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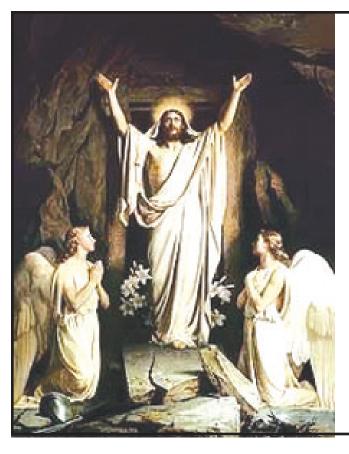
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He Has Risen

Happy Easter

Honor Our Military with a Flag

Once again, the Northford and North Branford Women's Clubs are sponsoring Honor Them with a Flag, a salute to our country's military personnel and veterans. The public is invited to participate by purchasing a U. S. flag dedicated to a member of our military or anyone else close to your heart, which will go on display on the front lawn at North Branford Town Hall from May 1st to Memorial Day, 2014. Each flag, 12"x 18", will have a white ribbon attached to it inscribed with the name and rank of the soldier or loved one. A ceremony will be held on the North Branford Town Hall lawn on Saturday, May 10th, 11:00 AM. Flags are available for your collection immediately following the Memorial Day Parade. Proceeds will benefit the Veteran Angler Charters, Fisher House and Welcome Home Vietnam Veterans CT. To order, fill out a form and mail a check written out to the Northford Women's Club for \$10 per flag to: The Northford Women's Club, P.O. Box 264, Northford, CT, 06472. Forms are available below, in local retailer's



drop boxes, and online at www.northfordwomensclub. org. There is no limit on purchases, but all forms must be received by Tuesday, May 20, 2014. For more information, contact Carla 203-484-2766,

Please fill out the following information and make a check payable to the Northford Women's Club. Mail completed forms to: Northford Women's Club, P.O. Box 264, Northford, CT 06472. **DEADLINE**: Tuesday, May 20, 2014.

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NORTH BRANFORD BOY SCOUT TROOP 453 EASTER PLANT SALE

On Friday, April 18th and Saturday, April 19th, Boy Scout Troop 453 will hold their annual Easter Plant Sale to help raise funds to offset the costs of upcoming camping trips and activities. The Easter Plant sale will take place from 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. on Friday, April 18th and from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. on Saturday, April 19th at the North Branford Congregational Church, 1680 Foxon Road, North Branford.

For questions contact: Joan Furr (203) 484-2278

North Branford Schools Bringing Back Summer Camp

The North Schools are for the sum-with the vor Summer". past favorite ment camps ing, along new, exciting
The camp



Branford getting ready mer of 2014 theme "Survi-Many of the weekly enrichwill be returnwith some options. will run from

June 30th to August 22nd and it is open to all North Branford residents as well as residents from neighboring towns. There are camps available for students entering grades 1 through 8. Look for your 2014 Camp brochure and online registration form coming soon.

North Branford Education Foundation Sponsors Bus trip to Mohegan Sun

LAST CALL!!!!!



The North Branford Education Foundation will be running a bus trip to the Mohegan Sun Casino. The trip will leave the North Branford Auditorium parking area (in front of NBIS) at 12:45 and depart the Casino at 7:00PM.It will take place on Sunday, May 4th. The cost is only \$30 per person and the Casino will give you a \$15.00 food coupon and a \$15.00 game coupon.

The North Branford Education

Foundation is a non-profit organization which raises funds for grants that assist teachers in special projects which are not provided in the normal BOE budget.

For a fun day with your neighbors and the opportunity to contribute to a great cause, call Sherry at 203-484-0037.

Visit The Totoket Times Website at www.totokettimes.com

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Family Thanks Demonstrations of Kindness Dear Editor;

On behalf of the Sherban family, we would like to offer our heartfelt thank you to our relatives and friends for all the kindness, prayers and support during this difficult time. We were overwhelmed by the amount of people that Maggie had touched during her short time.

In addition to family and friends, we would like to thank Quinnipiac University and its staff for their generosity, the staff of Masonicare who donated vacation time so I could spend the last two months by Maggie's side, Xavier and Mercy High School, the countless contributions from The Meal Train, Matt's Mission, our extended sports' families and the staffs from NBIS, TVES, JHS and Northford Community Nursery School. Our sincere appreciation extends to Maggie's caregivers, namely Dr. Harold Tara and all the staff at Fr. McGivney Cancer Center, additionally, Ursula Nehrt, P.A. We would also like to recognize the parishioners of St. Augustine's Church, all the sisters from the ACTS retreat, Fr. Robert Rousseau, Fr. Jeffrey Walsh and Fr. Robert Turner. Finally, to all the people who donated to the Sherban Children's Trust Fund, our deepest thanks for your generous support.

