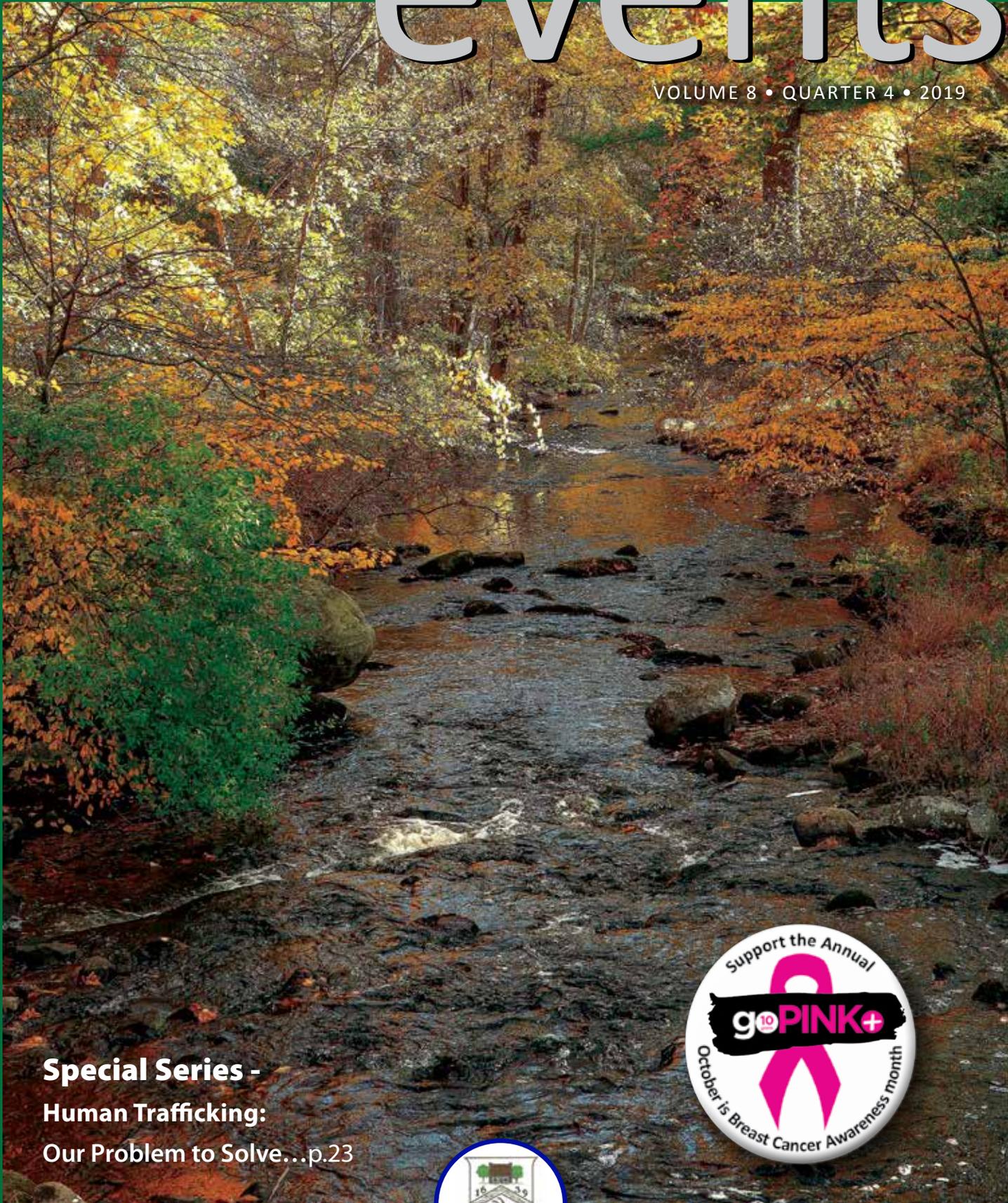


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The First Selectman's Corner

Based on the recommendation of a Board of Selectmen and Board of Finance Task Force, the Board of Selectmen passed an ordinance amending the way building fees are calculated. Currently the fees are calculated on a square footage system, but once the new ordinance takes effect on October 18th they will be calculated on a value system. This streamlines our process and makes it consistent with other communities in form and fee structure.

The Sustainable Guilford Task Force recently submitted the Town's application to become a Certified Sustainable Community under the Sustainable Connecticut Program. This is a comprehensive, statewide, action-oriented voluntary certification program, built by and for municipalities with the vision that Sustainable CT communities strive to be thriving, resilient, collaborative and forward-looking. They equitably promote the health and well-being of current and future residents. And they respect the finite capacity of the natural environment. The volunteer Task Force has worked very hard in meeting the requirements and getting the application submitted and all are eagerly awaiting the results.

During the spring/summer the Public Works Department completed repairs to the Falcon Road seawall, which was damaged in early winter, resulting in the complete closure of the road due to

unsafe passage. The repairs began in early spring with 1,572 square feet of damaged road removed and 126 feet of wall (about 990 square feet) rebuilt. Within 31 days, a team of four men had repaired the wall and paved the new lane of road. In addition, the department prepared and chip sealed 6 miles of roads and removed a total of 54 downed trees so far this year.



Matthew T. Hoey III, First Selectman

The Guilford Performing Arts Festival turned Guilford into an artist mecca during the month of September. This event, which spanned three days, featured 70 performances in music, art and dance scattered around town in 13 different venues. In addition, the Festival partnered with the Guilford Public Schools for master classes, discussions and side-by-side performances. All of this was provided free to the public. Another event held in September was the Annual Guilford Fair, which spotlighted Guilford's agricultural heritage. Residents and visitors alike flocked to Lovers Lane to enjoy the animals, entertainment and food. Not only do events like these bring our community together, but they also bring **continued on page 5**



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Publisher's Note:

In the last issue of Guilford Events Magazines, we reprinted with the permission of ShoreLine Times, an article about Carl A. Balestracci, Jr., who served Guilford in so many capacities (including as First Selectman) and who passed away this summer. The reprinted article did not include attribution to the author of the article. We note that Ms. Ellen Creane is the author of that article.

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people in from all over to enjoy the many facets Guilford has to offer.

The Parks and Recreation Department had another successful summer and beach season. We also enjoyed another year of wonderful summer events, which included the Town Picnic, Town Band performance, Fireworks, the Art Center Expo, the Chamber's Taste of the Shoreline and the Jewish Festival. This year the Guilford Police Department hosted its "National Night Out." The free event, which included a DJ, games, inflatables and food, helped to build

trusted relationships between the police and the community. Parks and Recreation had a special Concert Series Celebrating the 50th Anniversary of Woodstock with tribute bands playing the music from artists that performed at the festival such as The Who, Crosby Stills and Nash and Santana. Heading into fall we can look forward to the Parks and Recreation Scarecrow Building Contest, Window Painting and Halloween Spooktacular followed by our Annual Tree Lighting. I want to wish everyone a safe and happy holiday season!

Matthew T. Hoey III, First Selectman

Assessor's Office

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PERSONAL PROPERTY

DECLARATIONS for any business/business owner, farmer, any owner of an unregistered or out of state registered motor vehicle or owner of a horse(s), must be filed by November 1st. Penalties will be applied to non-filed declarations. Additional information is available on the Town's website and the declaration can be found at: www.ci.guilford.ct.us/town-departments/personal-property.htm.

[ci.guilford.ct.us/town-departments/personal-property.htm](http://www.ci.guilford.ct.us/town-departments/personal-property.htm).

QUADRENNIAL REPORT for new organizations seeking tax exempt status must file their initial Quadrennial Report by November 1, 2019 to be considered. Amended Quadrennial's are also due for organizations that have acquired Real Estate, Personal Property and/or Motor Vehicles between October 2, 2018 and October 1, 2019.

The following is an abbreviated look at some of the Exemption Programs that the Guilford Assessor's Office administers. If you think you might be eligible for any of these programs, please call the Assessor's Office, Monday through Friday, 9:00 am to 4:00 pm for more information. There is also additional information about these programs (*and other important information*) on the Town's website: www.ci.guilford.ct.us under Departments; Assessor's Office. **continued on page 6**

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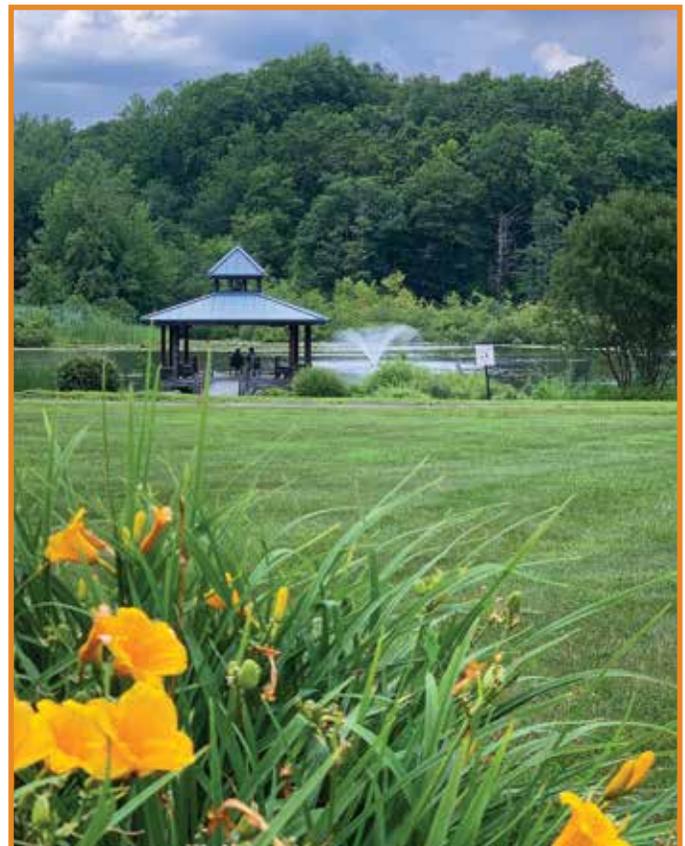
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FARM MACHINERY (STATE PROGRAM) which is used exclusively by an eligible farmer may qualify for a \$100,000 assessment exemption. An M-28 Form must be filed no later than November 1, 2019 along with a Personal Property Declaration.

