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Let's Talk Turkey The Official Newsletter of the Town of East Granby

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Autumn is Just Around the Corner...

I hope that you and your families have had a great summer. By the time you receive this edition of Let's Talk Turkey, August will be almost over, with autumn guickly approaching. Let's hope for sunny late summer days and crisp evenings. As you will see in this column and throughout this issue, there are a lot of fun activities going on in town, but first let's discuss two concerns and their potential impact on our residents.

Car Thefts Increase Statewide - Preventative Measures That You Can Take: As you may have seen on television, social media, and in the newspapers, there has been a marked statewide increase in car break-ins this summer. While we are, and remain, a safe community of choice for our residents, we also have seen an uptick in car break-ins. These have been crimes of opportunity where car doors have been unlocked or car keys have been left in the ignition. Law enforcement recommends the following simple tips and preventative measures for residents:

- Lock your car
- · Remove your valuables
- · Take your keys
- Call the police if you notice an open car door or glove compartment

East Granby Police Officers and our Resident State Trooper are working with neighboring towns and the State Police to pursue leads and to successfully apprehend the perpetrators. Following these simple measures may help reduce these crimes of opportunity.

The Absence of a State Budget: As I write this column, there is not a State of Connecticut Budget and many prognosticators think that there may not be a state budget until September or October at the earliest. The effect on East Granby is that two months into the new fiscal year, we still don't know with certainty the amount of grant revenue we will receive from the state for the current fiscal year (FY17/18). In the FY17/18 town budget approved by voters in the May referendum, the Board of Finance used the Governor's FY 17/18 state budget revenue numbers that he announced in February. This reflected an anticipated reduction of State FY17/18 revenue to East Granby of \$909,839 or a reduction of 29% (FY 16/17 State Grant Revenue of \$3,157,304 versus FY 17/18 projection of \$2,247,465). Subsequent to the town approval of the FY17/18 budget, the Governor announced potentially greater reductions of grant revenue to many towns including East Granby. At this point we don't know what amount the state's revenue grant will be and what effect that may have on our town finances and residents. The proverbial ball is in the State Legislature's court and it is up to the State Legislature to work with the Governor and to pass a balanced, responsible state budget. As more information becomes available, we will communicate with the town via Boards of Finance, Selectmen, and Education meetings, the town website, and social media. Unfortunately, the only thing certain at this point is uncertainty.

East Granby Parks & Rec Presents the Last Blast of Summer Concert – Friday, August 25th at the Town Center Complex Pavilion from 6:30 to 8:00 PM: This free family summer concert, presented by our Parks & Recreation Commission, features the band Ticket to Ride, a Beatles tribute band. The concert will be held at the Town Green between the Ambulance Building and Town Hall. Bring your own chairs! Parking is available at the Senior/Community Center, Library, Post Office, Allgrove School, and the west end of the Center Shops. There will be free face painting, a bounce house, roaming railroad rides, free balloon animals, and food vendors prior to and during the concert.

Free Pancake Breakfast/Open House – Saturday, August 26th at our Public Safety Complex on Veterans Memorial Drive from 9:00 AM to Noon: Enjoy pancakes and fun and meet the East Granby Emergency Services staff and volunteers (East Granby Volunteer Fire Department, Granby Ambulance Association, East Granby Police, and CT State Police)! You can also tour the Ambulance and Fire Department facilities.

Back to School Safety: School opens on August 31st and there will be frequent bus stops and short delays. Please drive carefully and obey all traffic rules. Never pass a bus which has stopped and is taking on or releasing passengers-not only is it against the law, it could be very dangerous.

