph Martin D	776	628	1404
Daniel Armin D	741	600	1341
Brenda Shuler D	695	544	1239
Board of Education			
Cynthia Rice R	801	793	1594
Vincent Mase D	846	702	1548
Jana Balsamo D	809	695	1504
Tara Downes D	774	622	1396

Looking for Shining Stars

The North Branford Education Foundation will be hosting their annual Alan Davis Shining Star Dinner in March of 2020. Our shining stars should be someone in the communtiy who goes beyond the norm, specifically for our young people. Anyone wishing to nominate someone is asked to email fmentonejr@comcast.net. by December 5th.

North Branford/Northford Holiday Programs

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Over the years many community members, religious and civic organizations as well as businesses, large and small have been integral members of the community through their time, donations and generosity.

Some participate just one year or through one program. Others participate each year. Every effort is appreciated.

If you are interested in assisting someone, family or a child in the North Branford/Northford Community, we encourage you to do so through a variety of programs. The extent of your participation is entirely yours; no involvement is too small.

Programs, which may be of interest to you, are:

1.

Thanksgiving Basket Share

— You may choose to adopt a family and provide a food basket for Thanksgiving dinner or a gift certificate to a supermarket. You may do this alone, with another family or co-workers. The family name will not be disclosed to you, but the number of persons in the family will be disclosed. We will distribute them identifying you or your organization as the donor.
- Donor Drop Off:

Monday, November 25, 2019 (9:30 AM — 11:00 AM)
- Recipient Pick-up:

Monday, November 25, 2019. (11:30 AM— 1:00 PM)
- Last Day to be part of the Program:

Friday, November 8th, 2019
2.

Christmas Basket Share

— Same as Thanksgiving Basket Share, although the donor may choose to include gifts for children.
- Donor Drop Off:

Wednesday, December 18th, 2019 (9:30 AM — 11:00 AM)
- Recipient Pick-up:

Wednesday, December 18th, 2019 (11:30 AM — 1:00 PM)
- Last Day to be part of the Program:

Friday, November 8, 2019

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 11 ^h , 2019	9:30 am – 12:30 Noon
Parents Only	
Thursday, December 12 th , 2019	9:30 am – 12:30 Noon
Parents & Grandparents	

If you are interested in donating a toy for the program, we offer two 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 6th , and December 10th, 2019**

Recycling News

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 following Saturday this Fall: **Nov 23rd**

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 25th thru Dec 6th.**

Please also use biodegradable paper bags without any tape.

For more information, call the recycling hotline at **203-484-4091.**

Simple Recycling Weekly Curbside Collection Program

Started in North Branford November 11th

If you would like to participate in this program, please use the Simple Recycling pink bags you received with the program info. Fill with unwanted clothing, shoes, accessories, toys, small usable household items and more to help keep these items out of our trash.

Place bags next to your recycling bin at the curb on your regular trash pickup day by 7am.

A Simple Recycling truck will pick up your pink bags between 7am and 5pm and leave new bags.

If you have not received your program info in the mail, need additional bags or want to see a full list of accepted items, go to www.simplerecycling.com or email at info@simplerecycling.com

This program is free to our town and to our residents and offers an easy, convenient way to recycle.

Additional Organizations for your Donations

Easter Seal Goodwill www.goodwill.org

Salvation Army <http://ctri.salvationarmy.org/SNE/NewHaven>

ReStores by Habitat for Humanity <http://newhavencountryrestore.org>

Savers <https://stores.savers.com/ct/orange/>

Vietnam Veterans of America <https://pickupplease.org/donation-program/>

“Please Don’t Feed the Storm Drain”

Storm drains are designed to only carry rainfall runoff from our streets into our local waterways. Anything but water can contribute to water pollution and drainage issues. Help avoid potential flooding by clearing leaves, snow and ice in the fall and winter months from around storm drains. Snow, ice and debris can interfere with drainage and clog storm drains causing hazardous street flooding and freezing.

Remember: Only Rain in the Drain!

Shoreline Men Over Sixty Meeting

The Shoreline Men Over Sixty will meet Friday, Dec 6, 2019, at Hubley Hall of the First Congregational Church of Madison on the Madison Green. This gala event will begin with Ron Soja’s talented Daniel Hand High School choir “Encore.” Following will be Pat Todd at the piano leading the Guilford Community Center’s “Joyful Voices” choir in holiday singing.