FARM MACHINERY (LOCAL PROGRAM) which is used exclusively by an eligible farmer and who qualifies for the above described program may be eligible for an additional \$100,000 assessment exemption. An M-28 Form must be filed no later than November 1, 2019 along with a Personal Property Declaration.

FARM BUILDINGS (LOCAL PROGRAM) which are used exclusively for farming activities by qualified farmers, who are receiving an exemption for their farm equipment [See **FARM MACHINERY (STATE PROGRAM)** above] are eligible for an assessment exemption of \$100,000 for certain eligible farm buildings. An application must be filed no later than November 1, 2019 along with a Personal Property Declaration.

FARM, FOREST OR OPEN SPACE (STATE PROGRAMS) applications must be filed between September 1, 2019 and October 31, 2019. For Forest Land, a State Forester's Report must accompany application and be dated by September 1st.

ONE SPECIALLY EQUIPPED OR SIGNIFICANTLY MODIFIED MOTOR VEHICLE (LOCAL OPTION) if owned by the applicant as of October 1, 2019 and used exclusively for the purpose of transporting the medically incapacitated owner and if such vehicle is not for hire and the required application is filed with the Assessor's Office by November 1, 2019; or for such motor vehicles purchased after October 1, 2019, within 30 days of purchase.

ONE MOTOR VEHICLE FOR AN ACTIVE DUTY SERVICEMAN (STATE PROGRAM) Applications must be filed no later than December 31, 2019 for taxes due and payable July 2018.

DISABLED SERVICEMEN OR EX-SERVICEMEN (STATE PROGRAM) may apply for an additional exemption by filing Form 20-5455a (issued by the Veterans Administration) with the Assessor's Office by March 31, 2020. The amount of the assessment exemption will vary depending on the degree of disability. If you have previously been granted an exemption due to your disability, then you do not have to re-apply.

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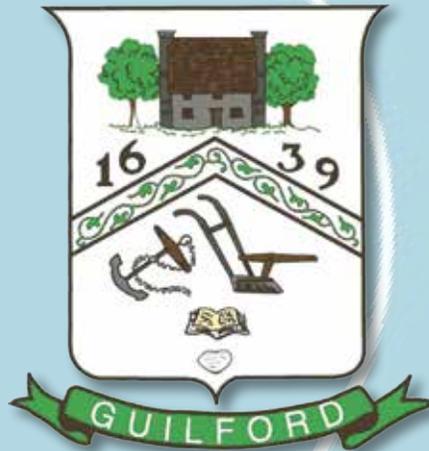
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On November 5, 2019 Guilford will have a Municipal Election for local candidates. Unless you have moved, you will vote at your usual polling place. The polls will be open from 6:00 am until 8:00 pm. Please see the Registrar of Voters section in the website for Town of Guilford at: www.ci.guilford.ct.us for information on your exact voting place. The last day to register to vote for the November 5, 2019 election is Tuesday, October 29, 2019. We will be open from 9:00 am until 8:00 pm on that day.

ONLINE REGISTRATION

You can register to vote and you can change your address, name and/or party affiliation online. The only requirement for registering online is that you have a current and valid Connecticut Driver's License with your Guilford address (you will need to insert your license number there.) This method of registering is available 24/7.

There are 3 ways to be directed to the correct website to do this.

1. Go into the Town of Guilford's website – www.ci.guilford.ct.us, choose Registrar of Voters from the Town Department list, and

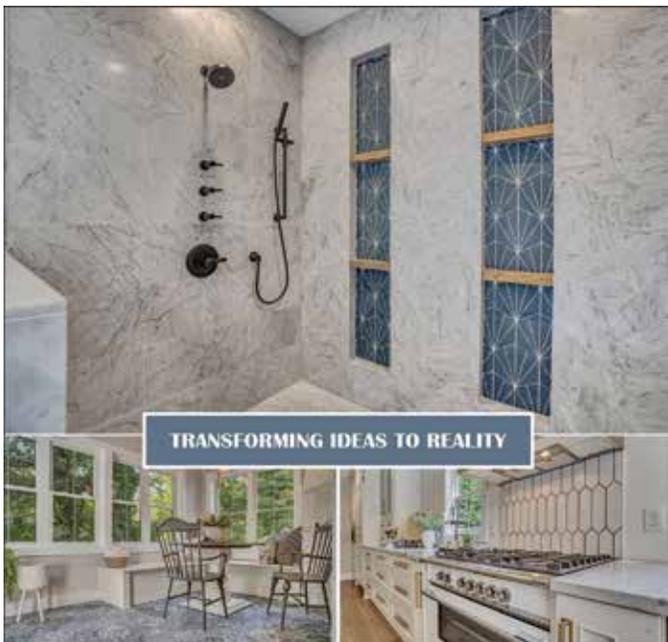
- then "Register to Vote Online" which is located on the left side of that page;
2. Go to the Secretary of the State's website at: www.sots.ct.gov, choose the Elections and Voting tab.
3. Go directly to the website at: www.voterregistration.ct.gov.

ABSENTEE BALLOTS

All absentee ballot processing is handled by the TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE. If you know that you will not be in Guilford on Election Day, November 5, you can submit an application for an absentee ballot to the Town Clerk right now. A ballot will be mailed to you by the Town Clerk when they become available. In order to be counted, completed absentee ballots must be received by the Town Clerk's office by the end of Election Day (8:00 pm.) If you have further questions regarding absentee ballots please call the Town Clerk's office at: 203-453-8001.

PERMANENT ABSENTEE STATUS

We would like to remind you of the availability of permanent absentee ballot status whereupon you will be sent a ballot in the mail automatically. Here is how it works: If you have a disability that prevents you from going to your polling place to vote you may file a request for a permanent absentee ballot and include with that request a letter from your physician which states that



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ELECTION DAY REGISTRATION

If by any chance you have not been able to register to vote before November 5, 2019, you may come to our office, register to vote, and receive a ballot on Election Day.

From the Town Clerk's Office

The Municipal Election will be held on Tuesday, November 5, 2019 and Absentee Ballots become available on Friday, October 4th. An application must be filled out in order to receive a ballot and these are available in the Town Clerk's office. The applications are also available on the Town of Guilford website under the Town Clerk Department. They can be mailed in and a ballot will be sent to the address that is designated on the application as soon as the ballots become

available. Ballots must be returned by November 5th, the day of the election, in order to be counted.

June is **Dog License** month in the State of Connecticut but you can purchase a license for a newly acquired dog all year long. Dogs do not need to be licensed until they are six months old. The fee for a spayed or neutered dog is \$8.00 and unspayed, unneutered animals are \$19.00. We will need to see a current

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Curbside voting is available if you suddenly get ill on Election Day and if for any reason you cannot walk into your polling place-it is not intended to be used every time you want to vote. Two poll workers will come to your vehicle and give you a ballot to fill out. You must call the Registrars' Office at: 203-453-8028 when you are ready to go to the polls so we can set the process in motion and save you time when you get to the polling place.

Lisa Kops and Gloria Nemczuk, Guilford Registrars of Voters

rabies certificate. We will also need to see a certificate stating that the dog has been spayed or neutered. For dog license renewals there is a late fee of \$1.00 per month after June 30. If your dog has lost his tag, a replacement tag may be obtained for fifty cents.

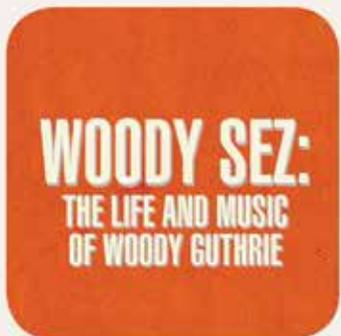
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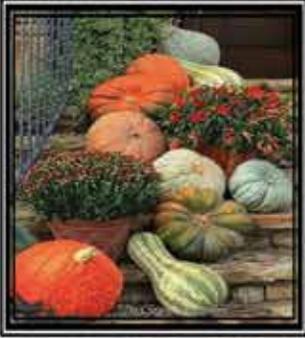
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The Town Clerk's office also offers Notary services. The fee for each notarization is \$5.00, cash or check only, and I.D. is required. We cannot notarize wills, deeds that will be recorded on the Guilford land records, or I-9 forms.