Maggie will be dearly missed by all of us. Please continue to keep our family in your prayers.

Peace

Scott, Rory, Gavin and Rita Sherban

Questions on Obamacare

Dear Editor,

Yesterday Obama declared his signature Health Care Plan a success by stating that 7 million plus people have enrolled.

When he first started pushing for the so called affordable health plan he said there were 30 million uninsured Americans and he wanted them to be able to afford health care.

My question is if he brags that 7 plus million is a success what about the 23 million he campaigned for? Are they now forgotten?

One other question is how many of the 7 million plus are people who were insured and lost their insurance because of Obamacare?

Sincerely,

Alice W. Lehr

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We look forward to taking care of you and your family for a long time.

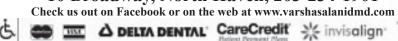


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Guide to Family Talk ABout Drinking **Dear Editor:**

Prom and graduation season means a lot of milestones for high schoolers and their parents. With talk of celebrations and excitement in the air, now is a window of opportunity to talk to your teen about making safe, smart decisions about alcohol.

Parents play an important role in helping teens make smart decisions when it comes to alcohol. In fact, the GfK Roper Youth Report reaffirms that parents continue to be the strongest influence on youth decisions about drinking and have been for more than twenty years. Parents who want to take advantage of this chance to positively influence their teens can start by downloading a free copy of the Anheuser-Busch Family Talk About Drinking parent guide at www.Facebook.com/ABFamilyTalk. The guide and other available resources aim to help prevent underage drinking by encouraging parents to start and have ongoing conversations about alcohol with their children.

We at Dichello Distributors, Inc. would like to thank the parents, educators, law enforcement and many others who are making progress in reducing underage drinking. Let's continue this positive trend by talking with our teens this prom and graduation season.

Sincerely,

Tony Lota

Alcohol Awareness Coordinator, Dichello Distributors, Inc.

Race to Scouting Tiger Cub Rally

Come join us Thursday, April 24, 2014 from 7:00 to 8:30pm. At the Connecticut Sportsplex - Fieldhouse, 150 Foxon Road, North Branford. Find out what scouting is all about: Camping, new skills, fun activities. Cub scouting is open to all boys currently in kindergarten through age 11. All boys can have fun playing in the playscape while their parents talk to representatives from the North Branford and Northford Cub Scout Packs.

Light refreshments will be available. For questions contact: Joan Furr at 203-484-2278.

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Letters to the editor...

This paper encourages all readers to voice their opinions and comments. The Totoket Times is not responsible for erroneous information in letters to the editor. Letters should be as brief as possible.

All letters must be signed. A telephone number should be included and no personal attacks. This paper reserves the right to edit all letters.

The Editor

P.O. Box 313, Northford, CT 06472

All letters should be addressed to:



State Representative Vincent Candelora

The Public's Voice Must Always be Heard



If you ever wondered why the legislature has two chambers, a House and Senate, last week Senate Bill 443 demonstrated this importance. In its original form, Senate Bill 443 sought to ban certain lawn care pesticides in to parks, playgrounds, athletic fields and municipal greens. The Senate took up this bill with a wholesale

amendment that changed it to a ban on all genetically modified grass seed. The Senate approved the bill 25 to 11.

The House took up the bill immediately and rejected it by a vote of 37-103. The bill did not fail on its merits, rather the House took issue with the process. As many of your know, all proposed bills must receive a public hearing to give everyone the opportunity to discuss, debate and fully vet the impact of a bill. No subject matter is ever supposed to be voted upon in either the House or Senate unless that subject had a public hearing. Despite this long tradition, the Senate attempted to pass a law that banned the production and sale of genetically modified grass seed. The bill caused anxiety and surprise throughout Connecticut. Individuals from the biotech industry, landscapers, farmers and others called me and other representatives to express their opinions about the bill and their anger that they never had an opportunity to weigh in on the merits.

The Speaker of the House, Brendan Sharkey, expressed concern for the process and took the measure up on the House floor. Proponents argued why the bill should pass. They cited science and talked about pesticides and its health impacts; however, since the bill, as amended, never received a public hearing, the legislature did not have any information from the public or industries on record to help us make our decision. In this case, the legislature became the "public" and lawmaker. This departure from procedure raised serious concerns from both Republican and Democrat representatives; and on a bipartisan basis we resoundingly rejected the bill from the Senate and sent a message that public hearings must remain part of the legislative process.

