



# RIVEREAST

# News Bulletin

Serving Amston, Andover, Cobalt, Colchester, East Hampton, Hebron, Marlborough, Middle Haddam and Portland

Volume 44, Number 51

Published by The Glastonbury Citizen

November 20, 2020



**Make a Joyful Noise...** The Collaborative for Colchester's Children (C3) adapted its Joyful Noises playgroup to accommodate social distancing requirements and hosted the weekly program outdoors at Ruby and Elizabeth Cohen Woodlands throughout the fall. This free class, for children ages 2 to 5 years old and a caregiver, offered a variety of outdoor activities including stories, songs, music and movement games. Pictured is Erin Mikan with her daughter Lucille Porter. C3 is a community partnership supporting families with young children in Colchester.

## Spreader Event Shuttters Hebron Town Hall

by Sloan Brewster

An in-person meeting of Hebron's clerical union has led to the closure of Hebron town offices and Douglas Library while all employees are tested for COVID-19.

"As of this morning, we closed town offices to the public for appointment only," Town Manager Andrew Tierney said in a phone call Tuesday. "We shut the buildings and the library down."

Tierney said over the weekend he received a call from an employee of the Public Works Department who had tested positive for COVID-19 and through contact tracing learned that the clerical union held an in-person meeting last Tuesday. The employee who tested positive was at that meeting, Tierney said.

Based on concerns that all town employees were exposed, Tierney said they were all being tested

As of Tuesday, two town employees, one who works at Town Hall and one in the Public Works Department, have received positive test results, the town manager said.

Tierney, who was tested Monday, said he is showing minor symptoms. On Wednesday, he said his results came back and, he too, received a positive test.

Russell Melmed, director of health at Chatham Health District, said he helped the town conduct contact tracing Sunday night.

People who test positive for COVID-19 can spread germs starting about 48 hours before they become sick, he said.

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) guidelines, officials are most concerned with anyone who spent 15 or more minutes within six feet of infected individuals, Melmed said. If the person was actively sick and coughing, there would also be a need to contact people who were in their presence for a shorter period.

Anyone who has been in close contact with an individual with a positive test is told to quarantine at home and stay away from others for 14 days, Melmed said. Anyone who is worried they may have contracted COVID-19 can get tested and should remain in quarantine while awaiting the results.

"Anybody that wants to get tested, we say 'go get tested,'" he said.

Tierney said everyone at the meeting wore masks and attendees were "trying to social distance."

He added, though, that he did not know about the in-person meeting and would not have allowed it.

Everyone in the meeting is under quarantine until the day before Thanksgiving, and four Public Works Department employees are self-isolating while awaiting their test results, he said.

The Board of Selectmen made the decision to "err on the side of caution for people's safety" at a special meeting the previous night, board chairman Daniel Larson said in a phone call Tuesday.

See Hebron Town Hall, page 5

### Early Deadline Next Week

Due to the Thanksgiving holiday, the *Rivereast* will be publishing a day early next week.

Because of this, all submitted copy – letters to the editor, church listings, event notices, etc. – must be submitted by **noon Monday, Nov. 23**. No exceptions will be made.

Newspapers will still be delivered on Friday as usual.

Happy Thanksgiving from all of us at the *Rivereast*.

## Staffing Shortage Closes RHAM Schools

by Sloan Brewster

Due to a COVID-19-related staffing shortage, the RHAM high and middle schools have closed and students will be learning remotely through Thanksgiving.

A thread of continuing changes led to the decision Wednesday to close both schools until after the holiday.

Initially, Interim Superintendent of Schools Scott Leslie decided Sunday to close the high school and transition to distance learning for at least Monday and Tuesday. He made the call after he, fellow administrators and Russell Melmed, director of health at Chatham Health District, conducted contact-tracing due to an increase in confirmed cases of COVID-19, Leslie said. As of Tuesday, there were 20 positive student cases at the two schools in the district.

"We are seeing a spike in cases, there's no

doubt about it," Leslie said. "We are seeing a significant spike in students who are testing positive and adults who are testing positive, more so than we've seen, at this point."

While the surge was not caused by in-school transmissions of the virus and all the exposures occurred outside of school, the number of quarantining teachers led to a shortage of staff at the high school, Leslie said.

"We have so many staff that are either quarantining due to exposure outside school or they are out for medical reasons, we just don't have enough staff," he said.

Tuesday, officials decided to stretch the high school closure through the end of the week with the possibility it would extend through Thanksgiving. At that point, the middle school was still open and students there were continuing with

the hybrid learning model.

However, on Wednesday, in a text message, the superintendent said both schools would be closed and distance learning would be implemented through the holiday week. He said the middle school was added to the mix due to the need for additional staff to quarantine and because there was a significant increase in the number of students testing positive and/or needing to quarantine.

Leslie has previously credited the district's hybrid learning schedule and the strict adherence of students and staff when it comes to mask-wearing and maintaining proper physical distancing with preventing those with positive cases of the virus from infecting others in the school community.

In the hybrid model, which combines in-

person and distant learning, about half of students are in school Mondays and Tuesdays and the other half are there Thursdays and Fridays. On the days they are not in school, they learn remotely. On Wednesdays, custodial staff performs a deep cleaning of the schools.

On Tuesday, Leslie said there were concerns among administrators about growing staffing issues and how that would impact learning throughout the holiday season, a challenge in which the district is not alone.

"A number of schools have announced that they'll be closed after Thanksgiving and many of those are closing through mid-January in anticipation of the spike in family gatherings," he said. "We are concerned that staff issues are going to be a significant challenge for us through

See Staff Shortage, page 5

<b>I N D E X</b>	<b>PORTLAND</b>	<b>COLCHESTER</b>
	<i>Woman's Daughters Launch GoFundMe..Pg 7</i>	<i>Bylone Heartened by Voter Turnout..... Pg 13</i>
	<b>HEBRON</b>	<b>MARLBOROUGH</b>
	<i>Schools Closed Through Thanksgiving ..Pg 10</i>	<i>Man Arrested for Sex Assaults.....Pg 17</i>
	<b>HEBRON</b>	<b>REGIONAL</b>
	<i>A Passion for Stone Walls .....Pg 11</i>	<i>Obituaries ..... Pgs 23-25</i>

*From the Editor's Desk***Observations & Ruminations**

by Mike Thompson

Thanksgiving is, amazingly, just next week, and as such, there's some deadline-related news you all should know about.

The *Rivereast* normally publishes on Thursdays. But because of the holiday, next week we'll be rolling out the papers a day early – on Wednesday. That means everything will move up a day: my deadlines, my reporters' deadlines and.....your deadlines.

I need to have all submitted copy – stuff like letters to the editor, church listings, event notices and press releases – into me by noon on Monday, Nov. 23. No exceptions will be made. Email continues to be the best way to submit items; they can be sent to [bulletin@glcitizen.com](mailto:bulletin@glcitizen.com).

While this change is just a temporary one – I'll be back to my normal deadline the week after next – there's another change afoot that's more permanent. Over the past several weeks at the *Rivereast*, there have been various changes in the production operations here. I won't bore you with the nuts and bolts

(there are so many other things I can bore you with), but the end result is things are getting streamlined, and moving faster. As a result, the deadline for paid advertisements is changing.

Effective immediately, the advertising deadline is being moved up an hour. This means that, for next week, it will be 11 a.m. Tuesday. For the following weeks it will be 11 a.m. on Wednesday. It's only an hour's difference, but that hour makes a big difference for us.

We thank all the advertisers in advance for your cooperation.

\* \* \*

Everyone's a critic.

I'm sure many of you have had moments in your life where you show a friend or loved one a favorite movie or television show of yours, or play them your favorite album, in the hopes of sharing your joy – only to find out when it's over that they hated it.

**Editor's Desk continued on page 4****Bulletin Board**

I've been thinking lately about how I want to spend my twilight years.

While not ready as yet to step into this latter phase of life, I think it is wise to be prepared. The obituary pages are heavily populated with people who retire from busy careers, only to get run over a week later by a runaway golf cart (or find their will to live steadily eroded by the incessant chatter and petty concerns of a spouse, who seemed quite companionable when you didn't have to listen to her/him from 9 a.m.-5 p.m.) and within a few months of drawing their final paycheck at work, are surprised to find themselves punching out on the great Time Clock of Life.

While I don't golf, and while my wife is a witty and engaging conversationalist—and has, in the years following our marriage, developed an almost legendary reputation for self-sacrifice among my in-laws (at least, this is the sense I get from those few who still talk to me)—I think it is well to be prepared for all eventualities. I don't want to retire someday only to see my own name on the obituary page shortly thereafter.

It also seems only natural, as we reach a certain age, that we ponder the serious question of how we may suitably cap off a well-spent life (or avoid repercussions in the Hereafter by atoning for a somewhat less conventional journey).

I see that some people choose to spend their twilight years traveling, perhaps touring Europe or sailing around the world. Others prefer to devote themselves to community service, perhaps delivering meals to the homebound or working in local hospitals—offering themselves as volunteers now that their own organs are too decrepit to be suitable for donation.

While I commend these people, I have chosen a different path. After much consideration, I have decided to devote my twilight years to being an outstanding curmudgeon.

I will admit, this was a difficult decision. I was frankly torn between striving to be an outstanding curmudgeon or devoting my efforts toward being a burden to my children. To my great joy, after much prayer, it finally occurred to me that the two are not mutually exclusive.

My plan is to model myself on the famed Mr. Rogers of kiddie TV's "Mr. Rogers' Neighborhood," but my theme will be based on a cranky venomous approach to humanity, instead of that all-embracing good-naturedness that made Mr. Rogers such beloved figure.

Instead of a gentle "Good morning, children. Welcome to the neighborhood," I'll be outside in the yard, waving my garden hose in a threatening manner, and shouting, "Get off my grass you over-active little bastards," periodically breaking the routine by staggering in aimless circles with my fly down.

Of course, unlike Mr. Rogers (who, in addition to his kindly attitude, still had his hair), by that time I will presumably be totally bald, so I'll look like a cantankerous snapping turtle in a cardigan. I expect this will only add to my curmudgeonly charisma.

I have compiled a brief shopping list of curmudgeonly points to ponder as I organize a plan for my twilight years:

- I will proclaim my failing internal thermostat to the world by wearing sweaters in August and muscle shirts in January.
- I will never give up my driver's license, even if I shrink to the point that I have to pile up phone books on the car seat in order to see over the steering wheel.
- I will drive everywhere (including interstate highways) at only one speed (20 mph) and if the traffic behind me extends farther than I can see in the rearview mirror, I will slow down to 15 mph.
- I'll save money on meals by going to the post-funeral receptions of total strangers to take advantage of the buffet and if anyone challenges me I will say I am an old school chum of the deceased. If that doesn't fly I'll feign confusion (which should not be difficult) and ask, "Isn't this the Goldblatt wedding?"
- When investment brokers call me and offer to make me millions in the zircon market, I will tell them I'm not allowed to handle my own money and give them the phone number of whichever one of my sons last annoyed me.
- Similarly, when I am approached by charitable organizations and piously told that I can support an entire Third World village for the price of a mere cup of coffee a day, I will retort that I'd rather have the coffee.
- I'll gradually spend my savings on TV shopping network stuff, so when I die, my kids will find an empty bank account and a basement full of miracle omelet makers, collapsible pocket fishing poles and cunning devices that transform ordinary cherry tomatoes into decorative chrysanthemums.

That's it for now, but I do feel so much better for having something to look forward to.

**Jim Hallas, Publisher**

**Letter of Intent... Bacon Academy's Victoria Violette signs a National Letter of Intent to play soccer at Central Connecticut State University.**

Reader Forum • Reader Forum • Reader Forum • Reader Forum • Reader Forum

**Thanks for the Food**

To the Editor:

East Hampton registrars of voters would like to thank both Sweet Jean's Cafe and DaVinci Pizza for the wonderful food that was enjoyed by the poll workers on Nov. 3. Each business provided a "little something extra" on their own that was very much appreciated.

Please frequent these locally-run and owned businesses.

**Lori Wilcox and Terry Latimer  
East Hampton Registrars of Voters**

**Disrespecting Town History**

To the Editor:

I'm pleased that Hebron received a STEAP grant to improve pedestrian safety along Route 316. Hopefully, a sidewalk can be built without disturbing the historical integrity of the Cesar Peters' homesite. Heritage sites are an important part of Hebron's "rural historic character." The Cesar Peters' homesite is the last surviving site abutting Hebron Center dating before 1744!

On Sept. 18, 2019, the selectmen and town manager claimed the sole right to determine what constitutes Hebron's "rural historic character," but have failed in that capacity. Using a Connecticut Transportation Capital Improvement Program the town paved over the homesite of Hebron's first settler, despite the fact that Connecticut statutes mandated an archaeological investigation. Hebron has been callous in preserving historic minority sites. At Burnt Hill Park, almost all 18th century features of the Peters farmstead were destroyed. Town officials belligerently bulldozed the Cesar Peters' abduction site identified by a state grant. Hebron has no agency to preserve its archaeological sites which date as early as 5,000 BC.

Mr. Tierney has assigned Michael O'Leary to collect information about Hebron African-American site. On Oct. 27, 50 pages of detailed research identifying the exact location of the Cesar Peters' homesite and other minority sites in Hebron were sent to Mr. O'Leary. Much of this information was found in town records! Clearly, this information has not been utilized. On Nov. 13, Sarah Sportsman, state archaeologist, retrieved from the Cesar Peters' homesite artifacts dating from his occupancy. Town Officials claim they cannot locate the homesite, yet it is clearly visible on the March 1, 2018 CIP report referencing the sidewalk project.

It is worrisome when government officials who claim the right to determine Hebron's rural historic character, cannot find such an important, well-documented archaeological site.

**John Baron – Hebron****Please Join Us at RTC**

To the Editor:

This past week I received an email from a Hebron resident that stated he realized there is more to winning an election than casting a vote. As chair of the Hebron Republican Town Committee, I couldn't agree more! The sole purpose of the HRTC is to promote the principles of the Republican Party and to help ensure the election of Republican candidates to local and state office.

The Hebron Republican Town Committee has many opportunities for residents to get involved. We are a vibrant organization of dedicated public servants that needs your help to be the people's voice in our government and support the positive and successful principles of the Republican Party in our community that we love and serve.

We meet once a month, on the fourth Monday. Please consider taking the time to visit our website [HebronRepublicans.org](http://HebronRepublicans.org) or email us at [hebronrepublicans@gmail.com](mailto:hebronrepublicans@gmail.com) if you are interested in joining us.

Our next meeting is this Monday, Nov. 23; we hope you can join us!

**Amanda Veneziano, Chair  
Hebron Republican Town Committee**

**Season's Greetings**

To the Editor:

Middlesex Hospital Vocal Chords wishes you all a happy holiday season! Thank you for your support throughout the past 30 years. We miss you so much but most of all, we miss lifting your spirits and ours with song! Stay safe, stay well, and we can look forward to seeing you all again in 2021. In the meantime, visit us on the web at [vocalchords20.org](http://vocalchords20.org) and like us on Facebook!

**Middlesex Hospital Vocal Chords****Early Deadline Next Week**

Due to the Thanksgiving holiday, the *Rivereast* will be publishing a day early next week.

Because of this, all submitted copy – letters to the editor, church listings, event notices, etc. – must be submitted by **noon Monday, Nov. 23**. No exceptions will be made.

Newspapers will still be delivered on Friday as usual.

Happy Thanksgiving from all of us at the *Rivereast*.

**News copy deadline for *The Rivereast News Bulletin* is Tuesday at noon. Please address all letters & news articles to: *Rivereast News Bulletin*, P.O. Box 373, Glastonbury, CT 06033**

Letter Writers: Due to space constraints, letter writers must limit their letters to **300 words or less**. No exceptions will be made. E-mail is preferred. Word or text documents are best. Letters submitted without a contact phone number will not be published nor will anonymous letters or letters submitted by someone other than the person who wrote it. We cannot guarantee all letters will be published.

(860) 633-4691 — [bulletin@glcitizen.com](mailto:bulletin@glcitizen.com)

Reader Forum • Reader Forum

**Happy Thanksgiving**

Dear Colchester Residents:  
A wonderful time is approaching. A time of giving thanks. A time for reflection. A time for random acts of kindness. Some think it isn't possible to expect these times given the global pandemic. I disagree. More than ever, this is the time for us to take a pause and consider all we have accomplished, the love of our family and friends and the resolve to continue to work together for a better tomorrow.  
I think it is a great time to focus on our families, large or small, near or far. It is a time to recharge and I can't think of a better way to do it than to spend it with the people we love. Being physically together might not be an option this year given some travel restrictions and some safety precautions. Don't let this keep you from

sending special messages or enjoying "visits" with them. I am using technology to stay in touch with many of my friends whom I cannot be with this holiday. I believe it can be the next best thing to being there.

Whether you make a phone call, set up a Zoom, send a text or have a FaceTime session, you can find a way to still celebrate and be grateful. Consider sending a handwritten note or a special card. Whatever you do, please don't pass up the chance to share your love and kindness.

Happy Thanksgiving to each and every one of you!

Sincerely,  
Mary Bylone  
Colchester First Selectman

**Paper Shred Thanks**

To the Editor:  
The Hebron Green Committee would like to thank all those who participated in our annual paper shred event this past Saturday, and thanks also to RHAM High School for the use of their grounds. We had a long line of cars from well before the starting time for almost the whole day, and as a result collected a huge amount of papers to be recycled. Also, everyone remembered to wear a mask and was very patient as committee members unloaded each car so people could keep a safe distance away.  
For those that may plan to attend next year's event, we will be tightening down on a couple rules. First, this event is intended for residents only, not businesses. It was clear that a few

businesses used this year's event as a way to avoid the cost of disposal of a substantial volume of their records. In addition, several people exceeded the five box limit by quite a bit. Continued violation of these rules could result in us filling the truck early and having to turn people away. We clearly don't want to do this, so please be advised that neither of these practices will be allowed next year. The Hebron Paper Shred has always proved to be well received and extremely successful, and we look forward to continuing this tradition every year.  
Thanks again to everyone, and we'll see you next year!

Mike Harder  
Hebron Green Committee  
See Letters on page 4

**AUTO DETAILING \$99.99 +UP**  
**GREAT X-MAS GIFT!!!**  
— The DIY Garage New England —  
493 NORWICH AVE., COLCHESTER, CT  
860-455-5350 @TheDIYGarageLLC  
www.thediagaragene.com




**Tatiana Geist**  
860-805-8710

**MICHELLE COLLINS**  
Realty Group



*Thankful*  
for the opportunity  
to service all of your  
Real Estate needs.

*Happy Thanksgiving!*  
— Tatiana

2790 Main Street Glastonbury, CT  
TatianaGeist@bhhsNEproperties.com  
TatianaGeist.com

BERKSHIRE HATHAWAY HomeServices  
New England Properties

**Route 66 Package Store**  
*Fine Wine, Liquor & Beer Warehouse*  
193 East High St., East Hampton, CT  
860-267-1171

**Whiskey & Wine World of Andover**  
*Andover Package Store*  
144 Route 6, Andover, CT  
860-680-4768

**Happy Thanksgiving!**

**Lotto & Daily Numbers**  
\*Sale ends 11/30/20  
\*\*Not responsible for typographical errors

*Home of World Class Wines & Liquors*

100s of Special Prices Inside Store  
Check It Out Special Holiday Prices in December

**Great Thanksgiving Ideas!**

Sea Hag 6 pk ..... 8.99	Counter Weight Headway 4 pk.. 10.99
Thomas Hooker #NoFilter 6 pk... 12.99	White Claw Seltzer 12 pk ... 13.99
Lawson Sip of Sunshine 4 pk.. 13.99	Truly Seltzer 12 pk..... 13.99

**VODKA**

Grey Goose 1.75 .....	49.99
Ketel One 1.75.....	33.99
Absolute 1.75.....	29.99
Skyy 1.75.....	20.99
Smirnoff 80 1.75 .....	19.99
Stolichnaya 1.75 .....	29.99

**RUM**

Captain Morgan 1.75 .....	26.99
Malibu 1.75 .....	28.99
Bacardi 1.75 .....	19.99
Coconut Jack 1.75.....	20.99

**CORDIALS**

Bailey's Irish Cream 1.75.....	49.99
Kahlua 1.75 .....	37.99

**GIN**

Bombay Sapphire 1.75 .....	34.99
Tanqueray 1.75.....	31.99
Beefeater 1.75.....	29.99

**SCOTCH**

Johnnie Walker Black 1.75 ...	59.99
Chivas Regal 1.75 .....	49.99
Dewars 1.75 .....	34.99
Johnnie Walker Red 1.75 .....	36.99

**WHISKEY**

Jameson 1.75 .....	51.99
Seagram's VO 1.75 .....	20.99
Canadian Club 1.75.....	19.99
Seagram's 7 1.75 .....	22.99
Black Velvet 1.75.....	15.99

**WINE**

<b>Josh .....</b>	<b>12.99</b>
<i>Chardonnay, Merlot, Cabernet Sauvignon, Pinot Grigio, Rose, Sauvignon Blanc</i>	
Clos Du Bois 1.5 L.....	18.99
Relax 1.5 L .....	19.99
R Mondavi Private Sel 1.5 L ..	18.99
Monkey Bay Sauv Blanc 1.5 L ..	15.99
BlackStone 1.5 L .....	17.99
Meridian 1.5 L.....	14.99
Woodbridge .....	12.99
Cavit Pinot Grigeo 1.5 L .....	11.99
Barefoot 1.5 L.....	11.99
Beringer White Zin 1.5 L.....	10.99
Yellow Tail 1.5 L.....	11.99
Rex Goliath 1.5 L.....	10.99
Relax 750 ml.....	9.99
Fontera 1.5 L .....	8.99

**BEER 12 PK SPECIALS**

Bass Ale 12 pk.....	14.99
Beck's 12 pk .....	13.99
Corona 12 pk.....	13.99
Heineken 12 pk.....	13.99
Long Trail 12 pk.....	13.99
Harpoon Ale 12 pk.....	13.99
Sam Adams 12 pk .....	13.99

**BEER**

Budweiser 30 pk can .....	22.99
Busch 30 pk can.....	16.99

**BOURBON**

Maker's Mark 90 .....	54.99
Jack Daniel's .....	44.99
Jim Beam.....	29.99

**East Hampton ACE Hardware**

**Wood Pellets & Bio Bricks Now In Stock!**

**Ready for Pick-Up or Delivery CALL TODAY!**

**East Hampton ACE Hardware**  
Route 66, East Hampton  
**(860) 267-7943**

Store Hours: Mon-Wed 8-6; Thurs & Fri 8-7; Sat 8-6; Sun 9-5

Reader Forum • Reader Forum

★ Letters cont. from page 3

## Should Be Outraged

To the Editor:

East Hampton residents should be aware of a proposed zoning change on Main Street. Food Bag has requested a zone change from residential to commercial to expand their store at Route 16 and Main Street. They propose a 4,000-sq-ft. building with pump islands and coffee drive-through covering almost two acres.

Residents should be outraged with this proposed zoning change. Changing the current zoning from residential to commercial, removing historic buildings and constructing a huge gas station/convenience store will forever alter the look and feel of Main Street. The Main Street look as it leads to the village center is a resource that once lost can never be regained.

This is not in the Plan of Conservation and Development which is the plan for East Hampton to expand business and still retain a small town feel. In the plan this street is proposed to become professional office/residential. Not commercial. The town plan accommodates business appropriate for the area while conserving the look and feel residents asked for.

Please don't let Main Street turn into a convenience store business district. Voice your opposition to the proposed zone change to the Planning and Zoning Commission.

**Kenneth Dodson – East Hampton**

## Country Over Party

To the Editor:

A Republic If We Can Keep It -Ben Franklin  
I wanted to thank the Republicans and others who voted for Biden and Harris. Our Democracy is in distress and you saw it, even through all the propaganda. Country over party; you are true Patriots.

**Thank you.**

**Annie Steinbrecher – Marlborough**

## A Time for Thanks

To the Editor:

I would like to give thanks to our awesome resident state trooper, Darrell Tetreault, who on his own time off washed and cleaned our senior bus. This is the type of service he has provided for the seniors and our residents since he became our resident state trooper.

Since we are approaching Thanksgiving, a time to be thankful, I will share with everyone that I am thankful to the following people: our town clerk, Carol Lee, for all the help and suggestions she has provided throughout the years to assist our senior population. Thank you to our senior transportation drivers, Ricky Kauffman and Ellie Skoog, for the excellent job they do providing rides and keeping our seniors, disabled and veterans safe. I also want to thank all our wonderful Andover residents for using our senior transportation and those who donate to our senior luncheon program so hot meals can be delivered to them. Also, I want to thank our town administrator, who deserves 10 stars for his outstanding care of our town, and to my husband, Mike, who is always there to carry, move or help with any other chore that needs doing.

Happy Thanksgiving to our great town of Andover.

**Sincerely,**

**Cathy Palazzi**

**Andover Senior Coordinator**

## EC Avoids 'Bullying'

To the Editor:

Readers continue to write letters advocating the dissolution of the Electoral College. Understanding the purpose of the Electoral College was clarified for me in Marilyn Vos Savant's "Ask Marilyn" column in the October 11, 2020 issue of Parade magazine.

A reader asked: "Can you make an argument in favor of electoral votes?"

She answered, "We are the United States of America, and our states — starting with the original 13 colonies — are separate entities. It is understandably unacceptable to states with smaller populations to have their affairs decided by other states simply because more people live there. Suppose there were a United Countries of Earth. Would we like the idea of China (population 1.436 billion) and India (1.380 billion) running the show? (The U.S. has 331 million people.) Or would we want a leveling factor?"

It's a matter of fairness. The Electoral College keeps the fly-over states from being 'bullied' by the heavily-populated states on the coasts.

**Peter Kushkowski**

**"Almost Heaven"**

**Portland**

## Thanks for Support

To the Editor:

With the generous support of the families of Portland we were able to collect over 640 bags of groceries for the Portland Food Bank. I would like to thank the Cub Scouts Pack 2 and the Girl Scouts Troop 60463 for dropping off and picking up the grocery bags. I would also like to thank my family for their continued support for the past 27 years of holding this food drive.

And a special thank you to Ruth Maio and the food bank volunteers who put in long hours to get the food on the shelves in time to have it distributed to families in need for Thanksgiving.

**Thank you,**

**Shaun P. Manning – Portland**

## Thank You, Election Workers

To the Editor:

As we move into the holiday season, the Marlborough registrars of voters would like to acknowledge our election workers who worked long and hard to make our primary and especially the presidential election a success. Thank you to our poll workers: Moderator – Rita McGary; Greeters – Rachel Crockett and Robin Clegg; Checkers – Carolyn Brodginiski and Aileen Vrooman, Assistant Registrar – Amy Traversa; Booth Tenders- Joan O'Connell, Ellen Drexler, Brenda Salvador, Russell Salvador, Jenna Cieslowski, Aiden Christmas, and Audrey Sanderson; Checker- Cheryl Morgan; Tabulator Tender- Jeff Gorman.

Also, we want to thank our absentee ballot counters: Ruth Kelly, Fran Terase, Sandra Allen, Nancy Dickson, Sandy McFarland, Kathleen Colburn and Lauren Cragg; EDR Personnel – Riva Clark, Pat Raffin and Kathy Kniep; Head Moderator – Wendy Nichols. We appreciate their dedication, professionalism, and commitment in contributing to the success of our elections. We also want to thank all the residents that call in to offer their assistance.

Once again, we say thank you.

**Respectfully,**

**Ann Kilby and Dorothy Dennis**

**Marlborough Registrars of Voters**

## Astonishing Ignorance

To the Editor:

The ignorance expressed by Scott Sauyet disputing that we're a republic is astonishing, but not surprising. He epitomizes the results of our deficient educational system. He unwittingly contradicted his own argument by condemning two hallmarks of our republic – each state having two senators and the Electoral College.

His ignorance includes misunderstanding what federalism is. This descendant from Mosaic Law calls for resolution of problems by whoever is closest to them. Resolution only proceeds to higher levels when required.

James Madison, one of the authors of The Federalist Papers, is regarded as the father of our Constitution. He went to great lengths to limit the federal government to explicitly-defined powers, leaving all other matters within the purview of states and their individuals. The Ninth and Tenth Amendments secured these restrictions and limitations.

Presidents are selected through the determinations of our respective states. The Constitution explicitly vests this power to their respective legislatures (not their governors, executive officers, or courts). The legislatures are empow-

ered to choose their own slate of electors to vote in the Electoral College. States have traditionally deferred to the popular democratic vote of the people within their state in choosing these electors, but they still retain the ultimate Constitutional authority for the designation of them.

Throughout our country, this election has displayed unprecedented irregularities (fraud?). States have until Dec. 8 to resolve challenges to their claimed results. Their legislatures then decide whether or not to certify the election sending their electors to the Electoral College.

If no candidate receives 270 votes in the Electoral College on Dec. 14, the election is remanded to the new House of Representatives seated in January. Each state's delegation gets one vote, and Republicans will control 28 of those delegations. This election is not yet determined.

**Sam Prentice – Andover**

## E-Mail Letters

Letter writers are encouraged to email their letters of 300 words or less to [bulletin@glcitizen.com](mailto:bulletin@glcitizen.com). Letters submitted without a contact phone number will not be published.

## Editor's Desk continued from page 2

And you get it – hey, different strokes for different folks and all that. It can take the wind out of your sails a bit, but it's an experience that's happened for generations and will continue for generations.