All gentlemen from Essex to East Haven over the age of sixty are invited to join us. The two-hour meeting will begin at 11:30 A.M with lunch consisting of Baked ham, sweet potatoes, mixed vegetables, apple sauce and a holiday dessert.

The cost is \$12. For reservations, phone Hank Petroskey at 203-484-9002 or email your RSVP to: Pete Hughes at ct.smos.ph@gmail.com. Reservations are required. Deadline to register is Tuesday, Dec 3, 2019, at 5 pm.



BREAKFAST WITH SANTA

at the Edward Smith Library

on Saturday, December 14th at 9:30 am

Santa will arrive on a Fire Engine from

The Northford Fire Department Company 2!

Join us for a visit with Santa and enjoy a morning of holiday cheer with FREE continental breakfast, games, crafts, and a picture with Santa. “STUFF A BUS” will be in the parking lot to collect food items for the North Branford Food Pantry along with the SUGAR cupcake truck to purchase a special holiday treat.

RSVP - 203-484-0469 or email Erin Collins: ecollins@northbranfordschools.org

Sponsored by the North Branford Family Resource Center, the North Branford Public Libraries and the Northford Fire Department Company 2.

ENGAGE EDUCATE ENTERTAIN

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

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

NORTH BRANFORD PUBLIC LIBRARIES
www.nbranfordlibraries.org

NOV 24	1:30PM	Grief during the holidays. Grief is always difficult to deal with. The holiday season often compounds feelings that already exist. Join facilitator Jean Hadley as she will help to offer a pathway through this grief
	SMITH LIBRARY	
NOV 27	6:30PM	Lyme Life. Join Jennifer Vander Wyk, RN, as she hosts this support group for anyone who is trying to decipher their Lyme Diagnosis
	SMITH LIBRARY	
NOV 27	6:00PM	Ask-a-Lawyer. Have a legal question? Get a free consultation with an attorney. Consultations last 10-15 minutes. People are seen on a first-come, first-served basis
	SMITH LIBRARY	
NOV 1-DEC 20	ATWATER & SMITH LIBRARIES	KIDS! Pizza Pie Reading Program. Read for 30 days b/t Nov. 1-Dec. 20. For every 5 days you read, receive a pizza topping for your pie & reading incentive prize! Once you've read for 30 days & finished building your pizza pie, receive a coupon for a free slice of pizza! For ages 3-12
DEC 7	10:30-12 ATWATER LIBRARY	KIDS! Gingerbread House Workshop. Build & decorate your own gingerbread house! We provide everything needed to decorate a delicious cookie cottage. For ages 5-12. Register at 203-315-6020
DEC 14	9:30AM SMITH LIBRARY	KIDS! Breakfast with Santa. Enjoy a morning of holiday cheer with a continental breakfast, games, crafts & a picture with Santa. Santa arrives at 9:30am on a fire engine from the Northford Fire Department Company 2. Register at 203-484-0469
MONDAYS	4:30-5:30 ATWATER LIBRARY	KIDS! Chess Club for Kids! Whether a beginner or intermediate player, learn the strategies that will make you a better chess player. Ages 7-11. Register at 203-315-6020



HOLIDAY POINSETTIA SALE CLASS OF 2020 PROJECT GRADUATION

All proceeds will go to PROJECT GRADUATION 2020, an all-night substance free party held at the Groton Sub Base for the graduating seniors following their graduation ceremony.

Order your choice of locally grown, nursery poinsettias in Festive red, white, or pink in the following sizes or pick any other holiday item from Vaiuso Farms:

You may pick up your order in lobby at North Branford High School on **Friday, December 6, 2019** from 3p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
Any questions, contact Renee McIntyre (203-415-5866) or Maria Olsen (203-314-3332) or Michele Teodoro (203-996-4185)



Cut and return order form with your payment on or before **November 27th** to:

Project Graduation 2020
c/o NBHS
49 Caputo Road
North Branford, CT 06471

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: **PROJECT GRADUATION 2020**
Return it with your child for interoffice mail delivery via their school.
Orders will also be taken at parent/teacher conference nights.

Item	Cost Each	Red	White	Pink	Total Amount
6 ½"pot (4-6 blooms)	\$15				
7 ½ " pot (8-12 blooms)	\$20				
8 ½ " pot (10-12 blooms)	\$25				
Decorated Cedar Log Box	\$25	Quantity:			
Decorated Cemetery Pillow	\$22	Quantity:			
Decorated Cemetery Blanket	\$25	Quantity:			
Kissing Ball	\$30	Quantity:			
12" Wreath undecorated	\$12	Quantity:			
TOTAL OWED:					

Name: _____ Phone: _____

THEY MAKE US PROUD!

