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First Selectman's Corner

I hope everyone enjoyed the summer. The seasons are changing and your Town Government is too. Here is an update as to happenings in Town Hall.

Finance Director - The Town hired its first Finance Director, Lisa Carver. With the retirement of the First Selectman's Executive Assistant, an opportunity existed to bring a new skill set to Town Hall. Lisa brings State, municipal and private sector experience to Old Saybrook. Lisa was Deputy Comptroller in the Office of the State Treasurer, Assistant Director for Financial Reporting at Hartford Financial Services and then moved on to be Chief of Staff and sometimes acting Finance Director in the City of New Britain for 8 years. Lisa has a Masters degree in Public Administration, is certified as a CPA and has studied for and been awarded the designation of Chartered Financial Analyst. As a taxpayer and as First Selectman, I am quite confident that this hire will reap financial benefits as we move Old Saybrook forward. With this hire, we have NOT expanded Town Government. In the First Selectman's office, we are adequately staffed and I will not be hiring a new Executive Assistant. Instead, we are all sharing additional responsibilities and re-deploying certain tasks to other departments. We are already a more flexible and competent administration.

Lisa will be responsible for, in conjunction with the First Selectman, planning, organizing, directing and implementing financial activities for the Town. She will oversee and direct the Accounting Department, payroll, accounts payable, some purchasing and inventory control and maintain financial records. Importantly, Lisa will assist all Town Departments with budget preparation and monitoring and oversee risk management and compliance with all regulatory pronouncements (e.g. Government Accounting Standards Board (GASB)). This is just part of what the Finance Director job entails. Lisa and I have already worked closely on several projects that I hope will bring savings and/or additional revenue to the Town.

Prescription Drug Discount Card - The Town of Old Saybrook is proud to offer an exciting new program that helps Old Saybrook residents maintain a healthy lifestyle all while holding on to more of your own money. The Town of Old Saybrook prescription discount card, administered by ProAct, Inc., is a free program that offers discount savings on the purchase of prescription drugs.

The Town is able to do this through a partnership with the Connecticut Conference of Municipalities, an organization to which the Town belongs. It is estimated that you can save up to 20% on brand name drugs and up to 70% on generic prescription purchases. It can be used as often as needed and even some pet medications are also included! Best of all, it costs nothing to the Town or any of its citizens, who will reap the benefits. Have questions?

Q: How does the Town of Old Saybrook Prescription Discount Card work?

A: Just present this FREE card to your pharmacist the next time you bring in a new prescription, or go for a refill.

Q: Where can I use my Town of Old Saybrook Prescription Discount Card?

A: The card is accepted by most pharmacies in Connecticut, including Walgreens, CVS, Rite Aid, Target, and Wal-Mart.

Q: What does the Town of Old Saybrook Prescription Discount Card cover?

A: All prescription medications are covered, at a discount rate. Savings are also available on Vision, Lasik, and Hearing services. For more information on discounts, please visit www.CTRxDiscountCard.com.

Q: Can I use the card if my prescriptions are already covered by insurance?

A: No. This card is intended to be used if you don't have insurance, or if something is not covered by your current program. It can't be used to discount prescription co-payments or deductible charges.

Soon, ALL Old Saybrook citizens will be getting a card and more information about the program. Look for this information. This program is a way for the Town Government to offer to its citizens low or no cost solutions on issues of critical importance. We are excited to be the fifth town in the state to sign on.

As the fall approaches, we will start to meet with all department heads in bi-weekly staff meetings to prepare for the upcoming budget (FY '13-'14). While the Town votes on the budget, usually in May, budget development starts in October and November. We are already kicking around new ideas for budget presentation and looking to find ways to streamline government. More on that in the next newsletter.

*Carl P. Fortuna, Jr.
First Selectman*



The Next Deadline for
Old Saybrook Events
is November 20

Floodplain Focus: Substantial Improvement

Floodplain management regulations are most effective in reducing flood damage to new construction. Buildings built before the adoption of the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) regulations are often subject to repeated flood damage, flood insurance claims, and federal disaster assistance. The NFIP regulations address this problem by requiring that substantially improved and substantially damaged buildings be brought up to the same standards as new buildings built in the 100-year floodplain.

Substantial improvement is defined as “any reconstruction, rehabilitation, addition, or other improvement of a structure, the cost of which equals or exceeds 50 percent of the market value of the structure before the “start of construction” of the improvement. The term does not include either: 1) any project for improvement of a structure to correct existing violations of state or local health, sanitary, or safety code specifications which have been identified by the local code enforcement official and which are the minimum necessary to assure safe living conditions, or 2) any alteration of a ‘historic structure’, provided that the alteration will not preclude the structure’s continued designation as a ‘historic structure’.” A substantially improved structure must be brought into compliance with the NFIP regulations. Typically this means the structure must be elevated to or above the base flood elevation (BFE).

For purposes of determining substantial improvement, market value pertains only to the structure in question. It does not pertain to the land, landscaping or detached accessory structures on the property. Acceptable estimates of market value can be obtained from the following sources: 1) An independent appraisal by a professional appraiser; 2) Detailed estimates of the structure’s Actual Cash Value; 3) Property appraisals used for tax assessment purposes (Adjusted Assessed Value); 4) “Qualified estimates” based on the sound professional judgement made by staff of the local building department or local tax assessor’s office; or 5) Replacement cost minus depreciation. Items that should be included in the cost of repairs are all materials, all structural elements, all interior finishing elements, all utility and service equipment, demolition costs, labor (including donated or volunteer labor), overhead and profits. Items that should not be counted toward the cost of repairs include the cost of plans and surveys, permit fees, post-storm debris removal, landscaping, swimming pools, and detached structures.

A single large improvement or repair project is clearly a substantial improvement no matter how many separate permits are issued. However, the NFIP regulations do not require that smaller individual improvements made over a period of years and that add up to 50% be considered a substantial improvement.

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Where Will You Vote on November 6?

As a result of the 10 year census, the state, through a reapportionment committee determines changes and analyzes population shifts for each town. This new redistricting creates changes in most towns for local voting districts and congressional and senatorial representation.

In Old Saybrook, the majority of the street changes that took place were in the Maple Avenue area and then various other end points through town. The Maple Avenue area, as an example, was previously District 1, voting at the middle school for municipal, state/federal elections. This area will now vote in District 2 at the high school. As a reminder, for town budget

referendums, which typically take place during the month of May, all residents vote at the high school.

Various streets in town are a “split street”, where the new redistricting boundary cut through a street. Your house number will determine which school you vote at. Our office can always be called with questions at 860-395-3134.

Information is available in the library, estuary, chamber office, and by calling the registrars office at 860-395-3134. To look at the actual state link - reapportionment committee website, showing the 2011 state senate and state house of representatives map, go to <http://www.cga.ct.gov/red2011/maps.asp>.

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Bill McMinn, President of Essex Printing, stated: “We are very excited about the new system because our customers will receive the benefit of higher quality imaging. Plus, it allows us to deliver an environmentally friendly product.”

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Theoretically, the property owner could beat the system by applying for a 40% improvement project one year and applying for another 40% project the following year. Communities can eliminate this loophole by strengthening their local floodplain ordinance or regulation above the minimum NFIP standards. Improvement and repair projects can be counted cumulatively so that buildings will be brought into compliance with flood protection standards sooner. Examples would be to have a cumulative substantial improvement requirement over a 5 or 10 year period, or over the life of the structure. Another way to bring more buildings into compliance with the standards for new construction is to use a lower number than 50% in the substantial improvement requirement. A building is more likely to be brought up to code sooner if the threshold is lower, such as 25%, 30% or 40%. In communities with many older buildings that are exposed to flood damage, this is an effective means of speeding up compliance.

Structures are substantially improved in one of four ways: 1) Rehabilitation (improvements that do not affect the external dimensions); 2) addition (improvements that increase the square footage); 3) reconstruction (entire structure is destroyed or purposefully razed and a new structure built on the old foundation); 4) substantial damage. Substantial damage is defined as "damage of any origin that is sustained by a structure where by the cost of restoring the structure to its before damaged condition equals or exceeds 50 percent of the market value of the structure before the damage occurred." All structures that are substantially damaged are automatically considered to be substantial improvements, regardless of the actual repair work performed.

FEMA publishes a guide entitled "Answers to Questions About Substantially Damaged Buildings" (FEMA 213) that may be helpful to local officials in determining substantial damage or substantial improvement. Contact Diane Ifkovic or Carla Feroni, CTDEP, at (860) 424-3706 to obtain this publication and for any further questions. More information can also be found at the FEMA website, www.fema.gov.

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After a busy summer, the library is looking forward to an active fall program. Sunday hours will resume on October 14th, with the library open from 1 to 5 p.m. on Sundays through May 14th.

Old Saybrook Works Series - For the past several months, the Acton Public Library has partnered with CTWorks Workforce Alliance and Old Saybrook Social Services to provide in-depth workshops on various employment issues. The workshops are held at the library on Monday mornings. Additionally, there is the opportunity for one-on-one consultation with a CTWorks job counselor. This is useful for resumé development and other specific issues. Appointments are

required for this portion of the program. Training sessions on the different technology tools available at the library is another part of this series. Look for the list of fall workshops at the library, and in this issue of *Events*.

Special Program - *The Hidden Treasures of Korean Art and Modern Korea*, a multimedia presentation will be held at the Acton Library on Saturday, October 20th, at 1:00 p.m. There will be a screening of two short documentary films, highlighting the rich artistic and cultural history as well as the progress made since the Korean War.