Anna Dwyer, Town Clerk

Economic Development



How is it possible we are into the 4th quarter of 2019? Where did the year go? Needless to say, Guilford remains a great place to live-work-shop-dine and explore! Please continue enjoying all Guilford has to offer.

By the time this issue is distributed, we will have celebrated our second bi-annual Guilford Performing Arts Festival (GPAF) September 26 - 29, 2019. We are confident in stating, all will have enjoyed the 4 days with the 70 performances in 13 venues throughout Guilford. This event included many local, regional, national and internationally recognized performers across multiple forms of music, dance, drama, poetry, storytelling and more. All performances were FREE to the public. We offer many thanks to the generous donors, sponsors and organizations providing grants to enable the free performances. We must recognize and thank the many volunteers who assisted throughout the events. And, a huge thank you to the GPAF committee, particularly William Boughton-Chairman and Peter Hawes-Vice Chairman, and Director of Programming & Marketing. All will be looking forward to the next GPAF in 2021!

In our last Guilford Events Magazine, we noted Panera Bread

was about to open. It successfully opened in July and has been doing well. In fact, they reported their early results were more than 2 times the volume originally forecasted by their site planners. This caused them some short-term growing pains with food quantity, staffing and service levels. However, they are reporting they have made the appropriate adjustments and remain excited about their Guilford location.

Several other businesses have opened or will be opening soon. Box Drop Shoreline moved from Clinton Crossings to 725A Boston Post Road (behind K C's Pub). Box Drop Shoreline sells box springs and mattresses and selected furniture. Hours are still being defined but most of their activity is by appointment. TIGI Hairdressing Academy opened in the Shoreline Plaza. This center is a teaching center for students wanting to become hairstylists, while also offering complete hair care like cuts and coloring. Jersey Mike's Subs also opened in the Shoreline Plaza, offering hot and cold

subs, sides, drinks and desserts. A breakfast menu is available as well as catering services. After many years in Guilford, Sunnyside Up closed due to the retirement of the owners. However, Vietnoms Café opened in the space, offering authentic Vietnamese cuisine. Vietnoms Café prides itself on using fresh ingredients, promoting eco-friendly practices, and a sense of home with an intimate dining space and heart-warming food. Anthony's Restaurant will be re-shaping its location by primarily offering take-out services. However, Soul de Cuba will take over the majority of the space, offering a full service menu. Soul de Cuba is well known in New Haven with the idea of promoting and preserving Afro-Cuban culture through sharing traditional Cuban and African food and art. Some improvement work has begun at the former Supply New England location, which will be the home of Plimpton & Hills, a plumbing supply warehouse and showroom. Although you might notice piles of dirt, sand, stone and equipment on the site now, most is being used as a

staging area for the water company, installing the new water main on Boston Street. More renovation work will be implemented to support Plimpton & Hills. We welcome all of these businesses to Guilford and wish them continued success.

We have been working with St. George Catholic Church and the local merchants, primarily along Whitfield and Water Streets (and the rear locations) to provide additional parking for the merchant's employees within a portion of the St. George Church lot. Agreements in principal have been obtained and we expect to formalize the remaining details in the near future. St. George Church has been very cooperative and supportive. In the words of Father Stephan, "we want to be a good neighbor and be helpful to our community." Although the summer rush is behind us, it will be good to complete this arrangement to support the holiday season and be prepared for the spring season.
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Far left, Tree Lighting and inset above, left to right: Director of Human Resources Mitch Goldblatt, First Selectman Matt Hoey and Finance Director Maryjane Malavasi. Photos courtesy Economic Development.

The annual Tree Lighting event will take place on Friday December 6, 2019. This is always a family friendly fun night. Details are still underway but you can anticipate a delightful night with many of the churches providing food and entertainment, the merchants and restaurants will be ready to greet you after you enjoy a stroll along Broad Street and more.

Should you have any questions, feel free to contact me, Brian McGlone, Economic Development Coordinator at: 203-453-8071 or at: mcgloneb@ci.guilford.ct.us.

Guilford Preservation Alliance Preserves Historic Item from Original Town Hall c.1890

GUILFORD PRESERVATION ALLIANCE

It's the fall season in Guilford, and with it comes age-old traditions like apple picking, pie baking, leaf raking and the approach of Halloween and Thanksgiving. It's at times like these-when family gathers and we are reminded of what makes life special-that we look to the past for inspiration.



Bret Gagne ("Furniture Doctor") left and First Selectman Matt Hoey right with Town Hall auditorium seats, circa 1895.

A PIECE OF GUILFORD HISTORY IS RETURNING TO THE TOWN HALL!

When Town Hall was first built in 1893, the rear of the ground floor included an auditorium with seating for 350 people, says Guilford town historian Joel Helander. Over the years the building was renovated and made bigger. The auditorium was eliminated circa 1947 and the ornate wooden seating was put into storage.

When the Town Hall was renovated again in 1974, the auditorium seating was "up for grabs," and Helander, already in tune with the need for historic preservation, moved three sets of connected seats to his family home on Clapboard Hill Road. They have been there ever since.

Now, with the help of an \$1100.00 preservation fund grant from the Guilford Preservation Alliance, one set of three connected wooden chairs, classic in appearance and quaint in their antiquity, have been restored. All town residents are invited to see and indeed sit, in a piece of Guilford history. They have been placed for resident's use outside the assessor's office in Town Hall. First Selectman Matt Hoey has been a strong supporter of this project.

The chairs are an expression of how the community once gathered. The auditorium was originally used for performances and concerts, high school graduations and was even an exhibit area for the Guilford Agricultural Society's annual fair on the green. But "first and foremost" it was used for town meetings. "Back in the day residents turned out in full force to attend," Helander says.

According to Helander, a performance of the Gilbert and Sullivan musical "The Mikado" was staged in the auditorium in 1907. An article in The Shore Line Times notes the actors were all local residents, including the chorus and orchestra. The photograph herewith was taken by Henry S. Davis in May of 1907. This rare



Above photo from the Guilford Keeping Society Library Collection.

photograph is from the collections of the Guilford Keeping Society. It will be displayed on the wall beside the chairs. Next time you stop by the Town Hall take a seat in a piece of old Guilford!

THANK YOU, VOLUNTEERS!

Guilford Preservation Alliance wants to thank this year’s kiosk volunteers for helping to welcome and inform visitors to and residents of our historic town about all the resources we have to offer. More than 250 people had stopped by the Information Center by early August, so we are expecting to equal or exceed last season’s total of just over 600 by Columbus Day. Your efforts to make Guilford one of the shoreline’s most valued tourist attractions is greatly appreciated.

FIRE ALARM SYSTEM - 1917

In June 1917, a new fire alarm system was installed at Norton’s garage, 78 Boston Street, and connected with the local telephone exchange. When a fire broke out, callers were to notify the Central Telephone office on Whitfield Street, and the operator was to “pull” the alarm.

The borough officials arranged a system of signals for use when the fire whistle was put in commission to inform people of the location of the fire. The apparatus required seventy pounds of compressed air, to blow a signal three times, and was to be powerful and loud enough to be heard all over the borough in any kind of weather condition.

The whistle signals were as follows: Two blasts, around the Green; three blasts, State Street; four blasts, Fair Street; one long and two short blasts, Water Street; one long and three short blasts, Whitfield Street; one long and four short blasts, Boston Street. In addition, one blast at 7:00 o’ clock pm was blown each day as a test. A signal for recall of the fire companies was, at that time, was still being discussed.

In February 1919, the Board of Warden and Burgesses



Clarence E. Norton holding fire hose.

extended the signals to include:
 2-1 - Spencer’s Foundry,
 2-2 - Church Street, 2-3 -
 Knowles-Lombard Co., 1 - Recall.
 Later on, the signal for Park Street
 was added (3 long and 1 short
 blast.)

Chemical extinguishers were provided for public use and were located at the room of Washington Hose Co, over the Davis grocery store; at house of Eagle Hose Co., Whitfield Street, at the homes of Louis Jacobs, lower Whitfield Street; Daniel O’Neil, Upper Church Street, George P. Rolf’s residence, and Fred H. Rolf, Boston Street.

To learn more about the GPA visit:
www.guilfordpreservation.org.
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Children's Programs

REGISTRATION for starred (**) programs began on Tuesday, September 3, at 9:00 am in person, by phone at: 203-453-8282, or online at: www.guilfordfreelibrary.org

SPECIALS

Funded by the Friends of the Guilford Free Library.
Please Register.

**MUTT-I-GREES IN THE LIBRARY

This series uses curriculum developed by The Pet Savers Foundation, North Shore Animal League, and Yale University School of the 21st Century to teach compassion and community with the help of animals. Registration is required for each individual event, and attending multiple events is encouraged. Children under age 9 must be accompanied by an adult, and some events have strict age limits. Generously funded by the Guilford Fund for Education. Check with library for additional information.

Adoptable Shelter Pet Portrait Painting -

Wednesday, Oct. 16th,
from 5:00 - 6:30 pm Teens & adults only

Rescued Pet Photo Contest -

Submit by Oct. 31st
for display/voting in Nov. All ages

Make Blankets for Shelter Pets -

Thursday, Dec. 19th,
from 4:30 - 6:30 pm All ages

GUILFORD COMIC CON

Get ready for a fun, free event that has something for everyone. Are you a kid who loves superheroes? Are you a grownup who loves Pokemon and Harry Potter? Do you like Star Wars, Disney, knights, aliens, Mario, or something else? No matter who you are or what fandom you belong to, you're sure to have fun at our free all-day event for lovers of comics, sci-fi, fantasy, games, & more! We'll have crafts all day, cartooning workshops, live music, vendors of comics, art, face painting, & more.