Enjoy the rest of the summer! Jim Hayden, First Selectman

Town Employment Opportunity Part-time Recycling Collection Center (RCC) Attendant

The Town of East Granby has an opening at our Recycling Collection Center (RCC) for a part-time attendant on Saturdays from 7:00 AM to 3:00 PM. The successful applicant works with the public to assist in use of the RCC and to enforce town, state, and federal regulations pertinent to refuse disposal and material recycling. Duties include but are not limited to maintaining proper order at the recycling center, making sure recycling and disposal is done in the proper bins, the ability to operate a compactor and backhoe, issue residents permits, and maintain logs for use of the facility. Required skills include the ability to work independently, able to operate mechanical equipment, lift and carry objects up to 50 pounds, and work in extreme weather conditions including heat and cold. \$15 per hour. For more information please contact Nicole Sokolowski at the Selectmen's Office at (860) 413-3301 or info@egtownhall.com. You can also print an application by going to the town website at: http://eastgranbyct.org/employment-opportunities.html.

Summer Time Barbecue Grill Safety

Jim Koplar, Building Official

Although the summer vacation season is already in full swing and it won't be long before it's over, I just wanted to offer some safety reminders when grilling on either gas or charcoal units. Over the years I have witnessed property damage as the result of the misuse of these portable type grills. Most of the damage occurs

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due to the lack of necessary space between the grill and combustible materials. The heat that is expelled out of the rear of these units through the vents is enough to melt vinyl siding if it gets too close. This is the case with even a brand new,

properly functioning unit. Besides reading and following the manufacturer's operating instructions for proper clearances, it is suggested to keep the grill at least ten feet from buildings, trees, and any other object that may catch fire (umbrellas, furniture, awnings, deck railings, etc.). Below are some other tips that can add to safe and enjoyable barbecues:

- Never leave a grill unattended.
- Always ignite grills with the lid open.
- Do not store extra tanks under the grill.
- Check hoses for cracking.
- Check burner orifices for damage and proper functioning.
- Keep grill clean and free from grease buildup.
- Turn off tank valve when not in use.
- Set grills on a non-combustible surface.
- In the event of a malfunction and/or fire event, immediately call 911.

Board of Assessment Appeals

The Board of Assessment Appeals will meet in open session at the East Granby Town Hall on Monday, September 11th from 6:00 to 7:00 PM for the sole purpose of hearing appeals related to the assessment of motor vehicles listed on the October 2016 Grand List. No appointments are needed. Vehicles in question should be driven to the Town Hall parking lot. Please note that the assessment date for these vehicles was October 1, 2016 and that the State of Connecticut requires that assessments used are according to the values and guidelines set forth in the October 2016 NADA pricing guide. For more information, please contact the Assessor's Office at (860) 653-2852.

High Mileage Vehicles

Anyone with a high mileage vehicle on the October 1, 2017 Grand List in East Granby must present that vehicle to the Assessor's Office for inspection no later than October 13, 2017 during regular office hours to determine if any adjustment in value is allowed according to the NADA motor vehicle guide. Office hours are Monday through Thursday 8:00 AM to 12:00 PM and 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM; and Friday 8:00 AM to 1:00 PM. The East Granby Assessor's office will no longer make adjustments for vehicles with high mileage during July tax time.

Personal Property Declarations

All owners of taxable business personal property are required to file declarations of such property with the Assessor of the town where the property is located on the October 1, 2017 assessment date. This declaration is due to the Assessor's Office by November 1st. Failure to declare will result in a 25% penalty. Items to be declared include: non-registered motor vehicles, snowmobiles, and trailers; horses and ponies not used in farming; business furniture and fixtures; farming machinery and tools; mechanic's tools; electronic data processing equipment; and leased equipment and machinery. All in-home businesses must declare personal property. Real estate and registered motor vehicles are not included in these declarations. Declaration forms are available at the Assessor's Office in Town Hall.

East Granby Revaluation

The revaluation firm Vision Government Solutions has been hired by East Granby to perform a town-wide revaluation as mandated by the State of Connecticut every five years. Over the next several months, representatives from Vision will be verifying information currently on file with the Assessor's Office by visiting every property. They will be seeking the opportunity to measure building exteriors and inspect building interiors for every property.