Following the films, there will be traditional Korean food available for everyone to sample and enjoy. This program is presented by the Korean Spirit and Culture Promotion Project. There is no charge for the program; however registration will be required.

Poetry Reading - On Sunday, October 21st, Patricia Horn O'Brien will read from her newly published book of poetry, *When Less Than Perfect is Enough*. Pat's writing is from the heart - and covers the full range of emotions. She has been writing for many years, and shares her life experiences in these beautifully crafted poems. Come hear the words of the poet as she shares with us. Copies of her book will be available for purchase and autographing. The reading will begin at 2 p.m., and light refreshments will be served.

Book Discussion Group - The Wednesday Book Discussion Group features a variety of titles over the course of the year. The group meets on the first Wednesday of the month, and newcomers are always welcome! This fall, the following titles will be read and discussed:

October 3 - *A Question of Belief* by Donna Leon

November 7 - *The Paris Wife* by Paula McLain

December 5 - *Nothing Daunted* by Dorothy Wickenden

Multiple copies of all of these titles are available for loan at the library.

Downloadable audio and e-books - The Acton Library has subscribed to Overdrive, a service which makes downloadable audio and e-books available for loan to our library card holders. With a valid Old Saybrook library card, you can borrow a wide variety of titles in various formats. The e-books are compatible with most devices, including Kindles, Nooks, Sony e-readers and iPads. Brochures are available at the library with step-by-step directions.

From the Children's Library

Drop-In Preschool Story Time - meets every Friday morning: the session for 2 year-old children at 10:00 a.m., and the session for 3-5 year-old children at 10:30 a.m. Stories, songs, hand rhymes, and creative activities are included.

Story Time for Wee-Ones - for children ages birth to 2 years old meets every Wednesday morning at 10:00 a.m. The program includes stories, songs, hand rhymes, and time for parents to socialize. All programs are free. For more information, please call Acton Public Library at 860-395-3184, or visit our website: Actonlibrary.org.

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Common Good Gardens

From a Daisy Girl Scout troop of six year olds to those whose retirement party's a distant memory, Common Good Gardens has the full gamut of volunteers.

And, this season the garden, behind Grace Church, has been attracting a wider and wider circle of shoreline residents; volunteers young and old willing to wake early, dig deep and help their needy neighbors. Their dedication is much needed since the garden over the 10 years of its existence has grown in every direction including the compost area where 22 bins churn out black gold in six weeks or less.

That decade of gardening has taught the volunteers a lot about horticulture and about the challenges of running an increasingly complex vegetable growing operation that often sees four different crops in one bed in one season.

Common Good Gardens has also increased its pick up of day-old produce to include seven shoreline farm stands and now delivers fresh produce from these stands and the garden three times a week to all five Shoreline Soup Kitchens food pantries.



Daisy Scouts from Clinton in Common Good Gardens



Volunteer Karen Selines of Old Saybrook with a head of cabbage grown in Common Good Gardens

The garden is always in need of volunteers, and even five year olds are welcome. Those girls harvested basil, soy beans, turnips and green beans during their day at the garden and promised to return in the spring.

To be a Common Good Gardens volunteer, email: claudia-vannes@aol.com. If you'd like to make a donation: Common Good Gardens, PO Box 1224, Old Saybrook, CT 06475.

Claudia Van Nes

Shoreline Legislative Update

Two new laws important to shoreline residents were passed during the recently concluded legislative session. Both new laws - Enhancing Emergency Storm Response and Changes to the Coastal Management Act - addressed storm related issues. Last August, Tropical Storm Irene buffeted the shoreline with high winds and rising tides leaving many residents without power for days that stretched into a week or longer for some. In the aftermath of Tropical Storm Irene, one of the most powerful storms to hit the shoreline in 70 years, new legislation requires that utility companies execute a faster, more coordinated level of emergency response and preparedness. The new law, Public Act 12-148, An Act Enhancing Emergency Preparedness and Response sets forth the following performance standards for utility companies: Establishes new performance standards for utility companies to restore service when an emergency results in 10% or greater of the utility's customer base without service for 48 hours or longer; requires regulators to review utility company staffing levels and implement a viable communications plan between the utility company and its customers; reviews each utility company's plan for tree trimming and tree removal; and establishes standards for how utility companies communicate and organize communications with local and state officials for a coordinated emergency/storm response.

Changes to the Coastal Management Act, Public Act 12-101, were also enacted in response to Tropical Storm Irene's damage to so many shoreline properties. This new legislation not only protects the rights of shoreline property owners, but also helps to describe and determine the kind of post-storm reconstruction that property owners can perform along the shoreline. Under this new law, the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (DEEP) is restricted in its scope. No longer can the DEEP reject a property owner's application for reconstruction or erosion mitigation. Under this new law, personal property rights are strengthened, as is the ability to build "erosion mitigation structures". This new legislation is unique to Connecticut and the country. Most states currently do not provide protection for shoreline storm ravaged homes in the form of allowing them to build erosion mitigation structures. Rather, most states require storm impacted homeowners to move to locations less likely to be struck by a flood. Public Act 12-101: strengthens the rights of shoreline property owners; assists in defining reconstruction solutions after storm damage to protect inhabited structures; and permits the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (DEEP) to work with communities to prevent shoreline erosion.

This new law offers responsible environmental stewardship while maintaining the property rights of shoreline residents.

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Shoreline Bus Ridership Continues to Climb

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9 Town Transit Executive Director Joseph Comerford contributes the growth to expanded service hours and improved awareness of the service. "I think we've really gotten the word out that our service is not just for seniors, and we've expanded our hours to make commuting to work a real possibility. 80% of our customers are now under 60, and about 50% of those are going to work."

Since 2009, 9 Town Transit has also expanded the reach



of its services. Public transit service is now available from Old Saybrook to New Haven, New London, Middletown and Hartford, and new service was recently added in Haddam. And at a fare of \$1.50, it offers a big relief from rising gas prices.

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The Shoreline Soup Kitchens & Pantries is an interfaith ministry that provides food and fellowship to those in need and educates the community on hunger and poverty. This is accomplished with the help of over 800 regular volunteers, eleven faith communities, and a community of kind and generous donors. Our food pantry located at the First Church of Christ in Saybrook (Congregational) is busier than ever. Those in need are welcomed to attend weekly food distributions every Tuesday at 3 pm. Our pantry guests receive three meals for three days' worth of food for all members of their household including fresh and non-perishable food. In the first six months of this year, the Old Saybrook pantry served 1,460 unique individuals who received 114,741 meals' worth of food. Of those served, 481 reside in Old Saybrook. In addition, another 181 Old Saybrook residents registered at one of our other 4 pantries.

Many of the families who attend the pantry come every week of the month and most work, although they are underemployed and are not able to make ends meet. In addition, many of our guests are elderly living on fixed incomes.

Our meal site located at the Grace Episcopal Church, staffed completely by community volunteers, served 1,490 meals in the first 6 months of 2012. These meals are lovingly planned and prepared every Wednesday for lunchtime. Along with our pantry volunteers, our meal site volunteers provide a community atmosphere. All our guests are welcome to sit in fellowship and enjoy a meal in a safe and caring place.



While The Shoreline Soup Kitchens & Pantries works in partnership with our community to steward support to feed those in need, we long for a day when our services will no longer be needed. We put forth the following actions that, if taken, could make meaningful change for those who live in poverty and are food insecure in our very community. 1) Improve the economic security of working families by advocating for wages that meet the self-sufficiency standard in our region 2) Increase access to and participation in the federal nutrition programs 3) Strengthen programs that help working families maintain housing and healthcare. 4) Support federal programs that provide economic assistance to working families and individuals.

To learn more please visit www.shorelinesoupkitchens.org or call us at 860.388.1988.

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Local M.D. Named Full-Time Hospice Medical Director

When people think of hospice care, they often focus on death and dying. But according to Middlesex Hospital's new, full-time Hospice Medical Director (and Haddam resident) Bill Zeidler, M.D., the essence of hospice care isn't about dying. "One of the big misconceptions out there is that a lot of people think that hospice is just about dying. It's truly not. It's about trying to live to the best of one's ability until the moment you die," said Dr. Zeidler. He has been certified in the specialty of hospice and palliative care since 1997, and is also a founding member of the American Academy of Hospice and Palliative Care Physicians. Modern-day hospice care in the United States, started back in the mid- to late-1970s, explains Dr. Zeidler. "It's seen amazing growth since then. This means that a lot of people are coming to understand the worth of hospice and palliative care."

The Middlesex Hospice and Palliative Care program began as an inpatient unit at the Hospital back in the mid-1980s. At that time, Dr. Zeidler became its first, part-time medical director. He has a long history with Middlesex Hospital. He became a Family Practice Resident in 1975. In 1978, upon graduating from the program, he set up a private family medicine practice in Higganum. In 1997 he became a member of the Middlesex Hospital Primary Care network with offices in Middletown. Dr. Zeidler left his primary care practice this year to become the Hospital's first, full-time Hospice Medical Director. He will be caring for all the Hospice patients on the inpatient unit, and some in the home and in area nursing homes as well. But, according to Dr. Zeidler, "My

function is part of a large, interdisciplinary care team that includes inpatient and homecare nurses, social workers, physical therapists and occupational therapists. We use the expertise of pharmacists, who are well trained in pain medications. We have wonderful volunteers who serve a whole host of functions, from playing music on the unit to creating legacy stories about patients' lives for their families to cherish. There are clergy members who are also a key part of what we do; along with the many home health aides and patient care technicians who are also part of the caregiver team."