Saturday, October 12th
from 10:00 am - 4:30 pm All ages (*kids, teens, & grown-ups*)

**TELLABRATION!

Celebrate storytelling with this fabulous story experience. Everyone in the family will find something to love about this great

performance from a renowned storyteller, Margie Warner.
Wednesday, Nov. 6th
from 4:30 - 5:30 pm All ages

**THANKSGIVING STORY & CRAFT

Children will hear a story read by library staff, and volunteer Linda Srebnik of Guilford will help them create a holiday decoration to take home.

Wednesday, Nov. 20th
from 4:30 - 5:30 pm Ages 5 to 8

SERIES

Please Register

****Weekend Wildlife:** One Saturday each month, come to the library to learn about local & global wildlife and meet animals & plants. Check back with the library for dates and themes. Registration required for each individual event.
Saturdays, 10/26, 11/23, & 12/7
from 11:00 am - 12:00 pm Ages 4 & up

****In-Be-Tween:** Join us for one Tuesday each month. Sometimes art, sometimes science, sometimes food, but always a great time! Check back with the library for dates and themes. Registration required for each separate event.
began Sept. 17, continues Oct. 15, Nov. 19, and Dec. 17
from 3:30 - 4:30 pm 5th & 6th graders

****Paws & Read:** Reading can be stressful for children who are struggling with it, and reading to a silent furry partner can help. Sign up for a 15 minute reading slot with one of our licensed therapy dogs. Parent/legal guardian must sign a permission form for their child to be alone in the room with the dog and therapy supervisor.

Chief or Miley & handler Howard Taylor -
Tuesdays, Oct. 15th, Nov. 19th, & Dec. 17th
from 4:00 - 5:00 pm Ages 6 & up

Aubrey & handler Jane Olsen -
Thursdays, began Sept. 5th continues to Nov. 21st
from 4:15 - 5:15 pm Ages 6 & up

Denver & handler Kimber Tanaka -
Saturdays, 10/5, 10/19, 11/2, 11/16
from 10:00 - 11:00 am Ages 6 & up

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****Tots & Tunes:** Come and enjoy a musical program with your toddlers and preschoolers. Dance to great children's music, play musical instruments, and swing scarves. Registration required. *Please only choose one session.*

Tuesdays, began Oct. 1 continues to Nov. 19,

from 10:00 - 10:30 am Ages 0 to 5

OR Wednesdays, began Oct. 2 continues to Nov. 20,

from 10:00 - 10:30 am Ages 0 to 5

****Baby Time:** Meet other parents while you learn about developmental issues and let your babies play together. Free gift for your baby. (No session Columbus Day, Oct. 14th.) (Cosponsored by Guilford Youth and Family Services.)

Mondays, began Oct. 7 continues to Nov. 11

from 9:30 - 10:00 am;

playtime until 10:30 am Ages 0 to 11 months

****One On Ones:** A playful time with songs, stories and poems led by library staff for toddler & parent/caregiver.

Fridays, began Oct. 4 continues to Nov. 8

from 9:30 - 10:00 am;

playtime until 10:30am Ages 12 to 23 months

****Time For Twos:** A parent-child introduction to a traditional story time with books, songs, marching, and more, led by library staff for toddlers & parent/caregiver.

Thursdays, began Oct. 3 continues to Nov. 7

from 9:30-10:00am Ages 24 to 36 months

DROP - IN PROGRAMS

Open To All - Registration Not Required

Crafternoons: Drop in after school and build a craft of your own design using different materials we set out for you. All ages welcome, but children 8 and younger should be accompanied by an adult for these self-guided projects.

Wednesdays, began 9/18, continues 10/9, 11/13, 12/18

drop in from 3:30 - 6:30 pm All ages

LEGO® Club: One Friday a month, build theme-based projects and put them on display in the children's room.

began Sept. 13, continues Oct. 18, Nov. 8, & Dec. 6

from 4:00 - 5:00 pm Kindergarten & up

Books-In-A-Nook: Listen to stories read in a quiet corner of the Children's Room. Community volunteers or library staff will read to you from new books and the library's special story collection.

Wednesdays, began Sept. 4 continues to Dec. 11

from 11:00 - 11:30 am All ages

Storytime: Join us for songs, stories, and puppets from the library's special storytelling collection.

Thursdays, Oct. 10 - Nov. 21

from 11:00 - 11:30 am

Ages 3 & up

Pop-In-Playtime: Meet other parents and let your children play together in the library's preschool play area.

Tuesdays and Wednesdays, began Sept. 3 continues to Nov. 27

from 10:30 - 11:30 am All ages

Registration for December programs begins Tuesday, November 12th at 9:00 am.

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Teen Programs

MEAN GIRLS MINI CANVAS ART

7th graders and up, Thursday, October 3 from 3:30 to 5:00 pm.

Happy Mean Girls Day! Watch the movie while making Mean Girls themed art on a mini canvas. Please note: Mean Girls is rated PG-13. This program is free and open to students in grades 7 to 12, however if your child is younger and allowed to watch the movie, they are more than welcome to sign up. Registration required.

ZOMBIE MAKEUP WORKSHOP

5th graders and up, Monday, October 7 from 3:30 to 5:00 pm.

Night walkers, we are coming for you! Learn how to create your own zombie effects in this fun and informative hands-on workshop! Makeup artists from Tainted Inc. will teach you how to use face paints and everyday household items to turn yourself (or someone else!) into a night walking Zombie! They will show you how to use and apply these items to create texture and interest on the face and body. All supplies provided. Registration required.

Please note: We will be using Liquid Latex to create these effects on the face and body - Those with latex allergy should not participate in this workshop.

GUILFORD COMIC CON

All ages, Saturday, October 12 from 10:00 am to 4:30 pm. Are you a grownup who loves superheroes and Harry Potter? Are you a kid who loves anime and comics? Is Star Wars totally your thing? Do you love to dress up as your favorite pop culture character? No matter who you are or what fandom you belong to, you're sure to have fun at our free all-day event for lovers of comics, sci-fi, fantasy, games, and more! No registration required.

WHY CHOOSE A COMMUNITY COLLEGE?

All students and parents, Wednesday, October 16 at 7:00 pm. As the price of college continues to soar, as more and more students continue to pile on student loan debt, where can the students of tomorrow find another higher education solution that meets their needs? Community colleges can provide affordability, easier admissions process, flexibility, smaller campus, easy transitioning, post-degree options, networking opportunities and hands-on experience. Explore the community college option and learn more.

Presented by Bernard Shea, Assistant Director of Admissions, Housatonic Community College. Bernard has 15+ years of experience in Admissions (University of Bridgeport/Mitchell College) and the Student Loan industry (Connecticut Student Loan Foundation/Academic Finance Corporation.) Registration required.

PRACTICE SAT & ACT EXAMS

High school students, Saturday, October 19 from 10:00 am to 1:30 pm. C2 Education of Fairfield will host free practice SAT and ACT exams. You may bring a calculator and snacks. Please let us know which test you are taking when you sign up! Registration required.

HARRY POTTER AND THE SORCERER'S STONE INTERACTIVE MOVIE

5th graders and up, Monday, October 21 from 3:30 to 6:00 pm. Experience Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone as you never have before! While you watch the film, you will participate in different tasks using props, food, and more depending on what's happening on screen. All props will be provided. Registration required.

DAY OF THE DEAD WREATH

5th graders and up, Friday, October 25 from 3:30 to 4:30 pm. Create a Day of the Dead inspired wreath using fake flowers and other decorative materials. Registration required.

HARRY POTTER MURDER MYSTERY

5th graders and up, Tuesday, October 29 from 3:30 to 4:30 pm. There's been a murder at Hogwarts! Can you figure out whodunit? Discover the culprit in this interactive live-action murder mystery game. We need actors to play the parts of some of our characters! Parts are assigned on a first come, first serve basis. Choose from: Harry Potter, Ron Weasley, Hermione Granger, Draco Malfoy, Ginny Weasley, Pansy Parkinson, and Neville Longbottom. Don't want a speaking part, but still want a character? Let us know! There are 8 supporting characters to choose from that can be assigned to you. Registration required.

COLLEGE4LESS

Tuesday, October 29 from 6:30 to 8:00 pm. College4Less of North Haven will present a free workshop for college financial planning. The workshop will discuss the FAFSA and other college forms, how to lower "out-of-pocket" costs, how to receive the best financial aid packages, and strategies on how to pay for college without student loans. Registration required.

BEAT SABER VR

5th graders and up, Monday, November 4 from 3:30 to 4:30 pm. Play Beat Saber on our virtual reality headset. Registration required.

ESCAPE THE LIBRARY

All ages, Thursday, November 7-Saturday November 9 at various time slots. Can you escape the room? Put your puzzle-solving skills to the test to find hidden clues and use them to find your way out of the room in this interactive live-action game. Registration required.

HARRY POTTER STARFINDER

All ages, Tuesday, November 12 at 7:00 pm. Join Dr. Kristine Larsen for a night of Harry Potter themed star gazing. Use the Library's telescope to view the night sky. Registration required.