All Vision representatives will be wearing an identification badge and their cars will be clearly marked with magnetic signs. They, and their cars, will be registered with the police department. Homeowners are encouraged to see identification prior to admitting anyone into their home. Any homeowner who has a question concerning the identity of a Vision representative can call the Assessor's Office at (860) 653-2852, or the police.

East Granby Social Services

The office hours for East Granby Social Services are Monday and Wednesday from 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM and Friday from 12:00 PM to 4:00 PM. Times outside these hours are available by appointment only. For more information about any of the programs below or to apply, please contact Elise Cosker, Director of Social Services, at (860) 413-3328 or elisec@egtownhall.com.

Medicare Savings Program

This program is open to seniors and helps to pay for their Medicare premiums. To determine eligibility for this program, income and assets are examined. Please call the office to learn more.



Food Pantry/Thrift Store

The Friend to Friend Food Pantry was established to supplement the weekly grocery needs of families who have been identified by

East Granby Social Services as needing assistance. If you are in need of food assistance or are interested in becoming a volunteer at the pantry or thrift store please contact Social Services.

Energy Assistance

Operation Fuel is currently accepting summer applications through October 31st. This program provides emergency energy assistance to lower-income working families and elderly residents. If you have a shut-off notice, no utility service, need assistance with making a required payment on your payment plan, or have a past due balance of 30 days or more, you may be eligible.

Fuel Bank

The East Granby Fuel Bank provides emergency assistance with home heating costs to income eligible residents. The Fuel Bank is funded solely by donations and gifts from the community. One hundred percent of the funds raised are given back to qualifying residents in the form of fuel assistance. Please contact Social Services if you are interested in making a donation or are in need of assistance.

Good Samaritan Program

The Good Samaritan Program is looking for volunteers who are interested in lending a hand to assist seniors with various tasks such as handyman jobs, yard maintenance, grocery shopping, and friendly visits. This is a flexible program that can work with your schedule. The time commitment is as big or small as you are interested in giving.

Renter's Rebate

The Elderly/Totally Disabled Renters rebate program is open through September 30th. If you are a senior aged 65 and over

(or under 65 and on permanent long-term disability receiving Social Security benefits) that rented in 2016 and have an income under \$35,200 if single or \$42,900 if married, you may qualify for the Renter's Rebate program.

Back to School Backpack Program

Social Services is offering its backpack program to children in town who are in need of school supplies for the upcoming school year. If you are interested in helping support this program please contact Social Services or e-mail elisec@egtownhall.com for information about donating.

Commission on Aging

Join us for a casual trail walk sponsored by the East Granby Commission on Aging. The Greenway Trail Walk will be on Saturday, September 30th at 10:00 AM. We will meet at the Copper Hill Road entrance at 10:00 AM. All are invited: bring a friend, family member, and/or leashed pet. It's a great way to meet new people, get some fresh air, and exercise, too. This will be a go-at-your-own-pace walk so it doesn't matter if you are new to walking or experienced—it is sure to be fun for all! Please register by September 24th by calling Kelly Jacobs at (860) 413-3334 or e-mailing kellyj@egtownhall.com.

The September meeting of the Commission on Aging will be held at Higley Village at 6:30 PM on September 5th. One of the Commission's initiatives for 2017 is to increase awareness of the Commission. We are trying find new ways to get the message out. We are hoping to have residents of Higley Village come to our meeting and exchange ideas. The November meeting will be at Metacomet.

The Commission continues to have three openings for Alternates. The Commission on Aging tries to advocate for the senior community in town and needs help to continue doing so on an efficient basis. If you have an interest, or for more information, contact Rich Galluccio, Chairman at (860) 658-0603, or Kelly Jacobs, Senior Services Director at (860) 413-3334.

If you haven't yet joined the Facebook group "East Granby Seniors Place," go to Facebook.com and join. The group currently has 40 members and we would like to see it grow. We are hoping that it can be a site to share information with the seniors of East Granby and improve communication within the town.