Dr. Zeidler admits that managing a patient's pain is an important aspect of hospice care. But he adds that the ultimate goal is to control the pain, while still keeping the patient as alert and oriented. This not only benefits the patient, but the family as well. "When we get the patient's pain under control, the patient often relaxes, which means the family can relax as well," he added. Dr. Zeidler is looking forward to his new, expanded role in the Hospice and Palliative Care program, and for good reason.

"It's a wonderful program and it is truly amazing how much patients and families benefit from it. The message is that we're just trying to make things a little bit better for patients, and significantly better for the family. And the more support you give the patient, family and other loved ones, the better everyone does. Often, we are actually able to bring some joy into their lives during a very difficult situation."



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Conservation Commission to Look at Old Saybrook Watersheds

The town of Old Saybrook prides itself on being the town “where the Connecticut River meets Long Island Sound”. Indeed, these boundary waters and those waters that flow through the town’s wetlands, streams, and rivers continue to shape the environmental, economic and cultural aspects of the town. We are a town defined by water, and by the watersheds that conduct surface waters.

The Conservation Commission wants to know more about how well Old Saybrook has protected those resources. So it has begun an effort with the Planning Department to map and analyze the town’s watersheds. Watersheds are those land features defined by topography that conduct drain water from the land into a larger water body like Long Island Sound or the Connecticut River.

The watersheds map shows that three major watersheds cover and flow through Old Saybrook: the Oyster River Watershed, the Connecticut River Watershed and the South Central Shoreline Watershed. The Patchogue River watershed flows into Westbrook before reaching Long Island Sound. The Falls River watershed flows northward into Essex before reaching the Connecticut River.

At first, a land use analysis will be completed. This will give us a reasonable estimation of the condition of our waters and help us point to ways in which we can proactively restore, maintain and protect them. These analyses, and others that may result, will help the town develop its Plan of Conservation and Development for the future with an eye to protecting its natural resources sustainably for the benefit and enjoyment of future generations.

Friends of the Acton Public Library

The mission of the Friends of the Acton Public Library is “to foster closer relations between the Acton Public Library

and the citizens of Old Saybrook and its environs; to promote knowledge of the functions, resources, services, and needs of the Library; and to aid in the development of a program for extension and improvement of the Library services and resources.”

The Friends, the Acton Library support group of over 400 members founded in 1970, provides assistance with programming and other needs. The primary fundraising activities are the membership drive held in February/March, Mini Book Sale held in March and the major event is a Book & Bake Sale held in July. These fund the Library’s book author talks, investment seminars, book discussion groups for children, teens and adults so that patrons can compare viewpoints of the author and children’s summer program.

In addition, the Friends provide program prizes, poetry, and counting contest awards, web page maintenance, copier, and the purchase of materials needed to present programs in the Grady-Thomas Program Room.

The Board thanks the Essex Savings Bank for their Community Investment Program grant awarded and the Old Saybrook community for their continuous generous support. New members are always welcome. See the web page actonlibrary.org for the latest information.

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Town Clerk's Office

We congratulate the following on their recent marriage:

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 Andrew Viet Le and Maura Temchin - May 26th
 Erik Peryga and Erica Kluge - May 27th
 Renee Paquette and Anna Maria Hall - May 12th
 Bradford Dahl and Carman Nickleson - May 22nd
 David Cohen and Mary Volk - June 3rd
 Robert Evans Jr. and Brittany Kletter - June 6th
 John Sheedy Jr. and Jennifer Plonsky - June 8th
 Jason Tichy and Jennifer Johnson - June 9th
 Robert Davenport and Lisa Judd - June 16th
 Keith Janson and Erica Backman - June 22nd
 Michael Rolfes and Brigid Stevens - June 23rd
 Brian Giampietro and Katherine Festa - June 29th
 Jason Renshaw and Kelly Clark - July 1st
 Mark Hotchkiss and Kristina Lopez - July 13th
 William Neathery and Frances Freedman - July 14th
 David Robertson and Jina Tucker - July 15th
 Kevin Hoagland and Alysse Meotti - July 20th
 Miguel Santos and Ava Hedayatzaeh - Aug 12th

If you are going to be absent from town for the Presidential Election, November 6, 2012, don't forget to get your application for an absentee ballot. Ballots become available October 5th.

With Sympathy - We would like to express our condolences to the families of recently deceased Old Saybrook residents:

Lillian Amadeo
 Thomas Bakke
 Janet Calder
 Phyllis Chipley
 Ernest Fayon
 Gordon Hirshhorn
 Chris Kiriakis
 Marina Kariotis
 Virginia MacMurray
 Mildred Malagutti
 Michel Martino Jr.

William Murdy Jr.
 Claire Noury
 Constance Olson
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 Nancy Tota
 Gerald Walker
 Bernyce Wiener
 Ellen Willey
 Maryann Wilson

We have joined the Connecticut Town Clerks Portal for online access to Town Land Records. You can now view up- to-the-minute information any hour day or night at the click of a button. To see the Index go to <https://connecticut-townclerks-records.com>. In order to see/print the documents, there is a subscriber fee.

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When is the right time to consider moving to a senior living community? Many of our residents will say they wished they had made the move earlier. Some feel they made the decision at the right time. Some may have waited too long to realize the benefits this lifestyle offers.

When I meet with future residents, we explore their current living situations and determine if they continue to thrive, or if the beloved garden has suddenly become too large to maintain. Are they able to easily attend the concerts that were once so thrilling? Are they spending all their energy just maintaining their home, rather than enjoying it? Clues like these help illuminate and clarify the right time to make such a significant change.

The move to a senior living community is a positive experience and something to look forward to. Our residents have time to explore new interests, travel, socialize, exercise and enjoy excellent dinners that they did not have to prepare. It is important to take full advantage of these opportunities while one is able. The right time to move is different for everyone. It is important for our future residents, as well as their families and advisors, to make their own determinations. However if they ask me, I will say, "Don't wait."

*Marian Bairstow, Marketing Director, Chester Village West
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Middlesex United Way

Farewell to the Community

It is with deep regret that the Woman's Club of Old Saybrook, a long time friend of the community, has decided to disband.

We wish to extend grateful thanks to the townspeople, municipal departments and merchants for their unflinching support during the past 57 years.

We have many happy memories of our participation in the Annual Arts Event, our Apple Festivals, Concerts on the Green, various trips to interesting destinations, trips to Tanglewood in the Berkshires, and of course, our Annual Scholarship program.

It was our pleasure to contribute to community services such as the Heat program, the Autism/Asperger's Awareness program, High Hopes Therapeutic Riding Academy, Warm the Children, Shoreline Soup Kitchen, the Estuary Council, Social Services, Angel Ride, Common Good Gardens and many others.

We are confident that past members of the Woman's Club of Old Saybrook will continue the tradition of helping, encouraging and being generous to all humankind.

Remember to enjoy using our Memorial Bench at Saybrook Point to be located near the miniature gold course.

*Sincerely,
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Another Successful Art Show!

This year's Youth Art Booth, a staple at the Chamber of Commerce's Annual Arts and Crafts Festival for the past 8 years, was a smashing success with 21 young artists ages 6 to 18 displaying their work with pride.

Sponsored by Old Saybrook Youth and Family Services and Healthy Communities Healthy Youth, the booth provides an opportunity for young artists working in a variety of mediums and skill levels to not only display their artwork, but also to talk with festival patrons and professional artists about their work while manning the booth.

Many thanks to these talented youth artists for their contribution to the success of this year's booth: Bailey E. Appiah, Alexis M. Graves, Grace Hanratty, Ana K. Hester, Bridget Kawecki and Madeline Kawecki. Also to Megan Lesko, Grace E. McLaughlin, Megan McNivens, Sydney Meikle, Vanessa K. Meikle, and India Rose Morin. And to Hannah Newton, Brian Noyes, Jillian Noyes, Jonathan Noyes, Allison Romano, Aubrey Schilke, Carissa Schilke, Samantha Stillman and Liam J. Welsh.

*Linda McCall,
Administrative Assistant, Youth and Family Services*



The Courage to Speak

Wednesday September 19, OSYFS hosted a speaking engagement by Ginger Katz, at the OSMS auditorium. Ginger Katz is the Founder and CEO of The Courage to Speak Foundation, and delivered her keynote address regarding the mission and purpose of her Foundation and her personal story behind its formation.

This fall, OSYFS will be offering a free 4-session substance abuse and education prevention program for parents wishing to arm themselves with the knowledge of how to keep their children safe. The 'Courageous Parenting 101' evidence-based curriculum was developed by The Courage to Speak Foundation, Inc. to help parents understand substance abuse and its impact on children and youth. The program will be taught by trained Courage to Speak facilitators certified by the Courage to Speak Foundation, Inc.

'Courageous Parenting 101' will cover;

- Teen drug use trends and party culture
- Drug and alcohol abuse, addiction and its physiological consequences
- Protective, psychological and developmental guidance to help reduce the risk of substance use

- Communication and listening strategies
- How to help your child handle stress
- Warning signs
- Practical steps if abuse is suspected
- Sources of help and more

Parents had the opportunity to sign up for the free 4-session series after the presentation by Ginger Katz. Classes will be held at OSMS Library Wednesday evenings 6:30 p.m. - 8 p.m. October 3, 17, 24 and November 7. Everyone wishing to attend (parents-only) must fill out a registration form which can be found after 9/19 on our website www.oldsaybrook.ct.org/youth

"Through such education," says Ginger Katz, "the lines of communication open so parents can understand what their children face, set appropriate expectations, guide their emotional development, and provide moral support."