Ashley Slubowaski was inducted into the honors program at Assumption College in Worcester, MA.

Erica Albrecht and Alexis Johnson, Tabitha Opie, Kaitlyn Morris and Brittany Puccino were named to the Dean's List at Goodwin College in East Hartford, CT.



Wee Care of North Branford, Inc. Daycare and Preschool

At Wee Care of North Branford, Inc. all day preschool is available for children ages 3-6 from 7 a.m. - 6 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Some of the highlights of the program are:

- Two licensed Preschool Teachers
- Curriculum and disciplinary procedures aligned with local kindergarten classes
- Teacher directed learning centers
- Morning lessons reinforced by afternoon activities
- Extracurricular activities at no extra cost including Yoga, Music, Library visits, and Science classes

Openings currently available.

1680 Foxon Road (Rt. 80)
North Branford, CT
203-481-3909

www.weecarenb.com





WEE Care - Cares

Preschoolers at WEE Care of North Branford followed the Sunflower Project from summer into fall. They started out by helping to package sunflower seeds, grew sunflowers this summer, learned about and examined the sunflowers this fall, and finally made their own sunflower Halloween Costumes, which they wore to Trick-or-Treat at Evergreen Woods.

The 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, 2020.

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.

Sacred Heart Academy

Offers December 5 Entrance Exam

Sacred Heart Academy will offer an Entrance Exam for applicants to grades 9 and 10 on **Thursday, December 5** at the Academy, 265 Benham Street, Hamden. To register for the exam, candidates for admission must submit the Application for Admission online at sacredhearthamden.org with \$60 fee. We ask students to arrive at 9:00 a.m. Testing concludes at noon. For further information or to arrange interviews, private tours, and "SHadow" days, please contact Director of Admissions Elaine Lamboley, at 203-288-2309, x307 or elamboley@sacredhearthamden.org.

Founded in 1946 by the Apostles of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, Sacred Heart

Academy successfully prepares young women in grades 9 – 12 for learning, service, and achievement in a global society. Sacred Heart welcomes more than 400 students from over 80 schools and 60 towns in Connecticut and is accredited by the New England Association of Schools and Colleges. Visit sacredhearthamden.org to learn more.

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MEN \$12.00
SENIOR &
KIDS UNDER 10
\$10.00

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THUR. 8:30 - 5:30. FRI. 8:30-5:30
SAT. 8:30-3:30 CLOSED SUN. & MON.
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Shoreline Champions!

North Branford Field Hockey team won their third consecutive Shoreline Championship. With an undefeated 15-0-1 season record the the Lady Birds then swept the Shoreline Tournament and are now (at press time) playing in the semi final round as they go after another State title.

Photo courtesy of Principal todd Stoeffler

DiNapoli Runs Through Morgan NBHS Football Teams runs to 6-2

Junior Tyler DiNapoli ran for 217 yards and caught two passes for another 43 and 5 touchdowns, as the Thunderbirds won their fourth consecutive game defeating Morgan 72-32, taking them to a 6-2 record.

North Branford used a strong ground game with DiNapoli carrying 8 times and classmate Alex Clinton carried only three times but gained 135 yards as senior Aiden Ferrucci added 65 yards with i touchdown and Cam Afanador had 3 carries for 39 yards and a touchdown.

Junior quarterback Brandon Fratta completed 11 of 16 attempts for 293 yards. He hooked up 3 times with senior Nate Raymond for 63 yards and a touchdown as well as Ferrucci for another 43 yards.

On the defensive side of the ball, junior Marquis McFadden had 9 tackles, with sophomre Ryan Vaspasiano right behind him with 8 and senior Ronnie Longo with 7. Alex Clinton, Ethan Raymond, Alex LeMere, Jamison O'Brien and Efstathios Gianniotis all had six tackles. Gianniotis had 2.5 sacks and Xavier Cognata and Vaspasiano had one each.

My Pages are Bare



It's old news, but my Notre Dame alumni brother Bill O'Brien has now joined me in another club of card carrying pacemaker owners. Bill reports that he is already on the mend which is great news. Bill has graced these pages with many sports photos and they are obviously missing something without his special talent and generosity.