PRACTICE SAT AND ACT EXAMS

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KEEP TALKING AND NOBODY EXPLODES

5th graders and up, Thursday, November 21 from 3:30 to 4:30 pm. Play this interactive virtual reality game. Put your puzzle solving and communication skills to the test as you and your friend's race to defuse bombs while attempting to communicate quickly before time runs out! Registration required.

SLOPPY JOES

5th graders and up, Thursday, December 5 from 3:30 to 4:30 pm. Learn how to make sloppy joes from scratch! Registration required.

A VERY HARRY CHRISTMAS

5th graders and up, Wednesday, December 11 from 3:30 to 4:30 pm. Paint wooden ornaments with a Harry Potter theme and enjoy watching a Harry Potter film while you paint. Registration required.

Adult Programs

ONGOING PROGRAMS

Book a Lawyer - Free 15-minute legal consultations offered most Monday evenings in October, November, and December from 6:30 to 7:30 pm. (No session October 14 / Library closed) Call the Reference desk at: 203-453-8282 for more information

Book Buzz - Join us the second Tuesday of each month at 11:00 am (October 8, November 12, December 10) to discuss the latest books. No registration necessary, just drop in!

BOOKS, MUSIC & MORE

October 1 The Lafayette Trail: Mapping General Lafayette's Farewell Tour in the United States (1824-1825) with Julien Icher, 7:00 pm

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| October 3 | Edith B. Nettleton Lecture: Great Myths and Simple Sayings of the Colonists with Mike McBride, 7:00 pm | November 21 | Metropolitan Opera Talk, Akhnaten with speaker Paul Hawkshaw, 7:00 pm |
| October 8 | The Yorkshire Dales: From Herriot to Home with stone wall artisan Andrew Pighills, 7:00 pm | December 3 | Woodstock remembered with Craig Harris, 6:30 pm |
| October 9 | Mark Schenker Book Discussion, 7:00 pm | December 4 | Book Talk-Imperial Intimacies: A Tale of Two Islands by Hazel V. Carby, 7:00 pm |
| October 10 | Metropolitan Opera Talk, Turandot with speaker Marc Verzatt 7:00 pm | December 5 | Edith B. Nettleton Lecture: A Presentation on Capt. Oliver N. Brooks by Joel Helander, 7:00 pm |
| October 10 | Guilford Poets Guild Second Thursday Poetry Reading, 7:00 pm | December 12 | Guilford Poets Guild Second Thursday Poetry Reading, 7:00 pm |
| October 12 | Comicon, fun for all ages, 10:00 am to 4:00 pm | December 14 | Moses Gunn Play Co. Christmas Reading, 2:00 pm |
| October 15 | How Beer Is Made And How To Appreciate It with Two Roads Brewmaster Phil Markowski, 7:00 pm | December 18 | Dennis Culliton talk on Slavery, 7:00 pm |
| October 16 | Why Choose a Community College? 7:00 pm | SPECIAL EVENTS | |
| October 17 | Gifford Pinchot Talk by Bibi Gaston, 7:00 pm | Friends of the Holiday Book Sale | |
| October 22 | Metropolitan Opera Talk, Manon with speaker Marc Verzatt | Thursday, December 5 | |
| October 24 | Library Annual Meeting, 7:00 pm | Friday, December 6 | |
| October 26 | Moses Gunn Play Co., 2:00 pm | Saturday, December 7 | |
| October 29 | Art Talk: Matisse and his Motifs with Marcie Slepian, 1:30 to 3:00 pm | FILMS | |
| October 29 | College4Less talk, 7:00 pm | Monday Night Movies: A film every Monday evening at 7:00 pm (Library closed October 14) Check our website www.guilfordfreelibrary.org for current listings. | |
| October 30 | CRISPR Update with Carl Zimmer, 7:00 pm | TECHNOLOGY | |
| November 6 | Writing Injustice Book Discussion, "Washington Black" 7:00 pm | "Book a Librarian" - Free technology and research assistance is available by appointment every Tuesday and Thursday morning. Address the topic of your choice in a one-on-one session with a professional librarian. | |
| November 7 | Metropolitan Opera Talk, Madama Butterfly with Janna Baty | Small group computer classes and drop-in sessions are regularly scheduled throughout the year. Check www.guilfordfreelibrary.org for the most current listings. | |
| November 13 | Mark Schenker Book Discussion, 7:00 pm | Guilford Free Library | |
| November 14 | Guilford Poets Guild Second Thursday Poetry Reading, 7:00 pm | 203-453-8282 | |
| November 19 & 21 | Witness Stones Project Workshop, 6:00 to 7:30 pm | www.guilfordfreelibrary.org | |
| November 20 | Edith B. Nettleton Lecture: WWI Soldiers Charter Members Post #48 American Legion with Tracy Tomaselli, 4:00 pm & 7:00 pm | | |



Guilford Lakes Golf Course

Another golf season comes to a close and we can't believe how fast it went. The fall is considered to be the best time to play in beautiful New England. The leaves are turning, the grass is green and the air is fresh. We all enjoyed another wonderful golf season and the worldwide statistics are proving that golf is once again on the rise and growing across the board. New golfers and families discovered Guilford's finest recreational resource at Guilford Lakes Golf Course. Our course was voted "Best CT Public Golf Course" on the shoreline for the third year in a row, proving that, it is indeed, a special venue to be enjoyed for many years to come by golfers of all levels of ability. Thank you all for your continued support and may you all have a happy and safe off season. See you in the spring.



PARKS AND RECREATION / YOUTH AND FAMILY SERVICES

Shoreline Haunted Hayride: October 25 & October 26 6:30 -9:30 pm at 290 Forest Road Northford (Augur Property). Guilford Parks and Recreation along with Branford Recreation Department, North Branford Parks and Recreation, Soundview YMCA, and the Ben Callahan Foundation present a haunted hayride! Tickets are on sale now! For more information visit our website at: www.guilfordparkrec.com.

Halloween Spooktacular sponsored by Guilford Youth & Family Services, Guilford Parks and Recreation and Guilford D.A.Y will take place on Sunday, October 27th 2:00 - 4:00 pm on the Guilford Green: Entertainment and activities would include: DJ by Mr. John “Cadillac” Saville; moon bounce, clowns, magician, Ashley’s Ice Cream Sundaes, trunk or treat and more. Park Street would be utilized for the trunk or treat. Interested in registering your “Trunk?” Residents, businesses and community groups are invited to take part in decorating your car, van or truck in a family friendly and spooky themed; pass out prepackaged candy and your approved promotional items - register today at: guilfordparkrec.com program #41106.



Spooktacular!
Photo courtesy Parks and Recreation.

Guilford High School Theatre Arts

Guilford High School Theatre Arts presents 12 Angry Jurors on November 7, 8 and 9, 7:00 pm at the Guilford High School. Visit <http://ghsta.weebly.com/> for ticket information.

Back To School



Art courtesy Social Services.

Thank you to every person, business and organization who donated to our annual Back to School Program! This program is essential in

providing school age children in Guilford from low income families with a variety of school supplies, back packs, lunch boxes, new shoes and haircuts.

Every year, the Guilford community is very generous in their support and we had again a large number of donations this year. Donations came from the Guilford Foundation and the Youth Advisory Group, Walmart, Guilford Savings Bank, Guilford Seniors, Women Recreating Retirement Group, Temple Beth Tikvah, First Congregational Church, Sightlines LLC and many others. Donations also came from private groups, families and individuals who all brought in school supplies. All were very much needed and appreciated. It shows how the Guilford

community and beyond really cares and takes an interest in helping their neighbors in need.

You all have made it possible for Guilford students in less fortunate circumstances to start the new school year on equal footing with their peers. This not only empowers, but also strengthens the positive values of Guilford youth in our community.

Guilford Social Services Staff:
Tammy DeFrancesco, Danielle Scheltens and Kristin Jones

Join SARAH Inc. at the Movies

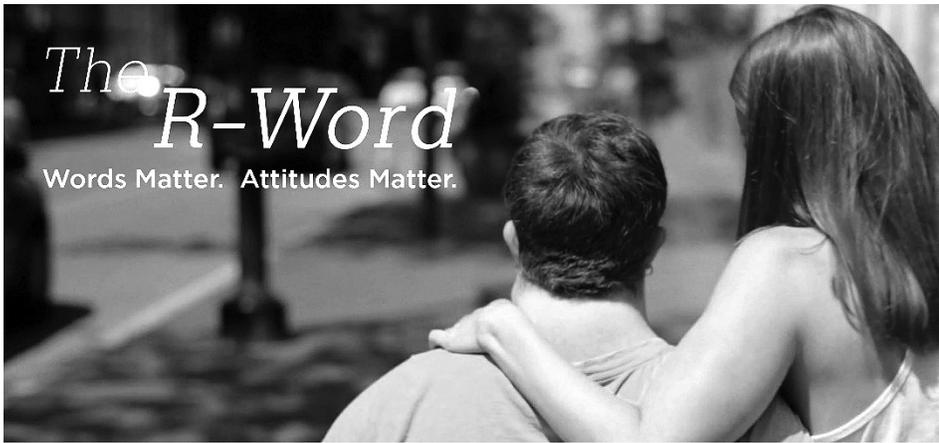


Photo provided by SARAH Inc.,
courtesy of *The R-word* Production.