*Heather McNeil, LMFT, LADC,
Director Youth and Family Services*

Employment Workshop

How to Apply for a State Job

November 5 / 10:15am - 12:15pm

Acton Public Library

Alicia Nunez guest speaker for One Stop Career Center/CTWorks, a partner of the Department of Labor, meet with job seekers to discuss how to apply for a State of Connecticut job. This workshop is being sponsored by Old Saybrook Works, a partnership of Old Saybrook Social Services, Acton Public Library and CTWorks. The following help in obtaining a State job will be covered at this workshop:

- Video! Learn how to get a state job

- E-Alert - Receive e-mails on new exam and job postings
- How to complete an HR-12-employment application
- Is an Exam Required?
- State Employment Examinations
- Written Test Preparation Guide
- Oral Test Preparation Guide
- Current State Job Postings
- Information Technology Jobs

To register for this workshop, please contact Susan Consoli, MA, LPC, Social Services Coordinator, at sconsoli@town.old-saybrook.ct.us or call 860-395-3188.

Apply for Energy Assistance

Wednesday, Oct. 10 / Town Hall, 9 am - 3:30 pm

If you need help with fuel expenses you may qualify for the State's Energy Assistance Program. If you fall under the following guidelines you may be able to apply for help:

Household size 1, under \$31,864

Household size 2, under \$41,668

Household Size 3, under \$51,472

Household size 4, under \$61,472

Household size 5, under \$71,080

Household Size 6, under \$80,884

Our town has set up October 10th as the sign-up day for help through the state programs Connecticut Energy Assistance Program, CEAP and Connecticut Heating Assistance Program, CHAP administered by the Community Renewal Team, CRT.

Help is available for all types of heat. The program has tiered levels of assistance depending upon income and family size and the amounts awarded will help families struggling with high heating costs keep warm this winter. This program will run through March of 2013 but applicants should apply as early as possible in the heating season. Program representatives from CRT will be here in Old Saybrook at the Town Hall on October 10th to take applications for the start of this year's heating season. Appointments need to be scheduled in advance and information on what documentation you should bring will be provided to those registered.

Please contact Susan Consoli, MA, LPC, Social Services Coordinator, at 860-395-3188 or by email to sconsoli@town.old-saybrook.ct.us to apply for heating assistance or for more information.

Shoreline Social Services Help Day

September 27 / 9:30 am - 2:30 pm

DSS Mobile Office, CT Food Bank Truck and a Dental Clinic is coming again to the Shoreline!

Old Saybrook has been hosting monthly a Social Services Help Day in conjunction with the Connecticut Department of Social Services (DSS) Mobile Bus, Community Health Center (CHC) mobile dental clinic and the CT Food Bank mobile pantry truck distributing food with volunteer help from the Shoreline Soup Kitchens along with other social services regional and community providers. We have been helping about 100 families each month with access to state services for food, medical and dental care as well as local assistance programs most recently to help children going back to school with clothing and supplies.

We will again be having another Social Services Help Day with the DSS Bus coming down from Hartford as well as sponsoring another dental clinic on site continuing our dental initiative to provide needed dental services to uninsured or underinsured residents in need. CT Food Bank will also be

coming here between 1:30 and 2:30 to provide mobile pantry food supplies. On September 27th the Social Services Help Day will be hosted in Clinton at First Congregational Church of Clinton, 55 Church Road (right on Rt. 1) for residents along the shoreline including Old Saybrook residents. Please call for future dates and locations for October, November and December when the help day will be moving back to our host site at Grace Church in Old Saybrook.

Appointments are needed for both the DSS bus for state application processing and for the CHC dental clinic and must be arranged in advance by contacting Susan Consoli, MA, LPC, Social Services Coordinator, 860-395-3188 or by email at sconsoli@town.old-saybrook.ct.us. Walk-ins are welcome to obtain local information, help and to receive food from the CT Food Bank truck. Please call if you would like more information or would like to donate. More information on state programs and income guidelines can be found on line at www.ct.gov/dss.

Old Saybrook Youth Summer Stock Theater

After two weeks of rehearsals at the Old Saybrook High School, Old Saybrook's Youth Summer Stock Theater took to the stage for 3 performances of Disney's *Beauty and the Beast* on July 20th and 21st. The company, sponsored by Healthy Communities Healthy Youth and Youth and Family Services, was comprised of thirty four 7th, 8th and 9th grade students and led by the accomplished Director Lorra Webb, Assistant Director Michael Cronin, Musical Director Joni Gage, and Choreographers Debra Mals and Marris Mals. Nearly 30 high school and college veterans of the program were also on hand to offer their talents and experience as leaders, mentors, artists and musicians.

Beauty and the Beast, one of Disney's most elegant modern fairytales depicts an enchanting and sweepingly romantic tale and delivers an important message to all - that true beauty lies within. Prior to their performances, the company explored this theme through theater games, trust exercises, improvisation, vocal exercises, dance, characterization, emotional connection and costume design. Throughout the program the students were empowered to draw deep from their own strengths and creativity, to trust themselves, each other, and the process of letting go to



embrace the artist within. "We can provide no greater gift to our young people than the opportunity to break down barriers to connect with one another through the arts", says director Webb.

For more information about Youth Summer Stock Theater or Healthy Communities Healthy Youth, please contact Wendy Mill, HCHY Coordinator at 860-510-5050 or wmill@town.old-saybrook.ct.us.

Young People Volunteering to Make a Difference

The Community Service Projects sponsored by Old Saybrook Youth and Family Services were a great success this year. Eager youths from grades 7 through 12 signed up to help their Old Saybrook Community. They could choose from YFS's Environmental Stewardship Project or Hunger Awareness Project. The Environmental Stewardship Project taught the kids about Long Island Sound and the Connecticut River and how they can help keep it beautiful. They learned all about recycling and then they cleaned up around Saybrook Point as well.

The Hunger Awareness Project helped the students realize the need for assistance with struggling families right here in our own community. The students raised over 1000 pounds of food at a food drive! They also worked in the community garden as well as the food pantry and soup kitchen.

The kids in these programs worked really hard. They walked away with a sense of accomplishment and a new responsibility for their own community.

*Julie Moskowitz, Program Coordinator,
Youth and Family Services*



THE BEACON

THE OLD SAYBROOK PUBLIC SCHOOLS NEWSLETTER

Goodwin School

On Friday, August 24th, Goodwin kindergarten teachers welcomed 90 new kindergartners to the class of 2025. They visited classrooms, met their teachers and new friends in their classroom family before boarding the school bus for a tour around town. Parents waited patiently with cameras loaded to capture a memorable photo of them as they returned to the school and exited the bus. Fifteen new students joined the Goodwin Family this fall. They also visited their classrooms on Friday and toured the building with their parents.

On Friday evening, August 24th, most pre-kindergarten, first, second, and third grade teachers conducted an open house to orient the students to their new classrooms and to meet the other students in the class. Following the open house, the Goodwin PTA hosted its annual back to school picnic. Over 400 people enjoyed hot dogs and lemonade and an array of side dishes donated by families. Blankets were spread out over the lawn as adults chatted and children played. This year was definitely one of the most successful outings to date, thanks to the weather and to the efforts of the families and the PTA.

Our kindergarten community gardens provided an abundant crop this summer, all of which was donated to the Shoreline Soup Kitchen. Contributions totaled 200 + pounds of vegetables and 2,000 string beans. Herbs will continue to be harvested for the school kitchen and the grow labs, and cold frames will be put to use throughout the school year.

The first day of school is always an exciting event. Kindergartners enter the building with nametags and a staff escort to ensure that they arrive at the proper location. Some run, some skip, and others walk very slowly. Some smile, some sing and a few shed a tear

or two, but by week's end everyone is smiling and skipping. Our returning students also enjoy the duty of assisting new students in finding their classrooms.

Finally, the *For the Community From the Community* clothing initiative is in its third year and to date more than 50 families have "shopped" for new and nearly new back to school outfits. The "store" is located at the Assembly of God Church on Great Hammock Road and welcomes "shoppers" every Tuesday.

Old Saybrook Middle School

At the start of the 2012 - 2013 school year, we welcomed our new fourth graders to Old Saybrook Middle School. Orientation for students new to Old Saybrook was held on Friday, August 24. Nineteen students have transferred from other locations. We also hosted a drop-in hour for all of our returning students and parents on Monday, August 27.

The OSMS Parents' Open House was held on Thursday, September 6. We had a great turn-out for the event. Both parents and faculty were happy to meet for the first time or renew acquaintances and share information about grade level expectations.

Our Annual Walk-a-Thon to benefit the Terri Brodeur Breast Cancer Foundation and the Colon Cancer Alliance in Memory of Rose Milardo was held on Friday, September 21st from 2:00 - 4:00 pm. Volunteers and donations made the walk-a-thon a success!

Old Saybrook Middle School is very grateful to Terry and Vito Savino, Julie D'Ambrosi, and Shirley Brockway and their crew, which included middle and high school volunteers, Girl Scouts, adult volunteers, and local businesses who, despite the heat and humidity, devoted many, many hours refurbishing our school courtyard. They battled the weeds that

have popped up over the last year and planted many perennials, which will ensure that the courtyard will be beautiful for years to come. The Project Leader was Ian Svelich of The English Lady Landscape and Home who donated the firm's expertise and time. The courtyard contains a bench dedicated to the memory of Jaret Kulhmann, and a sundial in memory of Rose Milardo, former teachers. The courtyard is a glowing example of the Old Saybrook community spirit.