Very little publicity or news came out of this vote. It may have strained the relationship between the House and Senate for the rest of session; however, it was probably one of the most important actions we took this year. A fundamental part of our democracy is to make sure that the public's voice is heard before a vote on a law is taken, and I applaud the House of Representatives for protecting that right.

Celebrate Earth Day in North Branford

Volunteers Needed for Earth Day Cleanup on Saturday April 26th from 8:30am to noon – rain or shine. Interested parties should report to the Recycling Building at the Town Garage on Forest Road/Rte 22.

This project is designed to To enhance and maintain the natural beauty of our town by helping to clean up your outdoor community.

Please join with volunteers from the North Branford Hazardous Waste & Recycling Committee to help clean up our town. Trash bags, gloves and release forms will be provided; please wear weather appropriate clothing. Community Service Credit Given!

For further information, please call (917)570-4895

North Branford Spring Leaf Collection Spring into raking! North Branford residents can bring their leaves to the leaf drop off center located at the Public Works Facility on Route 22 from 9:00am to 3:00 p.m. on the remaining Saturdays this Spring: April 19 and 26. Please place leaves in biodegradable brown leaf bags or empty them loose onto the ground. As a reminder, we are always looking for volunteers to help out at the drop off center in the spring and fall. Many thanks to the North Branford & Northford Boy Scout Troops, North Branford & Northford Women's Clubs and town residents who have generously volunteered.

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

Branford Chorale Spring Concert"A British Invasion"

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CT SOLAR CHALLENGE SOLAR INSTALLATION PROGRAM COMING TO NORTH BRANFORD

CT Solar Challenge and the town of North Branford announced today that the volunteer-driven, group-purchasing solar installation program is coming to town starting April 22, Earth Day.

CT Solar Challenge will hold a workshop from 7 to 9 p.m. that day in the North Branford Intermediate School cafeteria at 654 Foxon Road. Attendees are encouraged to register by clicking on the North Branford tab at www.cTsolarchallenge.com.

CT Solar Challenge partners with municipalities to offer residents and businesses lower prices on installation of solar arrays. The program reduces costs by employing volunteers for outreach, networking and education and using a single vendor who buys in bulk. It offers solar electric, hot water and pool heating systems. As an added feature, every resident who signs up for the program earns the town points toward a free solar array.

Government rebates and tax credits already cut a system's cost 30 to 50 percent, Treichel said. CT Solar Challenge provides even more savings, she said.

Town Manager Michael Paulhus said he's excited about the possibility of a free solar array for a town building.

The CT Solar Challenge program is available for a limited time. Interested residents should act quickly.

For more information, visit Ct Solar Challenge's website at www.CTSolar-Challenge.com or contact Treichel at 800-505-7419 or info@CTSolar-Challenge.org.

Let's Be "Frank" is out on the ball field and the spring has increased volume in the paper so be patient and the column will be back soon!





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Adreoli to Wed Tiebout

Raymond and Peggy Andreoli Jr. of North Branford, announce the engagement of their daughter, Dana Marie, to Nicholas Allen Tiebout, son of Allen and Mary Tiebout of Dayville, CT. The bride-to-be's grandparents are Al and Corky Carofano of Orange, Frances Andreoli of West Haven, and the late Raymond Andreoli. The groom-to-be is the grandson of Bobbie Tiebout of Sherman, the late Allen Tiebout, the late Antonio and Genevieve Cristofori, and the late Frances Traver-Carlson. The future bride received a bachelor of arts degree from UConn and a master of science degree in Communication Disorders from SCSU. She is employed as a Speech Language Pathologist.

The future groom graduated from UConn with a bachelor of science degree in Molecular & Cell Biology. He is employed as a Medical Technologist.

A September 2014 wedding is planned.



Empowering you to make smart energy choices

Energy Savings is just a phone call away!

All residents of North Branford can participate and save!

Residents of North Branford have an opportunity to begin saving money and energy in their homes and support the North Branford Community Gift Fund at the same time.

All residents that sign up and have a Home Energy Solutions (HES) energy assessment in their home between April 1 and September 30, 2014 will have a \$25 donation made on their behalf by the approved HES contractors. And further more, the town of North Branford as a Clean Energy Community earns points towards a Bright Idea Grant for every resident who participates.

What is HES?