On Sunday, October 6th at 3:00 pm get ready for some tasty popcorn and a delicious soft drink because SARAH Inc. is going to the movies and we want you to come with us! SARAH Inc. is hosting a film premiere of *The R-Word* at The Katharine Hepburn Cultural Arts Theater in Old Saybrook. This is an exciting opportunity to partner with the R-word Productions, Foxwoods

Resort & Casino, and The Mashantucket Pequot Museum in an event designed to bring our local communities together and to help raise awareness around the negative impacts of the everyday use of the R-word in society.

The R-Word film is a purposeful look into the long-reaching history and lasting implications of the word retard(ed) and

current attitudes and perceptions about people with intellectual and developmental disabilities. This film is an unflinching, heartwarming, humorous, and hopeful journey through out shared human experience.

Through captivating animation sequences, the personal narrative of four sibling stories, and the first-person accounts of self-advocates, we get an intimate and nuanced perspective of the challenges and triumphs of people living with an intellectual disability.

After the film ends all movie goers are invited to a light reception with complimentary hors d'oeuvres and drinks. Tickets for this showing are available on The Kate's website. For more information on this event please email to: marketing@sarah-inc.org or call 860-399-1888 ext 324! We look forward to seeing everyone there.

Five Garden Myths

MYTH 1 It's October...it's too late to plant

This is a great time to plant perennials, trees and shrubs. Fall plantings have the advantage of establishing roots in cool temperatures, accompanied by usually abundant rainfall. They are ready to grow as soon as soil and air temperatures warm in the spring. The good root system developed in the fall will help the plants to be more resilient to the first summer heat and drought than their just planted spring counterparts. Of course, mums and spring flowering bulbs should also be planted now.

MYTH 2 It's too late to fertilize

For trees, shrubs, and vines, September through mid-October is a preferred time to fertilize. Even though the above ground portion of the plant is approaching dormancy, the roots are still actively growing. An organic based, low nitrogen fertilizer is most effective, as it has a slow release of nutrients. Younger plants need proportionately more fertilizer than old, established plants. Time your fertilizer before a rain storm, or water thoroughly.

Lawns benefit from fall lime and fertilizer application. It is best to lime first, then wait three weeks before fertilizing.

MYTH 3 Pollinators aren't active in the fall

Yes the monarchs (and most other butterflies) are gone. But

honeybees, some native bees, flies and beetles are still active. It is important to plan your landscape to include some late blooming perennials and woody ornamentals to ensure the pollinators can find food into the fall.

MYTH 4 Deer, squirrels and chipmunks eat my bulbs and flowers

When in doubt, plant daffodils! These hardy bulbs naturalize and multiply in the garden. Neither the bulbs nor the flowers are a favored food of deer or rodents. They are easy to grow, satisfying, and stand up to the "spring surprise" of inclement weather and late snowstorms.

MYTH 5 Leaves are bad for my lawn

In fact, leaves are a good source of nutrients, trace elements, and organic matter for your lawn. They do, however, need to be mulched, which can be easily accomplished with your regular lawn mowing routine.

Research by scientists at the Ag Station have shown that oak leaves do not adversely affect the pH of the soil, and are just as beneficial as maple or other "sweet" trees.

Leigh, Village Horticulturist

Guilford Seniors Annual Craft Fair

This year's Annual Craft Fair will be held at the Community Center on Saturday, October 26, from 9:00 am - 2:00 pm.

The seniors have been working hard all year on beautiful holiday and everyday decorations. You can find things like various sewn creations, children's intrigues, dog and cat toys, garments, as well as charming knitted & crocheted sweaters, hats, etc. Delicious cakes & cookies will

be available for sale at the bake table. Popular gently used jewelry and books tables are expected to again be well stocked, as well as the 50/50 raffle and Chance Auction.

Breakfast & lunch will be prepared by the Senior Kitchen staff and will be available at a reasonable cost. Everyone is invited to do some early holiday and gift shopping, don't forget the children

so they can do their shopping also.

The Guilford annual Senior Craft and holiday fair is a major fund raiser for important Senior and Community programs. Independent vendors, contact Pat Cahill at: 203-483-6535 for more information. For more general information about the fair, contact Guilford Seniors at: 203-453-8068 or buckleyt@ci.guilford.ct.us.

Heartworm Disease

Heartworm disease is a serious and potentially fatal mosquito-transmitted disease in animals. It is caused by foot-long worms (heartworms) that live in the heart, lungs and associated blood vessels. These worms cause severe lung disease, heart failure and damage to other organs in the body.

Heartworm disease affects dogs and cats, but heartworms also live in other mammals, including coyotes and foxes. These wild animals serve as a reservoir for the disease in our area. There has been a 21% increase in the average number of cases seen nationwide over the past 6 years.

The heartworm disease cycle starts when a mosquito bites an infected host and picks up the baby heartworms (microfilaria.) These mature in the mosquito and become infective after 10 days. When that mosquito bites another animal, the microfilaria are transmitted to that animal and will mature into adult heartworms over the next 6 months. Mature heartworms can live for 5 to 7 years in dogs. During this time they inflict irreversible damage to the heart, lungs and blood vessels and are also a source for further spread of the disease.

Luckily, we have preventive medications that can keep pets safe. These can be monthly pills or topicals and also long acting injections. The American Heartworm Society wants us to "Think 12": use preventive medication 12 months a year and test your dog every 12 months.

You may be wondering why a dog needs to be tested if they are on year-round prevention. Missing just one dose of a monthly medication-or giving it late-can leave a dog unprotected. Even if you do everything right and on time, it's no guarantee. Some dogs spit out their heartworm pills when their owners aren't looking. Others may vomit their pills or rub off a topical heartworm medication. Annual testing is also done to ensure the prevention program is

working. Heartworm medications are highly effective, but nothing is 100% and dogs can still become infected. Yearly testing ensures that infected pets will be detected early so that treatment may be completed before extensive damage occurs. If your pet has been off his preventives or has missed doses, your pet should be tested prior to restarting preventives since a rare but serious allergic reaction can occur when an infected dog is given preventive. Be sure to have your pet tested every year and speak to your veterinarian about preventive options that work best for you and your pet.

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October 3, 7:00 pm

TALK-Great Myths & Simple Sayings

Discover the truth behind persistent historical myths and the origins of popular sayings people have been using for centuries in this free talk at the Guilford Free Library by Henry Whitfield State Museum Curator and Site Administrator Michael McBride.

Were New England's English colonists religious, short people who dressed only in black and white clothes and died in their 40s? Why do we say 'sleep tight, don't let the bed bugs bite' when people go to bed? Bring your favorite myths and sayings to add to the fun. Register to attend on the library's website: www.guilfordfree.library.org.

October 20, 10:00 am - 4:30 pm

STATE MUSEUM SUNDAY

Free admission for Connecticut residents at any of the four State Museums on the third Sunday of the month. This is the last State Museum Sunday of 2019.

October 26, 10:00 am - 4:30 pm

HALLOWEEN AT HENRY'S

The lights will be off in Connecticut's oldest house, so bring a flashlight to explore - even the basement, which may have surprises for visitors brave enough to venture there. Craft gravestones and gargoyles out of clay, see displays on the Guilford Green graveyards, the Whitfield connection to the Salem witch trials, and the origins of Halloween traditions, ... and candy!

November 5, 10:00 am - 4:30 pm

"I VOTED" Free Admission Day

Visit the museum on Election Day and receive free admission if you're wearing your "I Voted" sticker.

November 29, 10:00 am - 4:30 pm

HARVESTING HISTORY

Thanksgiving Friday is the perfect time to visit Connecticut's own Pilgrim-era museum. Taste 17th-century English and Native American foods, touch 17th-century English and Native American reproductions, hear hourly readings of the Pilgrim Cat storybook, write with a quill pen to "Make Your Marke," learn about

the myths and origins of our Thanksgiving traditions in the Holiday display, and take a self-guided tour of the 1639 Whitfield House.

December 6, 4:00 am - 8:00pm

FIRELIGHT FESTIVAL

Spend an evening at Connecticut's oldest house with festive luminaria, lanterns, and outdoor fires. Enjoy roasted marshmallows and chestnuts, popcorn, hot cocoa, mulled cider, readings of *The Night Before Christmas*, self-guided tours of the 1639 Whitfield House after dark, the origins of Christmas traditions in the Holiday display, and pine cone ornament crafts. No rain/snow date.

December 7-8, 10:00 am - 4:30 pm

PAST & PRESENT(s)

Stop by the museum gift shop during these special hours for unique holiday gift ideas in a relaxed, festive atmosphere while listening to historical Christmas instrumental music. It's free to browse and enjoy, but we can't promise you won't be tempted to buy something. Gift shop purchases support the museum and its programs.

Women & Family Life Center

October 20, 2019 | 5:00 - 8:30 pm

25TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION OF MEN

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Since the beginning, Men Who Cook has been and continues to be a significant and meaningful part of the W&FLC story. Over 25 years, this event has grown to become our largest annual fundraiser with all of the proceeds benefiting the women and families of the CT Shoreline. We hope you will join us on October 20th for the 25th Anniversary celebration event. Tickets can be purchased through our website at www.womenandfamilylife.org or by calling the Women & Family Life Center at: 203-458-6699.