**Superintendent's Letter
August 25, 2012**

Dear Fellow Citizens of Old Saybrook,

As many of you know, I decided to retire at the end of August of this year after thirty-eight years of full-time public service. To say that I have mixed feelings is an understatement. Being the Superintendent of Schools in Old Saybrook has truly been an honor and privilege. The collaborative partnership of the town and all of its citizens is unparalleled in my career. Recently, the Connecticut Commissioner of Education emphasized that meeting challenges head-on and wrestling with complex issues to achieve an equitable solution was the "Connecticut Way." I offer to you that our town, with its commitment to all of its citizens is the "Old Saybrook" way.

I would like to publicly thank our passionate Board of Education for their standard of excellence focusing on the "education of the whole child" and progress for each student that will prevail during this leadership transition time. I am also very grateful to our diligent Board of Selectmen and conscientious Board of Finance who support each and every citizen with a backdrop of fiscal responsibility ensuring sustainability, especially during these trying economic times. Thank you to all of our governing agencies and Town Departments including our Youth and Family Services Agency, Law Enforcement-Emergency Services Department, Fire Department, Ambulance Agency, Public Works Department, Social Services Department, and Estuary Council

who worked tirelessly with me during my eight years in Old Saybrook.

Often I have said, "We are in this together." The village of Old Saybrook Public Schools rests in an outstanding Leadership Team and Staff! I would like to thank my Administrative Team for providing the framework to allow our amazing staff to ignite our students' ability and desire to excel in all aspects of their lives. I am most confident that our District will move forward under the very capable stewardship of Mr. Heston Sutman, Interim Superintendent. In addition, Ms. Mandy Ryan, has been appointed Interim Director of Curriculum, Instruction, and Assessment and Mr. Matt Walton, Interim Associate Principal at the Middle School. I am thankful to them for stepping forward at this juncture and ask you to please give them your warm welcome and full support.

It is my privilege for the final time to introduce our new staff: Mary Briganti, KGS Nurse; Gerald Carlone, HS/MS Technology Education; Larry Fisher, OSHS Math; Courtney Goodale, Grade 5; Kristin Hunter, OSHS SRBI; Kristina Hurlburt, OSHS Alternative Education; Katherine Laskowski, KGS Reading; Jeremy Milton, HS/MS Choral Teacher; Hilary Payne, .6 OSHS Math; Robyn Webb, .5 Grade 3 Job Share; Sarah Wyles, OSHS School Psychologist; Kristen Cinque, Grade 6 LA and Bernadette LaDone, Instructional Data Specialist. Teachers who have transferred to a new assignment are: Heidi Hayes, Numeracy Interventionist and Eric Yale, Grade 5. In addition, Michael Smith will continue his intern assignment at Old Saybrook Middle School.

Thank you again for your warmhearted and generous support over my years in Old Saybrook Public Schools. May each of you enjoy the transition from summer to autumn in beautiful Old Saybrook. I look forward to seeing you around town.

*Sincerely yours,
Joseph Onofrio II
Superintendent of Schools*

Old Saybrook Early Childhood Council Fall Workshops



The Old Saybrook Early Childhood Council has scheduled an outstanding lineup of workshops for parents and providers this Fall. All workshops offer free on-site childcare and

a free raffle, as well as invaluable information and tips.

Car Seat Safety Program at OSYFS/HCHY Family Day Presented by Esther Pendola, Coordinator Safe Kids New London County, September 22 (rain date September 23rd) on the Town Green.

There will also be an OSECC Table at Family Day with upcoming events, resource materials, and Craft Activities for kids to age 6. Time: 1:00 - 4:00 p.m.

The Importance of Play and Routine for Your Child October Workshop (details to be announced). Please check YFS website www.oldsaybrookct.org/youth for more information.

Social and Emotional Learning presented by Valerie Grant, Early Childhood Specialist, 211 Child Care, November 13 at The Children's Tree Montessori School, 96 Essex Road, Old Saybrook. Time: 6:30 - 8:00 p.m.

Kindergarten Readiness presented by Valerie Grant, Early Childhood Specialist, 211 Child Care December 3 at The Acton Public Library, 60 Old Post Road. Time: 6:30 - 8:00 p.m.

Stay tuned for details of a Nursery School/Pre-School Fair hosted by The Acton Public Library.

For more Information about these events/workshops and other Early Childhood Resources including Brief In-Home Parenting Assessment and Interventions / Techniques; please contact Melinda M. Tyler, MA, MFT, Youth and Family Counselor and Early Childhood Coordinator at Old Saybrook Youth and Family Services, 322 Main Street, Old Saybrook, CT 06475. She may be reached by phone (860) 510-5046; or email: mtyler@town.old-saybrook.ct.us.

Old Saybrook Early Childhood Council is partially supported through grants from Middlesex United Way and Old Saybrook Youth and Family Services.

*Melinda Tyler, MFT
Early Childhood Council Coordinator and
Clinician of Youth and Family Services*

Wilderness Challenge Graduates

Eight adventurous students climbed to new heights during their summer vacation.

Connor Anderson, Mathew Holmes, Kendra Millspaugh, Eric Olsen, Ashton Reina, Isabelle Reina, Megan Schulmeister, and Amber Spencer were this year's successful graduates. The students joined with Wilderness School staff to pack up four nights of clothes, food, tarps and sleeping bags; then carried these heavy packs into the wilderness and hiked onto the Appalachian Trail. Through teamwork, self



preservation, sweat, and patience, these students climbed to the top of Bear Mountain, 2316 feet, the highest mountain in Connecticut. They then hiked over to Lion's Head, where the views are spectacular. The sights they witnessed cannot be obtained by a drive in an air conditioned car!

The eight students carried heavy packs up and over the mountains and endured the heat, bugs, and even a hail storm. The students slept under tarps; when they awoke, some found they had rolled out and slept under the bright night sky. Each

student acknowledged their accomplishments by wearing "war paint" and referred to their group as M.S. 14. One of the students stated "the smell you smell is the smell of victory!" That is indeed what these students accomplished, "victory!"

The Wilderness Challenge Program is offered through Old Saybrook Youth and Family Services and is for students in the summer entering into their eighth grade year. The group works together before the Wilderness School course begins to gain group cohesiveness and to break in their hiking boots with day hikes and group initiatives. The lessons and skills learned are responsibility, leadership, patience, conflict resolution, as students increase their self confidence.

*Brenda Partyka, MSW, Wilderness
Coordinator and Counselor, Youth and Family Services*

Partnership Represents #1 Real Estate Market Share in Old Saybrook

RE/MAX Valley Shore with offices at 815 Boston Post Road and Genovali Realty with offices at 103 Main Street, recently announced the merger of their two real estate companies. The new office, called RE/MAX Valley Shore, will be located at 103 Main Street. This merger brings 24 seasoned, local agents together and will provide that new company with the #1 market share in the area.

RE/MAX Broker/Owners Lorrie and Craig Milton have more than 10 years of experience in residential real estate and base their success on referrals and building trust with their clients. "We're excited to bring our team together with David Genovali's talented agents," said Craig Milton. "Our new company will be able to offer unparalleled real estate services to Southern Connecticut."

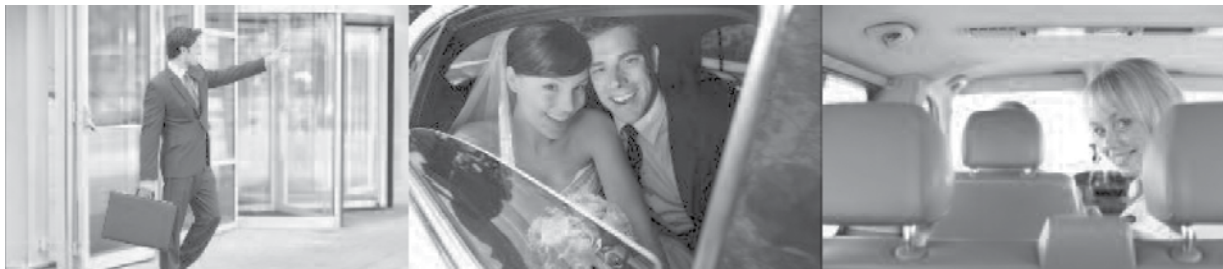
David and Lisa Genovali are veteran real estate professionals with 30+ years of experience in residential, new construction, land development and commercial sales. "We've serviced Old Saybrook and the surrounding area for decades," said David Genovali. "By merging our winning and established team with the RE/MAX brand, we look forward to offering our customers the very best in professional real estate services."

"We are so pleased that these two veteran teams have joined forces under the RE/MAX umbrella," said Dan Breault, Executive Vice President and Regional Director of RE/MAX of New England. "We couldn't be more thrilled about the merger and look forward to seeing how this fantastic roster of agents flourish in the market."

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NO PLACE LIKE SEVEN HOMES FOR THE HOLIDAYS - There's no place like home for the holidays and the Old Saybrook Historical Society will be topping that by a factor of seven when it conducts its Holiday House Tour on Saturday, December 8 from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

The Society's Holiday House Tour will feature seven private homes in the Main Street, Saybrook Point, and North Cove areas, all of which will be festively decorated for the holidays and open to the public. The self-guided tour will start at the 1767 Gen. William Hart House, 350 Main Street, home to the Society which will be decorated by several local designers, including Bon Vivant, Total Design Source, and the Saybrook Country Barn. Advance sale of tickets is \$25 per person and the purchase of 10 or more tickets for a group available at \$20 per ticket. Tickets will be available only at the Frank Stevenson Archives on the day of the event and will be \$30.