I was reminded of this recently when I came across a collection of reviews of films that have garnered nearly universal acclaim over the years. The key word here being "nearly." The movies may be classics in the eyes of most everyone – but not these critics. Here are some highlights:

Of *The Empire Strikes Back*, the magazine People wrote, "The more one sees the main characters, the less appealing they become. Luke Skywalker is a whiner, Han Solo a sarcastic clod, Princess Leia a nag, and C-3PO just a drone."

Of *The Wizard of Oz*, Otis Ferguson of The New Republic opined: "It has dwarfs, music, Technicolor, freak characters, and Judy Garland. It can't be expected to have a sense of humor as well, and as for the light touch of fantasy, it weighs like a pound of fruitcake soaking wet."

On *The Exorcist*: "A chunk of elegant occultist claptrap. ... The devil, it seems, for all his supposed powers, can't break and enter without sounding like Laurel and Hardy trying to move a piano." – Vincent Canby, *The New York Times*

On *Ben-Hur*: "If you can keep both eyes open through its whole three-hour length you're a better man than I am." – Dave Kehr, *Chicago Reader*

On the 1976 version of *A Star is Born*: "[Barbra] Streisand's notion of acting is to bulldoze her way from one end of a line to the other without regard for anyone or anything; you can literally feel her impatience for the

other performer to stop talking so she can take over again." – John Simon, *New York Magazine*

On *Lawrence of Arabia*: "Seldom has so little been said in so many words." – Bosley Crowther, *The New York Times*

On *The Sixth Sense*: "I was not only surprised by the film's final twist, I wasn't even looking for one. I just thought I was watching a bad movie." – Jack Mathews, *New York Daily News*

On the original 1978 *Halloween*: "With the seductive tracking shots and the repetitive music, the film stops and starts so many times before anything happens that the bogeyman's turning up just gets to be a nuisance." – Pauline Kael, *The New Yorker*

On *Titanic*: "[James] Cameron has never been known for his dialogue, but Titanic carries some stinkers that wouldn't make the final draft of a *Days of Our Lives* script." – David Edelstein, *Slate*

On *The Shining*: "With everything to work with, director Stanley Kubrick has teamed with jumpy Jack Nicholson to destroy all that was so terrifying about Stephen King's best-seller. ... The crazier Nicholson gets, the more idiotic he looks." – *Variety*

On *No Country for Old Men*: "An exasperating and self-defeating experience, rather like listening to a nymphomaniac extol the virtues of celibacy." – Ryan Gilbey, *New Statesman*

And lastly, on the Hitchcock classic *Vertigo*: "The old master has turned out another Hitchcock-and-bull story in which the mystery is not so much who done it as who cares." – *Time*

\* \* \*

See you next week – and Happy Thanksgiving from all of us at the *Rivereast*.

## RANKED #1 IN HEBRON!



### Countryside Realty of Hebron Ranks #1 in 2019!

Countryside Realty, of 30 Main Street in Hebron, ranks #1 for the 9th straight year in number of homes SOLD in total for Hebron, Lebanon, Columbia, and Andover!\*

Everyone at Countryside Realty credits their success to an emphasis on preparation, relentless focus on customer service and a deep understanding of the market. Countryside Realty would like to extend a sincere "Thank You" to their clients for their loyalty, referrals and repeat business throughout the years.

\*According to The Greater Hartford Association of Realtors and the Connecticut MLS\*

## CLOSED 131 PROPERTIES WITH OVER 28 MILLION IN SALES FOR 2020!

**LOOKING TO SELL? CALL US TODAY!!!**



**(860) 228-8512**

Want the Best for your Family? **Trust Ours!**

**FAMILY OWNED AND OPERATED LOYAL, DEPENDABLE SERVICE FIVE STAR AWARD WINNER YEARLY SINCE 2009**

30 Main Street, Hebron  
[www.countrysiderealtyct.com](http://www.countrysiderealtyct.com)

RE 0116-20

## RIVEREAST

### News Bulletin

Serving Amston, Andover, Cobalt, Colchester, East Hampton, Hebron, Marlborough, Middle Haddam and Portland

**Published Every Friday by The Glastonbury Citizen**

**87 Nutmeg Lane • Glastonbury, CT 06033**

**Telephone (860) 633-4691 • Fax: (860) 657-3258**

**E-mail: [bulletin@glcitizen.com](mailto:bulletin@glcitizen.com)**

**Mailing Address: P.O. Box 373 • Glastonbury, CT 06033**

**Email classified line ads to [sandy@glcitizen.com](mailto:sandy@glcitizen.com).**

**Email Legal Notices to [legals@glcitizen.com](mailto:legals@glcitizen.com)**

**and call 860-633-4691 to pay with MC or VISA.**

James Hallas, Publisher

Mike Thompson, Editor

Carole Saucier, Advertising Manager

#### Staff Reporters:

Sloan Brewster—Hebron, Andover & RHAM

Karla Santos—Colchester & Marlborough

Jack Lakowsky—East Hampton & Portland

#### Advertising Representatives:

Jason Baran, ext. 231 • [jason@glcitizen.com](mailto:jason@glcitizen.com)

April Krason, ext. 232 • [april@glcitizen.com](mailto:april@glcitizen.com)

Renée Meuse, ext. 233 • [rep233@glcitizen.com](mailto:rep233@glcitizen.com)

**PUBLISHER RESERVES THE RIGHT TO CANCEL ANY ADVERTISEMENT AT ANY TIME**

Standard Mail – Postage Permit #1092 at Hartford, CT  
Glastonbury Citizen (USPS-219-360)

Cover Story • Cover

★ *Hebron Town Hall cont. from page 1*

“[Closing the offices] just seemed to be the prudent thing to do,” he said. “We don’t want our town employees to get COVID and we don’t want townspeople to get COVID and we don’t want one to spread it to the other.”

Larson said the town must remain cognizant of town residents and employees as state numbers of COVID-19 are going up.

As of Tuesday, across the state there were 94,986 confirmed cases of COVID-19, with 777 patients hospitalized with it and 4,771 associated deaths, according to the Department of Public Health (DPH). In Hebron, as of Monday, there were 87 confirmed cases and one confirmed death, bringing the town to a rate of 5.3 per 100,000.

According to the DPH, five to nine cases per 100,000 indicates a yellow alert, 10 to 14 is orange and 15 or more is red, the highest alert level.

Employees who are out of the office are working remotely, Tierney said. There are also some employees in offices and residents can make appointments to come in to Town Hall if they need to. They can also file documentation remotely or drop it off in the drop box at Town

Hall.

“As the COVID numbers keep ticking up we have to be separated,” Tierney said. “They’re saying work as much remotely as you can.”

Larson said the Board of Selectmen is asking people to maintain social distancing and try and use online platforms versus in-person meetings whenever possible.

The next steps will be reevaluated as people’s tests come in and based on that selectmen will determine when to reopen the town offices, Larson said.

“It could be next week,” he said. “I would love to see literally after the Thanksgiving holiday to be open and address people’s needs in-person ASAP.”

Larson also said he was hopeful a vaccine would soon be available.

“Apparently they do have two vaccines that are showing increasing progress,” he said. “They can’t come fast enough.”



Cover Story • Cover

★ *Staff Shortage cont. from page 5*

the holiday season as well.”

Melmed, in a phone call Tuesday, said a number of cases at RHAM had “interconnected with one another.”

As the number of cases of COVID-19 in the state increase, it becomes more difficult to isolate where exposures occur, he said, something that was not true a month ago, when that remained “very easy” to determine.

“The timeline from symptom onset and test results and social interaction out of school makes it difficult to be very confident where the cases came from,” he said. “The number of cases is making thorough contact-tracing difficult.”

As of Tuesday, across the state there were 94,986 confirmed cases of COVID-19, with 777 patients hospitalized with it and 4,771 associated deaths, according to the state Department of Public Health (DPH). In Hebron, as of Monday, there were 87 confirmed cases and one confirmed death, bringing the town to a rate of 5.3 per 100,000. In Andover, there were

25 confirmed cases and zero deaths with a rate of 8.8 per 100,000. In Marlborough, 126 confirmed cases and 17 deaths with a rate of 7.9 per 100,000.

According to the DPH, five to nine cases per 100,000 indicates a yellow alert, 10 to 14 is orange and 15 or more is red, the highest alert level.

Coming Inside

Despite increases in positive cases at the schools and an ongoing question of whether they will be open through the holiday season, students will be forced to move lunches and any lessons that had been taking place outside back inside as the temperatures chill and the weather becomes inclement, Leslie said. On Monday, the district returned picnic tables the Lions Club had lent it that had given students places to eat and learn outside.

There are a few nooks outside where students will be able to go if they still want to eat outside, Leslie said.

**Fogged or Cloudy Insulated Windows?**

**CHANGE the GLASS, NOT the WINDOWS!!!**

Send anonymous pic including town to [myglasspane@gmail.com](mailto:myglasspane@gmail.com) & get a guesstimate, or call

**“Pane in the Glass”**  
**860-342-3253**

Piano Tuning & Repair

James Garrett  
860-295-9071

**CHRISTMAS TREES**

Beautiful Trees & Excellent Needle Retention  
We will cut & tie tree on your car if necessary.

**SAWS PROVIDED • FREE TREE BALING  
FRESH WREATHS • TREE STANDS**

“We offer quality trees and hospitality on a picturesque farm”

Open Fri. 11/27 and Every Sat. and Sun. 9-4:30  
OUR CHRISTMAS BARN WILL BE CLOSED

We will be following all Covid protocols and taking all the necessary precautions including social distancing. Masks are required

Choose & Cut Any Tree  
**\$50**  
includes tax & baling

Customers rave about our trees!

Sorry, no dogs, chainsaws or credit cards

**RENESON'S CHRISTMAS TREE FARM**  
280 Bull Hill Rd., Colchester  
Follow signs on Rt. 16 or Rt. 66  
860-267-0448 • 860-508-6072

**A&R ENVIRONMENTAL, LLC**  
Radon Specialists since 1995

Radon Mitigation & Testing  
Specializing in Air & Water Systems

Licensed, Certified & Insured **FREE QUOTES**

[www.arenvironmental.com](http://www.arenvironmental.com)

Serving CT & MA **860-742-6767**

**BLACK FRIDAY COUPON**

**20% OFF ENTIRE ORDER!**

VALID 11/27-11/29 AT THIS LOCATION ONLY. MUST BE PRESENTED OR MENTIONED AT CHECKOUT.

**YOUR CBD Store Colchester**  
35 Lebanon Ave Colchester, CT 06231 (860) 334-2944  
Email: Colchester612.cbd@fu.com Web: Colchester612.cbd@fu.com

Free Samples!  
@CBD\_Colchester  
@YourCBDStoreColchesterCT  
@YourCBDStoreColchesterCT

**BOAT/RV STORAGE**

639 OLD HARTFORD ROAD COLCHESTER

Reserve Your Space Now for the Season!

- Fenced in • Covered
- Limited Indoor Storage for Motorcycles/Cars
- 24 Hour Video Surveillance

860.267.0842  
860.267.7644 ANSWERING SERVICE  
power4u@higginselec.com

Discounts as big as a house. Or condo. Or apartment.

See just how big your savings could be. Your savings could add up to hundreds of dollars when you put all your policies together under our State Farm® roof. **GET TO A BETTER STATE.™** CALL ME TODAY.

**Paul A Catalano CLU ChFC CPCU, Agent**  
Bus: 860-537-3338  
[www.insurect.com](http://www.insurect.com)

**State Farm™**

1103155.1 State Farm Mutual Automobile Insurance Company, State Farm Indemnity Company, Bloomington, IL



**ADVERTISERS**

The Glastonbury Citizen and Rivereast News Bulletin will make every effort to see that all advertising copy is correctly printed. The publisher assumes no liability or financial responsibility for typographical errors in advertising, but will reprint, without charge, that part of an advertisement in which an error may occur, provided that a claim is made within 5 days of publication. The liability of the publisher on account of errors in or omissions from any advertisement will in no way exceed the amount of the charge for the space occupied by the item in error, and then only for the first incorrect insertion. Also, the publisher takes no responsibility for statements or claims made in any advertisement, and will upon request, reveal the name and address of the person or persons responsible for placing any display advertisement, political or otherwise, except for “blind” box ads. The Glastonbury Citizen Inc. reserves the right to reject advertisements which it deems unsuitable for its publications. Every effort will be made to verify the legitimacy and propriety of all ads for the protection of our readers. The Citizen will take requests for specific placement of ads and will try to accommodate everyone’s requests. The Citizen cannot guarantee specific placement.

**Happy Thanksgiving! IT'S TIME TO GIVE THANKS...**

**NEW TO MARKET**

**5 Cheney Road Marlborough \$497,900**  
ONE-OF-A-KIND BEAUTIFUL PRIVATE STAYCATION! Resort-like 1.3 acres, short stroll to shops and restaurants in the heart of Marlborough. In-ground heated gunite pool, antique barn, custom 3420 sq ft cape, 4 bdms, 4 baths, 1st fl master, floor to ceiling stone fireplace PLUS home office!

**TO MY LOYAL BUYERS & SELLERS FOR THEIR CONTINUED BUSINESS & REFERRALS. I AM TRULY GRATEFUL.**

**STAYCATION HOME**

**60 Buck Road Hebron \$849,500**  
WELCOME TO “ROCKWOODS” – a private 17 acre retreat known for its rustic beauty. Open concept custom Ranch built in 2015 w/exceptional architectural detail, chef’s kitchen, Great Room w/stunning stone fireplace. Hiking/ATV trails, separate 8-bay heated garage/pavilion, guest cabin.

**MICHELLE COLLINS Realty Group**  
860-982-4684

**BERKSHIRE HATHAWAY HomeServices**  
New England Properties

**TOP 1% Nationally!**  
#1 Agent In Volume in Glastonbury!  
#1 Residential Team in Glastonbury!

2790 Main Street • Glastonbury, CT  
[MichelleCollins.bhhsNEproperties.com](http://MichelleCollins.bhhsNEproperties.com)

A member of the franchise system of BHH Affiliates, LLC



Portland • Portland

# Daughters of Woman Killed in Crash Launch GoFundMe

by Jack Lakowsky

Traci Carey, a 51-year-old Portland woman and mother of two, was tragically killed in a head-on collision earlier this month after another driver drifted into oncoming traffic.

Carey's two daughters, who are both in their early 20s, have, along with friends and family, organized a GoFundMe page to help pay for expenses associated with laying their mother to rest.

As of Wednesday morning, donations have reached close to \$16,000 of the \$25,000 they're looking to raise.

The page can be visited at [www.gofundme.com/traci-carey-memorial-fund](http://www.gofundme.com/traci-carey-memorial-fund).

Carey's daughters, Nicole and Tarrah, 22 and 21 respectively, lost their father to cancer in 2005.

Money raised from the GoFundMe will also help the young women pay for their ongoing college education and housing. All donations will go directly to the pair.

"At this time when our world is filled with

such uncertainty and unrest we hope you can help us show Nicole and Tarrah that there is also tremendous goodness and love," the GoFundMe description reads.

The page describes Carey as a beautiful and loving mother "whose world revolved around her daughters."

On Nov. 5, Carey's Honda Fit was struck near the intersection of Route 17/Glastonbury Turnpike and Apple Tree Lane by a Honda Accord driven by Adam Lopez of Hartford. Route 17 was closed for several hours.

Portland Police Officer Daniel Brown pulled Lopez from the burning wreckage. Lopez was then flown by LifeStar to Hartford Hospital for a serious head injury, WTNH News 8 reported.

On Tuesday, Brown told the *RiverEast* that Lopez is in stable condition. Brown said Lopez is aged between 30 and 40.

Lopez was still listed in stable condition as of Wednesday.

Lopez was driving a borrowed car without a license.

"Everything else is still under investigation," said Brown.

Brown said the investigation is complicated by the fact that no witnesses saw the exact moment of impact. Good Samaritans intervened in the wreck, but their testimonies were about conditions following the collision.

Brown said that although civilian intervention can be an asset, he stressed that emergency officials need to be called first before a Samaritan tries to help.

"I know I wouldn't be able to just stand by and do nothing," said Brown. "Call 9-1-1, then

see if there's anything you can do."

According to the National Safety Council, a nonprofit that promotes personal wellness and safety, Connecticut saw a dramatic increase in roadway deaths between 2019 and 2020, with deaths between January and September up 42% over the same period last year. This is despite roads being used nearly 20% less, due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

By comparison, the state with the second-largest roadway fatality increase was Louisiana, which saw a 23% climb.

## Senior Center News & Notes

The Waverly Senior Center, 7 Waverly Ave., is currently closed to the public until further notice. Staff is still working, however. For more information call 860-342-6760 or email Mary Pont at [mpont@portlandct.org](mailto:mpont@portlandct.org) or Carol Revicki at [crevicki@portlandct.org](mailto:crevicki@portlandct.org). Hours are Monday through Thursday, 8 a.m.-4 p.m., and Friday, 8-11 a.m.

**Flu Shots:** Anyone age 65 and up who is in need of the high-dose flu vaccine should call the center. Arrangements will be made with Chatham Health District for you to receive your shot safely without leaving your vehicle. Note: Chatham Health does not accept United Health Care.

**AARP Driver Safety Classes:** Have been canceled for the remainder of 2020. The online course is still available and the 25% discount has been extended through March 1, 2021. The course is available at [www.aarpdriversafety.org](http://www.aarpdriversafety.org). The promotion code is DRIVINGSKILLS.

**Watercolor Lessons with Bivenne Staiger:** Lessons are held on Tuesdays in six-week ses-

sions. For full details, email [bivenne@yahoo.com](mailto:bivenne@yahoo.com).

**Medical Rides:** The center is offering seniors and disabled rides to the doctor on a limited basis. Fee is \$5 per person. Two weeks' notice is requested. Masks are required.

**Foot Care at the Center:** The fourth Tuesday of each month, in the Nurses' Room on the lower level of the center. Upon entering and leaving the building hand sanitizer must be used and a mask must be worn. Fee is \$35 cash or check. Appointments run from 9 a.m.-3 p.m.; call the center to schedule one.

**Cans-4-A-Cause:** Bottles and cans can once again be dropped off at the senior center. Call the center for more information or email Jeff at [myjakjeff@gmail.com](mailto:myjakjeff@gmail.com).

**Hair by Alexa:** Men's and women's haircuts will return once a month, once the senior center is open again. To schedule an appointment, call the center or call Alexa directly at 845-590-9700.

## Twist on Festival of Wreaths

The Portland Historical Society will host its ninth annual Festival of Wreaths this year – but with a twist. The festival, "Jingle & Mingle," will instead be an online sale of donated holiday decorations.

In order to keep everyone safe this holiday season, the society will create an online shop of the donated decorations and wreaths. People will be able to look at photos and read descriptions of the decorations and purchase them online for a set price. Most will list for \$20-\$35 but some may list for higher prices, depending on their size and decoration. Photos will be posted on the Portland Historical Society's

Facebook page and information will be at [www.PortlandHistSoc.org](http://www.PortlandHistSoc.org).

Online sales will open Saturday, Nov. 28, at 10 a.m. Just follow the button from the society's social media pages. Additional wreaths may be added after the opening date so be sure to check back often.

Traditionally, this has been a tea-cup raffle; some people won a wreath on a single ticket, and some people won their favorite wreath by placing all their tickets in a single bag. It was a game of chance. Though the format may be different this year, funds raised will still help to continue the society's mission to maintain the Ruth Callander House Museum of Portland History, to present programs for the community and to preserve Portland's history.

## Holiday Book Store

The Friends of Portland Library's Holiday Book Store will be open starting Monday, Nov. 30, in the Second Hand Prose Book sale area at the library, 20 Freestone Ave., during regular library hours.

The sale features a variety of used books, as well as puzzles. All proceeds benefit programs funded by the Friends, including the library's DVD collection, the Museum Pass program, and other children's, family and adult programs held throughout the year.

The sale will continue for the remainder of December during regular Library hours.

Visit [www.friendsofportlandlibraryct.org](http://www.friendsofportlandlibraryct.org) or email [friendsoftheportlandlibrary@gmail.com](mailto:friendsoftheportlandlibrary@gmail.com) for more information.

## Garden Club Sale of Holiday Planters

The Portland Garden Club will hold an outdoor sale of handcrafted holiday planters and cemetery boxes decorated with fresh greenery Saturday, Dec. 5, in the parking lot at 265 Main St. next to the Town Green. The sale will run from 9 a.m. until 11 a.m., or whenever all planters are sold.

The sale is a special fundraiser for the many community activities and educational programs sponsored by the nonprofit club, which is a member of the Federated Garden Clubs of Connecticut. COVID-19 distancing rules will be followed and face masks are required.

Admission is free, with all proceeds benefiting the garden club's projects. Rain date for the event is Sunday, Dec. 6. For more information, call Sue at 860-685-0593.

## Knights to Offer Ham Dinner

The Freestone Council Knights of Columbus will serve a baked ham dinner Wednesday, Dec. 2.

Dinners can be picked up from 4-6 p.m. in the rear parking lot of St. Mary Church, located at 43 Freestone Ave. Cost is \$10 per person. Proceeds help fund the charitable works Council 7 provides.

The dinner will feature baked ham, special baked beans, salad and roll.

No pre-order is necessary. On the day of the meal our chefs are available at 860-342-2713 for any questions.

The council offers take-out dinners the first Wednesday of every month. Chairman Jerry Duclos said, "The support of the community for our dinners is amazing."

For home delivery of dinners, call John McNickle at 860-342-1415.

**Before the Next Storm!!!**

**GENERATORS!**

Generator Technologies KOHLER GENERATORS WINCO

RESIDENTIAL • COMMERCIAL • INDUSTRIAL

Sales • Service • Installations

860.267.7644 or 860-267-0842

HIGGINS ELECTRIC East Hampton, CT

40 YARD 30 YARD 20 YARD

**ROLL OFF DUMPSTER SERVICES**

15, 20, 30, and 40 yard Dumpsters available for your next job, renovation, or clean up.

- Construction & Demolition Debris
- Bulky House Debris (Appliances, Furniture, Boxes, Cabinets, Metal, and more)
- Brush, Stumps, Trees, Wood Chip Debris
- We provide dumpsters for Steel & Aluminum

Ask about our 1 week dumpster special. Call for pricing! **860-267-7140** 24 Old Coach Rd East Hampton, CT 06424

15 YARD 20 YARD

[www.BelltownRecycling.com](http://www.BelltownRecycling.com)

**RIVER VALLEY PROPANE RIVER VALLEY OIL SERVICE**

[www.rivervalleyos.com](http://www.rivervalleyos.com)

Automatic Heating Oil Delivery Automatic Propane Delivery Heating Systems & Hot Water Equipment Installation & Service Air Conditioning System Installation & Service 24 Hour Emergency Service

**HONEST SERVICE**

Call us at 860-342-5670 for all your fuel and service needs.

Find us on 310 South Main St., Middletown CT License S1-387499 HOD #709 HOD #1143

**ROOMS** Starting at **\$69.99** plus tax DAILY & **\$225.00** plus tax WEEKLY

BRAND NEW ROOMS!

Call 860-342-0010 or call 860-815-2477

**Solano Inn** ROUTE 66, PORTLAND Weekly & Daily Rates

**Dog Tales**

ADVENTURES IN GROOMING & PET CARE

Grooming • Training

Louise and Michael Walsh

860.342.BATH

311 Main Street, Portland, CT [dogtalespetspa.com](http://dogtalespetspa.com)

**Tire Sale!** Check out our tire prices!

**COMPLETE TRANSMISSION SERVICE AND AUTO REPAIR**

- Domestic
- Standard
- Automatic Cars
- Light Trucks
- 4x4

**PORTLAND TRANSMISSION**

25 SILVER STREET, PORTLAND 860-342-4273











# Bylone Heartened by High Voter Turnout

by Karla Santos

With a high turnout at the Nov. 3 election, First Selectman Mary Bylone said she is considering more drive-up voting throughout the pandemic if needed – and is anticipating a “good” turnout for next year’s budget referendum.

According to Bylone, the town of Colchester had close to a 90% voter turnout during the Nov. 3 presidential election.

She said that about 37% of the voters cast absentee ballots, with about 63% voting in person. She also noted about 106 people took advantage of registering right before casting their vote with the Election Day Registration option.

Although there was a high voter turnout everywhere, it was good for Colchester to have such a high number, Bylone said.

“Certainly we are very pleased to see people engaged and we’d like to know their engagement will continue,” she said, adding that she would like to see such a high turnout at every election.

And despite having to hold the election during a pandemic, the process went smoothly.

“The registrars, the town clerk, the head moderator, all the poll workers, everybody just worked really hard to provide a seamless, safe environment,” Bylone said.

At one point on Election Day, the line at Town Hall wrapped around the building, Bylone explained, adding that everybody was patient as they waited.

She said two voters, one at Town Hall and one at Abundant Life Church, insisted on voting

in-person without a mask.

“It was accommodated,” Bylone said. “We followed the directions from the secretary of the state and it was handled without an incident.”

Bylone said the two were each brought in when there were no other voters in the polling area. After the voters left, the area they used was sanitized.

In Colchester, curbside voting was also offered to those who didn’t want to go inside to cast a vote.

Bylone explained that if somebody pulled up and wanted to do curbside voting, an election worker would notify the crew inside. Then a Democrat and a Republican poll worker would go out, validate the voters’ identifications to ensure they were eligible to vote, and stayed outside while the ballots were being filled. Then the ballots were taken inside.

Town Clerk Gayle Furman said such a high turnout in town is “definitely not usual.”

She said the number of absentee ballots the town received led her office to hire additional staff – a full-timer and a part-timer – for about six weeks. The extra staff members were there throughout the absentee ballot process, from mailing them out to receiving completed ones.

Furman said that despite the unusual amount of absentee ballots and the cost of having to hire extra people, she’s “very happy” about the high turnout and that the overall election process went smoothly. She noted that, unlike other towns in the state, Colchester did not have to go through a recount.

Bylone, in the meantime, said she is anticipating a “good” turnout for the budget vote next year because people were not able to vote in person last time.

She said that in addition to the recent election, Colchester has had a couple of drive-up town meeting votes that have gone “very well,” which is why the town is considering more drive-up voting throughout the pandemic when necessary. Some of the upcoming referendums are related to fire apparatus and the new senior

center building, she said.

Bylone explained that if the town anticipates a lot of people in the future drive-up voting, the voting will be done at a building with a larger parking area, such as Bacon Academy, to allow for better traffic flow.

With drive-up voting, people stop at different tables to show their identifications and then vote. Bylone said the process has worked “really well.”



**Donating Food...** On Nov. 6, Scout BSA members and other volunteers in Colchester transferred the food donations they collected the previous weekend to Town Hall, to be received by the Food Bank. Pictured are helpers Alice Csere, Kevin Winicki, Alphonse Letendre, Dominic Cusano, Jessica Cusano, Quintin Henley, Ben Winicki, John Paul Peck, Brian Marburger, and David Pear. The food was stored at Colchester Senior Center for several days, until the Scouts and helpers were able to move it all to Town Hall.

## Wreaths Across America

This year’s Wreaths Across America ceremony will take place at Westchester Cemetery Saturday, Dec. 19 – and donations are sought.

At the ceremony, the 55 service members buried at the cemetery will be honored with the placement of live balsam veterans’ wreaths. The ceremony will begin at noon sharp, and masks are required. The cemetery is located off Route 16.

Donations are welcome. Each individual \$15 donation sponsors a wreath that will be

placed on the headstone. To sponsor a wreath and stay informed about event details, visit [www.WreathsAcrossAmerica.org/CTWCCC](http://www.WreathsAcrossAmerica.org/CTWCCC). You can also send your contribution to Wreaths Across America, c/o Linda Pasternak, 636 Westchester Rd., Colchester, CT 06415.

All interested in volunteering should register so they can be kept up to date on details for the day as it gets closer. Register to volunteer at [www.wreathsacrossamerica.org/CTWCCC](http://www.wreathsacrossamerica.org/CTWCCC).

**NEVER BEEN MORE IMPORTANT!**  
GET MEDICAL DIRECTIVES, GUARDIANSHIP DESIGNATIONS & AFFAIRS IN ORDER



**Attorney Deborah Hadaway**

**Consultations conducted by phone**

- Estate Planning \* Title 19
- Medicaid Planning \* Asset Preservation
- Crisis Medicaid (Nursing Home)
- Probate Litigation \* Conservatorships
- Wills & Trusts \* Advance Directives
- Nursing Home Patient’s Rights
- Will Contests \* Veteran’s Benefits

**Elder Law Center of CT, LLC**  
a private law firm  
Glastonbury: 131 New London Tpke 860 659-1622  
Montville (Oakdale): 1595 Rt 85 860 574-9076  
[www.ElderHelpLaw.com](http://www.ElderHelpLaw.com)

**PICTURE THIS:**

**YOUR AD HERE!**

**CALL US TODAY AT: 860-633-4691**

**BALDI TREE FARM**  
72 Miller Rd., Colchester  
(860) 537-4093

— Now Accepting Credit Cards —

**CHOOSE & CUT YOUR OWN TREE**  
Come See Our Large Selection of Wreaths  
Following CDC COVID Guidelines

**CHOICE OF:**

- Scotch Pine • White Spruce • Blue Spruce
- Fraser Fir • Douglas Fir • White Pine • Concolor Fir

**Trees Available from 5' to 15'**

**OPEN Nov. 27<sup>th</sup> at 9am through Christmas Eve**  
Reg. Hours: Noon to dark weekdays, 9 am to dark on weekends.