Youth Service Bureau

The East Granby Youth Service Bureau offered a basic first aid class at the end of June which was so popular it was oversubscribed. If you were not able to attend, watch for an announcement of another class this fall. The class is open to children ages 10 and up as well as adults—it's a great family activity.

The Youth Service Bureau also offered a variety of parent education programs. Some of the topics offered were suicide prevention, drug and alcohol prevention, teens and stress, and

the development of the adolescent brain. If there is a topic you think would be of interest to East Granby parents, please contact the YSB with your suggestions.

This past year also saw the creation of a Youth Action Council in the middle school and high school. YAC-sponsored events included East Granby Skate Night, Recycle a Gift Night, and EG Talks: No Judgment Zone, a peer-to-peer drop-in program for teens.

The end of summer is a busy time, and we hope you enjoy every last bit of sun and fun before the new school year starts. Should you find your children or family in need of some additional support, please remember that the YSB offers free counseling services to East Granby youth and their families. All counseling services are provided by a licensed marriage and family therapist, with occasional exceptions.

Check the YSB webpage for information about upcoming programs. To contact the YSB please call (860) 563-7800 or e-mail suel@egtownhall.com.

Granby Ambulance Association

The Granby Ambulance Association is holding a classic car show to benefit the Mary H. Hausmann Scholarship Fund. Mary was a nurse for many years and was a founding member of the East Granby



Ambulance Association. Two scholarships are awarded each year to high school seniors from East Granby, Granby, or East Hartland who will pursue an education in a related medical field.

The car show will be held at Mark's Auto Recyclers on Russell Road in East Granby on September 16th from 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM. All years and makes are welcome. There will be trophies, music, food, and a 50/50 raffle. Show cars are \$10 and spectators are \$5 per car. For additional information contact poliva@aol.com.

East Granby Land Trust

The East Granby Land Trust will host Yoga in the Woods on September 17th from 8:30 to 10:00 AM. The rain date will be September 24th (rescheduling will be posted on September 16th

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on our website and Facebook if needed). Bring your yoga mat and meet us on our Great Marsh Property for Yoga in the Woods.

Beginners are welcome; no previous experience needed. Yoga instructor Kathy Paul will take us through a series of poses dedicated to the outdoors. Park at the Copperhill Greenway (bike trail) parking lot and head south on the bike trail toward Route 20. Our Great Marsh property will be on your left about a quarter mile down the bike path to the bench and then take a left onto the Great Marsh Trail. Signs will be posted to help direct you to the site. Plan to arrive at 8:30 AM in the parking lot so you have time to walk and get set up in time for the 9:00 AM start.

East Granby Historical Society News

Visit the Barn!

Have you been inside the Historical Society barn? Come and see what's there! It's open the second and fourth Sundays of the month from 2:00 to 4:00 PM, ending on October



8th. The remaining dates are: August 27th, September 10th and 24th, and October 8th. Appointments may be scheduled for other times by contacting Nancy Moody at (860)-653-2866 or moodynancy@att.net.





- Try your hand at weaving on a working antique loom.
- Sit in a beautifully restored 1850s Concord stagecoach.
- See a Ford Model A truck/ tractor once used on a local farm.
- View many other items and displays from East Granby's past.



Edgar Allan Poe Returns! Back by Popular Demand!

Historical reenactor Campbell Harmon will bring this great writer to life by performing more of his works and discussing his life.



This program will be held Monday, September 18th at the East Granby Senior/Community Center at 7:30 PM. Edgar Allan Poe was the first American writer to attempt to support himself solely on writing. He wrote the first modern detective story, the first modern science fiction story, and founded the modern horror genre. His famous, tragic love for his wife, Virginia, helped inspire his landmark poem, "The Raven." His

writings still speak to us more than 160 years later and have inspired countless stage and film adaptations. All are welcome to attend this free presentation which follows a brief 7:00 PM business meeting. Refreshments will be served.