Tickets may be purchased at the Frank Stevenson Archives (rear of the Hart House) on Thursdays from 9:00 a.m. to 12 noon and 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. or Fridays from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. They are also available by sending a check made payable to OSHS plus a self-addressed stamped envelope to: Old Saybrook Historical Society, PO Box 4, Old Saybrook, CT 06475.

Ticket orders received by December 1 will be mailed to the purchaser. After that date, tickets will be held at the Stevenson

Archives for pick-up during regular hours or on the day of the Tour. All participants must start the tour by obtaining their tour guide booklet at the Frank Stevenson Archives (rear of the Hart House) on Saturday, December 8, 2012 after 9:30 a.m.

Previous tours have drawn large crowds of people who not only visit the homes but visit shops and restaurants here in Old Saybrook. A limited number of business and corporate sponsorships remain available. For more information please call the Old Saybrook Historical Society, 860-395-1635 or Chairperson Donna DiBella, 860-395-1458.

Funds raised will help maintain the Gen. William Hart House, its award winning heritage gardens and the Frank Stevenson Archives.

Archives now Hold Big Books - Mack Waanders has interned with Archivist Greg Thompson and has done much more than lug heavy books. During this past summer he upgrad-

ed the Society's computer capabilities and improved other digital operations. He is a senior at Dickinson College, Carlisle, Pennsylvania. Probate Court records covering the years 1937 through 2011 have been moved from the Town Hall to the Historical Society's Stevenson Archives. These records have been scanned by the State of CT and the local Probate Court no longer has space to store the giant volumes. At the Archives they will be particularly especially useful for researchers and genealogists.



Archivist Greg Thompson and volunteer Mack Waanders moving the large probate volumes into the Stevenson Archives.

The Historical Society welcomes donations of historic material from individuals and organizations and local government offices that adds to our knowledge of history.

For information or to make arrangements, potential donors should call 860-395-1635.

Good Fences Make Good Entrances - Residents may have noticed the new formal entry to the Gen. William Hart House with the installation of a new cedar fence, made possible through the generosity of a descendant of Robert Chapman, who wishes to remain anonymous, and the Dorothy Swan Fund. As soon as the cedar cures it will be stained to match the house. Made of red cedar spindles, the fence encloses the front of the house and was sometimes referred to as a toast parlor fence. The mistress of the house would plant flowers along the inside to be viewed from the parlor. Any local mistresses (as well as misters) wishing to work with the garden volunteers are welcomed in our ongoing efforts to beautify the House and grounds.

Chapman Lecture Series - Informative and interesting talks are sponsored by the Society, in cooperation with the Acton Public Library, in its Chapman Lecture Series.

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This year's series begins on Thursday, October 25 at 7:00 p.m. at the Library with Don Perreault who will discuss "Saybrook's Witchcraft Trial of 1661." Don is a well-known history teacher at Valley Regional H.S. in Deep River and has extensive experience as an educational consultant to the CT River Museum, the Chester Historical Society, as well as the Old Saybrook Historical Society.

Additional speakers will be announced. Presentations are informal and friendly with questions and answers. All sessions are at the Acton Public Library, Thursday evening at 7:00 p.m. and will be held on January 24, March 28, and May 23, 2013. Additional presentations may be announced from time to time.

More than Flowers Bloom in Gardens - When the Society's garden shed came upon hard times and was revealing moldy and decaying wood, Old Saybrook High School student Rico Patarini came to the rescue. He launched a major clean around the small but important structure, replaced posts and rotted wood around the windows, washed and painted the building. Noting that the garden signs were also showing signs of age, he undertook a project to replace the signs. What appeared to be a simple task took him to the Town Hall to consult local ordinances and obtain permissions. Rico's initiative, hard work and talent saved maintenance expenses and left a much improved garden shed and grounds. The Old Saybrook Historical Society appreciates his valuable contribution.

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Hammonasset Jamboree

The Hammonasset Jamboree featuring music, live creature shows and Native American skills, will take place on October 6th and 7th at Hammonasset Beach State Park at the Meigs Point meadow. This free event, coupled with free entrance to the Park, honors the life of Naturalist, Robert Schumann and is presented by the Friends of Hammonasset. This event is sponsored by Liberty Bank and The Madison Foundation.

8 a.m. bird walks starting from Meigs Point Nature Center will be led by John Picard on Saturday, October 6th and by Jerry Connolly on Sunday, October 7th. Both days at 10:30 a.m., a Native American blessing and smudging ceremony led by Allan Saunders (Mohegan) takes place at the Boulder Monument near Pavilion 4. The New England Atlatl Championships occurs 10-4 p.m. on Sat and 10-1 p.m. Sunday. The public is invited to participate. Dr. Nick Bellantoni, our State Archaeologist, will conduct a demonstration dig on Saturday and there will be associated exhibits by the Connecticut Museum of Natural History, the Friends of the Office of State Archaeology and flintknappers demonstrating primitive tool making.

Both days live creature presentations begin at the Discovery Tent by Russ Miller, Director of the Meigs Point Nature at 11a.m., followed by Connecticut's Beardsley Zoo at noon and raptors by A Place Called Hope at 2 p.m. The Field House Farm will exhibit a variety of farm animals.

Live concerts initiate at 1 p.m. Saturday starting with Pete Onfrio and Super Trance. This lively group presents appealing rhythmic sounds - a fusion of jazz, blues and rock. At 3 p.m, both days, Gene Morrison from Jamaica, Vermont, and his blue grass band perform at the concert area. A brief tribute to our military will precede each performance. Sunday at 1p.m. Amalgamated Muck, a popular shoreline group, performs a benefit concert for A Place Called Hope.

Numerous additional non-profit and environmental educational exhibitors including Trout Unlimited, Shoreline Greenway Trail, Habitat for Humanity, A Call to Care, Look for the Good Project, Hope Water Foundation and the United States Coast Guard Auxiliary will participate. Food vendors will be available. Folks are encouraged to bring blankets and chairs for the concerts. No pets are permitted. Parking is free. This is a rain or shine event although severe weather may result in cancellation.

The Friends of Hammonasset website, hammonasset.org, should be consulted for up to date news. For additional inquiries call 203 245 9192.



Gary Nolf, one of the founders and first President of FOSA (friends of state office of archaeology), President-elect of the World Atlatl Association, and a Friend of Hammonasset member (FOH), explains the atlatl, an ancient tool and weapon used by native americans.



Gary Nolf throwing the atlatl. The public is invited to join in a hands-on demonstration and throwing of the atlatl.

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CAFÉ MEAL SITES – Old Saybrook, Old Lyme, Chester, Westbrook(Thursdays) and Clinton (currently under construction-reopening soon). Reservations required by calling 860-388-1611 by 11 am, 24 hours in advance.

MEALS ON WHEELS – hot meals for homebound seniors, delivered to your home. Call Diane at 388-1611. A donation of \$3.00 is requested for those aged 60+. Meals are supported by Senior Resources Agency on Aging with Title III funds available under the Older Americans Act.

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Needlecrafters, Hand and Foot, and more. Check the Gazette for all of our programs.

ESTUARY THRIFT SHOP: Open 10 a.m. – 4 p.m., Monday – Friday; 9 a.m. – 1 p.m. on Saturdays. Clothes (men, women, and children), kitchen items, crafts, and more available! Donations are accepted and volunteers always needed!

HOLIDAY CRAFT FAIR - Saturday, November 17. Local crafters will display an array of hand crafted afghans, quilts, handbags, scarves, jewelry, photo cards and much more. We will also have a wonderful "Bake Shop" filled with homemade desserts and candy.

DONATE YOUR CAR OR BOAT TO THE ESTUARY COUNCIL - Turn your car or boat into a tax deduction by calling: 1-800-716-5868. Vehicle does not have to run! Proceeds benefit the vital services we provide for seniors in the nine-town Estuary Region.

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WPCA Update

As reported in the last *Saybrook Events*, the Wastewater Management District (WWMD) Program has gathered momentum as the bid contracts for Phase I are prepared and released concurrently to adhere to schedule. Even as the actual construction lagged a bit due to wet weather and nearly another dozen emergency upgrades were addressed, a new approach to the bid package was introduced. This installer design approach [as opposed to engineer design] was approved by the CT Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (DEEP) in order to speed up the bid contracts and reduce the "soft costs".

The Oyster River East bid contract will be awarded in September and the Saybrook Point/Thompson contract will go out to bid around the same time. The Fall will also see the release of all 3 Cornfield Park contracts to bid.

As the WPCA intends to begin the Phase II site investigation towards year-end, we have been gearing up with staff and equipment.

The WPCA procured a utility truck which not only serves to move the mini-excavator around the WWMD and other areas in town to dig test holes for soil testing, but it allows the crew to transport all the instruments necessary for site investigations and construction oversight. This truck and other WPCA equipment are valuable assets to the Town.

All of this field activity: site investigations, construction oversight, and test hole digging requires an experienced, responsive field crew. In order to round out their knowledge and keep up in the wastewater field, the WPCA staff continues their training; receiving Phase I and Phase II Subsurface Sewage Disposal certificates; completing sanitarian coursework, and attending Advanced Treatment System classes and vendor and regional wastewater seminars.