In one easy visit, utility-certified technicians will evaluate your home's energy performance and install energy-saving measures such as sealing air leaks and installing energy-efficient lighting, faucet aerators and low-flow showerheads. The technicians will also provide written recommendations for deeper energysaving measures such as insulation, high-efficiency heating and cooling, water heating, windows and appliances. To help you in making smart energy choices, recommendations may include information on rebates and financing along with payback and investment information specific to your home. This service is \$75 for gas and electric heat customer and \$99 for oil and propane heat customers. This service is free to qualified income eligible customers.

Note: Wallingford Electric Division (WED) there is no co-payment for the HES program unless you heat your home with natural gas.











Sign up Today!

This initiative runs from April 1st, to September 30th, 2014

For more information about Home Energy Solutions visit: EnergizeCT.com/hes or call 1-877 WISE USE

Look for more information by watching the Let's Be "Frank Show on Totoket TV, Channel 18. To air after 4-22.

Participating HES vendors:

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Vinal Technical High School in Middletown,

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Free TECHNO Camp

Connecticut announces the TECHNO Camp 2014 schedule. TECHNO Camp is open to those students going into 7th and 8th grade. Students who wish to explore the career opportunities in trades such as Automotive, Manufacturing, Carpentry, Culinary Arts, Collision repair, HVAC, CADD, Computers, Hairdressing and Cosmetology, Electrical and Electromechanical. Each student will spend a total of 12 days exploring some of the technologies listed and they will receive "hands on" experience. The students will be exposed to other enrichment activities such as Hands on Science, and Photo Journalism.

There is no cost to attend TECHNO Camp. The camp will be held at the Vinal Tech High School campus, 60 Daniels St, Middletown. Dates of the camp will be July 8 through July 26, Monday through Thursday, 8:00 am-12:15pm.

For more information on TECHNO Camp. please contact Camp Supervisor, Lyn Caliendo at (860) 344-7100 EXT. 406 or go to your local middle school guidance office after May 25, 2014.

A Registration form will be posted online after May 18, 2014

Transportation is the parent / guardian's responsibility. ** Hartford area students will have transportation provided. **

> Check out the **Totoket Times** website at www.totokettimes.com



25 Year Anniversary for Invention Convention

Totoket Valley Elementary School celebrated its 25th year of CT Invention Convention programs, one of the longest running programs in the state. Since 1990, Totoket Valley has been instructing and encouraging young inventors. On March 28th the teachers and principal had their latest crop of inventors on display. and were presented with a "School of Distinction" plaque by the state-wide "CT Invention Convention" organization. Executive Director, Helen Charov, presented the award to principal, Dr. Kris Lindsay, and event chairpersons, Carrie Sabetta, Carrie Seiden and Shelly Thompson, noting the high levels of enthusiasm and creativity among all 157 T.V.E.S. students and supporting staff members. The ten finalists that will represent Totoket Valley are Carley Parente, Zechariah Ford, Sophia Valente, Cassie Eddy, Thomas Manganiello, Ryan Monde, Ben Reynolds, Jennifer Alaska, Demetrios Teodosio, and Richard Vogt (pictured above) at the state-wide convention on May 3, 2014 at the University of Connecticut in Storrs which hosts over 160 participating schools.

Senior Notes Alicia Abelson

With so many things occurring at NBHS, it is hard to pick a topic for this article. The annual blood drive, junior and senior prom, spring sports, the drama production of Oliver, numerous school field trips, and closing of marking period three are just some of the activities that have been happening.

Let us start with the blood drive, which was very successful might I add. This year was my first giving blood! My expectations for the blood drive did not come close to meeting the reality of donating. I was very nervous of the needle in my arm, but at the end of the day I was happy to have donated.

Another major event would be the junior prom. Having been invited, I found that this year's junior prom was more fun than last year's . Yet, some of my friends had differing opinions!

Spring sports have also popped up, and most of the teams are looking strong for the upcoming season. The last event to discuss would be the production of Oliver, which was beautifully done by the NBHS drama club. These are only a few of the events that have occurred, and there are so many more to come. Spring is looking like the most exciting time of the year!

Know a Senior or an 8th Grader?