Get well soon Bill, these pages are blah without you.

Photo courtesy of Bill O'Brien.

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North Branford Parks & Recreation and Senior Center

STW Community Center 1332 Middletown Ave Northford
www.nbrecreation.com • call (203) 484-6017
Follow us on Facebook! @NBParksandRecreation



ACTIVITIES

****NEW** MARY'S CULINARY CLASSES**

Who: Ages 5-14
When: November 19
Turkey Chili and Apple Crisp
Time: Tuesday 5:30 - 7:30 p.m.
Where: STW Community Center
Fee: \$40
Instructor: Mary Amter



Description: Join Mary Amter in this unique, hands on Culinary experience where children can explore, create, and learn basic cooking techniques. From monster meatloaf to hot cocoa cupcakes these exciting new classes will engage children in delicious creations.

****NEW** CRAFTS WITH SYLVIA**

Who: Kids (7 and up) & Adults of all ages
When: December 11th
Victorian Christmas Ornaments
Time: Tuesday 2:00 - 3:30 p.m.
Where: STW Community Center
Fee: \$25
Instructor: Sylvia Brewster



Description: We will decorate foam balls with luxurious fabrics, ribbons and beads to create opulent Christmas decorations using pins and glue.

North Branford Senior Center
8:30 a.m.- 4:30 p.m.

Senior Hot Lunch available - \$3 - Monday – Friday, 12:00 p.m.
Check out the menu at www.nbrecreation.com
Lunch orders need to be placed by 10:00 am



Weekly grocery shopping trip on Tuesdays at 12:30.



Never miss a monthly newsletter and sign up for email or snail mail delivery (snail mail \$8 for the year).

Weekday transportation to the Center available to town Residents
Please call by 9am

BUS TRIPS

Holiday Winter Wishes at the Aqua Turf

When: Tuesday, December 10
Time: Departs 10:30 a.m.
Where: STW Community Center
Fee: \$45 res/\$50 nr
Description: Spend the day in an elegant atmosphere dancing and tapping your toes to a fabulous band. Your plentiful meal will include salad, pasta, sliced roast turkey, sliced roast beef, vegetable, potato and dessert. Complimentary glass of wine or beer included.

Ivoryton Playhouse/An Actor's Carol

When: Wednesday, December 18
Time: Departs 11:00 a.m. (show at 2:00)
Fee: \$35 res/\$40 nr
Description: AN ACTOR'S CAROL - Burned-out actor Hugh Pendleton, not-so-fresh from playing Scrooge one too many times in the backwater community theatre where his once promising career has met its unglamorous end, is surprised to encounter three spirits of his own in this quirky and compelling ode to the holiday classic. Lunch stop on your own prior to show to be determined.

ACTIVITIES

Craft - DIY Bookmark, Friday, November 22, 12:45, FREE

Make your own bookmark out of old calendars!

Game Day, Wednesday, November 27, 12:45, FREE

Join us for a friendly game of 'North Branford Senior Center Jeopardy' after lunch!

THANK YOU!

Thank you to everyone in our community that came out to our Trunk or Treat event! We hope you had as much fun as we did!

Thank you to DeFrancesco Farm for the beautiful flower display, Country Paint and Hardware for the popcorn machine, Shoreline Chamber for sponsoring the trunk prizes, John & Anthony Leone for the amazing decorations, JJ's food truck, our volunteers, all of our trunk decorators, and the most adorable group of trick or treaters!



COME CELEBRATE THE SEASON WITH A SPECIAL HOLIDAY SING-ALONG PROGRAM December 19, 2019 12:00 at STW Community Center

Entertainer, author and actor, Chuck Oakes comes to help celebrate the season with special music. This special program celebrates the Christmas season with many of your standard sing-alongs.



Chuck Oakes has been a model, actor and entertainer for over 60 years. You can still see him on local television and magazines.



Help a senior who may be in need this holiday Season!



Look for our 'Gifting Trees' at the Atwater Library, Smith Library and STW Community Center in Early December!



Cosponsored by the North Branford Rotary

Join your community on Friday, December 6th for our Annual Tree Lighting

Town owned Augur Property
290 Forest Road, Northford
6:30 - 8:30pm
Rain or shine

Ice Sculpting
Marshmallow
Roasting

Hay Rides
Musical
Entertainment

Hot Chocolate
& Cookies
Petting Zoo



And Santa!