**Looking for a New Dentist You Can Trust?**

**Treating all members of your family**  
We can help you attain and maintain great oral health!

**Open 6 Days and 2 Evenings**  
Martin H. Zase, DMD, MAGD\*  
Michael L. Babinski, DMD, MAGD



**WE ARE OPEN**  
AND OUR OFFICE IS SAFE FOR YOU TO RETURN

**Colchester Dental Group**  
**860.537.2351**  
Personalized Financial Options Available!  
Pre-pay and senior discounts or low monthly payments through CareCredit!

79A Norwich Ave., Colchester | [www.ColchesterDentalGroup.com](http://www.ColchesterDentalGroup.com)



**CAREFREE SELF STORAGE**  
267-1234  
STORE IT FOR LESS

- 4½ x 5 Storage Unit \$45/month
- 9 x 20 Storage Unit \$118/month
- 9 x 10 Storage Unit \$81/month

**175 Lebanon Ave., Colchester, CT**

Other sizes available.  
Security gate. Easy access.  
**Call 860-267-1234**

Colchester • Colchester

### Abundant Life Church News & Notes

Abundant Life Church, located at 85 Skinner Rd., has announced the following pieces of news. For more information, call the church at 860-537-3082 or visit AbundantL.com. Abundant Life Church is a Christ-follower church that believes salvation through Jesus Christ.

**Weekly Sunday Service:** The church continues open door services on Sundays. Facial masks while roaming and social distancing guidelines are followed, including only allowing less than 50 attendees. Sunday School is now open at the church at 9:30 a.m., with the main service beginning at 10:30 a.m. Call the church if you would like to attend.

The service is also broadcast live on Face-

book, beginning at 10:30 a.m., with a special children's program included. Go to [www.facebook.com/groups/abundantLifeCT](http://www.facebook.com/groups/abundantLifeCT) or look for the church on Facebook. For more information or if unable to connect, call the church at 860-537-3082.

**Power of Prayer:** Prayer is provided by a group of faithful members at Abundant Life. If you are in need of prayer for healing, financial issues, troubled family members, life-controlling habits, or any other need, call the church to be placed on its prayer list. You may also ask about the various days and times the prayer groups meet and come at that time.

### Norton Park Presentation

The Norton Park Committee will hold a public presentation Monday, Nov. 23, at 6 p.m., via Zoom, on the development of this new park.

The presentation will include a short background on the historic site of the C.H. Norton Paper Mill, the town's purchase of the property, environmental work completed by the Nature Conservancy, and status of remediation work. The bulk of the presentation will be focused on the park's design and amenities. There will be an opportunity for participants to ask questions, pro-

vide input and feedback via the Zoom chat box.

Online registration is required and may be completed through the Cragin Memorial Library online calendar entry or through [tinyurl.com/y54c65kk](http://tinyurl.com/y54c65kk). Space is limited. If public interest warrants, the Norton Park Committee will consider scheduling additional virtual presentations.

For more information about the Norton Park initiative and the fundraising brochure, visit [www.colchesterct.gov/norton-park-committee](http://www.colchesterct.gov/norton-park-committee).

### CYSS News and Notes

Colchester Youth and Social Services has announced the following. For more information and full program descriptions, contact CYSS at 860-537-7255 or [youthservices@colchesterct.gov](mailto:youthservices@colchesterct.gov). Register online at [www.colchesterct.gov/youth-social-services](http://www.colchesterct.gov/youth-social-services). Registration is required for every session of each program due to the current COVID-19 guidelines.

**The Learning Lounge:** Mondays-Fridays, 8:30-11:30 a.m., for grades 6-8. This program provides middle school youth space to complete their distance learning. Socially-distanced work stations and support will be provided. Limited

availability.

**Youth Uprise:** Wednesdays, 12:30-1:30 p.m., at the Youth Center, for grades 9-12. High school students come together and discuss unity, diversity, civic engagement and making a change.

**Outdoor Open Youth Center:** Tuesdays and Thursdays, 2:30-4 p.m., in the Youth Center parking lot, for grades 6-8. There will be outdoor games, a safe place to hang out, crafts and more. Space is limited; register for each date your child plans to attend. Registered kids can walk down after the school day.

### One-Car Crash Sends Man to Hospital

A one-vehicle crash last week sent one man to St. Francis Hospital, police said.

The crash occurred Nov. 12 at about 6:15 a.m., and happened when the driver of a 2020 Hyundai Elantra owned by Enterprise, was traveling west on Route 2 in Colchester. According to police, the vehicle drove off the roadway to the left. The vehicle struck the guard rail and rolled laterally several times before coming to a final uncontrolled stop with the right side up.

The driver told police he didn't remember the crash happening, but reported "possible injuries" to the responding officers, the press release said.

According to police, about 100 feet of the wire rope guardrail were damaged during the accident. The vehicle was towed from the scene.

The incident is still under investigation, police said.

### Cragin Virtual Book Club

Cragin Memorial Library's Virtual Book Club will be held Monday, Nov. 30, at 6 p.m., via Zoom. Sy Montgomery's *The Soul of an Octopus* will be discussed. Copies are available for checkout at the adult circulation desk.

To register for this event go to [tinyurl.com/y3nd64up](http://tinyurl.com/y3nd64up). For more information, call 860-537-5752.

### Ahavath Achim News

Congregation Ahavath Achim, 84 Lebanon Ave., has announced the following classes and services for the next week:

Friday night Shabbat service, 6:30 p.m. on Zoom; Saturday, Shabbat morning service, 10 a.m., on Zoom; Tuesday, Kabbalah class, 5:30 p.m. on Zoom; Tuesday, Talmud class, 6:30 p.m. on Zoom.

There are daily prayer classes on Facebook Live, by Rabbi Ken Alter.

For more information, call 860-537-2809. Office hours are 8 a.m.-noon Tuesday-Friday.

### Project Grad Selling Raffle Tickets for Fundraiser

Bacon Academy Project Graduation is selling raffle tickets for its December calendar fundraiser, with prizes being awarded each day. Total donated items value over \$1,000 and include gift cards to local businesses, gift baskets, cash prizes, holiday items and local artisan creations.

Due to the overwhelming response to this fundraiser, some days include more than one winner, so raffle ticket holders actually have more than 31 chances to win.

Raffle tickets are \$10 each and can be purchased by cash, check or through Venmo. Project Graduation volunteers will be selling raffle tickets outside Noel's Market on Saturday and Sunday, Nov. 28 and 29, from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. each day. Checks can be mailed to P.O. Box 393, Colchester CT; tickets can be purchased

through Venmo @KathyLawrence2934 (if using Venmo, please email [ba.projectgrad@gmail.com](mailto:ba.projectgrad@gmail.com) with ticket holder information). Purchases must include the raffle ticket holder's name, address, email, phone and whether the recipient is over 21 years of age. The calendar with list of available prizes can be viewed at the [www.baconacademyprojectgrad.org](http://www.baconacademyprojectgrad.org).

The mission of Bacon Academy Project Graduation is to enhance drug and alcohol-free awareness by providing safe and healthy graduation events for all graduating seniors of Bacon Academy. Project Graduation's most critical event is a graduation night party that keeps seniors together and off the roads. All Project Graduation events and initiatives to benefit Bacon Academy seniors are entirely paid for through the fundraising efforts and contributions of Bacon Academy parents, students, businesses and community members. No tax dollars are ever used. For more information, go to [www.baconacademyprojectgrad.org](http://www.baconacademyprojectgrad.org).

**INTERSTATE**  
Heavy Duty Batteries

**ALL ON SALE!**

**WeatherTech**  
Cupfone & Floor Liners  
**IN STOCK NOW!**

860-537-2348 • 860-537-2349  
95 South Main St. • Colchester  
[www.MarksUnited.com](http://www.MarksUnited.com)  
Over 40 Years In Business

mark's  
**United auto parts**  
CLOSED SUNDAYS

**PIANO TUNER**

Tuning, Repairs & Cleaning

Contact  
**TED WILLIAMS**  
Certified by  
Hartt School of Music  
(860) 228-0309  
[www.ConnecticutPianoTuning.com](http://www.ConnecticutPianoTuning.com)

**Check Engine Light On???**  
Let Us Do A Complete Car Scan For You  
*fees apply unless work completed on premises*  
— **The DIY Garage New England** —  
493 NORWICH AVE., COLCHESTER, CT  
**860-455-5350** @TheDIYGarageLLC  
[www.thediyygaragene.com](http://www.thediyygaragene.com)

**Like us on Facebook**

RivereastNewsBulletin

**THE RENTAL CENTER OF COLCHESTER**  
Why Buy? When You Can Rent!

120 Linwood Ave. (Rte. 16), Colchester, CT 06415  
860-537-4256 • 800-545 GANO  
Monday-Friday 8am-6pm, Saturday 8am-5pm  
[www.ctrentme.com](http://www.ctrentme.com)

**Volunteer. The Benefits Are Extraordinary!**

**PROTECTORS OF ANIMALS**

**Extraordinary Benefits:**  
You'll feel really, really good!  
You'll meet delightful dogs, fabulous felines, and some pretty special humans, too!

**Volunteer Positions Day & Evening Hours:**  
East Hampton & Wethersfield facilities –  
Dogs: walking; clean & feed; socialization  
East Hartford facility –  
Cats: clean & feed; socialization; medical & placement teams

**860-569-0722**  
[www.poainc.org](http://www.poainc.org)

**Great News!** **BERMUDA**

**Bermuda is open and is welcoming visitors to the island!**

Pristine pink-sand beaches and wide open natural spaces are once again within easy reach. Savor everything from fresh ocean breezes to fresh island fare, and get lost in the Bermuda way of life.

**Endless adventure awaits, with something for everyone!**

**Hebron Travel** SINCE 1994  
61-B Main Street, Hebron, CT 06248  
**860.228.8221**  
Toll Free 888.881.3545 • [hebrontravel@cs.com](mailto:hebrontravel@cs.com)

**Tired of Unsightly Stumps in the Yard?**

**We Rent Stumpgrinders!**

Easy to use, and get rid of those unsightly stumps in a day!

Vermeer SC130 for smaller stumps  
**Only \$145 per day**

Vermeer SC252 all hydraulic machine for any stump  
**Only \$250 per day**

**Selling your home can be as easy as PIE!**

**FIND SUCCESS WITH CAROLYN KRESS**

**Carolyn Kress**  
860-908-4716  
[carolynkress@bhhsne.com](mailto:carolynkress@bhhsne.com)

**BHHS** BERKSHIRE HATHAWAY HomeServices | New England Properties

Colchester • Colchester

**Fire Calls**

From Nov. 8-14, the Colchester Hayward Fire Department responded to 48 calls: 34 emergency medical calls, eight fire/fire-related calls, and six motor vehicle crashes. Calls included:

Fire: service call, one; smoke in building, one; CO problem, one; fire alarm, two; brush fire (mutual aid: East Hampton).

Crashes: rollover, two; multi-car, one (mutual aid to Bozrah); vehicle into woods, one.

Medical: sick person, seven; cardiac distress, three; difficulty breathing, three; stroke, two; lift assist, five; fall injury, three; medical alarm, three; unconscious, one; mental disorder, three; abdominal pain, one; bleeding emergency, one; injured person, two.

CHFD provided mutual aid four times – East

Haddam, twice; Bozrah and East Hampton, once each. CHFD received mutual aid once, from East Haddam.

CHFD also offers free CO checks, and car seat safety checks and installations by appointment only; call the department at 860-537-2512 to schedule one. Reflective address marker signs are also available to order in blue or green, vertical or horizontal; cost is \$12. Forms are available at the firehouse, 52 Old Hartford Rd., or online; go to colchesterct.gov, click on 'departments' and select 'fire department.'

Note: The Department of Emergency Management conducts tests of the emergency sirens throughout town, on the first Saturday of every month between 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. These are just tests.

**Holiday Homecoming 2020**

Due to COVID-19 and the limitations on community gatherings, the traditional Town Green tree-lighting has been canceled. However, Parks and Recreation will still celebrate the holiday season Saturday, Dec. 5 (rain date Sunday, Dec. 6), when Santa drives through the neighborhoods on his favorite fire truck.

His route will be published soon in the *Riverast* as well as the Parks and Rec. social media pages.

After Santa makes his visit to local neighborhoods, he will stop at Bacon Academy for some photo opportunities. Families will be required to wait in their cars until it is their turn. Santa will be seated in his chair on the back of the fire

truck and children will remain standing on the ground. Parents will have time to take the pictures while the children are standing in front of Santa and the fire truck. There will be no physical interaction between Santa and the kids this year.

Santa's mailbox will be located at Town Hall. Parks and Rec. encourages kids to drop off their letters to Santa in the mailbox by Monday, Dec. 14. Every child will receive a response from Santa, so it is important to include the child's name, age and return address on the letter.

Registration is not required. For more information, call 860-537-7297.

**Senior Center News & Notes**

Colchester Senior Center, 95 Norwich Ave., has announced the following programs and events. Most programs are on Zoom; to learn more about join them, or for full descriptions of any program, call the center at 860-537-3911 or email csc@colchesterct.gov. The center is online at [www.colchesterct.gov/senior-center](http://www.colchesterct.gov/senior-center). More information about senior trips can also be found online.

**Monday, Nov. 23:** 9 a.m., Exercise with Anne on Zoom; 10 a.m., Sittercize on Zoom; 11 a.m., Virtual Meditation.

**Tuesday, Nov. 24:** 9:45 a.m., Tai Chi on Zoom; 10:30 a.m., Book Club on Zoom; 11 a.m., Adult Coloring; 1:30 p.m., conference call bingo; 12:30 p.m., In the Know with Patty on

Zoom; 7 p.m., Senior Center Building Committee on Zoom.

**Wednesday, Nov. 25:** No Making Memories class today; 10 a.m., Walking Group at the Air Line Trail; 11 a.m., Community Conversations with the First Selectman.

**Thursday, Nov. 26 and Friday, Nov. 27:** Senior center closed for Thanksgiving holiday.

**Upcoming Programs: Walking Group:** Wednesdays, 10 a.m., weather permitting. Social distancing and masks required.

**Weekly Zoom Programs: Exercise with Anne:** Mondays and Thursdays, 9 a.m.; **Senior Yoga:** Thursdays and Fridays, 11 a.m.; **Sittercize:** Mondays and Thursdays, 10 a.m.; **Tai Chi:** Tuesdays, 9:45 a.m.

**Parks and Rec. News & Notes**

Parks and Recreation has announced the following. Registration required for all programs. For full descriptions and to register, visit [colchesterctrec.recdesk.com/Community/Home](http://colchesterctrec.recdesk.com/Community/Home). More info can also be obtained by calling 860-537-7297 or emailing [parksandrec@colchesterct.gov](mailto:parksandrec@colchesterct.gov). The Parks and Rec. office is located at Town Hall, 127 Norwich Ave.

**From Soup to Nuts! COVID Community Cookbook:** The Colchester community has sent in many recipes. The cookbook will be available to purchase beginning Dec. 1. Cost is \$18. Proceeds will be used to pay for the Colchester Fireworks, which have been rescheduled to a later date. You can purchase a cookbook through the Parks and Rec. website, or stop by the Parks and Rec. office to buy one.

**Virtual Vendor Fair:** With most holiday fairs canceled this year, Parks and Rec. said it wanted to find a way to connect local artisans with the community as well as provide a way to shop locally from home. So, a PDF book of local artisans and home businesses has been put together and can be viewed at [tinyurl.com/y2mmgyqv](http://tinyurl.com/y2mmgyqv). For those without computer access, call 860-537-7297 for assistance.

**Senior Yoga:** Mondays, Nov. 30-Dec. 21, for ages 45 and up. Classes held via Facebook Live, in a private group. Fee: \$35/residents, \$40/non-residents. Registration required. Call Parks and Rec. for more information.

**Dot Painting with Margaret Webster: Beginners – the Christmas Mandala** is Tuesday, Dec 1, or Thursday, Dec. 3 (choose which date works best), from 7-10 p.m., and **Beginners 2 – the Transformational Spiral** is Tuesday, Dec. 15, also from 7-10 p.m. Classes are held via Zoom and are for ages 12 and up. Fee: \$15/Colchester residents, \$20/non-residents. Registration required. Call Parks and Rec. for more information, and for a list of needed supplies.

**Out of the Bag – Creativity for Colchester Kids:** Monday, Nov. 30. Craft: Reindeer Cards; Food: Reindeer Chow. Bags are designed for kids ages 5-12; younger kids may need parental supervision and assistance. Bags can be picked up at Parks and Rec. between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. on Nov. 30. Registration required.

Call Parks and Rec. for more information.

**Colchester Home & Business Holiday Display:** Do you decorate your home or business for the winter holidays? Register your home/business online by Nov. 25 and Parks and Rec. will add it to its Google map. Then all you have to do is decorate your home/business by Dec. 4. Parks and Rec. will post the link to the free map on its website and social media pages. Registration required. Call Parks and Rec. for more information.

**Gingerbread House Contest:** Start planning your design now, and drop off your premade gingerbread house to the Parks and Rec. office between Dec. 1 and 4, from 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Gingerbread houses will be displayed throughout Town Hall until Dec. 18. All visitors to Town Hall will be encouraged to vote for their favorite gingerbread house. After Dec. 18, each gingerbread house will be awarded a superlative award ribbon. The "Community Favorite" will be awarded to the gingerbread house with the most community votes. For more information, call Parks and Rec.

**Holiday Arches:** Sponsor a holiday arch and your business name will be featured on the Colchester Town Green every holiday season. There are very few arches left to purchase. Once they are spoken for, Parks and Rec. will not be purchasing more. There is a one-time fee of \$600. To purchase, or for more information, call Parks and Rec.

**Rotary Collecting for Thanksgiving**

Colchester Rotary Club is looking for help to continue providing Thanksgiving baskets to its neighbors in need.

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the non-profit organization has not been able to hold the events it usually does to raise funds for the baskets. So, to help, Liberty Bank Foundation will give 25 cents for every dollar donated at Noel's Market and Westchester Market. The foundation is also selling paper "turkey legs" at Liberty Bank to support the Rotary.

**YOUR AD SHOULD BE HERE!**  
Call us at: 860-633-4691

**Full Synthetic Oil Change \$54.95**  
\*\*\* SAVE 10% with this ad \*\*\*  
NO APPT NEEDED. Based on 5 qts & standard filter.  
— The DIY Garage New England —  
493 NORWICH AVE., COLCHESTER, CT  
860-455-5350 | @TheDIYGarageLLC  
[www.thediagaragene.com](http://www.thediagaragene.com)

**Gerhardt INSURANCE AGENCY**

At this time of year, our thoughts turn gratefully to you with warm appreciation. Our best wishes for a *Happy Thanksgiving!*



176 Norwich Ave, Colchester, CT 06415  
(860) 537-4661  
[www.gerhardtinsurance.com](http://www.gerhardtinsurance.com)

**Angelo's Bakery**  
32 Halls Hill Road, Colchester, CT  
860-537-2272

— NOW TAKING ORDERS —  
**HOLIDAY PIES**

Pumpkin, Chocolate Cream, Lemon Meringue, Pecan Pie, Coconut Custard, Apple or Apple Crumb, Blueberry or Blueberry Crumb, Cherry, All American, Chocolate Lemon, Ricotta Pie, Cheesecake

Cookie Trays, Angel Wings, Cakes, Stuffed Breads, Dinner Rolls, Black Russian Pumpernickel and more...

**Thanksgiving Week Hours**

Tuesday 7:00 - 5:00  
Wednesday 7:00 - 5:00  
CLOSED Thanksgiving Day & Friday  
Saturday 7:00 - 3:30  
Sunday 7:00 - 1:00

*Happy Thanksgiving!*



**Mask Up...** Colchester Rotary Club President Terry Congdon recently presented child-sized masks to Colchester Elementary School Principal Judy O'Meara. Small children can lose or drop a mask during the school day and require an emergency replacement mask. A Colchester Rotarian saw this need and decided to solve it. The Rotarian donated all the material and coordinated the sewing of child-sized masks. O'Meara said she was happy to receive this donation and now has a ready supply of masks for any teacher who has a student that needs one.

### Animal Shelter Food Drive

The East Haddam nonprofit organization Presents for Paws will hold its Holiday Shelter Food Drive Saturday, Dec. 12, from 7 a.m.-2 p.m., at John Gagnon's Pet Resort, 227 Upton Rd., to collect items for shelter pets this holiday season.

Items needed: new/unopened cat or dog food, new/unopened cat or dog treats (no raw hide, please), and cat litter. Monetary donations are also appreciated; they are tax-deductible and

100% of donations go to help shelter animals.

Presents for Paws is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization located in East Haddam that collects and distributes supplies to area shelters, rescues and municipal pounds. For more information on the shelter drive, to make a monetary donation, or to become a volunteer, visit: [www.facebook.com/presentsforpaws501c](http://www.facebook.com/presentsforpaws501c) or [www.presentsforpaws.org](http://www.presentsforpaws.org).

### Free Breakfast, Lunch for Students

Due to a USDA grant, all students and children under the age of 18 can get free breakfast and lunch until Dec. 31. Once this free meal grant ends, students will go back to the appropriate free, reduced-price, or full-pay status.

If you have not been notified that your child qualifies for free or reduced-price meals for the 2020-21 school year, submit an application if interested. Applications are available to all Colchester Public School students in grades pre-K through 12 and can be found on the Colchester Public Schools website, [www.colchesterct.org](http://www.colchesterct.org).

Note: milk is included in every meal; however if a student wants to buy just a milk, the cost is 65 cents.

For those interested in grab-and-go meals, which are also free, pick-up is at William J. Johnston Middle School from 12:30-1 p.m. on in-school learning days and from 10-10:30 a.m. on distance learning days.

For more information, contact Nutrition Coordinator Leanne Ranheim at 860-537-9421 ext. 381 or [lrnheim@colchesterct.org](mailto:lrnheim@colchesterct.org).

### Westchester Church News

Westchester Congregational Church, located at 98 Cemetery Rd., holds worship services in-person Sundays at 10 a.m. Services are also available on Zoom.

Safety precautions are in place to protect against COVID-19; the pews are labeled for physical distancing, masks are required to be worn, hand sanitizer is available, and is no singing, although music is played.

Visit [westchestercongregation.org](http://westchestercongregation.org) for Zoom login information.

### Giving Garden Wraps Season

The Colchester Giving Garden recently finished its eighth growing season – and this year gardeners were able to grow and donate over 1,450 pounds of fresh produce to those in need.

All donations this year were to the Colchester Food Bank and distributed weekly.

The Giving Garden also held a spring fundraiser of handmade wooden gratitude hearts and raised over \$750, which was also donated to the Colchester food bank.

New volunteers are always welcome and no gardening experience is necessary. The garden will start up again in April 2021.

For more information, email [colchester-givinggarden@gmail.com](mailto:colchester-givinggarden@gmail.com).

### Xavier Honor Roll

The following local students made the Xavier High School honor roll for the first quarter of the 2020-21 school year:

#### High Honors

Grade 12: Rhys Snow; Grade 11: Austin Zwick; Grade 10, Alexander Rowllins; Grade 9: Noah Bergquist.

#### Honors

Grade 12: Ian Domeika; Grade 11: David DeTuccio III.

### Scarecrow Contest Winners Announced

The 21st annual Scarecrow Contest, co-sponsored by the Colchester Business Association and Colchester Parks and Recreation, has come to a close and a winner has been chosen in each category.

By popular vote, the funniest scarecrow was "Save the Bazooka's," sponsored by Shattered Endz Hair Salon; the scariest was "Mel's Underground Screamer," sponsored by Mel's Downtown Creamery; and the most imaginative was "Netmare on Main Street," sponsored by Incord.

Each winner will be awarded a \$100 gift card to a local restaurant of their choice.



**Stars, Socks & Stripes...** Sam Blumberger, 16, a junior at Bacon Academy, recently completed a sock drive for his charity, "Stars, Socks & Stripes." Blumberger gained donations of socks to share with veterans in need. He partners up with the American Legion so that the socks go to veterans as needed. Keeping veterans warm this winter is Blumberger's goal.

### St. Andrew Church News

St. Andrew Catholic Church holds Sunday Mass Saturdays at 4 p.m. and Sundays at 8 a.m., 9:30 a.m., 11 a.m. and 5 p.m.

The church is located at 128 Norwich Ave. The only entrance is on the parking lot side; doors are propped open. To maintain social distancing, pews are sectioned off; available seating is marked. Seating is limited to 100 people per Mass. There is no admittance once Mass begins; church doors are locked at that time. Parishioners should bring and use their own hand sanitizer. Facemasks that cover both nose and mouth are required of all attending wor-

ship. Children under age of 5 are not required to wear a mask.

The dispensation from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass remains in effect until further notice. You may wish to attend weekday Mass in lieu of attending on Sundays in order to allow those who cannot attend during the week the opportunity to attend on the weekend. Sunday Masses at 9:30 a.m. will also continue to be livestreamed.

For more information, call 860-537-2355 or visit [www.standrewcolchester.org](http://www.standrewcolchester.org).

### Colchester Federated Church News

Colchester Federated Church is an Open and Affirming church located at 60 Main St. Pastor is the Rev. Lauren Lorincz.

The church office is open Monday-Friday, 9 a.m.-1 p.m. If you need to visit the office, call ahead and schedule an appointment. The office can be reached at 860-537-5189 or [cfc06415@gmail.com](mailto:cfc06415@gmail.com).

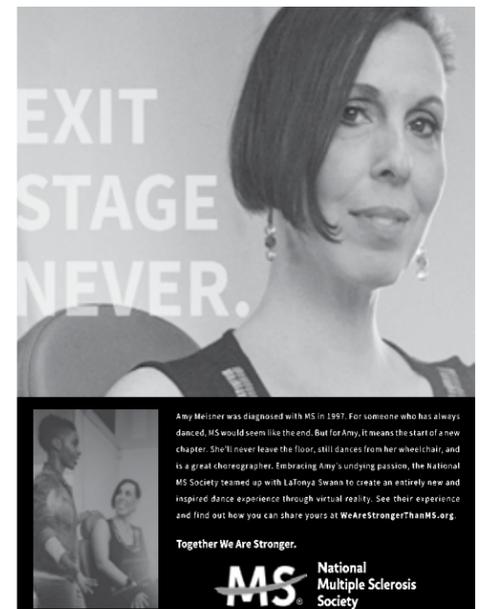
The church remains closed to the public until further notice. In-person worship services are limited to 40 people total. Reservations required; contact the church office by Friday at 9 a.m. to reserve a spot. Worship services are also broadcast via Facebook Live each Sunday morning at 9 a.m.

Worship videos can be found at [www.colchesterfederatedchurch.org](http://www.colchesterfederatedchurch.org) under the Worship & Sermons tab. Updated information can also be found on the church's Facebook page.

### President's List

Veronica Krystofik of Colchester made the fall 2020 President's List at Georgia Military College in Milledgeville, Ga. She earned a 4.0 GPA for the semester.

Krystofik is a freshman at the college. She is the daughter of Ron and Donna Krystofik and a 2020 graduate of Bacon Academy.



**YOUR AD Should Be Here!**

.....

**CALL US AT:**  
**860-633-4691**

Amy Melner was diagnosed with MS in 1997. For someone who has always danced, MS would seem like the end. But for Amy, it means the start of a new chapter. She'll never leave the floor, still dances from her wheelchair, and is a great choreographer. Embracing Amy's undying passion, the National MS Society teamed up with LaTonya Swans to create an entirely new and inspired dance experience through virtual reality. See their experience and find out how you can share yours at [WeAreStrongerThanMS.org](http://WeAreStrongerThanMS.org).

Together We Are Stronger.



East Hampton • East Hampton

# Council Starts Discussion of Hunting on Town Land

by Jack Lakowsky

Town Manager David Cox told the Town Council at a Nov. 10 meeting a resident has requested the council review and discuss policy regulating hunting on town-owned land.

Cox told the council the individual specifically asked about hunting on town parcels near the White Birch Road and Wopowog areas, each about 30 acres, and also a larger 150 parcel near Chestnut Hill Road and Hog Hill Road.

According to Cox's written report to the council, the resident wants to hunt waterfowl.

Cox said precedent about hunting on town property is minimal, finding only a record from 2003 when the town noted it would not allow hunting on town parcels. However, the ordinance has not been enforced.

"If you would allow that as a matter of policy, I think we should take steps to make sure it's done appropriately," Cox told the council last week. "If not, I think we should let the community know."

The Town Council will continue discussion at its next meeting. The council asked for more information, including on whether an ordinance would encompass all town parcels or a specific

few, and a survey of property owners residing near the town lands in question.

The council also asked for maps on the areas Cox and the inquiring resident mentioned, and to ask the Parks & Recreation Department if it has plans for the land, such as creating a walking trail.

Cox and the council agreed that this matter is unlikely to be settled by the end of the current game season.

Although the council did not make any firm decisions, Chairman and council Democrat Pete Brown and Republican Mark Philhower both expressed firm views on the topic.

"I'm not in favor of authorizing anyone to hunt on town property," said Brown. "A lot of these properties were out in the hinterlands years ago, but now they're near developments."

Brown said the Wopowog area is a local "conservation showcase" and wetland, a place where residents can enjoy nature through hiking trails and other activities. Loos Pond on White Birch Road, another area in question, is listed by the state as a protected open space.

Brown emphasized the importance of surveying adjacent property owners to gauge what

they think about hunting near their land.

Brown said allowing hunting on land used for other recreation, such as hikes, would effectively negate the parcels' availability to non-hunters.

Philhower said hunting for small game and waterfowl on town lands is acceptable, adding that the same doesn't apply for deer hunting, and that conservation requirements and expectations must be honored.

"Today's hunters are frontline conservationists," said Philhower.