As indicated, during the past year, there have been over a dozen septic system failures in the WWMD designated as "emergencies" by the CT River Area Health District. When this occurs, the WPCA adds the emergency upgrade to one of the open contracts and that system is replaced as soon as possible. Along with obvious failures, where septage breaks out on the surface or backs up into the house, the contractors and field crew have discovered broken pipes that have disconnected from tanks and leaching components allowing the septage to flow untreated into the ground. The crew has also been documenting tank collapses which have been alarmingly frequent, 8-foot deep dry wells sitting in the ground water, under-sized tanks, and extra components (abandoned or still attached), and various anomalies.

This supports the initial research data that these aging systems are no longer functioning properly, are polluting the groundwater, and require repair. It is fortunate that the funding is available and Old Saybrook has the opportunity to take advantage of the grants and loans to upgrade the systems, remediate the pollution, and help the homeowners in the process.

Although there have been over 2 dozen emergency upgrades and 75+ systems installed, there were no invoices issued in the

last fiscal year. The Benefit Assessment program, which entails determining and applying the construction costs, "soft costs" (engineering, legal, regulator, administration), and grants and loans, was in the development process. The WPCA recently purchased software to manage the WWMD accounts, and format and send the semi-annual invoices in 2013.

Another WPCA undertaking has been researching the installation of Advanced Treatment Systems as demonstration units at the Town beaches. Although Old Saybrook has not yet received the Delegation of Authority from the CT DEEP to permit these nitrogen removing systems for water proximity properties, the WPCA continues to prepare for the selection of AT systems.

Despite the economic climate, properties in the WWMD continue to turn over at a steady rate. To address real estate questions, included in this issue is our Real Estate Transaction FAQs. Of particular significance in the sale of a property is the application to accept Clean Water Funding. The original application is attached to the property; does not change with the owner. So, once a property owner has accepted funding, a subsequent owner cannot opt out [of the funding, not the upgrade - that is mandatory in the WWMD.] To avoid misunderstandings on the process, we have also included our FAQs for the WWMD Program Entry.

As Chuck Wehrly stepped down from his second round of chairing the WPCA in the beginning of 2012, we extend our appreciation to him for his strong leadership and dedication.

The WPCA staff encourages residents to stop into our office in Town Hall, call 395-2876, or attend our bi-monthly meetings on the 2nd and 4th Mondays in Town Hall. Or for further information please refer to our website at www.oswpc.org.

Wastewater Management District Program Entry - Frequently Asked Questions -

What happens if I "opt out" of the program? Do I still have to upgrade my septic system?

A property owner in the WWMD can "opt out" of the Clean Water Funding portion of the program, but must still upgrade their septic system within the timeframe required by the Director of Health. This timeframe will be dictated by the contract that is let for their neighborhood or block of properties.

Can I opt back into the program after opting out?

No. The decision to accept or reject funding must be made within the 30 days after the Notice of Entry Letter (NOEL) is received. This is because the WPCA begins the soil testing and site evaluation as soon as the NOELs are returned. It is costly and time consuming for the engineers, WPCA staff and equipment, and Health Department to return to an area and evaluate one property. This cost is then borne by the residents. When the area in the contract is completed, the team moves on to the next area.

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Can I opt out of the program after I have opted in?

No, because the Town has already spent a considerable amount of time and money on the site evaluation, soil testing, and system design. It is a legal document and a Caveat has been entered on the property records.

Why is the timeframe to make the decision to accept the CWF only 30 days?

It is the timeframe set down in the WWMD Ordinance. This time period allows the WPCA to set up the administration of the contract, organize and conduct the site evaluations, and move on to the next area while keeping to the schedule agreed upon with the CT DEEP.

What if there is some indication that my property is "Upgrade Compliant" or I recently had some system repairs, do I still need to fill out the application?

Yes. Before the Health District can issue a Permit to Discharge they must confirm that the system is actually Upgrade Compliant. There must be adequate leaching, tank sizing, and separation distance to groundwater, and no old components (dry wells) remaining in the ground.

What can I expect after I sign the application (check Box A on Exhibit A) to accept the CWF monies?

By signing and checking Box A you are giving the WPCA [and its agents] permission to access your property for the purpose of site evaluation and soil testing. Within a week or two, you will receive a phone call to schedule the soil testing and photographing of your property. The site evaluation team will arrive to perform test holes, percolation tests, and field measurements. Our inspector also requires access to your home/basement to photograph the electrical panel, water lines, outlet to the septic system, and yard. This is to ensure the correct design of your upgrade, document the utilities for safety purposes, and the proper restoration of your property after the installation is complete. It will be necessary for you (or someone authorized by you) to be home for the inside inspection.

What happens if I don't respond to the NOEL in 30 days?

Non-responders will receive a 2nd notice and then their information will be turned over to the Health Department for follow up. The Health Department, as determined by the WWMD Ordinance, can exercise its right to revoke the permit to discharge and is obligated to send out an Order to Upgrade. Further enforcement steps may be taken such as hearings, legal proceedings, and fines as established by the ordinance.

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The Joys and Benefits of Staying Active in Senior Years

We humans are social creatures, with a natural desire to interact and be with other people. Some senior citizens, however, find themselves living alone with limited interaction or engagement with friends or family.

This is unfortunate since social involvement is a major component of the overall well-being and good health of any senior. Research by the Harvard School of Public Health and others illustrates that an active social life helps seniors enjoy a higher quality of life during their retirement years. Social activity also greatly reduces or even eliminates loneliness or depression, which often affect secluded people.

Everyone can create "social opportunities" by: getting involved in activities at local senior centers, church groups or other organizations; Signing up for art, music, or fitness classes; Volunteering or mentoring at a local school, library, or museum; Joining a local club (such as gardening, writing, reading, or chess); Taking part in "senior" travel programs; Attending lectures and cultural events.

Senior citizens also are encouraged to attend community meals, or invite friends and family to dinner. Additionally, seniors should try to accept invitations to join others at mealtime as often as possible.

Some seniors may consider moving into a retirement community, assisted living residence or a continuous care retirement community (CCRC), all of which typically have suitable social and cultural programs available daily, under one roof. These communities often include transportation services, which helps those who no longer drive maintain a level of independence. These communities also have scheduled mealtimes, so gathering with friends and family for lunch or dinner is easy.

If there is a senior in your life, or if you are planning for your own retirement, be sure to include as much social, physical and cultural activity as you can manage. You will be impressed by the benefits, and will enjoy a higher quality of senior living!

By Kathy Ryan

[Kathy Ryan is executive director of The Saybrook at Haddam, a 74-apartment assisted living retirement community. The community provides independent retirement living services as well as assisted living services provided by its state-licensed Agency, and a special memory care unit.]

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The invitations were designed by Julia Balfour, LLC, a full service creative agency. Both organizations are proud of the work that was created, and are thrilled that it was acknowledged by the professional design community.

The Julia Balfour, LLC team created the work through their pro-bono partnership with High Hopes Therapeutic Riding. Hand drawn illustrations and watercolors were utilized to create an invitation that spoke to the elegance of this biennial event. 2,500 invitations were wrapped and packaged by hand, speaking to the dedication of volunteers from both organizations.

Essex Printing in Centerbrook, CT also generously donated their expertise and services in printing the invitations.

This years' Symphony fundraiser took place on June 9th, at the High Hopes Center in Old Lyme, CT. The event, which included a silent auction and a performance by the New England Orchestra, was a huge success. Ticket sales were up 10% from previous years. The evening raised over \$200,000 in donations. The funds will all be used to support the operations of the High Hopes programs, as well as their scholarship program.

The Connecticut Art Directors Club hosts an annual award show to honor exemplary design work from around the state. The High Hopes Symphony Invitations were showcased on June 15th, 2012, along with the other award recipients. The Julia Balfour, LLC team netted 16 total awards that evening.

Julia Balfour, LLC is located in Lyme, CT. As fellow horse lovers, they have been overjoyed to work with High Hopes; citing their incredible work with those who have cognitive, physical, and emotional disabilities as a constant source of inspiration.

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MUW funding is utilized to help support our many "Assets in Action" programs available to all school-age youth, from 'Summer Stock Theatre', to 'Peer Mentors', to 'Community Variety Show', 'Community Service Projects' and 'After School Clubs'.

MUW funding also supports the Old Saybrook Early Childhood Consultation position, which facilitates communication and programming between community pre-school providers, organizes free parent workshops and resource fairs, and is involved in pre-school readiness screenings.

If you have the opportunity to make a charitable donation to Middlesex United Way this year, here is a sense of what your \$52 dollars (\$1/week) can do:

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Middlesex United Way is advancing the common good in Middlesex County by investing in the building blocks for a good life – education, income, health and housing ... and partnering with local agencies to do this work.

*Heather K. McNeil, LMFT, LADC,
Director Youth and Family Services*

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On behalf of Events Magazines, welcome to Old Saybrook. Whether you are new to Connecticut or just new to Old Saybrook, you will find wonderful people and places to visit in town. From the Old Saybrook Torchlight Parade to the Arts & Crafts Festival, Old Saybrook has something for everyone. Below are important phone numbers; tear out this page and keep it for future reference. We at *Events Magazines* and *Essex Printing* support local businesses. Please use this guide and "Buy Local" - we do!

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Oct. 8: Columbus Day: No programs;
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Support Group for Grandparents

Twice a month on Wednesday evenings a group of grandparents who are raising grandchildren, or sharing their home with adult children and grandchildren, gather for coffee and lively discussion at Old Saybrook Youth and Family Services.