Food Trucks Available:
JJ's Food Truck
Sugar Cupcake Truck



Marshmallow roasting
Sticks provided by:
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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

Hope Christian Church “A Place to Belong”. 211 Montowese Ave., North Haven, CT. www.hopeag.com Sunday services 10AM. Coffee served every Sunday 9:00 am. Church open for prayer Tuesdays noon to One. Thursday Bible study 7:00 PM. Like us on facebook.

North Branford Congregational Church, UCC. 1680 Foxon 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. Office Hours: Tuesday 9am - 1pm; other days by appointment. Rev. Robin Blundon, Acting Pastor. Jane K. Leschuk Minister of Music. Worship Service 10am. Join us for coffee hour following worship. Holy Communion on the first Sunday of each month. Like us on Facebook. Our website is www.northfordcongregational.church

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, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday & Saturday at 9:00am 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.

St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, 1382 Middletown Avenue - the white church on the hill in the heart of Northford (at the intersection of Rtes. 17 & 22). We celebrate the Holy Eucharist every Sunday at 10:00am. Coffee and fellowship always follows. All are welcome. Please join us - we'd love to get to know you! St. Andrew's is the proud home of the Food Pantry of North Branford - a vital community resource serving families in need in Northford and North Branford. St. Andrew's also partners with St. Pauly Textile in a broad outreach program to help people in need here in the U.S. and around the world. Donations of usable clothing, shoes, belts, purses, sheets, blankets and stuffed animals may be made at the donation shed in the church parking lot. We are a member of the Middlesex Area Cluster Ministry. The Rev. Jim Bradley is Missioner In Charge and we have rotating clergy serving the parishes of St. Andrew's as well as Emmanuel Episcopal Church, Killingworth and St. James Episcopal Church, Higganum. Visit our website at <http://standrewsnorthford.org>. Like us on Facebook - St. Andrew's Episcopal Church of Northford, CT. For more information contact us at 203-484-0895; Nan Monde, Sr. Warden, 203-710-7005; MACM office, 860-345-0058; or Rev. Bradley, 203-525-6846.

Zion Episcopal Church, 326 Notch Hill Road, North Branford. 203-488-7395 Rev. Lucy LaRocca, Vicar. In June we begin with single summer service of Holy Eucharist at 9 a.m.. The first Sunday in September we return to two services of Holy Eucharist at 8 & 10 a.m. Music and two safe church certified babysitters are available for childcare during the 9 a.m. service and at the latter service September – May. Healing prayer is offered after each service on the second Sunday of each month. Please visit our Facebook page or our website www.zionepiscopalchurch.org. Zion is a registered Integrity Episcopal Believe Outloud Congregation, a designation earmarking Zion as an open and affirming congregation for those seeking a safe place to worship and grow in Christ.

North Branford Congregational Church
Annual Holly Fair

Saturday, November 23 from 9:00 am - 2:00 pm

Come early and shop our tables filled with Handmade Crafts, Better Treasures, Jewelry, Country Kitchen where you can pick up your favorite breads, homemade candy, and other delicious items, Cookie Walk which is always popular, and of course our Basket Raffles.

Please join us once again for our wonderful festive Holly Fair. Any question please contact the church office at 203.488.8456.

The Totoket Historical Society

Seeks quality donations for our Holiday Bazaar

Our annual Holiday Bazaar will be held on Saturday, Nov. 23 from 9 – 2 p.m. in the historic Reynolds-Beers House at 1740 Foxon Rd. in North Branford. The Totoket Historical Society is seeking quality donations such as small “attic treasures” and decorative items, costume jewelry, handmade articles, linens, baked goods, jams, pickles and condiments. Donations for the sale can be dropped off on Wednesdays from 10 - noon at the Reynolds-Beers House. For large items or to arrange pick up, please call Helen at 203 481-5268 or email to hsg2lib@yahoo.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.

Community Thanksgiving Dinner

Zion Episcopal Church, in partnership with the Food Pantry of North Branford, will host a free Community Thanksgiving Dinner on Thursday, November 28th at 1:00 pm. in the Parish Hall at 326 Notch Hill Rd. North Branford.

All are welcome! If possible, let us know that you will be attending by calling 203-488-7395. We look forward to being with you!

Winter Wonderland and Bazaar

Northford Congregational Church, “A Little Church with a Big Heart,” will be having a Christmas Fair in the social hall on Sat., Nov. 30, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Original handmade ornaments and crafts, books, gently used costume jewelry, and crocheted throws will be featured. Refreshments, lunch items, and baked goods will be available for purchase at this fundraiser for the church. Various gift baskets will be raffled off.