October 28, 2019 | 7:00 pm

A COMMUNITY CONVERSATION: About the many forms of control, abuse and life after domestic violence trauma

First Congregational Church, 122 Broad St, Guilford, CT.

This event is open and free to the public.

In recognition of October as Domestic Violence Awareness Month, the Women and Family Life Center in partnership with the Umbrella Center for Domestic Violence Services, a program of BH Care, are proud to present a community conversation about the many forms of control, abuse and life after trauma. We are excited to announce that we will host Connecticut author of *To Vegas and Back*, Suzanne Krauss. Her book recounts her experience with domestic violence as a child and her mother's experience and how she has overcome adversity through honesty, resiliency and the power of the human spirit. Krauss now lives in Westport with her family. The event will be moderated by State Senator Mae Flexer, who has led the movement to reduce instances of domestic violence statewide by introducing and passing key legislation throughout her career in the General Assembly. There will be time for the public to ask questions during the program.

Visit our town website at:
<http://www.ci.guilford.ct.us/>

Human Trafficking – Our Problem to Solve

Publisher's Note:

This is Part 2 of a special three-part series in Guilford Events Magazines. In Part 1 (available on our website), we began to examine human trafficking - specifically domestic minor human trafficking - and how it is a very real backyard issue in CT. This was highlighted by a human trafficking sting operation conducted by the Guilford Police Department in January of 2018. In this article, we examine just how vulnerable our children are as well as the toll that this insidious crime has on those impacted. Special thanks to **Madison Just**, a recent graduate of Valley Regional High School for her diligent work in researching this topic, conducting interviews, and drafting these reports. Many thanks also to **Chief Jeffrey Hutchinson and Lieutenant Timothy Bernier** of the Guilford Police Department and **State's Attorney Brian Sibley** for their open discussion about human trafficking and the ongoing efforts being made in Connecticut to confront the issue.

The Risk is at Our Fingertips

The truth is that any child can be trafficked, and the basic systems we use every day are the resources. All social media platforms, including Facebook, dating apps, other platforms like Xbox and PlayStation, and any laptop are potential means to a human trafficking scheme. The innocence of children provokes curiosity. They tend to trust anyone with whom they interact, making them more susceptible to accidentally connecting with a criminal. As Chief Hutchinson notes, "Sometimes [children] do not have a lot of friends and are looking for someone to connect with." The anonymous factor of being behind a keyboard or device makes the potential victim more likely to do or say something that they would never do in person.

There is increased risk to youth because there is not always a way to track the exploiters or buyers. Indeed, according to CT Department of Children and Families (CT DCF), 80% of youth trafficking occurs online. People can communicate with people and they have no idea who the other person really is. As Hutchinson explains, "The crime does not take place out on the streets...instead it is being brought into houses electronically. With platforms via the internet, a trafficker can be sitting in a basement, be anywhere." A smart device can have hidden apps or hidden storage locations that link to other platforms where the grooming and trafficking occurs. Something as simple as sending a photo via text can bring a trafficker closer to a child since the metadata embedded in the text provides him/her with geo-location information.

The nature and extent of child sex trafficking in CT is shocking. The CT DCF reports that, in 2017 and 2018, there were 210 and

212 referrals, respectively, of children at high risk or confirmed trafficking victims. No part of CT is without a victim. No town or neighborhood in CT is safe. Children become a trafficker's property and are treated as such. Sometimes there are no obvious outward signs of that connection. In other cases, children have even been tattooed (in some cases with barcodes on the back of their necks) to link them to a specific trafficker. It takes less than 30 minutes for a child to be "sold" and end up in a home or motel. And if the visit with the child takes too long or not enough money is brought back, the child may be beaten. A child may be "sold" 5-25 times a night. Victims in CT have been as young as 2 years old. Attorney Sibley, the lead state prosecutor for human trafficking investigations in CT, notes that often the only way for a child to get through the trauma is via drugs and alcohol - the escape tools. Addiction can follow.

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explains Chief Jeffrey Hutchinson of the GPD.

A victim speaks

Domestic minor sex trafficking isn't about runaways. CT DCF statistics show that 63% of victims reside with a parent/guardian at the time of exploitation. The trafficking often occurs on weekends or after school. This March at the Tolland Middle School a panel of experts in the field spoke about human

trafficking and the toll it takes. Among the panel members was a survivor who was there to tell her story.

The woman, now 22, reported sex abuse by a family member in 2008. Nothing happened. Her parents "made it all go away." She felt alone, not worthy of kindness. She met a man online. He told her how beautiful she was, how he loved her. He asked about her sporting events. As time went on, he asked for photos. Then, it was videos. Then, it was sex acts and videos for the man and his friends. From age 13 to 15, she was groomed and then trafficked.

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“Some days are very hard,” the young woman noted. “I feel very hopeless, very broken. I felt like I would always feel broken. I had to remind myself that someday I would sit with someone similar and be able to say that this passes. You won’t feel like that forever.” For a long time, she felt like she was just a body. “I learned that I am so much more than that,” she explained. A slogan was developed: ‘You are Seen.’ Found on wristbands, stickers and t-shirts, it serves as a message for those wearing them. “Remember to be looking,” she urges. “When you are looking at people never assume someone else is doing something about it. You can be surprised what can be missed. I share since I hope this won’t be someone else’s story.” As to her continued recovery, she credits “the dramatic difference it makes in a life when you see a person as something of value.”

Attorney Sibley emphasizes that the young woman is a reminder

that the victims of sex trafficking are actual human lives. Many victims - traumatized to the core - are unable to be in a courtroom to face the perpetrator because it is simply too difficult to talk about the horror. “There is a human being at the other end of this,” he underscores. “When you are face to face with a victim, it is indescribable. If you can get the victim out of the situation and on a path to recovery, where they get their self-esteem back, where they know that someone cares about them - then to watch that transformation is indescribable.”

If you are being trafficked or you suspect someone you know is being trafficked, please call:

For trafficking of children in Connecticut:

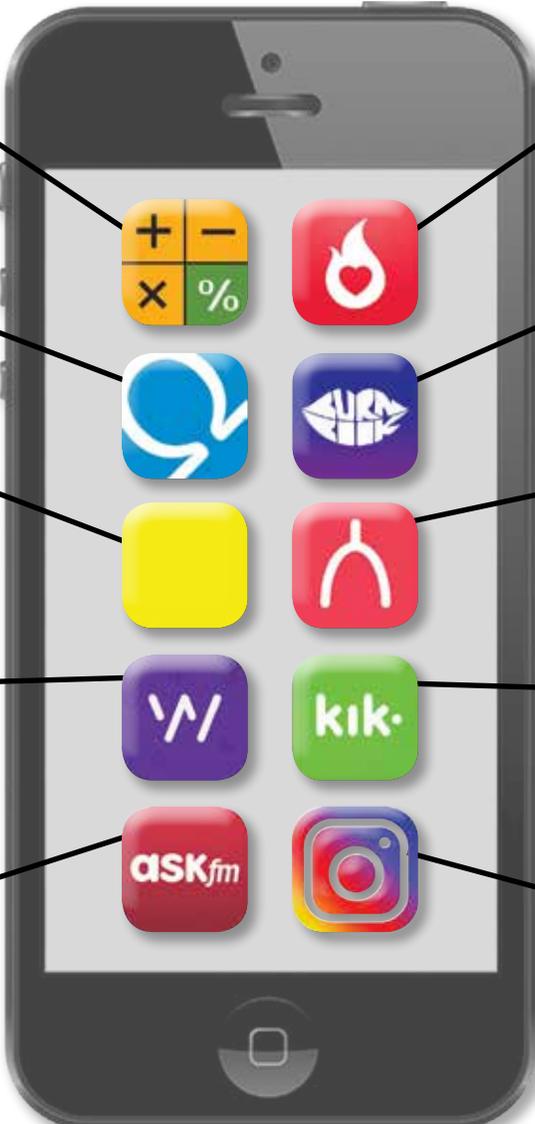
1-800-842-2288

For the national human trafficking hotline:

1-888-373-7888

Important tips for recognizing the signs of domestic minor sex trafficking

APPS TEENS ARE USING:



Calculator%
This app looks like a calculator but functions like a secret photo vault.

Hot or Not
Strangers rate your profile. Goal is to lead to a hook up.

Omegle
A free online chat website that promotes chatting anonymously to strangers.

Burn Book
Post anonymous rumors about people through audio messages, texts, and photos.

Yellow
This app is designed to allow teens to flirt with each other in a Tinder-like atmosphere.

Wishbone
An app that allows users to compare kids against each other and rate them on a scale.

Whisper
An anonymous app where the creators promote sharing secrets and meeting new people.

Kik
Messaging app. Kik has built in apps and web content that would be filtered on home computer.

Ask.fm
Ask an anonymous question and get an answer. This app has been linked to the most severe forms of cyberbullying.

Instagram
Many kids are now creating fake accounts to hide content from parents. Kids also like to text using Instagram.

SNEAKY TEEN TEXTING CODES

What your teen's texts *really* mean.