Philhower explained that today's hunters and outdoor sportspeople are more diligent about their conduct than in the late 20th century, given the increase in regulations seen throughout the past few decades.

Philhower agreed that more information is needed before the council can decide, including if any adopted policies should differentiate between seasons and type of game.

Philhower said that, in any case, the town doesn't own the properties to "let them just sit there."

## Holiday Open House at CDHR

Connecticut Draft Horse Rescue (CDHR) will hold its annual Holiday Open House Sunday, Dec. 6, from 11 a.m.-3 p.m., at 113 Chestnut Hill Rd.

All are invited to meet the horses of CDHR and take a photo with Santa and Mrs. Claus. There will be wreaths for sale, raffles and more. Masks and social distancing are both required for this event.

Admission is free, but donations for the horses will be accepted. Wanted items include

large jars of applesauce, shampoo/mane detangler, horse treats, fly spray, water/feed buckets, or gift certificates (Anderson Feed, Shagbark, Tractor Supply). A complete list is at [www.ct-draftrescue.org/wish-list](http://www.ct-draftrescue.org/wish-list).

CDHR is a nonprofit organization dedicated to saving the lives of neglected or abused draft horses as well as draft horses headed to slaughter. For more information, volunteer opportunities, or to donate, visit [www.ctdraftrescue.org](http://www.ctdraftrescue.org) or [www.facebook.com/ctdraftrescue](http://www.facebook.com/ctdraftrescue).

## Grant Applications Accepted

The East Hampton Arts & Culture Commission is accepting applications from East Hampton High School seniors for a \$200 grant to support an annual East Hampton High School capstone project.

The grant will help support one student's proposed capstone project, a multifaceted assignment that serves as a culminating academic and intellectual experience for students. Capstone projects may take a wide variety of forms including a long-term investigative project that culminates in a final product, presentation, or

performance. Applicants for the EHACC Capstone Grant will be invited to present their capstone project idea to commission members at a commission meeting. Deadline to apply is Feb. 1.

Applications are available at [www.artsforeasthamptonct.org](http://www.artsforeasthamptonct.org) and can be submitted to [arts@easthamptonct.org](mailto:arts@easthamptonct.org) or can be mailed/dropped off at the town manager's office at East Hampton Town Hall, 1 Community Drive, East Hampton, CT 06424.

## East Hampton Library News & Notes

East Hampton Public Library, 105 Main St., has made the following announcements. For more information, call 860-267-6621 or visit [easthamptonpubliclibrary.org](http://easthamptonpubliclibrary.org) or [facebook.com/EastHamptonLibrary](https://facebook.com/EastHamptonLibrary).

**Library Hours:** The library is open Monday-Wednesday, 10 a.m.-8 p.m.; and Thursday-Saturday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. All patrons age 2 and up are required to wear masks that cover their nose and mouth in the library and observe social distancing. If unable or unwilling to wear a mask, call the library to schedule a curbside delivery.

**Virtual Afterschool Programs – Fribrarys and Fundays:** The library offers afterschool programming for children during the school year. All programs are at 4 p.m. via Zoom. Upcoming schedule is: Fribrary, for grades 4-5, on Friday, Nov. 20; Funday, for grades 6-8, on Monday, Nov. 23.

**Weekly Writers Meetup:** Wednesdays through Nov. 25, 6:30-7:30 p.m., via Zoom.

Meet up with fellow writers weekly as they work toward their 50,000-word NaNoWriMo goal.

**Take-and-Makes:** Each month, the library debuts three take-and-make activity kits: one for teens, one for school-age children and one for the littlest learners. Reserve kits on the website and pick up in person or curbside. Registration begins the first of the month, and pickup begins the second Tuesday of the month.

**Waiving Fines and Fees:** The library will waive all fines and fees for the foreseeable future.

**E-Books and E-Audiobooks:** The library currently offers two different eBook and eAudio platforms. Visit the eLibrary tab on the website for more info.

**E-Book Library Cards:** Don't have a library card and you're an East Hampton resident? Sign up on the website for an eBook library card to access all of the library's online resources.

## WE NEED TO TALK...

Is it time to think about Medicare?

- \*Are you planning to retire?
- \*Are you retired and turning 65?
- \*Are you over 65 and losing insurance?



\*\*\*\*\*

**ANNUAL ENROLLMENT STARTS SOON: OCT 15 – DEC 7**

Let's schedule an appointment and talk. There is no charge for my service.

**CYNTHIA DELFAVERO**

860-922-5691 • [cynthia@mededcon.com](mailto:cynthia@mededcon.com)



## YOUR AD

## SHOULD BE HERE!

Call: 860-633-4691



**CALL: 860-267-7140**

**Fowler's Auto Wrecking**  
- Belltown Recycling

Refurbished Batteries All Makes & Models 6 Month Warranty	\$45.00 - \$55.00 \$15.00 Core Charge
-----------------------------------------------------------------	------------------------------------------



CALL US TODAY

*To all our customers,  
This year may be different  
But it is still the time to say  
HAPPY THANKSGIVING  
from all of us at Suburban Sanitation*



Since 1955 Our Family Has Been Providing  
Prompt & Courteous Service

## Suburban Sanitation Service

# (860) 267-6102

## KENNETH BARBER & ASSOCIATES, LLC

"Be kind whenever possible. It is always possible."

-Dalai Lama



Kenneth Barber, Esq.



John H. Porter, Esq.

### YOUR ATTORNEYS

◆ Barber-Law-Firm.com ◆ P: 860-267-2263 ◆ F: 860-267-5832 ◆  
◆ 29 West High Street, East Hampton, CT 06424 ◆

East Hampton • East Hampton



**Business of the Month...** East Hampton EDC Chairman Ted Turner (left) presents Mike Zukowski (center) of CZ Equipment LLC with the October Business of the Month proclamation. EDC member Matt Reich is on the right. CZ Equipment sells and services various types of power equipment. It has been in business over 15 years and provides pick-up and delivery services. CZ Equipment is located at 65 Skinner St. and can be reached at 860-267-8799 or [www.czequipment.com](http://www.czequipment.com).

### Christ Episcopal Church News

Christ Episcopal Church, 66 Middle Haddam Rd. (mailing address: P.O. Box 81), Middle Haddam, will conduct Morning Prayer Sunday at 10 a.m., with church school at 11 a.m. Both will be available on Zoom.

Special Advent services will be conducted at 6 p.m. Wednesdays, Dec. 2, 9, 16 and 23, via Zoom.

The Rev. Ann Perrott is Priest-in-Charge, the Rev. Joanne Neel-Richard handles Children's Ministry, and Martha Alimi is the music director.

For more information or if in need of pastoral assistance, call the church at 860-267-0287 or visit [www.christchurchmiddlehaddam.com](http://www.christchurchmiddlehaddam.com).

### Original Epoch Film Drops Today

Eight students in Epoch Arts' theater department recently came together to develop and act in an original short film based on the theme "Flashback" – and the movie drops today.

The film is based on seven students who take part in a theater production when a horrible accident takes place, leaving them all in distress. A year later they are mysteriously called together with the opportunity to erase the past, but at what cost? Will they jump on this chance, or find new ways to move on?

*Flashback* opens virtually today, Nov. 20. Tickets are \$8 per person or \$20 per family; to purchase, visit [www.epocharts.com/flashback](http://www.epocharts.com/flashback). A link to the film will then be emailed for people to watch at their leisure.

### Haddam Neck Covenant Church News

Haddam Neck Covenant Church, 17 Haddam Neck Rd., invites all to Sunday worship at 9 a.m. online at [www.facebook.com/Haddam-Neck-Covenant-Church](http://www.facebook.com/Haddam-Neck-Covenant-Church) or in person with masks, social distancing and safety protocols. Pastor is the Rev. Tom Cowger.

**Message Series:** The message series for the next two months is on the Good News of Jesus' love for people and how living in that love can provide peace.

**Bible Study:** Cowger holds a Zoom study entitled "God's Peace and Prayers" every other Thursday from 7-8:30 p.m. The foundation of the study is the book *Armchair Mystic: How Contemplative Prayer Can Bring You Closer to God*.

**Operation Christmas Child:** HNCC is again sponsoring Operation Christmas Child, a project of Samaritan Purse. The church is look-

ing to fill shoeboxes with school supplies, toys and hygiene items. The shoeboxes are distributed to children around the world who live in difficult circumstances. All are invited to participate. Special shoeboxes are available at the church. Choose a gender and an age range, fill the box and return by Nov. 24.

Call the church office at 860-267-2336 for more information. Office hours are 12:30-4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

### Send Those Letters to Santa

A special box for all mail addressed to Santa Claus at the North Pole will be placed inside the East Hampton Post Office lobby Saturday, Nov. 21. All boys and girls from East Hampton are invited to deposit their letters to Santa into this mailbox.

The postmaster reminds everyone to be sure to include a return name and address on the envelope or in the letter to Santa, as the big guy plans to answer each and every one of his letters – with the help of his special elves from Ambassador Girl Scout Troop 67813 and the local post office.

All letters should be deposited by the close of business on Monday, Dec. 14.

### Food Drive

The local Edward Jones branch is running a food drive to benefit the East Hampton Food Bank.

People are invited to drop off donations at the office, 204 E. High St. Suite 2, from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. The drive runs through Dec. 15.

Edward Jones provides financial services in the U.S. and, through its affiliate, in Canada. Visit [edwardjones.com](http://edwardjones.com) for more information.

### Senior Center News & Notes

East Hampton Senior Center, 105 Main St., continues to be closed, although staff is available via phone (860-267-4426) and email ([seniorcenter@easthamptonct.gov](mailto:seniorcenter@easthamptonct.gov)) through normal business hours: Monday-Thursday, 8:30 a.m.-4 p.m.; Friday, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. For the latest information, visit [www.easthamptonct.gov/east-hampton-senior-center](http://www.easthamptonct.gov/east-hampton-senior-center).

**Online Program Registration:** Register for programs online at [MyActiveCenter.com](http://MyActiveCenter.com). You will need your key-swipe tag number that you scan when you visit the center, as well as the phone number and email you used when originally registering at the senior center. Once registered for MyActiveCenter, you'll only need your email and password to get back in. Call the senior center for assistance.

**Overly Stressed? Struggling?** East Hampton Social Services, in collaboration with the senior center, is offering group therapy sessions via Zoom Wednesdays from 2-3 p.m. To sign up, contact the senior center at 860-267-4426 or register online. Individual therapy is also available by appointment through East Hampton Social Services at 860-267-9982.

**Virtual Lunch Bunch:** Every other Monday at 12:30 p.m. for an hour, via Zoom. Next date

is Nov. 30. Register online, or contact the senior center for an invitation.

**Medicare Open Enrollment:** It's time to check your Medicare insurance to see what's changed. The CHOICES team will help guide you during Open Enrollment. Contact the senior center for more information.

**Volunteer Shopping:** The center has a program where a volunteer will shop for you. If interested or for more information, including how to arrange payment, call 860-267-4426 or email [jewling@easthamptonct.gov](mailto:jewing@easthamptonct.gov).

**Bingo via Zoom:** Tuesdays at 1 p.m. Register online.

**Yoga via Zoom:** Wednesdays at 11:15 a.m. Register online.

**Writing Our Lives to Open Our Hearts:** Thursdays, 10:30-11:30 a.m. Call the center for more info or email [jewling@easthamptonct.gov](mailto:jewing@easthamptonct.gov) or [ethomas@easthamptonct.gov](mailto:ethomas@easthamptonct.gov).

**Pen Pals:** The center will match you with a pal who you can write to, back and forth. It may be a senior center friend or someone from the community. The center will supply all you need to participate. Call the center to sign up or for more information.

### Drive-Thru Food Drive

Santa is helping the Rotary Club of East Hampton and the East Hampton High School Interact Club to sponsor a Drive-Thru Food Drive Saturday, Dec. 5 (rain date is Dec. 6), from 10 a.m.-1 p.m., at EHHS, 15 N. Maple St.

Food donations support the East Hampton Food Bank and monetary donations support the Fuel Bank. Each child will receive a gift from Santa and each family that donates will be entered to win a Nintendo Switch.

Kids can bring their letters to Santa and drop them off in Santa's special mailbox so he can take them back to the North Pole. Be sure to include a return name and address on your envelope so Santa can answer your letter.

**Flanagan Realty Group**  
Would Like to Thank You for Your Business and Support in 2020!

*We couldn't be more grateful to help our clients and community!*

*Wishing you and yours a Happy Thanksgiving*





**Dana Flanagan**  
860-796-0562  
[www.FlanaganRealtyGroup.com](http://www.FlanaganRealtyGroup.com)




Like us on Facebook



[RivereastNewsBulletin](https://www.facebook.com/RivereastNewsBulletin)

## STARR AUTO

INC.

### Collision & Auto Body Repair

3 Generations of Service in East Hampton

We work directly with your insurance company.  
Call owner Victor Biondi for a free estimate or more info.

**860-267-4225 OR 860-808-9191**

2 Starr Place, East Hampton, CT



## Drafty Donuts

NOW OPEN!!!

— A portion of the proceeds will benefit the horses at CT Draft Horse Rescue —

**Gourmet Donuts, Muffins, Bagels & Coffee**

For more info & updates, follow us at:  
[Facebook.com/draftydonuts](https://Facebook.com/draftydonuts)  
or [Draftydonuts.com](http://Draftydonuts.com)

— 138 East High Street, East Hampton —  
in the Edgewater Hill complex next to Educational Playcare  
HOURS: Wed-Sat 6-11am, Sun 7-11am

**FREE Cider Donut** With this ad. No purchase necessary. Expires 11/30/20.

**GREAT X-MAS GIFTS!!!** Give that Special Someone a Gift Card for: Car Detailing • Oil Change OR a Bay Rental for that do it yourselfer in your life

— The DIY Garage New England —  
493 NORWICH AVE., COLCHESTER, CT  
**860-455-5350** [@TheDIYGarageLLC](https://www.facebook.com/TheDIYGarageLLC)  
[www.thediagaragene.com](http://www.thediagaragene.com)

**all about blinds**

89 Main Street • East Hampton, CT  
**860-267-8330**

[www.allaboutblinds2u.com](http://www.allaboutblinds2u.com)



**Dick's Barber Shop**  
Walk-Ins Welcome or By Appointment  
Open W/Th/F 12-6PM  
89 Main St., East Hampton  
860.267.9189 or 860.368-9902

East Hampton • East Hampton

## Congregational Church News

The Congregational Church of East Hampton, UCC, located at 59 Main St., holds indoor services Sundays at 10 a.m. Masks must be worn and social distancing practiced. People may also access the livestream service and past services via the church website, [www.cc-eh.org](http://www.cc-eh.org).

Church School classes for pre-kindergarten through eighth grade are held during worship, following the pastor's Children's Message.

Teen Youth Group is held the fourth Friday of each month from 6:30-8 p.m., for students in grades 6-12. The November meeting is today, Nov. 20, due to the Thanksgiving holiday.

All ministries, church and community programs that take place in the church building or require gathering in person are beginning to resume following all CDC safety guidelines.

For more information, visit the church website or call 860-267-4959 during office hours, Tuesday-Friday from 8 a.m.-noon. In case of pastoral emergencies, the Rev. Jim Latimer can be reached at 610-568-2480.

## EHHS Beginner Bellringer Preschool

East Hampton High School's Beginner Bellringer preschool program is now taking applications for the 2021 school year. Parents may have a preschool application sent to them by contacting Kasey Tortora at [ktortora@easthamptonct.org](mailto:ktortora@easthamptonct.org). All applications must be received by Nov. 30.

The program will operate sessions of preschool with a distant learning option, with a maximum of 12 preschool students: three afternoons per week (Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays). The preschool is open to ages 3-5 years as of Jan. 1; in some cases, the preschool will accept older 2-year-olds.

The preschool program will begin in early January 2021 and end in early late May 2021. There is a materials cost of \$200 per student. Enrollment is limited. Applications will be selected on a first-come, first-served basis. All children must be toilet-trained. Further information may be obtained by contacting Tortora via the email listed above.

All preschoolers must present completed documentation of a current physical and adequate immunizations before the start of the program.

## Free COVID-19 Testing Today

As the town remains, as of press time, at the "Red Alert" level under the state's COVID-19 response framework, there will be free testing for COVID-19 today, Nov. 20, at Hope Church, 230 East High St., from 10 a.m.-1 p.m.

Anyone in line by 1 p.m. will be tested. Residents of the town are encouraged to be tested. The free testing for COVID-19 is available to all, regardless of whether they show symptoms, courtesy of the Community Health Center. All ages are welcome and no appointment or insurance is required.

Those interested in receiving a test that cannot visit this location are encouraged to visit Community Health Center in Middletown or at another local testing site. CHC locations can be found at [www.chc1.com/covid-19-testing](http://www.chc1.com/covid-19-testing). Other testing locations may be found at the state's coronavirus website, at [portal.ct.gov/Coronavirus](http://portal.ct.gov/Coronavirus). Simply enter the appropriate zip code.

To find free testing only, visit [portal.ct.gov/Coronavirus/Priority-Populations](http://portal.ct.gov/Coronavirus/Priority-Populations).

Residents may also call 2-1-1 or visit [www.211ct.org](http://www.211ct.org) to find a nearby testing location.

## Lasagna Dinner to Go

Second Congregational Church of Middle Haddam is having a Pre-Order Lasagna Dinner to Go, with pickup Sunday, Dec. 6, from 2-4 p.m., at the church, 52 Middle Haddam Rd., Middle Haddam.

The dinner feeds four to six, costs \$25 per meal, and includes a cooked meat lasagna (just needs to be warmed), tossed salad (no dressing), six rolls, and brownies.

Orders are due Nov. 29, by calling Betty at 860-214-5429 or Kathy at 860-510-8102.

## Library Friends Auction

The Friends of East Hampton Public Library will hold an online auction Nov. 28-Dec. 2. Proceeds raised will be used to benefit the library.

Donations of auction items are being accepted through today, Nov. 20. Email [FriendsofEHPL@gmail.com](mailto:FriendsofEHPL@gmail.com) for more information or to arrange pickup of your donation. Donations may also be brought into the library, which is located at 105 Main St.



*Rescuers with Rescue Animals*  
Protectors of Animals, Inc. 2021 Calendar

**Calendar Fundraiser...** Protectors of Animals, Inc. has put together a calendar filled with photographs featuring local first responders (police, fire and EMS) along with POA rescue animals. Calendars are \$12 including shipping and can be ordered at [bit.ly/POA2021Calendar](http://bit.ly/POA2021Calendar). As soon as the first run is printed, all calendars will be shipped to ensure they're received by the end of the year. All proceeds will go directly to Protectors of Animals, Inc. to help with the mission: to increase the quality of life of all cats and dogs in the communities it serves.

## Residents Sought to Serve

The town continues to look for volunteers to serve on various boards, commissions and agencies.

The listing below shows the groups that currently have vacancies: Arts & Culture Commission, Brownfields Redevelopment Agency, Clean Energy Task Force, Conservation-Lake Commission, Design Review Board, Ethics Commission, Housing Authority, Inland Wetlands Watercourses Agency, Library Advisory Board, and Middle Haddam Historic District Commission.

Applications are available in the town manager's office at 1 Community Drive or at [www.easthamptonct.gov](http://www.easthamptonct.gov).

## Xavier Honor Roll

The following local students made the Xavier High School honor roll for the first quarter of the 2020-21 school year:

### High Honors

Grade 11: Nicholas Connors, Matthew Fuffo, Noah Howell, Wyatt McElroy, Brendan Oakley, Liam Sheeley.

Grade 10: Julian Henderson, Peter O'Brien.

Grade 9: Euan Hall, Kyle Levesque, Calan Lindsay.

### Honors

Grade 11: Shea Krassner, Joseph O'Brien, Jake Oliva, Chase Vitale.

Grade 10: Christian Motto, Zachary Potter, Evan Riegler.

Grade 9: Luke DeAngelis, Jacob Fagan, Cameron Nephew, Holden Riley.



Stacy Barber was the winner of the recent \$150 "East Hampton Eats" gift card prize package. This was the first of five prize packages to be given out; the remaining four will be awarded early next month.

## 'East Hampton Eats' Update

The East Hampton Economic Development Commission said it is excited by the over 1,700 entries so far for the "East Hampton Eats" gift card giveaway and promotional campaign. The campaign encourages people to support East Hampton's food and drink establishments during the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic and to promote the numerous fantastic dishes and drinks that can be found in town.

The EDC also announced Stacy Barber as the winner of the recent \$150 gift card prize package. This was the first of five prize packages to be given out; the remaining four will be awarded early next month.

People can still fill out an "East Hampton

Eats" entry form until Monday, Nov. 30, when ordering from almost a dozen East Hampton food and drink establishments. All entries are eligible for the early December drawings of winners to receive a gift card prize package to food and drink establishments in town.

The participating establishments are: The Black Walnut Artisan Bread Co., Chatham Creamery, Dexter's Tunes Tales & Ales, The Dublin, ECO Coffee House, Loco Perro, Pizzeria DaVinci of Cobalt, Po's Rice and Spice, Rossini's Italian Restaurant, Sweet Jean's Cafe, and The Tavern on 66.

Questions can be emailed to [edc@easthamptonct.gov](mailto:edc@easthamptonct.gov).



Since April, homeowners at Laurel Ridge have collected nearly \$5,500, along with three dozen bags of groceries, to benefit the East Hampton Food Bank. Pictured are homeowners Elma May Brey, left, and Eileen O'Connor, right. In the center is Sandy Fries, who has been director of the food bank for 43 years.

## Laurel Ridge Community Donates to Food Bank

During the middle of March, schools were closing, as were stores, businesses, restaurants, beauty salons, barbers, gift shops, malls and more. People were losing their jobs, and the checks that were sent were not enough to pay rent, mortgages, bills – and, most importantly, food for their families.

Watching TV and reading the newspapers gave a couple of homeowners at Laurel Ridge, an 88-home community of ages 55 and over, the idea that they could help those who needed food

for their families. An email went out one day in April to everyone who lives in Laurel Ridge, asking them if they would make a donation of any amount, as well as bags of food. Within 10 days, Laurel Ridge was able to deliver \$1,515 and 25 bags of groceries to the East Hampton Food Bank.

The homeowners organized additional collections in June, August and October, for a total of \$5,445 and 36 bags of groceries.

Marlborough • Marlborough

### St. John Fisher Church News & Notes

St. John Fisher Roman Catholic Church is located at 30 Jones Hollow Rd. The Rev. Thomas J. Sas is pastor, John McKaig is deacon and the pastoral assistant is Holly Bangham. The church office can be reached at 860-295-0001 or. For more information, visit [www.stjfisher.org](http://www.stjfisher.org), or look for the church on Facebook (Saint John Fisher Roman Catholic Church) or Twitter (@StJohnFisher\_CT).

**Weekend Masses:** 4 p.m. Saturday and 9:30 a.m. Sunday. Wearing of masks required. A maximum of 44 parishioners is able to attend each Mass; pre-registration required (on the church website via a live link available Thursday mornings). Contact the parish office with questions.

**Weekday Mass:** Tuesday and Thursday at 8:30 a.m. Appropriate spatial distancing and use of masks are required and disinfectants will be provided.

**Online Mass:** Each weekend's Mass is also available on the parish website, starting at 4 p.m. Saturdays.

**Church Office Hours:** Monday-Thursday, 8:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Face-to-face office visits are limited due to COVID-19 regulations. Call before heading over or connect via the phone.

**Youth Faith Formation Programs:** There are currently virtual classes and continued outreach; grades 1-8 should contact Faith Formation Coordinator Theresa Brysgel at 860-830-2194 or [tbrysgel@stjfisher.org](mailto:tbrysgel@stjfisher.org), and Confirmation Grades 9-10 should contact Confirmation Director Jen O'Neill at [oneill.jen@comcast.net](mailto:oneill.jen@comcast.net).

**Youth Group and Youth Leadership "Teen Emmaus":** High school students continue virtual meetings and connections. Contact O'Neill for information.

**Adult Faith Formation:** Contact O'Neill for information on program offerings and virtual opportunities.

**RCIA and Adult Confirmation Programs:**

For more information, contact RCIA Coordinator James Castellani at [jcast@stjfisher.org](mailto:jcast@stjfisher.org) or 860-295-9904.

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:** Sundays, 4-4:45 p.m. Appropriate spatial distancing and use of masks are required and disinfectants will be provided.

**Knights of Columbus:** All practicing Catholic men are invited to contact Michael Schadtler at 860-295-9701 for information about joining this international charitable and service fraternity.

**Community Outreach and Service:** Bring food or household donations directly to Marlborough Food Bank Monday and Tuesday mornings; sandwich-making and collection continues on the last Thursday of the month for St. Vincent DePaul in Middletown; and the Community Garden to benefit the Marlborough Food Bank is underway. Other service opportunities are scheduled monthly; see the church website for more details.

**Someone in Need:** If you or someone you know is in need, whether it be someone to talk to, someone to pray with, or anything else that you think the church could help with, reach out to Sas at 860-295-0067 or McKaig at 860-918-4084. You can also email McKaig at [dcn.john@cox.net](mailto:dcn.john@cox.net).

### Thanksgiving Dinner for Seniors, Veterans

Marlborough American Legion 197 will offer a take-out-only/call-ahead-only Thanksgiving dinner to all Marlborough and East Hampton seniors and veterans. Call 860-295-7810 to reserve your dinner to go.

Pick-up will be Sunday, Nov. 22, from 1-3 p.m. Marlborough American Legion Post 197 is located on Route 66, at 128 East Hampton Rd., Marlborough. Due to COVID-19, all dinners are take-out only.



**Signs Available...** The Marlborough Lions Club has "Be Kind" and "Peace on Earth" signs available, for \$10 each. They can be purchased by calling Lions President Megan Lloyd at 413-687-5537 or Lions Treasurer Jean Paul Bolduc at 860-798-2054. Those interested can also visit the Marlborough Lions Club Facebook page for more on the signs as well as more information about the club's services and activities.

### MVFD Women's Auxiliary to Benefit from Bag Program

The Marlborough Volunteer Fire Department Women's Auxiliary has been selected as a beneficiary of the Big Y Community Bag Program for the month of November.

The Women's Auxiliary will receive a \$1 donation every time the \$2.50 reusable Community Bag is purchased at the Marlborough Big Y during November, unless otherwise directed by the customer through the Giving Tag attached to the bag.

The MVFD Women's Auxiliary is a non-profit dedicated to supporting members of the Marlborough Volunteer Fire Company. The Women's Auxiliary also provides monetary or material donations to support organizations, fire victims and members of our community who are in need.

For more information on the Big Y Community Bag Program, visit [bigy.bags4mycause.com](http://bigy.bags4mycause.com).

### Xavier Honor Roll

Marlborough resident Aidan Muldoon made the Xavier High School honor roll for the first quarter of the 2020-21 school year.

Muldoon, who is in Grade 11, made High Honors.

**Tired of Working From Home?  
Are You a Student Looking for a Place to Study?**

Have your own private, professional space at **MAIN STREET OFFICE CENTER!**

FURNISHED OFFICES INCLUDE: all utilities, waiting areas, conference rooms, center of town location, 24/7 access, WiFi, easy free parking, full kitchen, admin assistant on duty, even a shower!!

Rent hourly, daily, or by the month  
- as low as \$424 per month!

CALL TODAY **860-659-4757**  
or **860-978-2534** for a visit!

**DOUG'S BARBER & STYLING SHOP**

9A South Main St., Marlborough, CT  
FOR MEN, WOMEN AND CHILDREN

**DOUG'S IS NOW OPEN!!!**  
Services By Appointments Only  
— including same-day appointments —

Hours: TWF 8:30-5:30, THU 8:30-7:30, SAT 8-3

860-295-9366

Like us on **Facebook**

RivereastNewsBulletin

**MARLBOROUGH COUNTRY Bakery TAV&RN**

860-295-9251 | 8 Independence Drive | Marlborough

**CIDER DONUTS ARE BACK!!!**

Serving Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner  
All Your Breakfast Favorites: Coffee, Muffins, Donuts, Breakfast Sandwiches & More!

Delicious Lunch Specials Daily! Thanksgiving Pies, Pastries & Cheesecakes

ALL YOUR FAVORITE CAKES!

**STUFFED BREADS & STROMBOLIS!**

Available Thurs. Fri., Sat., & Sun...and also made to order!

Spinach Potato & Cheese	Chicken Parmesan • Buffalo Chicken
OR Broccoli, Potato & Cheese with or without sausage	Eggplant Parmesan • Italian Combo — and more

Rustic Artisanal Breads & Pizza Slices • Dinners To Go!

Drop off your email address to receive our daily hot & cold lunch specials  
SEE OUR EVER-CHANGING MENU ON OUR FACEBOOK PAGE

Open Mon.-Fri. 6AM - 6PM; Sat. & Sun. 6AM - 3PM  
8 Independence Dr., Marlborough

**NOW OPEN!** **BE SAFE!**

**(860) 295-9251**

**NORTHEAST Auto & Truck Inc.**

**FULL SERVICE REPAIR FOREIGN & DOMESTIC!**  
TOWING SERVICES AVAILABLE!

Happy Thanksgiving! We will be closed on Thurs., Nov. 26th and Fri., Nov. 27th.

Northeast Auto and Truck is here for your Car's Fall & Winter Check Up!

Tires, Coolant, Batteries, Headlight Restoration, Brake Lines, Radiators, Heat and more!