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"The Big Give" Raises \$11,231 For Charity Twenty teams of NBHS students started with a dollar and were given the task

of raising funds for charities. Under the direction of Miss Jessica Barbato and Miss Stephanie Byrd and the Student Council, the students raised more than \$10.000 for various charities. (Photo by Tom Zampano)

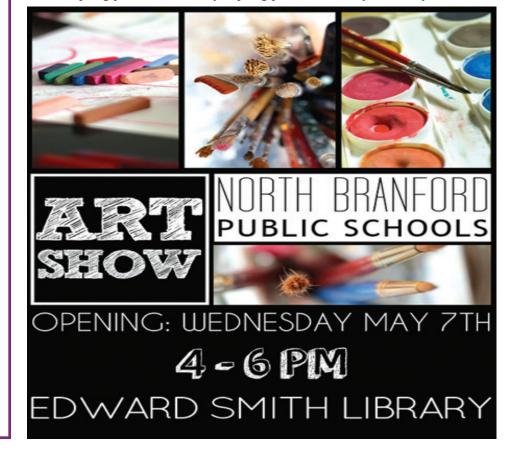


Holiday Spirit Nursery on Notch Hill

Nursery on Notch Hill parents recently joined together to donate items for Easter baskets for needy children in the town.

Kayleigh's Korner by Kayleigh Melillo

April Vacation will soon be drawing to a close, along with it everyone's happiness. Because when we get back, the SBACs and Math Benchmarks will be upon us. Weeks of testing followed by more testing. It's just so exciting, everyone forgot to act like it. If you don't know, the SBAC tests stand for Smarter Balance Assessment Consortium, and as you can guess, there's one word in that name that no one knew, so apparently this word 'smarter,' it means to be intelligent. You're welcome. But beside that, school is going well. Earlier this week students changed their unified arts courses (classes such as Art, Theatre Arts, Tech Ed, and World Cultures) for the last time. Commence the eighth grade girls crying their eyes out. Also, the Theatre Arts after school enrichment program had an improv performance to end their season. The show included appearances by Shaquille O'Neal as a newscaster; a Godzilla obsessed with shoes, someone who got so many college degrees their prefix was Dr. Mr. because clearly those degrees didn't teach him to drop the Mr., and finally, an angry old man taking a cab to the retirement center. It was an overall normal day in the NBIS Theatre Arts room, by any standards. But honestly, the performance was very impressive, everyone in the audience was laughing non-stop! Finally, I know you're all still waiting for that spring pun, but I'm sorry! Spring puns have always been my downfall.



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SPORTS



Suprenant Gets High School Jacket

Long time NBHS football supporter Evelyn Suprenant was recently presented a Varsity Football jacket. Mrs Suprenant's son Roy and grandson Aaron are both in the North Branford Athleteic Hall of Fame and were members of the high school football team. Her great grandson Austin Calamita is a junior and a member of the football team.

Pictured in the provided photo: Mrs. Calamita, Austin, Mrs. Supenant Dr. Carter Welch Assistant Principal and Principal Todd Stoeffler.

Boys Tennis Team Starts Off 1-2

NBHS boys tennis team has opened up the season with a 1-2 mark. In the home opener against Old Lyme, transfer student Evan Diaz won his first match at NBHS.

In the second game NBHS took a tough 4-3 loss at Morgan. Diaz continued his hot streak taking a singles match as did his teammate Jake Caplan. The team of Marc Fillion/Jay Mavani won in doubles.

Following two losses, the T-Birds defeated Westbrook 4-3 for their first win of the season. Andy Westwood won a singles match 4-6, 6-4 and 6-4. Evan Diaz shut out his opponent 6-0 and 6-0 and Gus Marx won 6-1 and

Marc Fillion/Killion Mitchell stayed on a roll with a doubles match win 7-6(7-4) and 6-0.

Baseball Team Starts Season at 2-1

The North Branford High School baseball team brought their bats to the party to start the season off 2-0. The T-birds defeated Hyde/Hillhouse 17-2 and Morgan 9-1. The big bangers in the first two games were Austin DeFrancesco, Mike Querfeld, Will Coleman, Matt Chamberlain and Mike Funaro. The Birds played their usual tight defense and got great pitching from De-Francesco in the first game and Sean Halligan threw a gem against Morgan.

Jason Quido pitched a great game against Westbrook but deserved a better fate as the bats fell silent and the T-Brids were only able to come up wth five hits in a 3-2 loss. Never quitting, they put a scare to purple knights as Xavier Santiago led off with a base hit and Austin DeFrancesco sacrificed him over to second. Nick Candelora worked the count for a walk which put runners on first and second with one out. However, Matt Chamberlain was caught looking at a third strike curve ball and Mike Funaro grounded out to short to end the threat...