Although their reasons for becoming grandfamilies are varied, the challenges unique to their situation are universal. Members of the group find relief and frequently humor in

sharing experiences, and frustrations with people who understand their situation.

The group is facilitated by Pat Rivers, LPC and is open to new members.

For more information, please call Old Saybrook Youth and Family Services, 860-395-3190.

*Patricia Rivers, MS, LPC
Old Saybrook Youth and Family Services*

Great Wines for Grilling

Although summer is ending, there is still plenty of time for grilling out. I would like to explore a few less widely known red wines to pair with your grilled fare. Both of these wines come from Italy, however they are very different. The first of the two is Barbera. This wine has medium fruit and a light, dry, acidic finish. Barbera is one of the top 5 most widely grown red grapes in Italy. Some of the most popular are Barbera D'Alba and Barbera D'Asti. The latter part of the name represents the town in which the grapes are grown within the Piedmont region. There are representations of this wine in California which tend to have soft fruit and a little bit of spice.

The other wine that is overlooked is Valpolicella. Sometimes thought to be a light, inexpensive Italian wine, it can actually be quite full and delicious. It comes from the Veneto region and is made mostly of Corvina grapes and occasionally blended with a small amount of other varietals such as Molinara and Rondinella. Valpolicella gives way to flavors of black cherry and dark red fruits with a soft, slightly dry finish. Even more interesting is enjoying this wine when it has been produced in the "Ripasso" method. This term means "re-passed," which consists of re-fermenting the wine over un-pressed, dried skins of Amarone grapes. Many people call this style of Valpolicella a "Baby Amarone." This process develops the wine into a richer, fuller bodied wine with a raisin like characteristic that is slightly higher in alcohol.

It is easy to go to the local wine shop and pick up a Cabernet or Merlot, but sometimes it is fun to change it up and try something new. The next time you are grilling out with family and friends tantalize your palate with these exciting wines. They are sure to not only impress your guests, but keep them coming back for more!

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Real Estate Transactions in the WWMD

The 1800+ properties located in the WWMD all have this recorded on their title [in the Town Clerk's Office] and appear in a list attached to the Wastewater Management District Ordinance. The ordinance can be viewed in its entirety at www.oswpc.org. The website and WPCA office also provide an overview of all 15 focus areas as well as individual maps.



When a buyer, seller, or realtor is involved in a transaction with one of these properties they typically contact the WPCA to provide further information. The following is an attempt to document the question process in a simple format.

Q: Is the property in the WWMD?

A: Using the address and map and lot we ascertain if it is and which neighborhood it's in.

Q: When will the upgrade need to be completed?

A: Refer to the Implementation Schedule attached.

Q: What does it need? What will the owner have to do?

A: Based on the map (which was developed from information in our files) we have an idea of what the upgrade might require: a new tank, a tank and/or leaching, confirmation that it may be compliant. *However- it is important to note that we won't actually know what is on the property and what the soil conditions are until the site evaluation is conducted.*

Q: How much will it cost?

A: We will not know until the property is investigated and a determination is made on the actual upgrades. Each property is unique and may present its own challenges. The economy and bidding also impacts the costs of the systems as the program moves forward.

Q: How can the upgrade be financed?

A: An owner can choose to take advantage of the Clean Water Fund program, accepting a 25% grant from the State and 25% from the Town. They are then responsible for the remaining 50% which can be paid in full or financed for 20 years at 2%. Further information can be obtained in the WPCA office from the Financial Manager.

A: No. It is a legal contract. Administrative, engineering, and public health services begin evaluating and designing the upgrades promptly after the app. is received. In light of the time and expense involved, subsequent owners of the property must adhere to the program and a Caveat is placed on the land records upon receipt of the app. to ensure this.

OLD SAYBROOK WASTEWATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

SEPTIC SYSTEM UPGRADE GUIDELINES

- At the time a property is scheduled for entry into the program the owner will be offered the use of Clean Water Money to assist with the required upgrade. The owner may elect to accept the funding or pay for the required septic system upgrade using their own funds.
- If a property owner for whatever reason decides to upgrade their system before their neighborhood is scheduled, the work is not eligible for Clean Water Money.
- The only circumstance under which a property may be scheduled for an upgrade prior to the above schedule is if the system is failing. This determination is made by the local health department, the Connecticut River Area Health District. Only if the system is found to be in a condition that is resulting in sewage on the ground or storm drain, is backing up into the house, or the occupant cannot use the system, will that property be considered for the WWMD program before the rest of their neighborhood.
- A septic system inspection for the purpose of a real estate transaction in which the septic system pumper notes deficiencies is not a reason for that property to enter into the WWMD Program sooner than the schedule indicates. The decisions regarding those findings are part of the real estate transaction. Any upgrade done as a result of the inspection is funded outside the WWMD Program.

Septic system upgrades for properties in the WWMD are being addressed in this *order:

<u>Phase I</u>	<u>Phase II</u>	<u>Phase III</u>	<u>Phase IV</u>
Saybrook Acres	Ingham Hill	Chalker Beach	Cornfield Point
Oyster River East	Meadowood	Plum Bank	Saybrook Manor
Cornfield Park	Fenwood	Maple Avenue North	
Saybrook Point	Great Hammock		
Thompson	Indiantown		

*** Order of areas subject to movement based on construction schedules, seasons, program approach, etc.**

EDC Annual Report

Business development activity in Old Saybrook has increased in 2012. A 25,000 square foot West Marine retail store has opened on the corner of Spencer Plain Road and the Boston Post Road. The Colvest Group plan which calls for development of two other businesses on the site is underway, they are seeking tenants. Across Spencer Plains Road plans for a Kohls and a small supermarket are progressing. Two currently vacant properties on the Post Road should reopen soon as a relocated Food Works and a relocated Honora Pearls business featuring a small retail operation. The loss of North Cove Outfitters on Main Street was a shock to the community, the site remains available. While we are pleased to see some activity progress remains slow.

The EDC and the Chamber of Commerce have been working together in a number of areas, The EDC was a sponsor of the Old Saybrook Chamber of Commerce's Business Expo at the Saybrook Point Inn. We also sponsored the Annual Craft Fair. The Chamber has been an active supporter of our project to replace the Welcome Signs at our North, East and West gateways. The existing signs at our gateways welcoming people to Old Saybrook have been lost or have fallen into disrepair. Replacement signs are planned for Route 154 near the Town dog pound, near I95 Exit 68S and near the intersection of Spencer Plain Road and the Boston Post Road. Commissioner DeCristoforo has reported that funding has been secured, final approvals are pending and we hope to complete the project before the ground freezes.

Communicating with potential businesses that might be interested in Old Saybrook is a primary responsibility of the Economic Development Commission. The EDC is developing rack cards that would be available at local commercial realtors, at the I95 rest stop on our border and at Town Hall and the Chamber office. We are also considering a new web based version of the video we produced some years ago.

Middlesex Community College's Allied Health classes for nursing students continue to be hosted by EDC in the Town Hall. At some point we hope to see a larger Middlesex Community College presence in Old Saybrook.

The primary mission of the Economic Development Commission is to retain and attract business to Old Saybrook. Business is vital to the community as it provides jobs and tax revenues as well as economic activity that ripples throughout the community. The Old Saybrook Board of Selectmen appoints seven EDC Commissioners to serve five-year terms and two Alternate Commissioners to serve two-year terms. Current commissioners are Lauren Ashe, Dave Cole, John DeCristoforo, Jim Keating, Charles Polka, Maura Richards, Chairman Todd Roberts and Vice Chairman Elizabeth Swenson. Two former Commissioners are Alternate Commissioners. Wilma Asch is Executive Director of the EDC.

Jim Keating, Secretary

Route 1 Task Force

Route 1 Task Force Committee is Having a CONTEST!

The commercial areas of Old Saybrook have been improving both in quality and design in recent years. Main Street becomes more and more vibrant while the Route 1 corridor through the majority of town is growing and becoming more attractive. One section of the Route 1 commercial district which has lagged behind is that located east of the train station where it leads to the eastbound onramp to Interstate 95 in the area of Gladeview Health Center (Referred to as Rte 1 East). In order to address this area and to develop a plan for revitalization of this area of town, the Board of Selectmen recently formed the Route 1 Task Force Committee, chaired by current Planning Commission member Dr. David Shearer. Members on the committee include representatives of the Chamber of Commerce, the Hope Partnership, the Architectural Review Board, the Economic Development Commission and the Lower CT River Valley Council of Governments as well as citizens with backgrounds in design and other related fields.

The Route 1 Task Force Committee is asking for suggestions and ideas for Rte 1 East in the form of a contest and will award the winner a "Night on the Town" in Old Saybrook including limousine, dinner and tickets at the Kate. So, draw a picture of your ideas and thoughts or write them out - any format is acceptable and will be considered.

The Route 1 Task Force Committee convened its first meeting at the Old Saybrook Town Hall on June 26. The overall goal of the committee will be to study the characteristics of this underutilized stretch of Route 1 and to make determinations regarding what can be done to enhance the economic viability of the area and then carry its thoughts and ideas throughout the rest of rte 1 in Old Saybrook. The committee will take into account the current zoning of the area, the existing structures and businesses and limitations caused by wetlands and other protected natural resources. The committee will likely be looking at design considerations in the area including those that apply to site development, landscaping and signage.

When completed, the committee will be presenting their results and recommendations to the land use boards in town who will be asked to consider the adoption of regulations, standards and other guidelines that will result in the enhancement and improved economic viability of this neglected stretch of commercial corridor.

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