**TIME TO PLAN AND WINTERIZE YOUR CAR.**

OPEN MONDAY-FRIDAY 8am-5pm  
**860-295-9517**

Northeast Auto & Truck Inc.  
394 North Main St., Marlborough, CT 06447  
Exit 12 Route 2 Eastbound Behind Citgo  
[www.northeastautoandtruck.com](http://www.northeastautoandtruck.com)

**Burn Oil COMPANY**

(860) 295-9046

Residential & Commercial Heating Oil  
Senior & Volume Discounts

Minimum **100 Gallons!** No Pre-Buys Available

Now offering on and off road Diesel Sales. Please call for competitive pricing.

P.O. Box 32 • Marlborough H.O.D. #1087

**Marlborough Lawn & Tree**

Got Dead Trees? CALL US TODAY!

Call for Tree Removal  
Senior Citizen Discounts  
Stump Grinding  
Lawn Expansions & Landscape Rejuvenation  
Fully Insured  
30 Years Experience

Bucket Truck Service Available

Visit us at:  
[www.marlboroughlawnandtree.com](http://www.marlboroughlawnandtree.com)  
**860-220-3786**

Marlborough • Marlborough

# Selectmen Discuss Resignations, Town Projects

by Karla Santos

Marlborough Board of Selectmen's meeting on Tuesday featured discussions on resignations and applications of boards and commissions, an update on town projects and the upgrade of some technology features.

During the meeting, the selectmen announced and accepted the resignation from a member of the Planning Commission, Democrat Silvana Righenzi. Selectman Amy Traversa said that Righenzi was very active in the commission and thanked her for serving and wished her good luck.

The selectmen also received a series of applications including one for the RHAM Board of Education, one for the zoning commission, one for the planning commission and one from a resident applying to four different commissions including Parks and Recreation, the Water Pollution Control Authority, Nature Trails and the Lake Study Advisory Commission.

The Board of Selectmen voted in favor of appointing resident, Simone Lesci, a Republican, as an alternate member of the Water Pollution Control Authority. Traversa abstained from voting, saying she was uncomfortable voting because she doesn't know the applicant and

doesn't know who is on the commission.

In addition, the selectmen unanimously voted in favor of the AHM Youth and Family Services agreement update. First Selectmen Greg Lowrey, noted it was a structural agreement consistent with previous ones and does not involve details of the upcoming budget.

The new electrical service water pump station bid was also a topic of discussion during the meeting. Lowrey said that with the sale of the Municipal Water Company is nearing its closing, the town is required to rewire the water pumps. That project was put out to bid and the lowest bid the town received was \$42,600, Lowrey said. He said that as part of that there will also be a fee from Eversource. The board voted in favor of following the recommendation from Peter Hughs, town planner, to request the Board of Finance to retire the town water system well-drilling capital non-recurring project of \$50,000, and to appropriate \$50,000 from the Capital Non Recurring fund for the water pump station's new electrical service.

Lowrey explained that prior to the planning for the sale of the municipal water company, the town set aside \$50,000 for well improvements. The goal in repurposing those funds is that the

"well field can have its own electrical service as required by the sale contract," Lowrey said. He noted that the well field is supplied with primary and backup power via Marlborough Elementary School, but going forward, the well field will have its own electrical service.

During the meeting, Lowrey announced that the town was awarded the Small Town Economic Assistance Program, a state grant that will provide about \$128,000 in funding for the Richmond Memorial Library accessibility project.

"That's good news," Lowrey said about the award. "That's super exciting. I know that

there's a lot of folks in town that have been looking forward to this for a number of years."

Lowrey said the town will soon be in touch with the firm handling the design of the project to go over some details. He explained that getting the grant is exciting because some people in town have been looking forward to having the project completed for a number of years.

Lowrey also announced the town is undergoing a variety of technological updates across the town buildings, such as strengthening the wi-fi, upgrading the projector technology at the fire station and testing a hybrid radio system for public works.

## Parks and Rec Programs

Parks & Recreation has announced the following. For full descriptions or to register, visit [marlboroughct.recdesk.com](http://marlboroughct.recdesk.com) and click on "programs," stop by the office at Town Hall, 26 N. Main St., or call 860-295-6203.

**Kids Sewing – Monthly Sewing Project 101:** Friday, Dec. 11, 4:30-6:30 p.m. Fleece Ear Band. Class is held virtually. Fee \$63/residents, \$68/non-residents.

**Kids Sewing – T-Shirt Memory Quilt:** Saturday, Dec. 12, 10-11:30 a.m. Fee: \$43/residents, \$48/non-residents. All classes held virtually.

**Driveway Reflective Number Signs:** Cost is \$35 each. Order forms are online and at Town Hall.

**Adult Programs:** Zumba: Thursdays

through Dec. 10, 7-8 p.m., at the Blish Park Pavilion. Fee is \$10 per week to drop in.

**Barre/Pilates – Mondays:** Through Nov. 30, 5:30-6:15 p.m. Class instruction is virtual. Fee is \$15 per week to drop in.

**Barre/Pilates – Wednesdays:** Through Nov. 25, 6-6:45 p.m. Class instruction is virtual. Fee is \$15 per week to drop in.

**Yoga – Mondays:** Through Nov. 30, 6:30-7:30 p.m. Class instruction is virtual. Fee is \$15 per week to drop in.

**Yoga – Tuesdays:** Through Dec. 1, 9:30-10:30 a.m. Class instruction is virtual. Fee is \$15 per week to drop in.

**Cardio Dance:** Tuesdays through Nov. 24, 5-5:45 p.m. Class instruction is virtual. Fee is \$10 per week to drop in.

## Send Those Letters to Santa

A special box for all mail addressed to Santa Claus at the North Pole will be placed inside the Marlborough Post Office Saturday, Nov. 21. All boys and girls from Marlborough are invited to deposit their letters to Santa into this mailbox.

The postmaster reminds everyone to be sure to include a return name and address on the envelope or in the letter to Santa, as the big guy plans to answer each and every one of his letters – with the help of his special elves from Ambassador Girl Scout Troop 67813 and the local post office.

All letters should be deposited by the close of business on Monday, Dec. 14.

## Red Cross Blood Drive

There will be an American Red Cross Blood Drive Wednesday, Dec. 2, from 9 a.m.-2 p.m., at Marlborough Senior Center, 17 School Drive.

As thanks for donating, Suburban Propane is offering blood, platelet and plasma donors a chance to win an "Outdoor Living Experience," to enable a lucky winner to enjoy socially distanced celebrations with family and friends this holiday season. The prize includes a propane-powered pizza oven, fire pit, outdoor heater and stipend towards propane.

To make an appointment to donate, use the Red Cross Blood Donor App, visit [RedCrossBlood.org](http://RedCrossBlood.org) or call 1-800-RED-CROSS (1-800-733-2767).

## TOP DENTIST\*

2008 • 2009 • 2010 • 2011 • 2012 • 2013  
2014 • 2015 • 2016 • 2017 • 2018 • 2019

\*Hartford Magazine • Connecticut Magazine

Award Winning  
Cosmetic Dentistry

### Dr. Steven Balloch

Personalized Dental Care for Beautiful Smiles

Dr. Jeffrey Glavin

Visit our amazing  
Smile Gallery at

Steven M. Balloch, DDS

Member:  
Fellow Academy of  
General Dentistry;  
ADA, CSDA, HDS, ITI,  
DDS – Georgetown UDS

[www.hartfordcosmeticdentist.com](http://www.hartfordcosmeticdentist.com)

See the Results you could have!

Member:  
American Academy  
of Cosmetic Dentistry;  
ADA, ACOI, CSDA, HDS;  
DDS – Georgetown UDS

860-659-8660

300 Hebron Avenue • Suite 112  
GLASTONBURY



## Medicare Made Clear

# Open Enrollment Begins October 15<sup>th</sup>

**Confused by Medicare Plan Choices?**

**CALL TO DISCUSS YOUR OPTIONS!  
860-295-9350  
NO COST. NO OBLIGATION.**

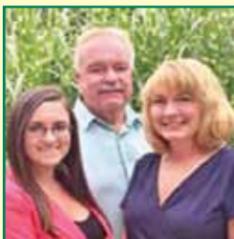
## HEALTHCARE ASSOCIATES

Your Medicare Solutions Specialists

Office Hours: 9am-3pm and by appointment  
7 Dickinson Road, Marlborough

**Call Today! 860-295-9350**

Serving Connecticut Families for Over 25 Years



YOUR  
AD  
SHOULD  
BE  
HERE!  
CALL US AT:  
860-633-4691

*Kristee AT Good Hair Day*  
offering haircuts for men and boys  
Men's Cut \$19  
Kids 14 & under \$16  
Military, First Responders  
& Seniors \$16  
Call or text (860) 576-8355  
to schedule your appointment.  
LOCATED AT: 2 Independence Dr., Marlborough, CT 06447  
HOURS: Mon 8AM-noon; Tues-Thur 8AM-8PM; Fri 8AM-2:30PM; Sat 8AM-2PM

**FIVE**  
Quality Care  
National HealthCare

*Long-Term Care Services*

- 24-Hour Skilled Nursing Care
- Primary Care & Specialty Physician Services
- Enhanced Recreational Programming
- Restorative Care
- Case Management
- Nutrition Services
- Family Counseling
- Discharge Planning

*Safe and Compassionate Specialized Care*

Marlborough Health & Rehabilitation Center is a premier provider of skilled nursing and rehabilitative care. We are committed to creating a safe and therapeutic environment, emphasizing compassionate care, and facilitating enhanced vitality.

Contact us for more information or to schedule your personalized virtual tour.

**860.295.9531**

KINDNESS COMPASSION SERVICE EXCELLENCE

85 Stage Harbor Road  
Marlborough, CT 06447  
860.295.9531  
[www.MarlboroughHealthCare.com](http://www.MarlboroughHealthCare.com)

National HealthCare Associates Inc.  
An affiliate of National Health Care Associates, Inc.

Marlborough • Marlborough

# Airsoft Gun Incident Leads to Teaching Moment

by Karla Santos

Last month, there was an incident at Blish Park involving an airsoft gun and children. While there were no injuries and no charges related to the event, Constable and Director of Public Safety Services Jay Kehoe used Facebook and the town website to raise awareness in terms of the danger associated with these devices.

In an effort to provide education, Kehoe mentioned various incidents – including one in Connecticut – where people have been shot after brandishing an airsoft gun.

Kehoe also published a photo of a real gun next to the airsoft gun to show how similar they look, which is why some people attempt to defend themselves when they see one.

While there were various children and one airsoft gun at the Blish Park incident, the airsoft was not loaded.

Kehoe explained that one child brought the device to the park, “probably trying to show it off to his friends.”

He said they were at the playscape and there were “at least four other families” there, adults and children.

When the children were playing with the airsoft, an adult went over and asked them to leave.

Kehoe said the children tried to explain that

it wasn’t a real gun and one of them started to give the adult a “hard time.” Then another parent went to them and asked the child with the airsoft gun to leave.

Police did not get notified about the incident until two to three hours later, Kehoe said, adding that there was no one at the park at that point and time.

Kehoe said the next day he started looking into the incident and had received an email from the mother of one of the children involved, and one from the adult that spoke with them at the park. He said he was able to track down all the children involved in the incident.

In addition, he said the parents of the child told him they did not know they had taken the airsoft gun to the park.

“But when they found out they called me,” Kehoe said. “The parents are being very proactive in it.”

Kehoe noted the children at the park were not threatening anybody with the airsoft and that they were not pointing it at anyone but themselves.

However, other people at the park did not like what they were seeing. The children with the airsoft gun were by themselves with no adult supervision.

“The fact that they had the gun there made a whole bunch of the parents, very, very uneasy,”

Kehoe said. “They were just hanging out at the park at the playscape where the younger kids were with their parents.”

Kehoe said that it is hard to tell the difference between the airsoft gun at the park and a real 1911 gun.

“It was scary accurate,” he said. “It’s not a crime per se, as far as brandishing a facsimile firearm because of the way the law it’s written; it specifically excludes BB guns and airsoft guns.”

He said something like what happened at the park can quickly turn into a misidentification and tragedy.

He said airsoft guns could be dangerous if they hit someone in the eyes.

“But hitting any other place in the body basically it would just stain a little bit,” Kehoe said.

He said people have been killed because of how real airsoft guns look. He said that when doing some research, he learned about an adult in Suffield, who was fatally shot by police after pulling out an airsoft.

He explained that airsoft guns are normally used in sporting games such as paintball wars. The airsoft shoots a small plastic bb. He noted that when used, people normally wear protective gear such as a helmet and eye protection.

First Selectman Greg Lowrey said that airsoft guns use “compressed gas to propel a plastic spherical projectile,” and said there are limits on the velocity and energy allowed on these devices.

“These devices can provide exciting interaction with managed risk when used in a designated area among willing participants that have been advised of the risks and with protective equipment, including eyewear,” he said. “However, there is a risk that when these devices are brandished outside of a designated area, the device could be mistaken as a firearm by citizens and responding police. We want youth and adults to enjoy themselves safely and responsibly.”

Kehoe said airsoft and bb guns that look like real firearms could get someone into “extreme amount of trouble.” He said they could get someone hurt, injured or killed just because people misinterpret what they are.

He said that because no one was threatened or anything of that nature, there have been no charges associated with the Blish Park incident.

However, he took it as an opportunity to provide education to residents about the danger associated with these objects.

## Congregational Church News

The Sunday worship service at the Marlborough Congregational Church is livestreamed every Sunday at 10 a.m. through the church website, [mcc.marlconchurch.org](http://mcc.marlconchurch.org), and follows the usual order of Sunday worship.

Weekly participants include church pastor the Rev. Bob Faulhaber, Carolyn Brodgerski, organist Dave Mulligan, as well as other musicians and participants from the church and community. All are invited to the weekly Zoom Coffee Hour that follows worship. A Message for the Children is given on selected Sundays by Christian Education/Junior Youth Director Gwen Lawson.

Thanksgiving Sunday will be celebrated Nov. 22 at 10 a.m., with Senior Youth Director Scott Reid leading the service

Sunday services are recorded and available for viewing on the website later that same day. All previous worship services can be viewed through the webpage.

Phone messages are checked at Faulhaber’s direct line at 860-295-0432 and at the church office at 860-295-9050.

Second Blessings Thrift Shop is planning to reopen in April, but is selling on eBay. New items are listed each week at [bit.ly/MCCebay](http://bit.ly/MCCebay).

## From the Superintendent’s Desk...

I usually write in this column about the happenings at Marlborough Elementary School, but today is different. I recently sent a letter to all of the Marlborough Elementary School families reaching out to them to join hands with us in a stronger coordinated effort to keep our children safe both at home and at school. In doing so we will be able to continue our commitment to keep our children safe and our school will remain open for in-person teaching and learning. While my letter speaks to school and home partnerships in strengthening these efforts it is broader than that. It will require everyone who works with our children to join in these efforts. The letter below truly reaches out to an entire Marlborough community that always comes together in times of need and this is one of those times.

Dear MES Families:

The Board of Education and I made an early and confident decision that reopening school in person was in the educational, social and emotional best interest of children and families. But knowing that could only be accomplished if we could assure that our children and staff would have a safe working and learning environment in the midst of the COVID pandemic. With the guidance of Chatham Health district professionals, the incredible support of our tireless school administrators, dedicated teachers and support staff and the best research and data available to us we have successfully opened our school.

As superintendent, I have never wavered in my belief that children belong in school where in-person teaching and learning is optimized, where the social and emotional needs of our children are met and, most of all, where they are safe. One of the most important premises has been to minimize student contact by keeping them in pods and blocks which is a very controlled environment both for students and faculty. We have done our part but we can’t do it alone and need the help of each family working together with us once children leave us at the end of the day.

We are all aware of the importance of washing hands, wearing masks and social distancing and we cannot get complacent. Continue to instill in your children that wearing masks and social distancing is not just for school but for all indoor activities when outside the home. But it is even more than that. It is about how we make every decision about our children both in school and at home. As much as you and your children want play dates, birthday parties, celebrations or sports events ask yourself about the safety risks each presents. The close circle of contacts in pods and blocks that we provide in school breaks down when the school day ends but if we work together we can have an even safer place for children at school and at home.

We can successfully keep our school open in person but we can’t do it alone. We need your help. With Thanksgiving and the holiday season approaching, the cold weather bringing activities indoors and COVID fatigue setting in it will be tempting to let our guard down. We can’t let that happen. That is why it will be even more critical to provide a unified effort to protect our children and adults both in school and at home. Think twice every time you have to make a decision about your child’s contact with others outside of the immediate family. The more we work in partnership the safer your children and family will be and the longer we will be able to safely keep our school open for in-person learning. Feel free to call upon our school leaders, Mr. White, Mrs. Kelley or our school nurse who are there to advise and guide you.

We will get through these challenging times sooner and more safely if we work closely together. There has never been a more important time for a working partnership effort between school and home. Be safe and keep your family and loved ones safe.

Regards,

David P. Sklarz, Ed.D.

Marlborough Superintendent of Schools

## Local Man Arrested for 1984 Sex Assaults

An investigation using forensic genetic genealogy by the Cold Case Unit of the Chief’s State’s Attorney’s Office has led to the arrest of a Marlborough man in connection with four sexual assaults in Connecticut dating back to 1984.

Chief State’s Attorney Richard J. Colangelo Jr. on Tuesday announced the arrest of Michael Marion Sharpe, 69, of 117 Stage Harbor Rd. Inspectors with the Cold Case Unit arrested Sharpe on a warrant charging him with four counts of first-degree kidnapping with a firearm.

“This arrest shows just how dedicated the Division of Criminal Justice’s Cold Case Unit is to solving crimes, and the commitment the unit has to its continued efforts toward the use of innovative methods to close some of the state’s most difficult investigations,” Colangelo said in a press release issued by his office. “With this arrest, the victims of these crimes who have waited more than three decades to see their attacker brought to justice now know he will be held accountable for his crimes.”

Sharpe is accused of the following crimes, the press release said: the June 3, 1984, sexual assault of a 25-year-old woman in Bloomfield; the June 26, 1984, sexual assault of a 30-year-old woman in Middletown; the July 21, 1984, sexual assault of a 24-year-old woman in Windsor; and the July 24, 1984, sexual assault of a 24-year-old woman in Rocky Hill.

In all four alleged attacks, Sharpe is accused of brandishing a firearm while breaking into homes where the sexual assaults occurred, the press release said.

According to the press release, after years of not being able to match DNA found at the crime scene with samples in DNA databases, investigators were able to develop Sharpe as a suspect in these crimes using publicly-available genealogy information.

On Nov. 9, investigators retrieved Sharpe’s DNA from items found in trash left on the curb at his Marlborough home. The DNA found on those items matched the suspect in the four 1984 sexual assaults. A search-

and-seizure warrant was issued to obtain confirmatory saliva secretions and buccal cell samples from Sharpe. Those samples matched the suspect in the four 1984 sexual assaults, the press release said.

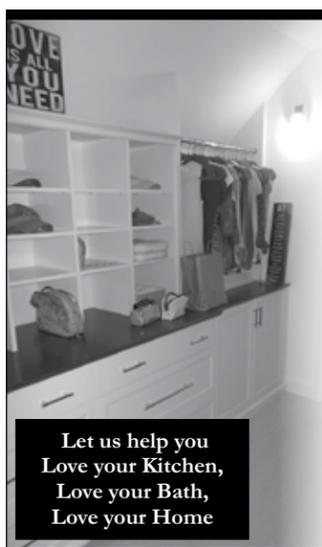
“Turning to forensic genetic genealogy as a possible breakthrough for unsolved cases shows that the Cold Case Unit’s investigators never forget the victims of these crimes,” Supervisory Assistant State’s Attorney John F. Fahey, head of the Cold Case Unit, said in the press release. “The investigators believe these victims deserve justice so they never stop searching for clues even if it means looking beyond their traditional investigative tools - no matter how complicated it may be - to ensure that justice is achieved.”

According to Fox 61, Sharpe is the former CEO of Jumo Academy, a charter school in Hartford, as well as the FUSE Charter School Group, which previously ran schools in New Haven and Bridgeport. In 2014, Fox 61 said, Sharpe resigned from both after it was revealed he falsely claimed he had a doctorate. State officials also learned in 2014 that Sharpe had served time in prison after pleading guilty to embezzlement in 1989 in California, Fox 61 said.

Connecticut was recently awarded a \$470,000 grant from the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, Bureau of Justice Assistance to fund the Cold Case Unit’s prosecution of violent crime cold cases and to decrease the number of violent crime cold cases awaiting prosecution utilizing forensic genetic genealogy and other advanced DNA technology.

Sharpe appeared Tuesday in Hartford Superior Court for arraignment, and was released on a promise to appear in court.

The Cold Case Unit said it is grateful for the assistance in this investigation from the Connecticut Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection, including the Connecticut State Police and Division of Scientific Services, Bode Technology, the Connecticut Department of Correction and the Hartford, Bloomfield, Rocky Hill, Middletown and Windsor police departments.



**HEARTWOOD CABINETRY**  
heartwoodcab.com  
*Design, Create, Enjoy*  
Custom Cabinetry for the Closet,  
Kitchen, Bath & Beyond  
Cabinets To Fit Any Budget  
**860 295-0304**  
345 North Main St., Marlborough  
Exit 12 off Rt. 2  
OUR SHOWROOM HOURS:  
Mon-Wed 9AM-5PM; Thur & Fri until 6:30PM  
A member of BBB and the CT River  
Valley Chamber of Commerce.  
HIC.0657744

Let us help you  
Love your Kitchen,  
Love your Bath,  
Love your Home

**LOOK...  
YOUR  
AD  
SHOULD  
BE  
HERE!  
.....  
CALL US  
TODAY AT:  
860-633-4691**

## Obituaries

### Portland

#### Joseph V. Clausi

Joseph V. Clausi, 86, of Portland, passed away Monday, Nov. 16. He was born in Bergenfield, N.J., and had lived in Portland for the last 55 years.

He is survived by Pat, his wife of 62 years; three children and their spouses, Carol Karnilowicz and husband Thomas of Newington, Joseph Clausi and wife Sheila of Port Charlotte, Fla., Thomas Clausi and wife Carrie of East Hampton; former daughter-in-law, Janet Clausi of Englewood, Fla.; seven grandchildren, Jeffrey, Susan, Samantha, Erin, Olivia, Emily and Julie; six great-grandchildren, Jaxson, Anna, Henry, Claire, Eleanor, and Chloe; a sister, Patricia Sargent and her husband Robert.

He was predeceased by a brother, Thomas Clausi.

A private memorial service will be held at a later date.

Donations may be made in Joe's name to the New England Chamber Choir, P.O. Box 674, Durham, CT, 06422.

Portland Memorial Funeral Home, 231 Main St., Portland, is in charge of arrangements.

### East Hampton

#### Dean M. Michelson

Dean M. Michelson, 67, of East Hampton, passed away unexpectedly Saturday, Nov. 14, at UConn Medical Center in Farmington. He was the loyal and loving husband of Patricia (Albrycht) Michelson for 33 years. Born March 29, 1953, in Middletown to the late Merlin and Lura "Anna" (Bailey) Michelson, he was a lifelong East Hampton resident.



Dean graduated from Southern Connecticut State University in 1975 with a bachelor's degree in education. After taking a part-time job with Town of East Hampton Public Works Department to pay for his college education, he quickly realized his love for operating heavy equipment, the townspeople and being a public servant.

For the next 43 years, he served the town and its people in various capacities. He was garage manager for Nichols Bus Service, worked at the town's Water Treatment Plant and the Public Works Department. Over the course of 33 years with the Public Works Department, Dean worked his way up from a maintainer to foreman, eventually earning his "dream job" as director of public works from 2016 to 2019.

Dean was always dedicated and devoted to his hometown. In addition to his public service, he was active for many years on the East Hampton Volunteer Fire Department Board of Commissioners and the East Hampton Public Water System Task Force.

Dean was a passionate family man, devoted husband and tireless worker. Always one to prioritize the needs of others first, he worked multiple jobs like delivering oil for his late friend, Les Groat, to provide "extra" for his family, served as a caregiver to his late mother, Anna, and was always available to assist family and his many friends in times of need.

His two most precious loves of his life were his two grandchildren, Rylan and Reese Griffin. Grandpa "from the woods," as they affectionately called him, cherished his time exploring, adventuring, reading and swimming with his two loves.

He will be remembered for his commitment to helping others always and for being the best husband, dad, grandpa, brother and friend.

In addition to his wife Patti, Dean is survived by his son, Gary Griffin and his wife Jen of Simsbury and his cherished granddaughters, and his daughter, Candice Griffin. He is also survived by his brother, Jeff Michelson and his partner, Ed Kobylanski of Wethersfield.

In lieu of flowers, donations in Dean's memory may be made to the East Hampton Fire Department, 3 Barton Hill Rd, East Hampton, CT 06424.

Walk-through calling hours will be held today, Nov. 20, from 4-7 p.m., at Spencer Funeral Home, 112 Main St, East Hampton. Facemasks are required. Please practice social distancing guidelines.

For online condolences, please visit [www.spencerfuneralhomeinc.com](http://www.spencerfuneralhomeinc.com) or [www.plantsvillefuneralhome.com](http://www.plantsvillefuneralhome.com).

Like us on Facebook  
RivereastNewsBulletin



### Colchester

#### Abraham" Carrero

Abraham "Abe" Carrero, age 87, husband of Fabiola Carrero, of Colchester since June 1955, passed away Tuesday, Nov. 10. Abraham was born in Brooklyn, N.Y., Aug. 29, 1933, to the late Abraham and Felicita Carrero.

Abe was a veteran of the Korean Conflict, having served in the U.S. Army. He was a devoted husband to his bride of 65 years, Fabiola. They lived many years in Queens and Long Island before moving to Connecticut. He started work at IBM in 1961 and traveled frequently to Europe, South America and the Far East during his 26 years with the company. In 1974, he accepted a position that moved his family to Hong Kong for three years and in the 1980s to Indonesia for two years.

Abe and Fabiola retired to Florida in 1987, where he immersed himself in his love of computers and enjoyed extended family visits from his children and grandchildren. Theme parks and fishing were never on his top ten list until one of his grandchildren requested it. His grandchildren all loved when Grandpa was cooking, which meant trips to their favorite restaurants. Eventually, Abe and Faby returned to Connecticut to be close to family.

He was a strict father but rarely said 'no' to his grandchildren and enjoyed indulging his great-grandchildren as much as possible. He cherished the weekly dinners and Saturday breakfasts with his family.

In addition to his wife, he will be dearly missed by his sister, Norma Rokos; his son, Ronald Carrero and his wife Kathy Carrero of Colchester; his daughter, Nancy Cordova and her husband, Gregory Cordova of Colchester; his grandchildren, Norma Lee Wallace and her husband Aaron Wallace of Norwich; his grandson, Michael Carrero of Colchester; his grandson, Timothy Cordova and his wife Suzanne Cordova of Colchester; and his granddaughter, Crystal Jahns and her husband Dwayne Jahns of Colchester; great grandchildren: Paige Knobel, Jacob Robert Wallace, Victoria Rose Carrero, Mackenzie Rose Jahns, and Landon Abraham Carrero; and great-great grandchildren, Patrick and Logan Knobel.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations in his memory may be made to Colchester Hayward Fire Department, 52 Old Hartford Rd., Colchester, CT 06415.

All services will be private. National Cremation Service, 444 Farmington Ave., New Britain, is entrusted with arrangements. For an online memorial, please visit [www.NationalCremation.com](http://www.NationalCremation.com).

### East Hampton

#### Michael Raymond Chamis

Michael Raymond Chamis was recently welcomed and embraced by his mother, Joyce, to his new home Friday, Nov. 13. Michael, a lifetime resident of East Hampton, was born Sept. 2, 1949, to the late Raymond and Joyce Chamis.

Mike was a graduate of East Hampton High School, Class of 1967, and attended Wentworth Institute of Technology in Boston, Mass., with a major in electrical engineering. Humorously, he ended his college journey by successfully burning his dorm room down, which was a story he often loved to share with his grandchildren, family, and friends.

Mike enlisted in the U.S. Army from 1969-1972 and received an honorable discharge. He was a SP-5 Specialist in Secret Operations, with the 138th Aviation Company, and worked on radio electronics. Subsequently, Mike participated in the Army Reserve from 1972-1975.

Mike retired from Northeast Utilities in 2014 with 21 years of service as a substation electrical designer. He also provided contract work as an electrical engineer for Yale and Yankee Gas. He was fortunate to be a part of decommissioning the Connecticut Yankee Nuclear Power Plant, where he got "glowing" reviews for his work.

Mike was a proud life member of the Fowler-Dix-Park Veterans of Foreign Wars, Post 5095, where he was elected as post commander and district commander. He was also a candidate for state department commander. He took great pride in supporting his fellow comrades and



the Auxiliary of Veterans of Foreign Wars. His mother, sister, daughter and niece have also been active members of the VFW.

Mike will be remembered for making his famous clam chowder for the annual Lobster Fest. In his younger years, Michael loved to ski, ice skate, swim in the lake, play baseball, and archery. He was a dutiful Boy Scout yet possessed quite an entertaining rebellious streak. He loved demolition derby, whether it was with a bicycle, go-cart, or his father's VW Bug.

In high school, he played the trumpet in the band and continued to play periodically through the years. As a gift, his mom secretly brought his trumpet to be serviced as a birthday gift and to her surprise found a hidden treasure inside the bell: his "stash" – another story we would giggle and reminisce over on more than one occasion.

As he matured, Mike loved to travel, was a master in various crafts such as tin punching, theorem painting, and stenciling. He established his business, Journeyman Stencil, where he created beautiful stencil art on walls and furniture. Additionally, Mike worked on furniture-making and carpentry around the home. He enjoyed maintaining the outdoors in a unique style.