The historic brownstone church (203-484-0795) is located at 4 Old Post Road at the corner of Route 22 and Route 17 in the Northford village in North Branford. Office hours are 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Tuesday and other days by appointment. Church website: www.northfordcongregational.church. Email: ncchurch@snet.net. Like us on Facebook.

Pierpont Concert - Brass & Dinner
Saturday, December 7, 2019

Brass is a quintet of professional musicians brought together by a love of virtuoso playing and the camaraderie generated by live performance. Since its beginning, *Brass* has brought its particular brand of creative and innovative programming to Yale and the greater New Haven area. Originally born out of love of the wide variety of performance capabilities of brass instruments, the group has always been characterized by a playful levity that dances around the serious virtuosity of their performances.

With *Brass* celebrating its twentieth season together, we at the North Haven Congregational Church are truly delighted to welcome them back to the Pierpont Concert Series.

The concert will take place at North Haven Congregational Church, 28 Church St. at 7:00PM.

Tickets available at the door, Adults \$10.00, Children under 12 free.

A Dinner will be held at the North Haven Congregational Church, before the Pierpont Concert, on Saturday December 7, 2019 at 5:30 p.m. in Carroll Hall. The Women's and Men's Fellowships will prepare a pasta dinner, with bread, garden salad, beverage, and dessert.

The cost of dinner with a reservation: \$12.00 adults and children under 12 years old \$5.00. (\$14.00 for all without a reservation.)

Please call the church office (203 239 5691) to make a reservation.

Join us for a delightful evening of food and wonderful music. You are welcome to attend the dinner, the concert, or both events. Ample free parking, handicapped accessible. All are welcome!

Send Advent and Christmas schedules to
totokettimes@comcast.net

St. Andrew's Episcopal Church,
Clothing Drop Off Project

Cleaning out your closets? We have a place for you to drop them off!! St. Andrew's Episcopal Church in Northford has teamed up with St. Pauly Textile Inc., to collect used clothing. The company works with non-profit organizations , like St. Andrew's Episcopal, to set up used clothing drop off sheds designed to give community members a clean, attractive, and well-monitored place to donate gently used textile items, which are then distributed both here in the U.S. and worldwide to people who need them. St. Andrew's Episcopal Church receives funding for clothing collected, and additionally has the option to use any of this clothing to serve local community needs. St. Pauly Textile, Inc. collects over 120,000 pounds of clothing every day and estimates that this clothing ends up in 44 different countries (including the United States) yearly. All of the usable clothing is worn by someone, somewhere in the world. In 2017, the company was able to help keep over 20 million articles of clothing out of landfills. The company was founded 22 years ago in Rochester, NY and is an A+ rated member of the Better Business Bureau.

Accepted items include clothing, shoes, sneakers, belts, purses, blankets, sheets, drapes, linens, pillowcases and stuffed animals. Donors are asked to donate items in a plastic bag to protect against dirt and the elements. There is a small box on the shed that contains receipts to help donors take a tax deduction. Consider donating your used clothing items today at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, “The White Church On The Hill In The Heart of Northford”, 1382 Middletown Avenue, Northford, CT 06472 Contact information: Nan Monde, Sr. Warden, St. Andrew's. Cell # 203-710-7005



999 Foxon Road, North Branford
203-484-0330

THANKSGIVING DAY MENU

Pies

Pumpkin Pie	\$14.50	Chocolate Cream Pie	\$15.50
Apple Pie	\$14.50	Apple Crumb	\$14.50
Apple Cranberry	\$14.50	Blueberry Pie	\$14.50
Chocolate Lemon Pie	\$14.50	Lemon Meringue Pie	\$15.50
Banana Cream Pie	\$15.50	Coconut Cream Pie	\$15.50
Coconut Custard Pie	\$14.50		

Half of a pie is also available to order. The following pies are available for 1/2 pie orders for \$7.25 or mix & match for \$14.50
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Assorted Stuffed Breads

Antipasta	\$12.50	Buffalo Chicken	\$11.50
Pepperoni & Cheese	\$11.50	Broccoli & Cheese	\$11.50
Eggplant Parmesan	\$11.50	Spin, Saus.& Cheese	\$12.50

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)

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To ensure availability please place order by Monday, November 25th.

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