- LH6 = let's have sex
- KYS = kill yourself
- CD9 = code 9 . parents around
- 99 = parents are gone
- LMIRL = let's meet in real life
- MPFB = my personal f*** buddy
- ASL = age/sex/location
- KOTL = kiss on the lips
- HAK = hugs & kisses
- KPC = keeping parents clueless
- 1174 = meet at a party spot
- ADR = what's your address
- GYPO = get ya pants off
- CU46 = see you for sex
- WTTP = want to trade photos?
- GNOC = get naked on camera

Trim these items out for your own information.

Warning! Online Predator

A guide for discussion with your children.

Below are common tactics that are used by predators.

For more information see our 'Toolbox' Visit: www.Vets4ChildRescue.org
Veterans for Child Rescue, 501c3: End Trafficking Now

PREDATOR SAYS

WHAT IT MEANS

What are you doing right now?	Predator trying to see if you're alone or with others.
Let's go private.	Let's go private chat, messaging or phone call.
Do you like music? What do you like to do?	Helps predator know your vulnerabilities.
Can I help you become a model?	Making you feel "special" to get what they want.
Are you upset?	Trying to gain your trust, acting like they truly care.
Where do you live? What school do you go to?	Predator feels you trust them enough to ask.
Do what I say, or I will send the pics to family and friends.	Predators use fear to make you do what they want.
I love you.	Predator wants you to meet with him.



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Falling for Fall Events at the Dudley Farm Museum



The summer season has come to a close. Kids are back in school. But The Dudley Farm Museum is as busy as ever. Here's what's happening for the remainder of 2019 as we celebrate our 25th year:

OCTOBER 19TH: Harvest Day!

Our annual day-long festival with activities for all is ably co-chaired by Bill Black and Donna Lowell. Spoon carving, sauerkraut making, and corn shelling are just a few of our demonstrations, while kids will have a variety of activities to keep them busy and interested in life on a 19th century farm. In keeping with the theme we will be collecting items for the Guilford Food Bank. And if it rains, then it will be combined with:

OCTOBER 26TH: Our annual Halloween Party hosted by the vendors of our Farmers' Market.

This is also the final summer market of the year. Always, fun, come in costume and don't forget to say, "Trick or Treat!"

DECEMBER 7TH, 8TH, AND 14TH: Holiday Open House.

Vendors will be in the Munger Barn, and refreshments and music in the house. A great opportunity to purchase unique gifts for friends, family, and you! The Dudley Farmhouse will again provide refreshments, carols and smiles to all who attend.

AND LOOKING AHEAD...

Our team of Maple Syrup Producers will be sugaring off in our sugar house when the sap begins to run in early spring. Keep an eye on our web page at: www.dudleyfarm.com, Facebook page, and our Dudley Farm Doings email for details as they develop.

AND AS ALWAYS -

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Thursday, Friday and Saturday, October 3-5

Thurs & Fri 10am-6pm; Sat 10:00 am - 4:00 pm

Designers Circus fills the Gallery with a wide selection of unique and creative clothing and accessories for the fall and winter seasons. This Boston-based, under-the-radar fashion and accessories event features unique items by scores of designers and wholesale prices 50-90% below retail. Admission is free.



SOUP FOR GOOD - Annual Savory Gathering to Benefit Guilford Art Center and the Guilford Food Bank
Sunday, November 10, 4:30 - 6:30 pm at the Guilford Art Center's School & Pottery Studio

Pick out your one-of-a-kind handcrafted ceramic bowl, made by GAC potters, and enjoy soup, bread, dessert and glass of wine or



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sparkling water. Bring your family and friends to this warm event! For ticket information visit www.guilfordartcenter.org or call 203-453-5947.

ARTISTRY - Holiday Shopping at Guilford Art Center
November 1 - January 5, Open 7 days a week

GAC is the most unique holiday shopping destination on the shoreline! Featuring craft work by over 200 American artist and makers. Proceeds benefit GAC and members receive 10% off purchases throughout the show. Opening Reception, Friday, Nov. 1.

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Integrative medicine complements conventional cancer treatment. It focuses on the whole person - mind, body and spirit, and can help many patients find relief from pain, neuropathy and other cancer-related symptoms. Patients who are cared for by Middlesex Health Cancer Center in Middletown and Westbrook can choose from acupuncture, reflexology, massage therapy and more.

The local community has donated more than \$215,000 to goPINK since 2010, which has helped more than 1,200 cancer patients receive free integrative medi-cine therapy. To learn more about the month of activities visit: gopinkproject.com.

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Longtime Whalers radio broadcaster Chuck Kaiton leads pre-game ceremony with Whaler Alums at Yard Goats Alumni Weekend. Photo courtesy Hartford Yard Goats.



The iconic logo is omnipresent. There are Hartford Whalers hats, t-shirts, and sweatshirts seemingly everywhere. It doesn't take much to get the conversation going. Bumping into someone with Whalers' gear spawns a trading of stories, a bonding moment full of laughs and nostalgia. Why do we still care so much, yearn for the past, and continue to hope for the future?

Alums like Chuck Kaiton, the beloved voice of the Whalers and John Forslund, former Whalers PR director/television broadcaster and now television broadcaster for the Carolina Hurricanes and NBC, provide some answers.

They fondly recall the Whalers as a pioneering organization that focused its efforts around the community and the fans. Together, they can compile a number of firsts: the first National Hockey League (NHL) team to earmark a charity as its own (the UConn Children's Cancer Fund); the first NHL team to have a team store right in the arena; the first NHL team to boast a blimp that dropped prizes and gift certificates to the crowd. Kaiton points out that the Whalers came up with the idea for a skills competition for the 1986 All-Star game held in Hartford. The team spearheaded youth hockey development that ultimately evolved into today's local elite programs. "We were ahead of our time," said Kaiton. "Speaking engagements, school visits. It cemented the relationship between the team and the community. The 1980s were a great period with a lot of innovation that has carried into today."

Forslund agrees. The tradition continued into the 1990s with events like the "Tip-a-Whaler" fundraiser (soon after adopted by the Kings) and Casino Nights (also later in vogue). "When we had PR and marketing meetings, we talked about programs with high schools and boys and girls clubs. It was grass roots." The community connection remains, he says, due to the hands on nature of the team.

The history is also special - beginning with the upstart World Hockey Association (WHA) to become the only U.S. based WHA team to enter the NHL in 1979. There are so many names and moments. Gordie Howe, of course. The playoff run in 1986. And there were the low moments. The Ron Francis trade in 1991. The ultimate heartbreak? The move to Carolina.

The Whaler passion endures. For the past three years, the Hartford Yard Goats host a Whalers Alumni Weekend. "It's terrific," says Kaiton. He, among other Whalers, attends every year. The weekend kicks off with tradition - visiting patients at the UConn Health Center. A luncheon on Saturday precedes the first pitch that is thrown out by the Whalers alumni. There an autograph session.

The Whalers Booster Club continues a presence. Once down to 30 or so members it is 140+ strong.

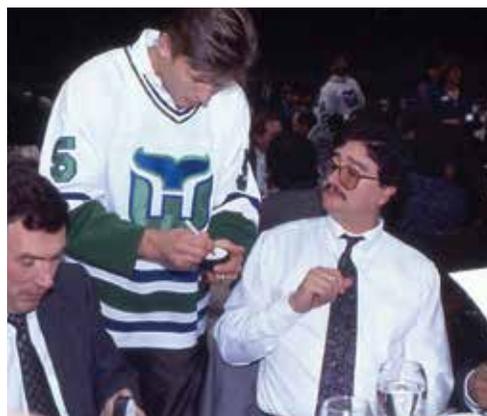
The club meets monthly. It provides for an annual scholarship for a CT student, organizes a trip to see at least one NHL game a year, and continues to hope for a Whalers return. "We do what we can to try to bring back a team," says Mark Anderson, a member since 2011. "Since we can't do it with money, we keep the name out there. We keep the spirit alive."

There are Whalers, too numerous to mention, still making a hockey impact. A few examples include; Joel Quenneville (Florida Panthers' coach), Dave Tippett (Edmonton coach), Ron Francis (Seattle GM), Mike Liut (agent), Ray Ferraro (broadcaster), and Mark Johnson (University of Wisconsin women's coach).

Both Kaiton and Forslund refer to the Whalers in terms of "we." Kaiton was there for the NHL start. "I was the luckiest person to be chosen and to broadcast from day one. I will never forget it. The relationships with management, the players, the fans ... so passionate. I really cherish the memories. 18 years - I wish it were 28 or 38." Forslund joined the Whalers shortly after the Francis trade. "We were doing damage control," he recalls. The ticket base went from over 11,000 to around 6,000." But there were still high moments. "We got through a lot of adversity. The fans came back. We wanted to be more competitive. The team was good enough to make the playoffs"

Forslund vividly recalls broadcasting the last Whalers game. It took him until a few years ago to actually watch. He wasn't sure he had done the moment justice. "It was the toughest thing I've ever done in my career," he notes. "How do you go on the air for the last game? There's no playbook for closing a franchise and leaving a city. How do you present that so it makes sense... is poignant. No one wanted to see it happen. We did [the broadcast] in the right way. You could feel the emotion of the fans."

As Kaiton puts it the Whalers years "were special years and it was a special place." The same goes for Forslund. "That's the one thing to convey, how special that time was... It was like family."



Ulf Samuelsson signing a hockey puck at the "Tip-a-Whaler" fundraiser. Photo by Diane Sobolewski Photography.



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