East Granby Senior Club

On Friday, September 8th, we will resume the East Granby Senior Club. Remember, we are a "members only" club and receive no funding from the Town of East Granby. We have some great programs and lunches planned, so join us for lunch at 12:00 Noon. Yearly dues are \$10.00 and are payable at our meeting. If you plan to pay by check, please write it payable to East Granby Senior Club. Please be aware that you do not have to reside in East Granby to be a member and anyone over 55 is eligible. If your friends would like to join, please bring them along. Please join us every month for good food, fun, fellowship, and interesting programs. Meetings are held the second Friday of each month. You must make a reservation by the Tuesday before each meeting. Please call Lorie Orzechowski at (860) 658-6040. If you need a ride, please also call the mini bus at (860) 413-3327. We hope to see you each month!

September 8th at 12:00 Noon

Program: Travelogue of the Canadian Rockies given by East Granby's own Jean Daggett. Lunch will be sandwiches, chips, and ice cream. Cost is free for members.

October 13th at 12:00 Noon

Program: "Big John" Hartman will entertain us with his show "It's All About the 50s." Big John took his first piano lesson at the age of seven in 1955 and has been playing and singing ever since. He has performed in Europe, the Virgin Islands, cruise ships, The Log Cabin in Holyoke, as well as Dock and Dine in Old Saybrook. Lunch will be chicken parmesan, salad, and ice cream. Cost is \$10.00 for members.

November 17th at 12:00 Noon

(Yes, we are meeting on the third Friday this month.) Program: The Humble Bees musical group. We will be entertained by this five-member group who provides lively music and lots of laughter and fun. Lunch will be a Thanksgiving dinner. The dinner and program are both sponsored by the Women's Club of East Granby. Thanks for their generosity! Cost is free for members.



Saturday Morning at Seymour School starting 9/9/17:

U5 Dinomites – 9:00-10:00am U6 Dinomites – 10:10-11:10am U8 Developmental (1st and 2nd grade) – Practice Thursdays & games on Saturday at 11:00am

Cleats and shin guards are required and bring water too! Register at www.eastgranbysoccer.com

East Granby Lions Rubber Duck Derby

All the Rubber Ducks are ready to go! After their extensive training program, they are in the best physical and mental condition of their lives for the big race at Granbrook Park on Sunday. September 10th.



The event begins at 11:00 AM with live music, burgers, hot dogs, and kettle corn. There will be face painting and games for kids. Then at 1:30 PM, about 1000 ducks will

be released from the bike bridge and the sprint to the finish line at the park will begin. Many cash prizes and gift cards will be given away on the spot if you're there to witness your duck win one of the prizes. If you adopted a duck and you can't be there, the Lions will send your prize to you.

How do you adopt a duck for the race? Ducks are available at the East Granby Library and the Town Clerk's Office in Town Hall or from any Lion member. Ducks will also be available during the event at Granbrook Park. Each duck adopted is a \$5 donation to the East Granby Lions Charities. Ducks are numbered to correspond to the ticket number you get when you buy a duck. All proceeds from duck sales go to fund East Granby student scholarships and town organizations that the Lions help support. There are many ducks still not adopted, so please adopt your duck today and support your local Lions Club.

Show the ducks that you appreciate all the hard work they've gone through to prepare for this race. They've all been tested to be certified drug free and they're mentally prepared for this grueling race. They hope to see you on September 10th to root them on to victory!

You can follow the ducks in the final days of their training on Facebook. Go to: "East Granby Lions Club Rubber Duck Derby." This is a fun event for the whole family. Remember, if you don't adopt a duck, you're out of luck! See you at the Duck Derby!

2nd Annual E.G. Alumni & Friends Event

Please come join us for some food, music, and fun! Anyone who attended an East Granby school is welcome! It's a wonderful chance to visit with friends you haven't seen since high school or even grammar school! Last year's event was lots of fun!

The event takes place at Granbrook Park on Saturday, October 14th from 12:00 to 4:00 PM. Come for the day or just stop by for a little while. Bring the whole family or just yourself. The event takes place rain or shine. It's potluck so bring a dish to share and your own beverages are encouraged!