NBYFC To Host Open House & Registration

On Monday, April 28, 2014, The North Branford Youth Football Club will host an Open House from 6-8pm at the NBIS Café. The Board will be available to answer any questions about the football and cheerleading programs. This is available for parents/grandparents/guardians of currently enrolled members and newcomers... Tackle Football and Cheerleading are available to students entering grades 3rd through 8th in the Fall of 2014. Flag Football is available for students entering K-2nd grade.

.Registration will take place at the NBIS practice field on the following dates: 5/6/14 & 5/8/14, 5/13/14 & 5/15/14 from 5:30pm-7:30pm. Please be prepared to fill out paperwork when you arrive....players/cheerleaders must accompany parents so their gear can be fitted. Please make sure to bring your insurance information and for first time enrollees, please bring a COPY of your birth certificate.

Flag Football for those children entering K-2nd grade .\$100 Cheerleading for those children entering 3rd-8th grade in the \$135 Tackle Football for those children entering 3rd-8th grade \$250 Accepting checks payable to NBYF only!

Please direct any questions about the NBYF programs to: Ben Powell President NBYF NBYF@comcast.net

Jay Fowler Vice President NBYF jbtsfow@comcast.net NB Cheer Program Marisa Laudano nbcheercoach@gmail.com

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Monday	4/21	@Cromwell	3:45
Friday	4/25	Portland	3:45
Monday	4/28	@ Valley	3:45
Wednesday	4/30	@ H-K	3:45
Thursday	5/1	East Hamton	3:45
Girls Tennis			
Wednesday	4/23	Valley	3:45
Friday	4/25	Cogiinchaug	3:45
Monday	4/28	@ East Hampton	3:45
Wednesday	4/30	@ Old Saybrook	3:45
Thursday	5/1	Eas Hampton	3:45
Boys Tennis			
Same as girls	only w	home & away are oppo	osite
Girls Lacros	<u>s</u>		
Monday	4/21	@ Shelton	7:00
Friday	4/25	North Haven	4:00
Saturday	4/26	Weston @ Albertus	3:00
Monday	4/28	Old Saybrook	6:30
Thursday	5/1	@ Morgan	6:30
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Friday	4/18	Coginchaug	3:45
Monday	4/21	@ Cromwell	3:45
Wednesday	4/23	@ East Haven	7:00
Friday	4/25	Portland	3:45
Saturday	4/26	@ Old Lyme	11:00
Monday	4/28	@ Valley	3:45
Wednesday	4/30	@ H-K	3:45
Thursday	5/1	East Hampton	3:45

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Karate

<u>Pre School</u> Ages 3 - 5 1:00 - 1:30 <u>Children's</u> Ages 6 and up 12:30 - 1:00 Saturdays, May 3 - 24

Tom Smith's Chinese Kempo Academy

Home Safety for Youth

Ages 10 - 13. May 10, Saturday, 9:00 - 12 noon STW Community Center, \$45

Dog Obedience Class

Anyone over 16 years of age \$45 May 5 - June 16 (no class May 26) Mondays, 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. North Farms Park, RT. 139

Crafty Ladies Night Out ~

Shopping, Beauty & Decorating Tips

Teens - Adults

Friday April 25 6:30 - 9:30 p.m. STW Community Center \$20 incl. tea, cookies and all project supplies

Getting Organized, Tips, & Tricks

Adults, April 22nd

Tuesday, 6:00 - 7:30 p.m.STW Community Center,\$15

Computers 101

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STW Community Center, \$70

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SUNDAY, July 20th

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EVENTS

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Thursday, May 8th,10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. STW Community Center \$10.00 per person

Your day will include a mini-massage, nail painting, make-up application & a delicious brunch!

Mother & Daughter Night Out

Friday, May 9th, 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.

STW Community Center

8 yrs and up & mother or grandmother

\$25 mother/daughter team

Come join the crazy tea party with lots and lots to do! Have tea, cookies while doing a simple craft project, *have your make-up done*, do a little shopping, and even win a door prize!

SERVICES

REIKI SERVICES - Cost: Senior Residents: \$25.00 for 30 minutes Residents: \$30.00 for 30 minutes. Non-Residents: \$35.00 for 30 minutes. Appointments available from 10:30 am to 2:00 pm. Call 203-484-6017 to book your appointment today!!

HAIRCUTTING SERVICE, Cost: Seniors: \$10.00 / General Public: \$14.00. STW Community Center is offering a monthly haircutting service by Tracey Fair, owner of The Towne Barber Shop. Services will be provided on a walk-in basis the first Monday of every month.