Mike was an avid setback player and loved playing cribbage with his father Ray. As an adult, he loved fast and sporty cars, most recently his Monte Carlo SS, golfing outdoors and online, playing pool, shooting darts and jamming to the 70s rock bands with his friends in the Old Skinner Street basement. He loved TV and old movies, just as his dad, and always had his TV remote at his side.

Mike loved to cook and is fondly remembered for his clam chowder, pudding, his love of pasta and Jaime's favorites, Chicken Cordon Bleu, and Fettuccine Alfredo. He had wonderful memories of the Chamis family home on Ridge Road in Middletown. Mike was always extremely generous with family and friends. He loved to tell corny jokes and share his numerous shenanigans for the laughter it would bring others.

Mike shared an amazing and extraordinary bond with his siblings Laurie and Doug that still remains. They were very close growing up and spent countless hours playing outside together assuring the same spirit of love was passed to the next generation.

Mike leaves behind his daughter, the light of his life, Jaime Chamis-Geuser of East Hampton; his cherished grandchildren, Alex and Kaitlen; sister and brother-in-law, Laurie and Tom Allen of East Hampton; brother and sister-in-law, Doug and Susan Chamis of The Villages, Fla.; many special nieces, nephews, cousins, friends, and treasured extended family the Kissingers - Stephen, Elisha and Eric.

Mike is predeceased and reunited once again with his loving parents, nephew Christopher Allen, with whom he had a special relationship; Rhonda Kissinger, a cherished dear friend and extended family member; and Bonnie Chamis, whom he will always hold dear to his heart.

A heartfelt and very special thank you to Laurie, who gave her time unselfishly caring for Mike in his time of need. The love and support between siblings are infinite. Mike, Laurie and Doug will always be devoted and would go above and beyond for one other.

Michael will be buried privately with full military honors at the Connecticut State Veterans Cemetery, Middletown, today, Nov. 20, at 10 a.m.

A special thanks to the Middlesex Hospital Critical Care Unit and Water's Edge Center for Health and Rehabilitation for your profound services during these difficult times.

To leave online condolences, please visit [www.spencerfuneralhomeinc.com](http://www.spencerfuneralhomeinc.com).

### East Hampton

#### Paul C. Puzzo

Paul C. Puzzo (Sept. 29, 1943 – Nov. 14, 2020) of East Hampton was a true king among men. He started his life as the first-generation son of a Sicilian shoemaker and an Italian housewife, Corrado and Beatrice, in Wolcott. He was the prince of the family; his three sisters, Julia, Lillian, and Bebe, were all more than a decade older than him and all doted on him like he was their own. The only thing better than one Italian mother is four Italian mothers.



Once he finished high school, he bounced around a couple of colleges until settling at the University of Hartford. A proud member of Beta Sigma Gamma, we think it's safe to say that his major was partying. And in that respect, he graduated with all As.

After college, in 1967, he began what was to become a storied career at the Community Renewal Team of Greater Hartford. In the meantime, he married a lovely young woman from Vermont, Karen BaiRossi, and had two children, Julianne and PJ. The four of them settled into a tiny home in Bloomfield. They lived a typical suburban life filled with fantastic neighborhood friends, block parties, annual Christmas caroling, and all the trappings of a young family. Alas, not every marriage is meant to be, but life moved on as Karen and Paul went their separate ways.

But then Paul met the love of his life, Elaine Bracha. Elaine was born and raised in New Britain and a colleague at CRT. They soon married in 1983 and settled down in their lakefront home in East Hampton.

It was around this time Paul's star began to rise at CRT. He became the president and CEO and turned a fledgling nonprofit into the premier organization that those in need could turn to in the Hartford area. His ingenuity, tenacity, and dedication grew this once small organization into a powerhouse that literally fed, housed, educated, and cared for thousands of Connecticut residents that may have otherwise fallen through the cracks. He provided a literal safety net for everyone who needed it.

While he was a brilliant strategist and successful beyond his wildest dreams, he did not let work define him. He and Elaine spent their days traveling the world – from the ruins of Rome to the jungles of Africa, from the street markets in Thailand to his father's childhood home in Sicily, they made it their mission to see it all. They visited almost every national park in the U.S. and loved to experience the wonders of nature together.

His other passion was his friends and, most importantly, entertaining those friends. He was happiest behind the stove with a house full of people. He hosted some of the most epic parties you can imagine. It's not everyone that can host annual cookouts for 100 people. There are even fewer people who could successfully stuff six chickens with sausage and then stuff those chickens in a whole pig and roast it (a feat he considered a personal triumph). He was also famous for his annual Christmas Eve Feast of the Seven Fishes, and in classic Paul Puzzo fashion, there was always at least a dozen types of fish and pierogis to honor his Polish wife.

Paul loved to golf in his retirement years and spent time doing it both in Connecticut and from his second home in Florida. He might have loved cheese just a little more and would travel from Connecticut to Florida and back again with his cheese collection, much to his

Obituaries continued on next page

The early stages of communication disorders are easier to spot when you know the signs.

**IDENTIFY THE SIGNS**

AMERICAN SPEECH-LANGUAGE HEARING ASSOCIATION

For info: [IdentifyTheSigns.org](http://IdentifyTheSigns.org)

**DOMINICK & SONS**  
**MONUMENT WORKS, INC.**

Monuments & Marker Sales & Service Since 1982

- Cleaning • Repairing
- Cemetery Lettering
- Custom Sandblast
- Pet Markers • Garden Stones

**215 Lebanon Ave., Colchester**  
located w/ Colchester Florist

**860-537-5783**  
For immediate service, call 860-917-7871

"A monument should cost no more than a family can afford."

**Obituaries continued**

wife's chagrin. He was a fierce Democrat and was even the Democratic town chairman of his hometown for many years. We are so thankful that he could see the political tides change in his final days; it gave him immense pleasure to know this country had a chance to get back on track.

He was an amazing dad. He raised his children to be strong and independent. He gave us the tools to strike out on our own, but with the understanding that he would always be there when we needed him. He taught us the importance of family and tradition and that we should always give back to those in need. He loved his granddaughter Andrea and hosting her each

summer on the lake, even the summer he had to get up at 6 a.m. every morning to drive her to her job at Dunkin Donuts. And just five years ago, he became a great-grandfather to Codi. On their last visit together, he got the joy of teaching her to make meatballs, a Puzzo family tradition. We, the children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren of Paul Puzzo, will never, ever be able to fill the void he has left in our lives.

There are not enough words to explain the love he had for his wife, Elaine. If there were ever two people meant to be together, they were it. Married close to 40 years, they were like two puzzle pieces that just fit. Whether traveling the world or sitting on the porch reading, they were

content just to be together. Elaine also brought her wonderful family into his life and he loved his sisters and brothers-in-law greatly and all their children. In his final years, as his health slowly began to fail, Elaine became his lifeline. He had spent his whole life taking care of her, a job he loved, but she returned the favor tenfold when he needed it the most.

Paul was kind; it's a simple word, but one that not many people authentically embody. More people than we can count called him friend, surrogate dad, brother, mentor, and even hero. He was fiercely loyal and generous to a fault, the kind of guy you could call on for just about anything and know he would be there.

The world is a lesser place without Paul Puzzo. He filled a room with his laughter and his generosity of spirit. In his last days, he said many times that he had no regrets and in the immortal words of Frank Sinatra he did it "My Way." What he would have wanted most was for all of us to live our lives as he did. He lived life on his own terms and leaves a legacy that will never be forgotten.

As one of his friends said, "Today, a giant oak tree has fallen."

Because of the cruel and unnecessary pandemic we will not be holding a funeral or services for Paul at this time, but rest assured he will be celebrated. When we are able, we are going to throw the biggest, best party in his honor and all who loved him and all who he loved will be invited.

In lieu of flowers, we ask that you make a donation in Paul's name to either The Campaign for Tobacco-Free Kids, [www.tobaccofreekids.org/donate](http://www.tobaccofreekids.org/donate) or Foodshare, [www.foodshare.org](http://www.foodshare.org).

To leave online condolences, please visit [www.spencerfuneralhomeinc.com](http://www.spencerfuneralhomeinc.com).

**Marlborough**

**George W. Earley Jr.**

George W. Earley Jr. of Marlborough died Wednesday, Nov. 4, after a valiant show of strength, dignity and humor in his extended fight against cancer. He was a kind, generous man who had a gift for making others laugh and feel good about themselves.



He was man of many talents: an artist, fisherman, sportsman, singer, woodworker, musician and master storyteller who was never at a loss for words.

The son of George and Rita (Tranfalia) Earley, he grew up in Brookline, Mass., in a large extended family he adored. Bright, social and industrious, he was a boy soprano with the Boston Symphony, delivered flowers for Flannigan's and helped in his Uncle Muldoon's doughnut shop before he joined the Air Force and served in the Korean War.

He went on to earn his B.S. and M.S. from Boston University and became the youngest vice president of Sears. He continued his career in senior management of operations and distribution for several companies including Sears, Rick's, Stop & Shop, Sound Playground, Lechmere, Leiser, and Alvin. A natural with children, George sponsored several youth projects, served on the Andover Hebron Marlborough Youth Services board and several community town boards. His favorite charity was St Jude's Children's Research Hospital.

After a brief retirement, his outgoing nature and curious, indomitable spirit needed more than woodworking, painting and cooking. He accepted a retirement job at Liberty Mutual where he met many wonderful friends he treasured. He loved being the grandpa, mentor and Mr. Fix-it in the office. It was in retirement he found his favorite role as a justice of the peace and considered it a great honor to be part of couples' special day.

He was a man with a big personality and even bigger heart who will be remembered for his charm, his willingness to help others and for the sense of humor that never failed him. He will be sorely missed by his "bride" of 33 years, Linda, his constant golden retriever companion, Cali, his family and the many friends who became family over the years.

Due to COVID-19, a memorial service for George will be held in early summer of 2021 to celebrate his life and share fond memories and stories.

**Colchester**

**Shawn Lukaszewicz**

Shawn Michael Lukaszewicz, 34, of Los Angeles, Calif., formerly of Colchester and Lebanon, and Tioga Center, N.Y., died unexpectedly Monday, Nov. 9. Shawn was born in Hartford May 20, 1986, the son of Cindy (Oliver) Lukaszewicz and the late Stanley J. Lukaszewicz II.



Shawn is survived by his mother, Cindy Lukaszewicz (Oliver) of Lebanon, CT; his daughter, Aaliyah Cindy Castro of Calif.; his brothers, Stanley Lukaszewicz III of Lebanon and Michael Lukaszewicz and wife Agnieszka of Southington; his sisters, Sheri (Lukaszewicz) Berman and husband Jeff of Hamden; Michelle

**2021-2022 South Church  
Preschool Program Offerings**

Parents invited to meet our staff and view our classrooms at our website:

[www.southchurchpreschool.org](http://www.southchurchpreschool.org)

**PROGRAMS OFFERED:**

- 3 yr old Preschool 2 Day:** Th&F 9AM-12PM
- 4 yr old Pre-K 3 Day:** MTW 9AM-1PM
- 4 yr old Pre-K 4 Day:** M-Th 9AM-1PM
- 5 yr old Pre-K 5 Day:** M-F 9AM-1PM

High Street School, 30 High St., South Glastonbury

Registration and information packets are now ready for pick-up! Call or e-mail: [heidigourley@gmail.com](mailto:heidigourley@gmail.com) • 860-430-6734

**Things To Do**

*Campagna*  
Restaurant & Lounge  
Fine Italian & American Cuisine

**Now Open for Inside Dining!**  
1/2 capacity to ensure safety

**TAKE-OUT ALSO AVAILABLE**

151 Marlborough St. (Rt 66) • Portland • (860) 398-5411  
Open 7 Days for Lunch & Dinner

**WINCHESTER CAFE** TAKE OUT AVAILABLE

LIKE US ON **Winchester Cafe**

Rt. 66, Portland • (860) 342-0224

OPEN Noon to 10:00PM • Closed Mon. & Tues.

**DAILY SPECIALS** **INDOOR DINING & TAKE-OUT**

Trivia Every Wednesday  
Karaoke Thursdays & Saturdays

Start Your Christmas Shopping Early!

Join us on **Mon., Nov. 30<sup>th</sup> & Tues., Dec. 1<sup>st</sup>** at 3:00pm  
Unique Christmas Gifts, Lamps, Jewelry, Laurel Burch Bags & Scarves. Enjoy a complimentary glass of wine while you shop.

Our menu is available on our website:  
[www.winchestercafe.com](http://www.winchestercafe.com)

**WI-FI!** **CELEBRATING 38 YEARS!**

*Gina Marie's*  
Restaurant & Catering Service  
Pizzas • Gluten Free Items  
Beer/Wine  
Catering • Salad Bar  
Prime Rib Dinner - Thurs, Fri., Sat.  
On-Line Ordering  
[www.ginamariesct.com](http://www.ginamariesct.com)

**The Family 4 Pack Deal is Back!**  
**\$30<sup>00</sup>** Dinner For 4 Includes Salad & Garlic Knots  
Available Sun., Tues., Wed. & Thurs. after 4pm  
24 hour notice required. Take-out only.  
Not valid with any coupons or discounts.

**CHOOSE FROM ONE OF THE FOLLOWING DINNERS:**  
**Chicken Parmigiana**  
**Broccoli Alfredo**  
**Stuffed Shells**  
**Lazy Lasagna**  
**Chicken Piccata**  
**Chicken Marsala**

Taste the Quality of Our Fresh Ground Certified Angus Beef Gourmet Steak Burgers!

**Large 1 Item PIZZA \$9.95**  
Offer good w/ this ad till 11/30/20. Pick-Up & Takeout Only.  
Try one of our other 10 Gourmet Pizzas

71 Main Street, Rt. 66, Hebron, CT  
HOURS: Sun. 7AM-8PM; Mon. 6AM-2PM;  
Tues. & Wed. 6AM-8PM; THURS. 6AM-8:30PM; Fri. & Sat. til 9PM  
**860-228-9375**

**How to protect your "stuff" in 3 easy steps**  
**FREE ELDER LAW WORKSHOP**

Join Our Webinar Workshop from the Safety of Your Home

Here are just some of the topics covered:

- New strategy to Protect Retirement Assets
- How to avoid Probate during lifetime and at death
- How to protect your assets from nursing home costs
- The pros and cons of a Revocable Trust
- How an Irrevocable Trust can protect your assets
- Steps to protect assets even after entering a nursing home
- Difference between Medicare & Medicaid

Get these and many more questions answered by attending a free workshop conducted by Attorney George A. Baker (former Tolland Probate Judge)

**NEW FEDERAL & STATE LAWS FOR 2020**  
**New Connecticut Trust Laws for 2020**  
**Tuesday, December 8<sup>th</sup>**  
**5:30-7:30 via ZOOM**

ZOOM meeting space is limited so please register in advance by calling **860-430-9599** or online [www.bakerestate.legal](http://www.bakerestate.legal)

**10% OFF for First Responders & Health Care Workers**

**Baker**  
Estate Planning Law, LLC

**SERVING TURKEY SPECIALS ALL MONTH!**

**SADLER'S**  
RESTAURANT • BAKERY  
*and Patio!*

**WANT IT TO GO?**

If it's on the menu, it's available to go, so you can choose to dine in or take your favorite meal to go. We want you to be comfortable where you eat and still have every choice on the menu.

Bring this ad in for **20% OFF** your entire dinner bill this Monday or Tuesday after 4pm (November 23 & 24, 2020)!

61 north main street, marlborough **860.295.0066**  
open monday – sunday for lunch and dinner

**EATATSADLERS.COM**

## Obituaries continued

(Lukaszewicz) Gienau and husband Casey of Uncasville; and Kimberly (Lukaszewicz) Burgess and husband Beau of Bozrah; his nieces and nephews, Calvin and Milena Lukaszewicz, Joshua and Victoria Berman, Kaylee Flowers, Alyssa Burgess and Nora Gienau; his maternal grandparents, Charles Oliver and Catherine Cecilia (Ellis) Oliver; his beloved dog, "CuTie;" and all of his aunts, uncles, cousins and numerous extended family members and friends.

Shawn graduated from Bacon Academy in 2004. He joined the football team his senior year of high school; having never played the game before, he was an instant star. In his last game as a senior he made a 65-yard touchdown run to help his team win their first ECC Small Division victory. Following the game Shawn's football coach, Mark Ambruso, stated, "The kid just plays with heart and emotion like no one else." That is exactly how Shawn lived his life and pursued his dreams.

After graduating from high school, Shawn attended Manchester Community College, where he obtained his associate's degree in 2007. He then went on to study criminal justice at Eastern Connecticut State University. Thereafter, Shawn set off to California to make his mark on the entertainment and fashion industries.

In 2015, Shawn pursued a professional boxing career, getting the chance to work with Manny Pacquiao's trainer. That was just the beginning for Shawn. Shawn also worked with Stan Lee and many other celebrities. Shawn served as both an actor and producer of several small films like *American Poltergeist* (2015) and *Purgatory Monologues*. Shawn was also a successful entertainment reporter. In 2017, he attended Festival De Cannes in Paris as press for *Independent Film Quarterly*. He has interviewed emerging talent around the world for various broadcasts and publications, including *Independent Film Festival*. Shawn was widely acknowledged as an innovative social influencer through his many entrepreneurial ventures, including his Kasluv brand of fashion glasses.

Shawn described himself as a "Great Explorer of Present Time;" he was a free-spirited, adventurous, restless, ever-wondering soul who enjoyed his time traveling and making new adventures with his forever partner-in-crime "CuTie," meeting and making new friends and families around the world.

"May your heart keep wandering but your soul rest, may your adventures never end, and may you keep your wings in the air flying free

my love."

Walk-through calling hours utilizing masks and social distancing will be held today, Nov. 20, from 5-7 p.m., at Aurora-McCarthy Funeral Home, 167 Old Hartford Rd., Colchester. Burial will be held at St. Peter's Cemetery, 200 Gilead St., Route 85, Hebron, on Monday, Nov. 23, at 10 a.m.

Flowers and/or memorial contributions can be made in Shawn's name to the Hollywood Food Coalition, [www.hofoco.org/donate](http://www.hofoco.org/donate) or P.O. Box 480157, Los Angeles, CA 90048, or Unconditional Love Pet Rescue, 129 County Rd. 6031, Green Forest, AR 72638.

For online condolences, please visit [www.auroramccarthyfuneralhome.com](http://www.auroramccarthyfuneralhome.com).

### Colchester

#### Gloria Henderson

Gloria Henderson, 71, of Colchester, loving wife of Bruce S. Henderson, entered into eternal rest Saturday, Oct. 31, at the William W. Backus Hospital, surrounded by the love and comfort of her family. Gloria was born Aug. 19, 1949, in Hartford, the beloved daughter of the late Ralph DeMeola and Rena (Chase) DeMeola.

Gloria was a loving and dedicated wife and mother. She enjoyed spending time with her family and watching various sports including her beloved Celtics, Major League Soccer, USA Men's and Women's Soccer, and enjoyed bowling. Gloria will be missed deeply by all who had the honor of knowing her.

Along with her parents, Gloria is predeceased by her sister, Rena Miano.

In addition to Bruce, her husband of 42 years, Gloria is survived by her son, Rick S. Henderson and daughter-in-law Deborah Cunha; son, Shawn Henderson and his furry friend, Snickers, sister, Carolyn DeMeola and brother-in-law José Fonseca; nephew, Dean Parracino and his wife Lynn; nephew, Lenny Parracino; niece, Deborah Bruno and her husband Frank; Patty Tollis; great-nephew Zachary Parracino; Kaden Parracino; Peter Tollis; great-niece, Sheileen Parracino; Kyla Parracino, Jessica Gresh and her husband Ryan; and a host of extended family and friends who will cherish her memory.

A Celebration of Life will be held on a later date at the convenience of the family.

Arrangements have been entrusted to Luddy-Peterson Funeral Home, 205 S. Main St. New Britain. Share a special memory of Gloria at [luddyandpeteronfh.com](http://luddyandpeteronfh.com).

RHAM • RHAM

## AHM Online Holiday Auction

AHM Youth and Family Services has launched its first-ever online holiday auction. Since holding a charity auction in person would present too many problems during the pandemic, AHM is holding this virtual fundraiser instead.

AHM is a local public charity that helps people of all ages from Andover, Columbia, Hebron, and Marlborough through programs and services such as counseling, drug prevention activities, wellness events, a family resource center, project graduation, juvenile review board, recovery support groups, mentoring for children and teens, summer youth theater, youth worker programs for seniors, and more.

The AHM auction features nearly 50 items

as of this publication, including a wine-making experience, dining gift cards, vacation packages to Cape Cod and Newport, a Connecticut Teachers' Retirement Planning package, gifts for children, families, and pets, a cord of firewood, paintings, automotive services, a wine trail experience, camping items, a drone, gift cards to local businesses, jewelry, and more.

AHM thanked the local business community and the donors and sponsors who are supporting this charitable event.

To place bids, visit [ahmyouth.org/fundraisers-events/holiday-auction](http://ahmyouth.org/fundraisers-events/holiday-auction). Additional questions or inquiries can be directed to Joel Rosenberg at AHM at [Joelr@ahmyouth.org](mailto:Joelr@ahmyouth.org) or at 860-228-9488.

## AHM Project Graduation Fundraiser

AHM Youth and Family Services is offering a virtual puzzle-solving adventure from now through Jan. 3, to raise funds for RHAM Project Graduation, a drug- and alcohol-free celebration held from 9 p.m.-4 a.m. the night of graduation.

From now through Jan. 3, Puzzle Break is donating 10% of total sales to Project Graduation. Find hidden clues, solve puzzles and unravel a mystery before time runs out – all from your own homes. All bookings are private; just your family and friends will play.

Group size can be as small as three people and as large as 12. Plan on 90 minutes for this adventure. Cost is \$25 per person; remember to reference coupon code "PG21" for \$2 off ticket price. Gift certificates for a virtual experience are included in this fundraiser.

Go to [www.ahmyouth.org](http://www.ahmyouth.org) and select "Project Graduation" from the menu for more information and to register.

For questions on Project Graduation, email Project Graduation Coordinator Jenn Boehler at [jenniferb@ahmyouth.org](mailto:jenniferb@ahmyouth.org).

## AHM Health Matters Mini-Workshops

AHM Youth and Family Services' Health Matters program is hosting three virtual mini-workshops on Thursdays, Dec. 3, 10 and 17, all via Zoom.

Registrants will have the opportunity to engage with Professional Chef Steve Rosen on Dec. 3 as he makes roast pork loin stuffed with apples, sourdough and fresh sage with cider au jus with spiced spaghetti squash.

On Dec. 10, Joe Pandolpho, certified acupressure detoxification specialist and certified tai chi instructor (Level 1) will lead a demonstration of five-point ear acupressure and will

share the health benefits associated with this ancient practice.

The series will end Dec. 17 with another appearance by Rosen, who will make his favorite no-stress appetizers just in time for the holiday season.

Workshops are \$5 each. To learn more and to register, visit [ahmyouth.org/programs-services/health-matters](http://ahmyouth.org/programs-services/health-matters).

For more information, contact Jenn Boehler, Health Matters coordinator, at [jenniferb@AHMYouth.org](mailto:jenniferb@AHMYouth.org).

Andover • Andover • Andover • Andover • Andover • Andover • Andover

## Library Friends Quilt Raffle Fall Fundraiser

The Andover Friends of the Library group is raffling off a homemade quilt raffle. Tickets are \$2 each or three for \$5. The quilt measures are 60" x 78." Drawing will be held Saturday, Dec. 12, at noon.

Tickets may be purchased at the library, 355 Route 6 – where the quilt is on display. Masks and social distancing are required. Curbside payment/pick-up are also available. Call 860-742-7428 to arrange.

Tickets are also available at the town clerk's office at Town Hall, 17 School Rd. Ring the doorbell during business hours: Monday, 8:15 a.m.-7 p.m., and Tuesday-Thursday, 8:15 a.m.-4 p.m.

Also for tickets, email the Library Friends at [andoverfol@gmail.com](mailto:andoverfol@gmail.com) or call the library at 860-742-7428 to reserve your tickets and coordinate mailing payment.

If raffle tickets are reserved by email or phone, payment can be made in person at the library, via cash or check payable to Andover Friends of the Library, or by mailing a check to P.O. Box 117, Andover, CT 06232. Indicate "Quilt Raffle" on the envelope. You will then be contacted with your ticket numbers.

Winner need not be present to win. All proceeds benefit Andover Public Library.

If you wish to help out and can volunteer to



**Ticket sales for the Andover Friends of the Library's homemade quilt raffle are going strong. The quilt is currently on display at the library.**

sell some tickets to your family, co-workers, friends and neighbors, call the library and you will be provided a packet of tickets.

## First Congregational Church News

The First Congregational Church, UCC, of Andover, 359 Route 6, invites all ages to worship Sundays at 10 a.m.

The church has reopened and meets in the sanctuary. Enter through the Narthex. Masks and social distancing are required. If you don't have a mask, a mask will be given to you. The service also streams live on the church's Facebook page (First Congregational Church, Andover, CT).

For more information, call the church office at 860-742-7696 or pastor the Rev. Rose Nilson at 860-336-6114. Nilson's hours are by appointment. The church website is [andoverctchurch.org](http://andoverctchurch.org).

The church has a weekly Bible Study on Tuesdays at 11 a.m. both via Zoom and in person at the church (observing CDC guidelines

regarding social distancing and masks). If interested in attending via Zoom, call the church and leave a message and Nilson will send you the meeting link.

The Food Pantry is Mondays from 5-7 p.m. Bring your own bags. CDC guidelines will be observed and masks are required. The Foodshare van comes to the church every other Wednesday from 9-9:30 a.m. and will next be there Nov. 25.

**Christmas Fair:** Saturday, Dec. 5, 9 a.m.-2 p.m. There will be handmade ornaments and crafts, a bake sale, Grandma's attic and local vendors. CDC guidelines will be followed. Contact the church via email ([andoverchurch@sbcglobal.net](mailto:andoverchurch@sbcglobal.net)) or telephone (860-742-7696) if interested in being a vendor.

## Virtual Storytime Sessions

Andover Public Library presents two weekly virtual Storytime Sessions for preschool-age children, with children's programming director Cathy Campen, on Wednesdays at 10:30 a.m. and 5 p.m. There will be stories, show and tell, and more.

To attend, visit [Zoom.com](http://Zoom.com) and click on "Join a Meeting." For the 10:30 a.m. session, enter Meeting ID 859 2763 5687 and Passcode: 508203. For the 5 p.m. session, enter Meeting ID 884 3275 4280 and Passcode 649772.

For more information, call 860-742-7428.

## Toy Drive

Town Hall employees are collecting toys and gift cards for Andover families for Christmas. There will be a box in the front entry foyer of Town Hall for new, unwrapped toys and gifts.

Due to COVID-19, organizers are requesting no 'soft goods' this year. Gift cards may be delivered to the town clerk's or assessor's offices. Town Hall is located at 17 School Rd.

## Senior Citizen News & Notes

The following news items have been announced for Andover seniors.

**Insurance for 2021:** The Medicare Open Enrollment Period is underway and runs through Dec. 7. Your insurance policy for 2021 will renew unless you make changes. This year, brokers cannot come to the center due to COVID-19, but you may call Mark Hand at his office at 860-942-7076 for additional assistance. He will work with you to offer a policy that fits your needs.

**Medicals:** If you have appointments and would like senior transportation to take you, call senior coordinator Cathy Palazzi at 860-916-6122 to reserve a ride. All seniors welcome and any ADA individual or veterans who need rides are welcome. Masks must be worn in the van and if you have a caregiver that person may come with you. Temperatures will be taken by

the driver.

**Shopping:** The bus will pick you up at your home and take you shopping to Manchester on Tuesdays at 7 a.m. Masks must be worn and temperatures will be taken by driver before clients can access the bus. Call Palazzi for a ride.

**Foodshare/Food Pantry:** Municipal Agent Roberta Dougherty calls seniors on Fridays to see if they would like Foodshare or the food pantry delivered. All deliveries will be made by senior transportation drivers. Food will be placed outside the senior's door.

**No Other Activities:** No other senior activities will start until further notice. That includes: movies, exercise programs, drumming classes, and Young at Heart meetings. No trips will be available until there is approval from Town Administrator Eric Anderson and the Board of Selectmen.

# YOUR AD SHOULD BE HERE!

Call: 860-633-4691

# **There's Only One Rational Reason For Not Advertising In Newspaper. You've Already Got More Business Than You Can Handle.**

Nothing makes the cash register ring like a newspaper ad. Studies prove it. For instance, newspaper more than doubles the sale of package goods.

In survey after survey, newspaper is cited as the medium of choice for shopping advice — the place consumers turn when they're looking to buy. The point is pretty clear. You should be advertising in newspaper. Unless, of course, you've got some strange aversion to sales.

## **Newspaper. It's The Best Way To Close A Sale.**

For more information, call us at 860.633.4691  
or visit our website at [www.glcitizen.com](http://www.glcitizen.com)

Check us out on facebook – [facebook.com/RivereastNewsBulletin](https://facebook.com/RivereastNewsBulletin)

# LEGALS

## LEGAL NOTICE MARLBOROUGH ZONING COMMISSION PUBLIC HEARING

The Marlborough Zoning Commission will hold the following Zoom Public Hearing Thursday, December 3, 2020 at 7:00 PM. Zoning Commission and the Public should utilize the Zoom line.

To join the Zoom video meeting: <https://zoom.us/j/93487468729?pwd=TKdWNGFb29EWHhKzBtM05jeDdyUT09>  
Meeting ID: 934 8746 8729 Passcode: bBF10p

Phone into meeting: 1 646 558 8656

Meeting ID: 934 8746 8729 Passcode: 326269

Note: Phone in has its own passcode different from the video conference passcode.