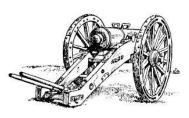
Look for more information on Facebook. If you provided an e-mail address at last year's event you should receive info via e-mail. You may also contact Kevin Bach at ecbachk@comcast.net.



East Granby Cemetery Association

Do you have any Revolutionary War soldiers in your genealogy? Our cemetery contains over 20 Revolutionary War soldiers!

Reverend Whitfield Cowles, one of East Granby's prominent citizens, was the son of Captain Josiah Cowles, a Revolutionary War veteran. Josiah Cowles was a leading and influential citizen of



Southington, Connecticut. He was appointed ensign of the South Company (2nd military company) in May 1756; promoted to Captain in October 1761. During the American Revolution, he

served on many committees, including one to "collect supplies for the relief of the inhabitants of Boston" who were incapacitated due to the British Act of Parliament closing the port of Boston. Captain Josiah Cowles died June 6, 1793 and is buried in the Northern Grave Yard located across the street from his house. His monument epitaph reads: "The friend of God—the friend of man—Oe'r him soft lie the turf—till from the opening earth—he rise to endless life.

Many of you know about the accomplishments of Rev. Whitfield Cowles, who is buried in the Center Cemetery. Rev. Whitfield Cowles' homestead is located at 118 Spoonville Road in East

Granby. He was born June 3, 1764 in Southington, Connecticut and died November 19, 1840 in East Granby. He settled in East Granby after being ordained pastor of the Turkey Hills (Congregational) Church (now



East Granby Congregational Church) on June 18, 1794. He was a progressive thinker and was eager to experiment in the fastgrowing manufacturing enterprises on the Farmington River. He manufactured many goods but is best known as being credited with having been one of the first silverplaters doing business in Connecticut. He had multiple factories on the Farmington River both in Griswoldville (Tariffville) and East Granby.

The East Granby Cemetery Association is selling Revolutionary War bronze markers made to honor the Revolutionary War veteran. It is the marker only. You may frame it or display it as you wish to honor a Revolutionary War veteran in your genealogy, a lasting honor that will be passed on to your family. They are available now for only \$40.00. Order one and pick it up right here in East Granby. Help support the maintenance of the East Granby Center Cemetery and get a lasting family memento. To order one or for information, call Sally Cowles at (860) 658-5396.

The East Granby Cemetery Association is a small group of volunteers who oversee the maintenance and preservation of the cemetery. If you would like information about the Association or wish to make a donation to help with upkeep of the cemetery, please call John Rusnock, President, at (860) 653-2194. We appreciate your support!

East Granby Veterans

You may be eligible for a real estate or motor vehicle tax exemption. There is no age restriction. There is no length of residency requirement. There is no need to contact the Veterans Administration. You only need to be a resident who is an honorably discharged veteran, and whose time of service includes a specific period of war or conflict. You only need to contact the Assessor's Office to find out if you are eligible. And then, you only need to file your original discharge papers in the Town Clerk's Office.

Have you misplaced your original discharge papers? The above offices can tell you how to acquire a replacement original online. It's very easy.

Have you tried before to get this exemption, and were you told that your time of service did not fall within the specific war or conflict dates? Please contact us again as these dates have been expanded in recent years to include more of you.

Plus...if you have a VA disability rating of 10% or more, you would be eligible for a higher exemption. This is also true for those of you who are already receiving this exemption. You only need to bring your VA rating document to the Assessor.

Lastly, veterans...this exemption has been created by Connecticut State Statutes. It is earned by honorable military service during a time of war or conflict. Do not assume you are ineligible to receive it. Please contact the Assessor's Office at (860) 653-2852.

Capitol Update Rep. Tami Zawistowski, 61st District

I'd like to start with some good news for East Granby: There are four fun programs scheduled at Old New-Gate Prison & Copper Mine in August through October, including Halloween. One of the ways we were able to offer these events is through work with the non-profit organization that was vital in organizing last year's open house. We are on track for a full opening of the museum next year, including underground tours as well as exterior painting of Viets Tavern and the other two wooden houses on site in early September. Please see the full page Old New-Gate events schedule in this issue of *Let's Talk Turkey* for more information.