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Branford Hill Chapel. 212 Branford Rd., corner of Twin Lakes Rd. 203-488-3586. Breaking of Bread, 9:15am. Sunday, Ministry and Sunday School, 11:00am. Nursery for infants and toddlers at both meetings. Mid-week Bible studies. For spiritual help, call 203-239-9845.

North Branford Congregational Church, UCC. 1680 Foxon Rd., North Branford, CT, 203-488-8456 or nobfdcong@sbcglobal.net or www.northbranforducc.org. Acting Pastor Rev. Price van der Swaagh. Daniel Jared Shapiro, Music Director. 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 wecome 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. Reverend Kathryn King. Pastor. Jane K. Leschuk Minister of Music. Sunday worship service and Sunday School, 10AM. Join us for coffee hour following worship. Holy Communion on the first Sunday of each month. Office hours, Monday an Wednesday 9am - 1pm. Like us on Facebook.

St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, Middletown Ave. (Rte 22 & 17) Northford. 203-484-0895. or http://standrewsnorthford.orgWe 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 10am. We have a rotating clergy & choir during the academic year. Join us for coffee and fellowship following service. All are welcome.

St. Augustine Roman Catholic Church. The church is located at 30 Caputo Rd., North Branford. The Parochial Administrator is Reverend Robert Turner and Deacons are John Hart & Robert Macaluso. Daily Mass and Homily are celebrated Mondays & Wednesdays at 9am. On weekends, Mass is celebrated on Saturday at 4pm & 11am on Sunday mornings. The Sacrament of Reconciliation is celebrated every Saturday afternoon from 3:00 - 3:30PM In addition, you can make an appointment for reconciliation 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. You can contact the church office at 203-484-0403 or fax 203-484-0132 weekdays, 9am to 1pm or visit us online at www.staugustinenobfdct.com

St. Monica Roman Catholic Church. The Church is located at 1331 Middletown Ave. Northford. The Parochial Administrator is Reverend Robert Turner and the Deacons are William B. Bergers, Louis P. Fusco and Joseph Marenna. Weekend Masses are celebrated on Saturdays at 5:30pm and Sunday at 9am. Weekday Masses are Tuesdays, Fridays and Saturdays at 9am. The Sacarment of Reconciliation is celebrated Saturday morning from 8:30 - 9:00AM. In addition, you can make an appointment for Reconciliation by calling our parish office. You can contact the parish office by calling 203-484-9226 or fax 203-484-1189 Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays 10am - 2pm. You can contact the Education Center at 203-484-2434 Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays, 9am to 2pm.

Zion Episcopal Church. 326 Notch Hill rd., North Branford. 203-488-7395. The Reverend Lucy LaRocca, Vicar; Sunday Holy Eucharist 8 & 10:00am. Coffee hour follows both services. Child care available. Email; www.zionepiscopalchurch.org.

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Honoring the Memories of Our Mothers Masonic Home Health & Hospice

Mother's Day is soon approaching. Store shelves will be filled with greeting cards and gifts ready to purchase in time for this annual celebration. But for women who have experienced the loss of their mother – celebrating Mother's Day may be challenging. Whether the loss of a mother was recent or long ago, this day can bring an overwhelming sense of sadness and emotion for daughters.

Masonicare Home Health and Hospice invites daughters of all ages to find new ways of remembering your mother this Mother's Day. Please join us for an afternoon gathering to honor her and celebrate her legacy. All attendees are asked to bring a photo of their mother to share.

The event will take place on Sunday, May 4th (the Sunday before Mother's Day) from 2:00 to 3:30PM at Masoinicare at Ashlar Village, Cheshire Road in Wallingford. Follow the signs on campus to Pond Ridge North Building(Assisted Living)

There is no charge for this program. Registration is required by **Friday**, **April 25**. To learn more about the program or to register, please call **Lisa Stanley at 203-679-5327**.

Craft Fair at Saint Monica's

St. Monica's Rosary Society will be having the Spring Craft Fair on Saturday, April 26th, from 9:00AM - 3:00PM at St. Monica's Church, 1331 Middletown Ave in Northford.

The fair will feature handcrafted items by local artisans such as jewelry, hair ribbons, painted glass items and wood crafting as well as a bake table, raffle and more.

Breakfast and lunch are available.

Tables are available if you call Lucille at 203-484-9737.

HOLIDAY SERVICES

The Northford Congregational Church Easter Sunday service on April 20 will be at 10 a.m., and flowers will be added to a large wooden cross to welcome and represent the new life offered by the Easter promise. All are welcome. There will be no Sunday School class on Easter Sunday.