Application #Z-04-20 -Special Permit - Bill G. Jonbalaj (Applicant) 21 Austin - HGB LLC (Property Owner) - South Main Street (Between 11 & 19 South Main Street) & Johnson Road - Village Cluster Residential Planned Development

Amendment to article 6.B.4 Accessory Buildings. Kevin Asklar, ZONING COMMISSION CHAIR

2TB 11/20, 11/27

## LEGAL NOTICE MARLBOROUGH ZONING COMMISSION NOTICE OF ACTION

The Marlborough Zoning Commission at its meeting of November 5, 2020, took the following action:

APPLICATION CONTINUED; PUBLIC HEARING SCHEDULED:

Application #Z-04-20 -Special Permit - Bill G. Jonbalaj (Applicant) 21 Austin - HGB LLC (Property Owner) - South Main Street (Between 11 & 19 South Main Street) & Johnson Road - Village Cluster Residential Planned Development. A public hearing is scheduled for December 3, 2020.

PUBLIC HEARING SCHEDULED:  
Amendment to article 6.B.4 Accessory Buildings. A public hearing is scheduled for December 3, 2020.

APPLICATION ACCEPTED; CONTINUED TO DECEMBER 3RD:  
Application #Z-11-20 - Mirabito Holdings Connecticut LLC/ Brett Hughes (applicant/property owner) 12 West Rd - Construction of a propane distribution facility.

PUBLIC HEARING CLOSED; APPLICATION APPROVED WITH CONDITIONS:  
Application #Z-10-20 - Special Permit - Rebecca and Valerie Wildstein (Applicant/Property Owners) 10 Quinn Rd - Special Permit - Farm Tourism / Outdoor events, weddings, dinners.

PUBLIC HEARING CLOSED; APPLICATION APPROVED WITH CONDITIONS:  
Application #Z-09-20 - Special Permit - Barry Goodwill (applicant/property owner) 28 West Rd - construct an accessory building over 50% of living area.

KEVIN ASKLAR, ZONING COMMISSION CHAIR  
Dated at Marlborough, CT this 17th day of November.

1TB 11/20

## LIQUOR PERMIT

### Notice of Application

This is to give notice that I, GRACILDA D'MELLO 567 BALLFALL RD, MIDDLETOWN, CT 06457-2372 Have filed an application placarded 11/17/2020 with the Department of Consumer Protection for a CAFE LIQUOR PERMIT for the state of alcoholic liquor on the premises at 26 E HIGH ST, EAST HAMPTON CT 06424-1002 The business will be owned by: BELL TAVERN LLC Entertainment will consist of: Live Bands Objections must be filed by: 12-29-2020

GRACILDA D'MELLO 2TB 11/20, 11/27

## LEGAL NOTICE MARLBOROUGH CONSERVATION COMMISSION NOTICE OF ACTION

The Marlborough Conservation Commission at its meeting of November 2, 2020, took the following action: APPLICATION CONTINUED;

Application #12-20 - Mirabito Holdings Connecticut LLC/ Brett Hughes (applicant/property owner) 12 West Rd - Construction of a propane distribution facility.

The application is continued until December 7, 2020.

APPLICATION CONTINUED; SITE WALK SCHEDULED:

Application #13-20 - Mr. Marcus Wilkinson (applicant/property owner) 69 Lakeridge - stonewall repair on waterfront property. The application is continued until December 7, 2020.

A site walk is scheduled for November 22.

Application #14-20 - Gordon Sime (applicant/property owner) Pettengill Vacant Lot - Construction of a single family house within 30' of marked wetland area. The application is continued until December 7, 2020. A site walk is scheduled for November 22.

Dated at Marlborough, CT this 13th day of November. MARLBOROUGH CONSERVATION COMMISSION Yvonne Bolton, Chair

1TB 11/20

## Legal Notice of Action Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Commission

The Duly Authorized Agent of the Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Commission of the Town of Andover APPROVED on November 16, 2020 the following application:

Application #IWWC20-27 - Installation of a 12'x32' shed on the property of 33 Route 87 in the 100-foot Upland Review Area of an unnamed tributary of the Hop River.

The above decision may be appealed to the Andover Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Commission pursuant to Section 12.2 of the Town of Andover Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Regulations. If you have any questions, please contact the Andover Wetlands Agent by email (preferred) at [wetlands@andoverct.org](mailto:wetlands@andoverct.org), or call 860-742-7305.

## ADVERTISERS

The Glastonbury Citizen and The RiverEast News Bulletin will make every effort to see that all advertising copy is correctly printed. The publisher assumes no liability or financial responsibility for typographical errors in advertising, but will reprint, without charge, that part of an advertisement in which an error may occur, provided that a claim is made within 5 days of publication. The liability of the publisher on account of errors in or omissions from any advertisement will in no way exceed the amount of the charge for the space occupied by the item in error, and then only for the first incorrect insertion. Also, the publisher takes no responsibility for statements or claims made in any advertisement, and will upon request, reveal the name and address of the person or persons responsible for placing any display advertisement, political or otherwise, except for "blind" box ads. The Glastonbury Citizen Inc. reserves the right to reject advertisements which it deems unsuitable for its publications. Every effort will be made to verify the legitimacy and propriety of all ads for the protection of our readers. The Citizen will take requests for specific placement of ads and will try to accommodate everyone's requests. The Citizen cannot guarantee specific placement.

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## PETS

DOG OBEDIENCE/AGILITY CLASSES starting soon. Offering: Agility, Puppy Kindergarten, Basic Manners/What Rescue Dogs Want/Need, CGC/Therapy. Over 20-years experience. Michelle Larson at PAWS-N-HEEL DTC, 860-267-6040. [paws-n-heeldog-training.com](http://paws-n-heeldog-training.com)



**YOUR AD SHOULD BE HERE!**  
Call us at: **860-633-4691**

## "Pet of the Week"



Addie, 3, is a gorgeous girl with beautiful bright eyes. Her person moved and left her with no food or water. She has had a hard time coming back from that but is making wonderful progress. She likes being pet on her terms and she is starting to purr again...heart melting! She will need a quiet home with someone who will give her the time she needs to trust again.

Leo is a 9 years young Pit Bull / Boxer mix. This oldie but goodie was sad to lose his home but he has been feeling a little bit better with lots of love from the POA volunteers. This guy is a gem. He is mellow and sweet, loves to walk and is great on the leash. Leo seems to be ok with other dogs! He has gotten a clean bill of health and he is ready to find his forever home. Children 10 and up please for this gentleman.



For more information on adopting CATS or DOGS, call 860-569-0722 VOLUNTEERS & FOSTER HOMES NEEDED - For information call: 860-569-0722



**Protectors of Animals, Inc.**  
144 Main St., Unit O, E. Hartford, CT 06118

A non-profit, all volunteer animal rescue organization, rescuing abandoned, abused and impounded cats and dogs. Check us out on our website - [www.poinc.org](http://www.poinc.org)

# EMPLOYMENT

**WORK OUTDOORS:** Landscape Company in Glastonbury has a full-time position available. Starting pay \$18./hour. We work smarter not harder providing great service to residential properties in Glastonbury. You must be reliable, physically fit and ready to work 40 hours per week. 860-333-4549.

**SKILLED CARPENTER WANTED FOR BUSY PROPERTY MANAGEMENT CO.** 3-5 years experience. must have reliable transportation. \$18 - \$22 per hour depending on experience. contact: [JOHNVA@ADVANCECO.NET](mailto:JOHNVA@ADVANCECO.NET)

**ROBERTS LAKEHOUSE IN EAST HAMPTON IS NOW ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FOR ALL POSITIONS.** Linecooks, hostesses, dishwashers, servers, bussers, and waitstaff. Call 860 365-5216 and leave message or email [chris@robertslakehouse.com](mailto:chris@robertslakehouse.com).

**DRIVE OUR VAN SATURDAYS TO NYC AND SELL CHEESE.** Award-winning cheese farm seeks driver & salesperson Saturdays year-round. Job description at [www.catocornerfarm.com/contact](http://www.catocornerfarm.com/contact).

**MARLBOROUGH BASED CONSTRUCTION COMPANY LOOKING TO HIRE A LABORER.** For concrete work/ light excavation. Experience a plus but not needed. Call 860-819-4821 to inquire.

**MECHANIC NEEDED FOR AUTO SHOP IN MIDDLETOWN** under new ownership. ASE certification a plus but not required. Welding experience a plus. Must have your own tools. Immediate hire! Call George at 203-624-0105



**WESTSIDE MANOR IS SEARCHING FOR ATTENDANTS TO FILL ALL OUR SHIFTS.** 7AM-3PM, 3PM-11PM and 11PM-7AM shift. Attendant Responsibilities: Housekeeping, Meal Prep and medication administration required for the position. Medication Certification a plus but not necessary. Benefit of Attendant: Medical (Full time) Dental (full time). Interviews are done by appointment only following strict COVID guidelines at our location Monday thru Friday. Please call us at 860-267-4401 to schedule an interview today! We are a COVID free facility. 9 West High Street East Hampton. Job Type: Full-time/ Part-time Salary: \$13.75-\$14.00/ hr, \$200.00 sign on bonus.

**WELDER/FABRICATOR:** Custom Sheet Metal Fabrication, light structural, min 5-10 yrs experience, steady work, good benefits. Call for interview. 860-828-3762

**SHEET METAL MECHANICS, APPRENTICES & HELPERS:** Steady work, good benefits. Call for interview. 860-828-3762



## NOW HIRING ALL POSITIONS

WAITSTAFF, HOSTS, BARTENDERS  
DISHWASHERS & BUSSERS  
SOUS CHEF, LINE & PREP COOKS

CALL OR EMAIL CHRIS  
[chris@robertslakehouse.com](mailto:chris@robertslakehouse.com)  
860-365-5216

## HELP WANTED

**Glastonbury - PART-TIME PAPER HANDLERS**  
Call Rob 860.633.4691 ext. 241

## Revenue Collection

### Assistant

Town of Portland, CT (EOE)  
Deadline: Nov 30, 2020

Work involves maintaining sewer & water records on a current basis; billing sewer & water use assessment accounts; preparing bills, making adjustments to accounts, balancing records & performing miscellaneous clerical duties related to the revenue collection function. Must work well with general public, other employees & Town Officials. Works under the supervision of the Collector of Revenue. 35 hours: work until 7PM Tuesday, off at noon Friday; starting \$48,203; MEUI Clerical union position; full benefits package.

**Qualifications:** HS diploma or GED equivalent; bookkeeping & office work + 2 yrs experience cashier or bookkeeping work with extensive public contact, or equivalent combination of experience & training.

Send application to: First Selectwoman's office, P.O. Box 71, Portland, CT 06480

1TB 11/20

## Town of Marlborough - Employment Opportunity Position: Highway and Fleet Foreman

Complete job description and application are available online at [www.marlbroughct.net](http://www.marlbroughct.net) (> Departments, >Town Clerk), or in person from the

Office of the Town Clerk  
PO Box 29  
Marlborough, CT 06447

### JOB SUMMARY

Engages in hands-on planning, organization and supervision of the highway maintenance crew in the construction, repair and maintenance of the Town's highway infrastructure and fleet vehicles to provide a safe well maintained, environmentally sound roadway network for the public.

### MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS REQUIRED

The skills and knowledge required would generally be acquired from a minimum of a high school diploma or equivalent, and ten (10) years of progressively responsible experience in highway maintenance or construction work. Candidates must possess five (5) years of experience in supervising union and non-union employees and good interpersonal and supervisory skills. The position requires a minimum of five (5) years of experience in the operation and maintenance of heavy construction and maintenance equipment, or any equivalent combination of education and skills that demonstrates possession of the required knowledge, skills and abilities to perform the functions of the position.

### SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS

- Able to obtain a Transfer Station operator's certification within one year of employment.
- Possess a CDL Class B with endorsement N. (Restrictions E, F, J, K and L will not be allowed)
- Certification as a Tree Warden is preferred, or ability to obtain certification within one year of employment.

### FILING REQUIREMENTS

Interested candidates should submit a fully completed Application for Employment, Resume, and Cover Letter to:

Office of the Town Clerk  
PO Box 29  
26 North Main Street  
Marlborough, CT 06447

The Town of Marlborough is an Equal Opportunity Employer

We consider applicants for all positions without regard to race, creed, religion, gender, national origin, disability, age, marital status, sexual orientation, or any other legally protected status.

3TB 11/6, 11/13, 11/20

**LOOK...  
YOUR AD  
Should Be  
HERE!**

**CALL US AT:  
860-633-4691**

# EMPLOYMENT

**HELP WANTED**

Snow removal, snowblowing and shoveling. Equipment operator. Must have a valid and clean driver's license. Good Pay.

**Thompson Landscape 860-659-1438**

CT11-5-20

Like us on **Facebook**



RivereastNewsBulletin

**CDL Seasonal Heating Oil / Propane DELIVERY DRIVERS**

**DANIELS ENERGY – PORTLAND, CT**

"We need "SEASONAL" CDL drivers to be part of our Heating Oil and Propane Fleet"! Our business is expanding and we need to expand our staff, so come join our Team"! Daniels Energy is a family owned company looking to hire SEASONAL CDL drivers with at least one year experience transporting liquid product. The right candidate would need to possess either a Class A or B driver's license and have HazMat and Tanker endorsements at the minimum.

**Requirements:** Professional, clean cut, and drug free. Pre-employment drug screening and background check required. Must be able to meet the requirements to possess a medical card. Valid Driver's License and good driving record a must. Excellent communication skills required. Ability to read, write, comprehend, and follow instructions. Ability to add, subtract, multiply and divide and compute rates.

We offer highly competitive pay based on level of driving experience.

Email resume to set up an appointment:  
**DDetuccio@DanielsOil.com** or **ChrisM@DanielsOil.com**

CT10-29-20

# REAL ESTATE



You learn nothing from life if you think you are right all the time.

**ANGELA ARESKO**  
BETTER SERVICE | BETTER MARKETING | BETTER RESULTS  
BETTER REAL ESTATE

Realtor • 860-883-9005  
angelaaresko@sbcglobal.net  
www.angelaaresko.com

**CARLGUILD & ASSOCIATES**  
THE FUTURE OF REAL ESTATE

RE11-20-20

**BOYDEN Real Estate CO**

232 S. Main St., Colchester  
**860-537-9559**

**You List, WE SELL!**

**NEW DEER RUN HOME W/ POOL**

**UNDER DEPOSIT**

**COLCHESTER \$419,900**

95 Deer Run Drive – Dream come true 4 bed potential 5th or in law. SS appliances, granite, open floor plan, Quiet cul-de-sac, 2 car garage 1.6+ acres.

**For a private showing call/text Nick Long 860-334-2868**

**MOVE RIGHT IN**

**UNDER DEPOSIT**

**COLCHESTER \$304,500**

136 Stanavage Road – Nicely remodeled 3 bedroom 2 bath Cape With walkout basement and oversized 2 car garage with loft. Updated kitchen, new flooring, fresh paint throughout. But add to that new septic leaching system. Sit on the front porch and relax. Pack your things it's time to move in!

**Call Scott for preview tour 860-608-0769**

**LOVELY 5 BEDROOM COLONIAL**

**UNDER DEPOSIT**

**COLCHESTER \$379,900**

206 Waterhole Road – Amazing 5 bedroom, 3 bath. Practical and sophisticated. Ideal for inside/outside entertaining including 1000 ft composite deck and fire pit with paver patio, basketball 1/2 court and more. Available 9/2/2020.

**Call Kevin for private showing 860-884-3302**

**NICELY REMODELED**

**UNDER DEPOSIT**

**EAST HADDAM \$197,500**

130 Falls Road – You could walk to Moodus Reservoir from this remodeled vintage bungalow complete with newer roof, windows and mechanicals. Updated electric and plumbing. Antique charm with all the recent improvements make this home a steal at \$197,500.

**Call Scott to preview 860-608-0769**

**NOW IS THE TIME TO SELL!**  
Call today to find out your home value – you may be surprised!

# REAL ESTATE

**JUST LISTED**



**Marlborough \$250,000**

Absolutely charming and unique this home offers 3 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, 1600+ square feet, hardwood floors and an updated kitchen. Fireplace insert in the family room makes this room extra cozy. Freshly painted exterior, nestled on just under an acre with a large deck overlooking the yard below!



**Marlborough \$675,000**

This home features a grand foyer, spacious rooms & cherry hardwood floors throughout, kitchen with granite, stainless steel appliances, prep sink and wet bar. Cathedral great room with gas fireplace front to back formal dining and living rooms separated by columns. Crown moldings extensive trim work and attention to detail is seen throughout. The second level offers a master suite, with dual closets, jacuzzi tub, tiled showered and tray ceiling, as well as 3 more bedrooms, 2 more full baths, walk-in closets and a large bonus room. This property also boasts professional landscaping with a beautiful pool and pool area along with a pool house with bar, patios, wrap around porch and goldfish pond. Possible horse property with land clearing and room to build a barn or garage with access from the driveway. Broker/Owner

**Corinne MACHOWSKI**  
ENERGY • EXPERIENCE • ENTHUSIASM



**WILLIAM RAVEIS**  
REAL ESTATE • MORTGAGE • INSURANCE

**MACHOWSKIC@RAVEIS.COM**  
**C 860.614.9240**  
O 860.633.0111  
218 NEW LONDON TPKE | GLASTONBURY | CT 06033  
**CORINNESHOMES.COM**

RE11-20-20

**HOUSING DISCRIMINATION IS ILLEGAL**  
For Help Call 888-247-4401

If anyone refused to rent to you because of your source of income, race, color, national origin, sexual orientation, gender, religion, marital status, age, disability or because you have children, you may have been the victim of illegal housing discrimination. Contact the Connecticut Fair Housing Center.



**CARLGUILD & ASSOCIATES**  
THE FUTURE OF REAL ESTATE

 Hilary Culver 860-310-9715 hilaryculver@gmail.com	 Allison Dillon 860-301-0955 abdillon@snet.net	 John Drury 860-466-0077 john@harrs.com	 Michelle Eastwood 312-371-5658 michelle.eastwoodproperties@gmail.com	 Faith Farina 860-373-6993 faithfarina1@gmail.com	 Fred Ferguson 860-638-9362 fredfergusonct@gmail.com	 Patrick Florio 603-557-6663 patrickfloriore@gmail.com	 Sharon Fox 860-805-6917 sharonfoxrealtor1@gmail.com	 Lynn Gardiner 860-729-1215 lynngardiner5@gmail.com	 Jay Gigliotti 860-235-3570 jgigliotti.cga@gmail.com	 Matthew Gworek 860-882-8650 mgworekrealty@gmail.com
 Jim Harrington 860-966-9966 jim@harrs.com	 Amy Howard 860-716-5475 amyhowardrealtor@gmail.com	 Jeff King 860-710-1323 jeffkingrealtor1@gmail.com	 Sandra Lindstrom 860-334-5815 sandrallindstromrealtor@gmail.com	 Mike Mallon 860-338-5037 mjmallon1@live.com	 Catherine McNarry 860-306-4436 catherinemcnarry@gmail.com	 Lynn Minnick 860-989-7267 lynnminnickrealtor@gmail.com	 Brian Mitchard 860-834-3204 brianmitchardrealtor@gmail.com	 Bill Nelson 860-395-9139 william.m.nelson@comcast.net	 Christopher Passera 860-657-6578 cmpassera64@gmail.com	 Filipe Pereira 860-990-9103 filipe@wemanagement.com
 Caitlin Reilly 203-667-7436 caitlinreillyct@gmail.com	 Preston Roth 860-662-0735 RothHomesRealty@gmail.com	 Barbara Royea 860-334-8714 BarbaraLovesHomes@gmail.com	 Koreen Ryan 860-250-6799 koreenryan1@gmail.com	 Kristina Segura 860-639-1681 seguractrealtor@gmail.com	 Jamie Smigel 860-759-9310 jamiesmigel.ct@gmail.com	 Candice Smith 860-917-4784 candicesmithproperties@gmail.com	 Tania Sones 860-918-5100 sonesrealtor@gmail.com	 Stacy Soracchi 860-934-0333 stacysoracchi@gmail.com	 Michael Varni 860-335-7380 michael@harrs.com	
 Daniel Walsh 860-841-0183 danwalshsells@gmail.com	 Candy Webb 860-377-7510 candywebbrealtor@gmail.com	 Cieara Yanaros 860-754-7048 ciearasellsct@gmail.com	 Gladys Yeager 860-944-9772 gladysyeager@sbcglobal.net	<p><b>Carl Guild, Broker / Owner</b> 860-539-5373 • carlguild@gmail.com 41 West High St., East Hampton • 121 Broadway, Colchester <b>www.CarlGuild.com</b></p>						

RE11-20-20

# REAL ESTATE

## RENTALS

**GLASTONBURY CENTER** – 2 Bdrm \$1,390 Inc. Heat / Hot water. Excellent condition. Large 2 bdrm, Lvg room, 1 bath. Quartz, stainless and tiled kitchen. Hardwood floors throughout. Private parking lot; laundry in building; large storage area. Heat and hot water included. Perfect for someone looking for an immaculate apartment. \$1,390/mo. 860-798-7403.

**KREIGER LANE** - Available Nov. 1, 1800 SF office - warehouse. Bathroom and overhead doors. 860-633-5469

**2 BEDROOM APARTMENT IN MARLBOROUGH FOR RENT.** Newly renovated. Washer & dryer hookup. \$1000./month. Credit check and security deposit required. Call 860-993-2875

**EAST HAMPTON REAR ENTRANCE OFFICE SUITE FOR LEASE.** Approx. 700 sq ft with 3 rooms. Located at 11 West High St. (Rt. 66). \$625/mo. includes utilities. Safe alternative to home office. Available immediately. Call (860) 267-1040.

**HOUSE (TRAILER) FOR RENT.** \$1000. 2 bedrooms, 40 Geer Road, Lebanon. No pets preferred. Call 860-908-4316



**PORTLAND 1ST FLOOR EFFICIENCY APT.,** refrig, stove, no smoking/no pets, security, credit check. PARKING \$600.00./month plus utilities & heat. Tel. 860-916-7482

## OFFICE / RETAIL

Space for lease. Prime location.  
103 New London Tpk., Glastonbury  
CALL 860-280-7284

**OPEN HOUSE SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 22<sup>ND</sup>, 12-2PM**  
**RECENTLY REDUCED TO \$269,900**

**106 Hope Valley Road, Hebron**



Come view this 3 BR, 2BA Colonial on 2.53 acres. This home has a pretty remodeled Kitchen w/ss steel appliances & granite counters. The house has lots of closet & storage space, a finished basement, a whole house generator, and a fireplace. Highly motivated seller that has been making improvements to the property daily. Close to town center, schools, shopping, library, & religious services.  
*Dir: Route 85 to 106 Hope Valley Rd.*

**MCCORRISON**  
**D.W.FISH**  
Real Estate

**4 Main Street, Hebron**  
**860-228-9451**  
Roderic "Mac" McCarrison, Broker



Jack Faski  
Owner/Broker



Matt Faski  
Sales Associate

**OPEN HOUSE SUNDAY 9/22 FROM 12-2 PM**



**278 Prospect Hill Rd., Colchester • \$339,000**  
Move right in to this open floorplan ranch home with cathedral ceilings and custom blinds set on 5 acres of natural wonder. Nature abounds in this 3-4 bedroom 2 bath home with central air. Home offers a large LR/DR combo open to kitchen with sliders to Trex deck and fireplace. Fantastic laundry mudroom. Master bedroom suite with full bath walk-in closet and solarium has sliders to deck. Walkout lower level has an additional bedroom and finished area for family room or game room. Generator hookup. The yard is full of natural features and outcroppings. *Dir: Cato Corner to Prospect Hill Rd.*

## COLCHESTER: COMMERCIAL SECTION



**63 Norwich Ave.** \$625 month for this 2nd floor space for office or other services possible right off the Town green. Many businesses surround you and you share with a bank, insurance and Civil engineer. There is one large open area of 500 sq ft with 2 possible entrances so can use as 2 private offices or waiting area and office area.



**43 Hayward Ave.** \$825 plus utilities for this Great downtown location for your business in this beautiful historic building. This second floor space includes a front and rear entrance and a large open area with a side alcove area for break room or files and 2 large office areas for private meetings or conference rooms. Come see this space today to make your presence known in Colchester.



**44 Main St.** \$1000 a month plus utilities gets this Fantastic location in Downtown Colchester. Things are hopping with all the local shopping! Don't miss out on this great spot with parking right out front and in back. Unit is all open space with an office area or storage and a half bath. Come see if your business can succeed here today!

**Colchester Commercial Lot:** \$139,000 on 1.95 acres – Norwich Ave across from Halls Hill Rd. Close to town center and zoned Suburban.

— **860-214-1147 • www.skyview-realty.com** —

35 Hayward Ave., Colchester, CT 06415

# TREE & LANDSCAPING

**MASTER GARDENER** - Connecticut State Certified. Professional Gardening Care, Diagnosing Problems, Skilled Pruning/Trimming, Planting, Design, All Maintenance, Mulching, Edging, Lawn Mowing. 30 Years Experience. Contact Thomas @ 860-267-7515

**GARDNER TREE SERVICE** - Trees and shrubs cut or removed, mulching, planting/weeding and general cleanup. Family business since 1979. Quality work, dependable service. Free estimates. 860-324-3666

**TREE SERVICES.** All season tree services. Tree removal, stump grinding, tree trimming, shrubs removal and more. 24 hour emergency service available. Call or Text for free estimate (860) 899-5806 Edson Oliveira

## PRZEKOPSKI SAND & GRAVEL

Septic Sand • Screened Sand  
Stone • Gravel • Fill  
Screened Top Soil

For Pick-up or Delivery Call  
**860-267-2194**  
Pine Brook Road, Colchester

**THOM'S STUMP GRINDING**  
Same Day Callbacks  
Just prompt, reliable service at a reasonable price!  
Any Location • Fully Licensed  
Call Thom  
**860-656-6720**

**JIM'S TREE STUMP REMOVAL**  
Fast Service  
Reasonable Rates  
Free Estimates  
**860-267-9957**

**KARLEYROSE Gardens LLC**  
— PROPERTY MAINTENANCE SINCE 2004 —  
FALL CLEANUPS – MULCHING, HEDGE TRIMMING, FOUNDATION PLANTINGS, GARDEN BEDS, GARDEN RESTO, PATIOS & WALKS  
35 YEARS HORTICULTURAL EXPERIENCE • LICENSED & INSURED  
Dave 860-398-3719 • Call for Free Estimate

**Wayne's TREE SERVICE, LLC**  
For All Your Tree Removal Needs  
**860-883-3234**  
waynestreeservice.com  
Colchester & Surrounding Towns

**TREE REMOVAL**  
We Climb  
Licensed Arborist on Staff  
Seasoned Firewood  
We Now Accept All Major Credit Cards • Fully Insured  
G & C Lawncare – East Hampton  
(203) 435-5355

**DeLeo Fence**  
Custom Fences: Wood, Vinyl, Aluminum & Chain Link  
Fence Repair  
Quality Work at a Competitive Price  
OVER 25 YEARS EXPERIENCE  
**860-930-5492**  
FULLY INSURED • HIC #0657705

**L&L Landscaping**  
QUALITY WORK – REASONABLE RATES  
Spring/Fall Clean-ups  
Shrub/Tree Removal  
Pruning • Brush Clearing • Mulch  
Rock Beds • Sidewalk Edging • Patios  
Paver Walkways • Retaining Walls  
Call Chris  
**860-644-2595**  
30 YEARS EXPERIENCE

IT'S COMING SOON  
**DORSEYS**  
FREE ESTIMATES  
LANDSCAPING & STONE WALLS  
CALL ZACH (860) 617-5036  
24 HR SERVICE PLOWING DONE RIGHT FULLY INSURED

**TS MINOR ENTERPRISES**  
FALL CLEAN-UPS  
Curbside Leaf Pick Up  
Lawn Maintenance & Installation  
Brush Chipping & Clearing  
FULLY INSURED HIC# 0653158 RESIDENTIAL & COMMERCIAL  
**860-716-0661**

**Shorts Landscaping LLC**  
FULLY INSURED FREE ESTIMATES  
CT HIC Lic #0635384  
Weekly & Bi-Weekly Mowing  
Walks • Patios • Retaining Walls  
Light Excavation & Drainage  
COMMERCIAL/RESIDENTIAL  
— CALL STEVE —  
**(860) 917-5459**  
Serving Colchester & Surrounding Towns

# TREE & LAND

**Lawn TECS SR LLC.**  
Yard Grooming / Lawn Maintenance  
H (860) 295-1479 • C (860) 214-9923  
RLFrancks@comcast.net  
**FALL IS HERE!**  
Start Scheduling Fall Cleanups Today  
Leaves are starting to fall early and gutters will be filling up, start thinking over seeding and aerating.  
Never too late to cut back that overgrowth as well.  
SERVICES INCLUDE: Weekly/Bi-Weekly Mowing • Brush Removal  
Downed Tree & Debris Removal • Mulch Installation  
Light Moving • Light Hauling • Spring & Fall Cleanups  
— CT LICENSED & FULLY INSURED —  
LOCATED IN MARLBOROUGH, CT

**RYANS TREE SERVICE**  
Discounted Fall Rates Available, Call Now!  
Group & Referral Discounts 10%  
• Hazardous Tree Removal  
– We Climb or Bucket Truck Service  
• Lot Clearing & Yard Expansions  
• Stumpgrinding & Grading (including muddy driveways)  
• Firewood For Sale  
Accepting Most Major Credit Cards  
FULLY INSURED State Lic. #SFPH000902 FREE ESTIMATES  
**Call 860-228-5009**

**Toper's Lawncare Plus LLC**  
— PROMPT & COURTEOUS SERVICE —  
**Fall Cleanups**  
Call Today! (860) 295-0097  
MOSQUITO CONTROL  
TICK CONTROL  
HIC.0600529 Facebook: Toper's Lawncare PLUS

# TREE & LANDSCAPING

**Joshua's Lawn Service**  
 Servicing Hebron, Amston, Andover, Marlborough, East Hampton & Coventry

**FALL CLEANUP**

Prompt Friendly Service...  
 Lowest Price Guaranteed  
 Short on Time... Let Josh do it!  
 Call Josh for Free Estimate  
**860-463-0190** LICENSED & INSURED

**PROMISED LAND EARTHWORKS**

Licensed & Insured P7 License

**COMMERCIAL & RESIDENTIAL CALL TODAY FOR SNOWPLOWING**

\*Excavation \*Land Clearing \*Drainage \*Concrete  
 \*Retaining Walls \*Waterlines \*Foundation Prep

**860-335-0247**  
 www.PromisedLandEarthworks.com

**LAWNS-N-STUFF**  
 "WE DO MORE THAN CUT THE GRASS"  
 COMMERCIAL • RESIDENTIAL • FULLY INSURED

**FALL CLEAN-UPS**  
 -LIMING & FALL FERTILIZING-

GET ON OUR SNOWPLOWING LIST CALL NOW

**860-295-9692**  
 Marlborough, CT

**DB STUMP**  
 Grinding & Land Management

**860-205-3266**

Free Estimates | Owner/Operator  
 Licensed & Insured

SERVING: Residential, Commercial, Municipal

Brush Cutting, Forestry Mulching, Stump Removal

VETERAN DISCOUNTS

**LOUIE'S TREE SERVICE LLC**

Owner Operated • CT Lic. Arborist S-4475  
 Free estimates • Fully insured

**Fully Equipped & Skilled in all phases of tree work! Call us now and get the best price ever!**

**TOLL FREE 1-888-646-TREE**  
 Toll free (8733)  
**860-859-0069** LOCAL FIREWOOD FOR SALE!

Senior citizen & military discount

**FALL CLEANUP**

- Curbside Leaf Pickup
- Gutter Cleaning



**SNOW REMOVAL**

- Driveways • Parking
- Sidewalks • Lots
- De-Icing



**Lawn Barber**  
 Lawn Care, LLC

**RESIDENTIAL & COMMERCIAL LAWN CARE**

- Yard Clean-Ups • Seeding & Fertilization
- Weekly/Bi-Weekly • Hedge & Bush Trimming
- Mowing/Edging • Tree Service/Pruning
- Mulch Bed Maintenance • Snow Plowing/Ice Control
- Lawn Repair/Weed Control • Gutter Cleaning

**FREE ESTIMATES INSURED 860-294-2864**

**MJEnterprises**

SPECIALIZING IN

Walkways, Patios, Steps & Retaining Walls  
 Grading • Land Clearing  
 Drainage Work & Drywells

Free Estimates • HIC #566697 • Fully Insured  
 Call Marty at 860.859.2506  
 or cell 860.884.8664

**Stonework • Brickwork**  
 Retaining Walls • Steps



**Tree Take Down**  
 Yard Expansion  
 Stump Removal



**Dondero Landscaping**  
**860-228-2003**

## HOME IMPROVEMENT

**STARKEY HOME REMODELING** - Call today for a free estimate on all your interior and exterior needs. Roofing, decks, sheds, windows/doors, gutters, landscape services, porches, patios, framing, carpentry, siding, kitchens/baths, basements, flooring (tile, hardwood, laminate & vinyl), painting/staining, insulation, trim, etc. Locally owned. Licensed/Insured. James 860-573-3597.