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 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

The North Branford Congregational Church will hold Easter Sunrise service at 6:30am April 20th - Lake Gaillard. Easter Sunday service at 10am April 20th.

Coffee and donuts will be served at the Church Fellowship Hall immediately following the Easter Sunrise service. The Church is located at 1680 Foxon Road, North Branford. For more information call 203-488-8456.

The Parishes of St. Augustine, 30 Caputo Rd., North Branford, and St. Monica, 1331 Middletown Ave., Northford. Easter Sunday, April 20th, 9AM St. Monica, 11AM St. Augustine

Flower & Bake Sale To Benefit NCC Bell Tower Fund

Northford Congregational Church will have both an Easter weekend flower and bake sale and a Mother's Day weekend flower sale to benefit the Church Bell Tower Fund. The Easter weekend flower sale will be held on Fri., April 18, and Sat., April 19, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., and on Sunday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. The bake sale will be held on Saturday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. The Mother's Day weekend flower sale will have the same hours.

Tax-deductible donations can be made directly to the church by sending checks payable to Northford Congregational Church and noting that they are for the Bell Tower Fund. Checks should be sent to the Northford Congregational Church, P. O. Box 191, Northford CT 06472.

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Church of the Resurrection Carnival

Carnival 2014 marks forty years of Carnivals by the Church of the Resurrection, 115 Pond Hill Road, Wallingford, CT. The eventwill take place April 23rd - 26th opening nightly at 6:00 with free admission and parking.

Wednesday is Italian night with meatball, sausage and peppers, eggplant parmesan and porchetta sandwiches, pasta fagioli, ewand and cannoli. Thursday is Polish night with kielbasa and kraut sandwiches, stuffed cabbage, pierogi (potato/cheese/kraut). On Friday Central Connecticut State University's Fermata the Blue (all male A Cappella group) performs at 7 and 8pm. Saturday is family night with \$2 hot dogs and hamburgers all night long.

Kiddie land where kids get to play all of the games, then pick a prize of their choice for only \$1.00 continues to be popular. For the adults the Heavenly Scents booth features cakes, cookies, pies, muffins and more where 25 cents can be turned into desert for the family. The plant and basket booth has all sorts of goodies to win for only 25 cents a chance.

The basket raffle consists of a variety of baskets created by our parishioners. The grand raffle, drawn on Saturday at 9:30pm, is still only \$1.00 per chance and you could win a 39" Vizio TV with Samsung Soundbar and Sony Blu Ray player, \$750, an iPad mini with retina display Wi-Fi 16GB, \$350, or a Kindle Fire HDX 7", Quad Core, Wi-Fi, 16 GB.

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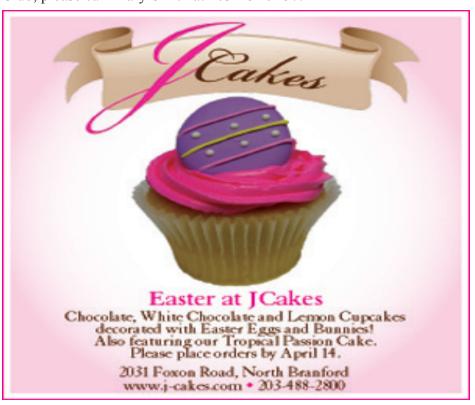
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Bake Sale to Benefit Dan Cosgrove Animal Shelter The Northford Women's Club is sponsoring a bake sale on Thursday, April

The Northford Women's Club is sponsoring a bake sale on Thursday, April 24th from 9am to 12:00 noon at the Stanley T. Williams North Branford Community Center, 1332 Middletown Avenue, Northford. All proceeds will benefit the Dan Cosgrove Animal Shelter. The Cosgrove Animal Shelter services the towns of Northford, North Branford and Branford. Please come out and show your support and pick up some delicious treats! Donations of cat or dog items will also be accepted at that time.

For more information regarding membership to the Northford Women's Club, please call Mary Smith at 203-484-9157.





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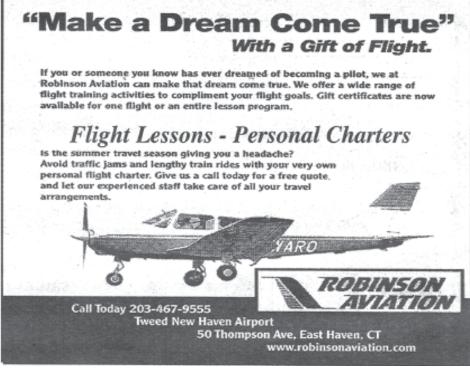
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