**RENE'S INTERIOR TRIM LLC**  
 -35 yrs of experience in all phases of carpentry. Some of the services we offer include: Crown Molding, Chair Rails, Window Seats, Bookcases, Entertainment Centers, Cedar Closets, Custom stairs, Pocket doors, Interior and Exterior doors, Radiator covers, Porticos, Mantles, Wheel chair ramps, New hatchways, Replacement windows, Sump pumps, Heat cables in gutters or on roofs, Wood decking changed to Trex, Attic stairs, Kitchen and baths, Water damage and rot repair of all kinds such as leaky roofs, doors, windows or plumbing fixtures. We do complete repair of drywall and plaster. We also combat the entry of mice and more. Call Rene (860)643-0428

**D&A TILE:** Free Estimates. Licensed and insured. All types of tile work, kitchens, baths. All work guaranteed. 16 years experience. Call 508-0893.

**A & T REFINISHING**  
 Kitchen Cabinet Makeovers  
 Custom Staining, Painting & Refacing  
 LICENSED & INSURED  
**(860) 918-1760**  
 AL NIXON

**HANDYMAN SERVICES** - All types of interior and exterior home repairs. From drywall to plumbing, painting to tile. Have a repair issue we are here to Help. Old fashion service. Licensed and insured. Free estimates. Call Dan @ 860-917-3154

**DANNY ZERIO TILE** - Custom Installation & Repair. Over 30 yrs. Experience. Fully insured. Free Estimates. 860-543-1224

**ALL-WOOD FLOORING, LLC**  
 plus... STAIRS!

Quality Installation, Sanding & Refinishing of Hardwood Floors & Stairs

CT Lic. #567284 / Insured  
 Free Estimates  
**860-498-1060**  
 www.myallwoodflooring.com

**BOYCE CONSTRUCTION**  
 In Business Since 1975

Decks & Screen Porches

www.boyce-construction.com  
**860-212-8799**  
**860-267-0682**  
 BoyceConstruction@gmail.com  
 Lic. #517557 Fully Insured

**CHARLIE'S HOME IMPROVEMENT.** 20+ years experience. Basement hatchways, entry, interior, storm and garage doors. Decks, tiling, carpentry, porches, screening, drywall, ceiling fans, suspended ceilings and painting. Handyman Services. Guaranteed work. Call 860-463-9077.

**MANNY'S FINE WOOD FLOORS, LLC**  
 Sanding, Installation and Repair  
 Refinishing Unfinished & Refinished Hardwood Floors

**FREE ESTIMATES (860) 377-9990**  
 Lic. #085467 • Insured

**CT Best Roofing**

Discount Prices • GAF Certified  
 Full Roof Systems • Repairs • Gutters • Carpentry  
 Interior & Exterior Improvements  
 Free Estimates! Lifetime Warranty\*

**860-538-9720 Homerite LLC**  
 Connecticut Contractors License #0635761

## HOME IMPROVEMENT

**Shaw Drywall**  
 Hanging & Taping  
 Quality Work

**860-228-0680**

Jim Shaw  
 Insured • HIC#0623063  
 shawdrywall.com

**HOME DESIGNS BY BRUNO**  
 See Me Before You Build!

3D Plans • Permit Plans  
 Budgets

**860-537-5345**

**BENGSTON HANDYMAN & PAINTING SERVICE**

Carpentry / Windows / Doors / Painting  
 Texture Ceilings Repair/Drywall & Taping  
 Power Washing / Plumbing & Electrical Repairs

**860-729-9387** East Hampton, CT  
 CT#0633081

**KKS Construction**  
 Property Maintenance Residential / Commercial

**Carpentry - Roofing** o - 860.633.6015  
**Windows - Doors** c - 860.550.0932

Lic 0570333 / Ins - Est. 1995  
 kimsadlon@cox.net

**FOUR SEASONS PAINTERS LLC**  
 INTERIOR

- All Phases of Interior Painting, Staining, Textured Ceilings, Texture Removal
- WP Removal, Rep. Windows, Home Improvements & Carpentry

Kevin Greer 860-646-7760 Lic. # 574298  
 www.FOURSEASONSPAINTERS.net



**PARKER PAINTING**

Interior/Exterior • Powerwashing  
 Light Carpentry  
 Ceiling & Sheetrock Repair  
 Water Damage Repair

— FREE ESTIMATES —  
**860-338-0156**

LICENSED & INSURED

**Alan Soucy** 860-657-6462  
 Home Improvement www.alansoucy.com

Saucy Solutions...treating you right every time.

**We Specialize In Creating New Kitchens & Baths**

From design to finish you'll love our work!  
 If it's time to upgrade your kitchen or bath, visit us online for virtual tours of our projects.  
 — Call Us Today for a FREE Consultation —

**We Are Here to Help You**

- Kitchens
- Basements
- Bathrooms
- Remodeling
- Mud Rooms

**Kateline**  
 860-633-5296  
 860-965-8084 - cell

We Always Call You Back  
 Free Estimates • License #552540  
 www.KatelineLLC.com

**A Family Tradition Since 1955**

**T COREY TURNER**  
 HOME IMPROVEMENT CONTRACTORS, LLC

Roofing • Siding • Decks  
 Windows & Doors  
 Porches • Carpentry

**860-633-1400**



**A BEST GUTTERS**

Seamless Gutter Installation  
 White or Custom Colors  
 Leaf Relief Gutter Protection  
 Fascia Replacement  
 New Roofing

FOR A FREE ESTIMATE, CALL  
**(860) 537-0819**  
 Visit us at [www.abestgutters.com](http://www.abestgutters.com)  
 Fully Insured • CT Lic# 0646855

**MR. HANDYMAN**  
 Home Improvement Professionals

- Residential & Commercial
- Prompt, Safe & Reliable
- All Household Jobs, Large or Small
- Professional, Insured & Bonded

Small Jobs as well as Bathrooms & Decks  
 Mr. Handyman of Glastonbury, Norwich & New London  
[norwich@mrhandyman.com](mailto:norwich@mrhandyman.com)  
**860-359-1776 • www.mrhandyman.com**

# HOME IMPROVEMENT

**Elliott Construction, Inc.**  
 new construction, home improvements,  
 roofs, decks, siding, windows, additions,  
 renovations, interior painting  
**860.303.8265** [elliottflom27@gmail.com](mailto:elliottflom27@gmail.com)  
 in business since 1977 • licensed & insured

**R.J. Swider Contracting, L.L.C.**  
 Specializing in Additions & Remodeling  
**860-228-3912**  
[www.rjswidercontracting.com](http://www.rjswidercontracting.com) Ct. Lic.#541663

**E.L. CONTRACTING**  
 — NO JOB TOO SMALL —  
 Ed Loveland  
**860-680-1832 (C)**  
**EDL7@comcast.net**  
 License #609553  
 COMMERCIAL & RESIDENTIAL • FULLY INSURED

**PowerWashing Kings**  
*Others wash. We Clean.*  
 Commercial / Residential / Condos  
 We Disinfect and Clean with a No Customer to Company Face to Face Contact.  
 Pricing Done Over Phone, We Clean...  
 You stay inside, payment by credit card or check through mail.  
**ANY QUESTIONS PLEASE CALL US!**  
 We use "green" friendly solutions for best results.  
 Fully Insured **860-839-1000**  
[thepowerwashingkings.com](http://thepowerwashingkings.com)

**Alan Soucy ROOF REPAIRS**  
**ROOFING**  
 Full Roofing Systems  
 Leaks • Rec Rooms • Bathrooms  
 Decks • Windows • Doors  
**860.657.6462** Lic# 0622777

**G.A. OLSON & SONS**  
**HARDWOOD FLOORS**  
 Sanding, Refinishing & Installation  
 Carpet, Ceramic Tile, Laminate & Vinyl Flooring  
**WE OFFER SHOP AT HOME SERVICE!**  
**860-342-4323** PORTLAND, CT  
[www.olsonflooring.com](http://www.olsonflooring.com)  
[olsonflooring@sbcglobal.net](mailto:olsonflooring@sbcglobal.net)  
 A 4<sup>th</sup> Generation Family Owned Business

**SM WELCH**  
 REMODELING SPECIALIST  
**860.295.1295**  
 • ADDITIONS • BASEMENTS • DECKS  
 • DORMERS • BATHROOMS • SIDING  
 • GARAGES • KITCHENS • ROOFING  
 Certified Green Professional  
 Certified Aging in Place Specialist  
[smwelch.com](http://smwelch.com) • Insured • CT 607510

Licensed HIC# 0587738 & Fully Insured  
**STARR BUILDERS** LLC  
 From Additions, Decks, Roofs & Doors to Finished Basements, Siding & Floors  
**(860) 267-1496**  
[starrbuilders@sbcglobal.net](mailto:starrbuilders@sbcglobal.net)  
 Free Estimates

**Handyman & Home Improvement**  
**pielallc.com**  
 Kitchen & Bath Remodels, Painting, Decks, Hardwood, Basement Finishing, Windows & Siding  
 Call today for a free estimate: **860 995 8596**

**CHARTER PAINTING & RESTORATION** 51<sup>st</sup> ANNIVERSARY Family Operated  
**INTERIOR PAINTING**  
 "With Attention to Detail"  
 Home/Historic Restoration - Interior & Exterior Preparation Specialist - Menu Format Proposals  
 Carpentry Services Textured Ceilings/Crack Repairs  
 Water Damage Hardwood Floor Finishing  
 When viewing our portfolio, we portray 1000's of CT homes showcasing our ability. **LET YOUR HOME BE NEXT!**  
 Call Jim or Christian Charter  
**860-646-7668**  
[www.charterpainting.com](http://www.charterpainting.com)  
 Email: [charterpainting@cox.net](mailto:charterpainting@cox.net) Insured #HIC.0619547

SINCE 2007 CT Lic #0646077 & Insured  
**JFK ROOFING**  
 24 Month 0% Financing Available  
**860-230-0853**  
[www.jfkroofing.com](http://www.jfkroofing.com)

**CASELLA CONSTRUCTION, LLC**  
 FULLY INSURED - HIC #0647145  
 Remodels • Bathrooms • Painting  
 Repairs/Handyman • Windows • Doors  
 Flooring • Concrete • Walls  
 Patios • Sidewalks  
 Stairs • Decks • Power Washing  
**860-685-1266** Dean Casella

Portland, CT License #HIC607594 Insurance • References  
**MANNING HOME BUILDERS Inc.**  
**860-398-0936**  
[www.ManningHomeBuilders.com](http://www.ManningHomeBuilders.com)  
**New Homes**  
**Custom Kitchen & Bathrooms**  
**Siding, Windows, Roofing, Decks**

**Bud Stula Home Improvement**  
 Kitchen & Bath Remodels  
 Ceramic • Hardwood • Vinyl Floors  
 Carpet Restretching • Trimwork & Painting  
 No Job Too Small — HIC # 0632650 • Insured  
**Call 860.377.0380**

# SERVICES

**SNOW PLOWING** Hebron/Amston. 35 years driveway plowing experience. 20 years in business in Hebron. Not our first rodeo. Call a pro. 228-7297

**BLIND REPAIR AND RESTRINGING.** We provide factory certified repairs on shades and blinds from Hunter-Douglas, Comfortex, Graber. All about blinds, 89 Main Street, East Hampton. 860-267-8330

**LAMINATING AVAILABLE AT THE CITIZEN:** Protect your important documents, memorabilia, ID, Social Security, membership cards, photographs, menus, etc. **The Glastonbury Citizen.** Reasonable rates. Material laminated up to 18" wide. Call 633-4691 or visit the office at 87 Nutmeg Lane.

**JOHN LACY PAINTING**  
**INTERIOR & EXTERIOR**  
 Quality Craftsmanship  
 Walls - \$159  
 18' x 16' avg. room  
 Insured Free Estimates  
**40 YEARS EXPERIENCE** **860-416-8354**

**FLOOR SANDING AND REFINISHING:** Custom staining and finishing. Repairing and laying of all wood floors. Free Estimates. James Gorman 647-9261

**CHIMNEY MAINTENANCE:** Cleaning, Caps, Dampers, Flashing, Furnace Liners and more. No nonsense, no sales pitch - just the work you want done. 35 yrs. actual experience as the owner of Glastonbury's local chimney service. William Allen 860-633-1033

**SHEET METAL** \* Angle Iron \* Round and Square Tube \* Channel \* Stainless \* Aluminum \* Shearing \* Bending \* Welding. Nesci Enterprises 860-267-2588

**WE DO DUMP RUNS/ODD JOBS.** Deck and pool removals. Will remove junk from your basement, garage and attic. Trucks, Bobcat and dump truck available. 860-209-5146

**DUMP RUNS, CLEAN-OUTS,** brush. Reasonable, responsive, courteous, conscientious. Angie's listed. Glastonbury Salvage LLC 860-280-6318.

**GUTTERS CLEANED.** Local, Reliable, Responsible and Prompt. Free estimates. Best rates. Phone Thomas 860-267-7515

**Wellis Painting**  
 Where Quality Still Counts  
 EST. 1986 - Lic# 568391  
**Ceiling Repair Specialists**  
**(860) 652-9259**  
 SPECIALIZING IN:  
 All phases of Painting  
 Custom Textured Ceilings  
 Sheetrock/Taping  
 Water Damage

**FULLER PAVING & GRADING**  
 • Reclaiming • Residential • Commercial  
 Save \$ on in place recycling of your old pavement creating a great base to pave on.  
**FREE ESTIMATES**  
 See us on the web [www.fullerpavingct.com](http://www.fullerpavingct.com)  
 195 Jones Hollow Rd., Marlborough, CT  
**860-295-9566**  
 Established 1990 ~ Proud of Our Great Service Record  
 FULLY INSURED • CT LIC. # 0537749

**FRANKLIN PAINTING LLC**  
 Your Neighborhood Painters  
 Call NOW for a quote on:  
 • Custom Interior / Exterior Painting & Staining  
 • Cabinet Refinishing • Light Carpentry • Textured Ceiling Repair & Re-painting  
 • Color Consult w/ each project  
 Our Professional Painters Are Full-Time Bonded Employees, NOT 'Subs'.  
**877-646-7774**  
[www.franklinpainting.com](http://www.franklinpainting.com)  
 Member, PDCA Residential Forum HIC #570442

**HYDROPURE**  
 Water Treatment, LLC  
 SALES • SERVICE • REPAIRS  
**WATER SOFTENERS • FILTERS**  
**REVERSE OSMOSIS • UV UNITS**  
 Treat For: Iron, Manganese, Bacteria Hardness, Low pH, Sulfur, Nitrates Sediment, Taste & Odor Removal  
[www.hydro-pure.com](http://www.hydro-pure.com)  
[info@hydro-pure.com](mailto:info@hydro-pure.com)  
 Lic #PLM280191  
**860-537-1949**

**AAA Electrician Services**  
 FOR ALL YOUR ELECTRICAL NEEDS  
 Residential & Commercial Wiring  
**Don't Pay the Big Company Prices!**  
 Service Upgrades, New Construction, Remodels Additions, Outlets & Lights Added, Generators, Kitchens  
**Installation of Roof Deicing Systems**  
 LICENSED - No Job Too Big or Too Small - INSURED  
**Call Shawn 860-759-6652**  
[www.tripleelectrician.com](http://www.tripleelectrician.com)  
 ELC. 0193730.E1

**TAYLOR PAVING LLC**  
 "Original Owners Since 1985"  
**Driveway Problems?**  
**Installing Permanent Stone Dust Products Now**  
**FREE ESTIMATES**  
**On Your Asphalt Paving, Graveling, Stone, Drainage and Excavation Projects**  
**CALL (860) 537-1379**  
**NOW: (860) 334-5135**  
 Owner Pricing  
 All Work Guaranteed  
 Local & State Specs  
 Alan Taylor, Owner/Operator — CT Lic. #562442

**GUTTER CLEANING**  
**COMMERCIAL & RESIDENTIAL**  
**LAWNS-N-STUFF**  
**Marlborough, CT**  
**Call 860-295-9692**  
 FULLY INSURED

# SERVICES

**TUTHILL ELECTRIC**  
 Family Owned Local Electricians specializing in service changes, generators, remodels, outlets, lighting and more!  
**www.Tuthillelectric.com 860-395-7638**  
 FREE ESTIMATES • Fully Licensed & Insured E1 #0197601

Franklin Davis Lic. # HIC 0635952  
**DAVIS PRO Painting**  
 Interior & Exterior Painting – Custom Wall Finishes – Ceiling Repairs  
 Deck & Patio – Carpentry – Gutter Cleaning – Power Washing  
 Home Remodeling – Free Estimates – Fully Insured  
**860-573-6860**

JOSEPH BUDNICK State Licensed  
**Plumbing & Heating**  
 Quality work at reasonable rates.  
 Any Size & Type of Work  
 Service • Remodel • New Work  
 Energy Efficient Boilers, Furnaces and Water Heaters  
 Quick Response  
 FREE Estimates **860-559-7028**

**Snow Septic Repair, LLC**  
 — FREE ESTIMATES —  
 A fully licensed & insured specialist of sub surface waste water disposal systems for residential & commercial properties.  
**New Installations • Real Estate Inspections**  
**Repairs • System Diagnostic Services**  
**Soil Testing • Video Camera Pipe Inspections**  
 Over 20 Years of Professional Experience  
 Guaranteed Pricing & Warranties Available  
**SnowSepticRepair.com • 860-221-8735**

**ADMasonry**  
 ALL TYPES OF MASONRY  
 Patios • Walls • Paver Driveways  
 Stone for Pools, Patios, Decks  
 Stone & Bluestone Brick & Pavers  
 Free Estimates • CT Lic. #602717 • Insured  
 — GLASTONBURY BASED —  
**860.657.9185** 28 Years Experience

**PLUMBING & HEATING**  
 from dripping faucets to all your major plumbing/heating needs  
**Water Heaters • Zoned Heat**  
**Boiler Replacement**  
**Bathroom Remodeling**  
 Call Leo at **860-267-2354**  
 Lic. # P204015H389727 Insured



**Caso's HVAC, LLC**  
 Heating • Cooling • Installation • Service  
 Natural Gas Conversions  
 We Install High Efficiency Heating & Cooling Equipment  
 (HIGH EFFICIENCY BURNS LESS FUEL)  
 Specializing in Boiler Repair, Central Air, Hydro Systems, and Sheetmetal for new and existing homes.  
**We Offer Maintenance Contracts**  
 Residential & Commercial • Over 20 Years Experience  
 CT Lic# **(860) 267-5851** Insured  
 S1 394141

**Brilliant Basement Waterproofing, LLC**  
 Fully Transferable Limited Lifetime Guarantee!  
 Sump Pumps, Pumps Eliminated in Most Homes.  
 Deal Direct With Owner - No Middle Man, Yard Drainage  
 HIC. 0653192 • CALL US  
**860-598-8091**  
 \* written details available upon request  
**www.brilliantbasementwaterproofing.com**

**AIR FLO MECHANICAL LLC**  
**Installation & Service Available**  
 Specializing in Natural Gas & Propane  
 Oil to Gas Conversions  
 Central & Ductless AC • Furnace • Boilers  
 Pool Heaters • Water Heaters • Sheet Metal  
 — FINANCING AVAILABLE —  
 CT Lic #393394 **860-989-5079**  
 BBB ACCREDITED BUSINESS  
 MITSUBISHI ELECTRIC COOLING & HEATING  
 DIAMOND CONTRACTOR

**DURASEAL Contractors**  
**Now is the time! For Hot Crack Filling your driveway or parking lot while the temps are cooler and the cracks are wide open.**  
**Hot Crack Filling, Asphalt Patching, Line Striping, Catch Basin Repairs**  
 Commercial & Residential  
**FREE ESTIMATES**  
 Prompt Courteous Service – Our 25<sup>th</sup> Year  
 LOCALLY OWNED & OPERATED – HIC 580383 FULLY INSURED  
**OFFICE 860.537.1943 CELL 860.617.0280**

**ABSOLUTE AIR SERVICES**  
**860-666-4200**  
 Heating • Air Conditioning • Ductless Heat Pumps  
**24 HOUR SERVICE**  
 2018 Angie's list SUPER SERVICE AWARD  
 Heating, Air Conditioning & Ductless Heat Pumps  
 Installation, Service & Repair  
 ELECTRIC • NATURAL • PROPANE • OIL  
**Financing Options Available!**  
**ABSOLUTEAIRSERVICES.COM**  
 HIC.0630546 – HTG.0393975-51

**WENTWORTH CONCRETE & CONSTRUCTION**  
**860-819-4821**  
 E-MAIL: WCCONSTRUCTIONLLC@YAHOO.COM  
 CT LIC# 0648345

**Construction**  
 – Yard Expansions  
 – Excavation  
 – Drainage  
 – Grading  
 – Driveways  
 – Installation & Repairs

**Concrete**  
 – Foundations  
 – Floors  
 – Sidewalks  
 – Steps / Porches

**CHILDCARE**  
 INFANTS, INFANTS pre-enrolling at Our Children's Place Glastonbury. 1 opening per month December-June 2021. Call 659-4766 for appt to see our wonderful center, meet our exceptional staff and see our educationally enriched programs that will delight your children. Bring the family and enjoy our Family Discounts. www.ourchildrensplacechildcare.com

**Like us on Facebook**  
**RivereastNewsBulletin**

# CLEANING

**CARPET CLEANING**- Have your carpets dry cleaned. Eliminate problems associated with water. Best method available for removal of pet stains, etc. Removes allergens. Upholstery cleaning. Completely safe. References, insured. Since 1977. Stay healthy, keep clean. William Agostinelli, 860-704-8486.

**HOUSE CLEANING:** Need some help to get your home clean? I'd be happy to help. I have 10+ years of experience. I offer reliable service, reasonable rates and I do an amazing job. I have excellent references. Please call or text for free estimates. Following all guidelines including mask and gloves. ARIANE'S CLEANING, 860-331-5309

**AFFORDABLE CLEANING**  
 RATES AS LOW AS **\$49**  
 All Products Included  
 We also include sanitizing, do groceries & run errands  
**860-849-2768**

**CHRISTINE'S CLEANING**  
 COMMERCIAL/RESIDENTIAL  
 Building Maintenance Services. Economical Rates & Prof. Skills. New Customer Discount Available.  
**860-798-7961**

**CINDERELA'S CLEANING.** Commercial and Residential. Weekly, biweekly or monthly. Fully insured. Can do windows and painting. 25 years of experience. Call Cindy 860-301-0975, 860-342-1607. BUDDY3859@gmail.com

**POWERWASHING WINDOW CLEANING**  
 OUTSIDE ONLY SPECIAL  
 Marc & Diane Barrieau  
 squeezeemobile.com  
**860-508-0447**

# FOR SALE

**END ROLLS OF NEWSPRINT.** Great for art projects, wrapping and packing, table coverings for public dinners, etc. The **Glastonbury Citizen**, 87 Nutmeg Lane (off Oak Street), 633-4691.

**40 (ATLAS) GLASS CANNING JARS,** sold individually or as a lot. \$1. each. 860-342-4723

**REPRODUCTION NEW 1952 COLUMBIA WOMAN'S BIKE.** Red/white, never used! 26 inch. Local, pick up only. Price firm \$250. Call 860-604-1469

**SPORTS FANS PRO BASEBALL;** UCONN women's memorabilia, magazines, books, \$20./lot. 1957 Mantle Yankee program (good), \$40. 80+ Hitchcock green leather sofa, \$200. Call 860-781-2919

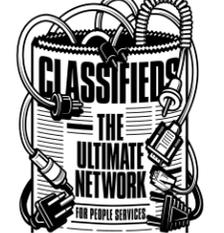
**8 FT. FISHER PLOW,** Pump valve joy stick, Late Model GM. \$600. Please call 860-342-4787

**FIREWOOD: SEASONED/SPLIT** hard wood full cord \$240. Half cord \$150. Deliver included to local area. All wood tumbled for clean delivery. Quick Delivery. Call 860-633-5766.

**SEASONED FIREWOOD FOR SALE** - pick up in Colchester. 860-537-4093.

**LIKE NEW 3-PIECE ENTERTAINMENT CENTER.** Center section with pocket doors and two glass front display cabinets. Solid wood cherry finish. 78"Wx22"Dx75"H. \$250 OBO. Must sell. Call Joe at 860-301-7319. Portland.

**TAG SALES**  
**MINI HOLIDAY TAG SALE.** Husband says TOO MANY CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS. Saturday, November 21, 9:00-Noon, 474 Main St, Portland. Also large colorful ceramic outdoor pots. No reasonable offer refused. Please wear mask.



**SMARTER APPLIANCE AND MATTRESS**  
 199 Old Hartford Road, Colchester, CT  
**860-531-2363** YouTube f i  
 Hours: Mon-Thurs 10-6; Fri & Sat 9-5; Sun 10-3  
**www.SmarterAppliance.com**

Speed Queen KitchenAid  
 Whirlpool MAYTAG AMANA  
 GE Profile VIKING LG  
 FRIGIDAIRE GALLERY Electrolux  
 Ask us about our Exclusive Rebate Programs!  
**SHOP LOCAL - SAME PRICES, BETTER SERVICE**

**BLACK FRIDAY DEALS**  
 Start Now!  
 November 4 - December 2, 2020

Here are the ways to reach us for All Your Appliance Needs:  
 Call 860-531-2363 for our website's assistance  
 Online 860-531-2363 By Phone By Email

**Official Toys For Tots Drop Off Location**  
**TOYS FOR TOTS**

**Take 12 MONTHS NO INTEREST on all purchases \$499+**  
 SUBJECT TO CREDIT APPROVAL

WHERE You Buy is as Important as What You Buy!  
**SHOP LOCAL!**  
 0% NO INTEREST NO DOWN PAYMENTS  
 IN NOVEMBER 2020  
 www.necofinancing.com