Now for the less pleasant news: We are well over a month into the fiscal year, and our state still remains without a budget. In the House of Representatives, the Democrats, who still have a slim majority, set the agenda and determine when a budget vote will occur. Their leadership did not call for a vote before the statutory end of session on June 7th, did not call for a vote in special session before the end of the state's fiscal year on June 30th, and as of this date has still not called for a budget vote. As a result, the power to execute our state's financial decisions has been transferred to the governor, who is now managing the state through executive orders on a month-by-month basis until a negotiated budget can

be passed by the legislature and signed into law. Already, critical programs, including those directly impacting the physically and mentally disabled and the elderly, are being cut or suspended and the governor is now calling for draconian cuts to education funding and other municipal aid that will have a significant impact on East Granby, and will be able to implement those cuts if we do not have a budget in place very soon.

I, along with my House Republican colleagues, have had a fully balanced budget ready for a vote for months. Our no-taxincrease budget proposal has been fully vetted by the legislature's nonpartisan Office of Fiscal Analysis and makes the structural changes needed in order to eliminate the current \$5.1 billion deficit, while maintaining vital services. Yet the majority party will not allow a vote on our budget, or even open debate.

Highlights from our budget proposal include:

- Increasing school aid for every town and city and preserving overall municipal aid;
- Rejecting the shift of \$400 million in teacher pension payments to municipalities;
- No tax or fee increases, unlike the House Democrat proposed sales tax hike to 6.99%;
- Municipal mandate relief and limiting state borrowing to \$1.3 billion;
- A prioritized program for improving our transportation infrastructure;
- Continued support for our regional vocational-technical schools and agriscience programs;
- Increasing funding for our community technical colleges to ensure workforce development;
- Protecting vital services for our most vulnerable residents.

Until only recently, the House Democrats had not released a budget proposal, and we have not seen a fully vetted version of their budget. The framework they released includes not only a proposed sales tax hike, but a municipal option for an additional 1% tax on restaurants, and also sweeps the money out of the dedicated Community Investment Act fund that supports agriculture, open space, historical preservation, and affordable housing.

Late last month, the state employee contract package (SEBAC agreement) was voted through the House and Senate along party lines with the exception of one House Democrat who voted with the Republicans. This agreement offered some significant concessions from state employees but also locked in a generous benefits package until 2027 and provided for no layoffs for the next four years. I voted against the package because I believe it is bad policy for our state, especially the benefits extension and layoff prohibition which will impede cost-effective consolidation or privatization of agencies and services. In addition, my colleagues and I understand that the legislature can statutorily make certain necessary structural changes that would have saved the state much more than the contract negotiated by the governor's office.

It's clear that there have been significant problems with the way our legislature has managed our state's finances for decades. Underfunding of pensions, deficiencies in financial controls, and excessive spending have led us to the \$5.1 billion deficit we face over the next two fiscal years. We need to make significant structural changes to the way our state operates and get control over runaway spending in order to ensure the bright future that I sincerely believe is still possible for our state.

I encourage you to visit my website, RepZawistowski.com, for news and the opportunity to sign up for e-mail blasts, and to visit and like my Facebook page @RepZawistowski. And as always, please contact me if you have questions, ideas, or comments about state related issues by phone at (860) 240-8700 or by email at Tami.Zawistowski@housegop.ct.gov.

News from The Democrats

The East Granby Democrats have been busy preparing for the municipal elections this fall. Leading the Democrats will be First Selectman Jim Hayden who will once again seek re-election. He will be joined by Joe Doering as candidate for Board of Selectman. The Hayden-Doering team will work to build on the many successes achieved over the last several years while Tom Short was a member of the BOS. They look forward to another term of "Energetic Leadership" for East Granby.

East Granby High School was ranked #3 in the state and the Democrats thank all the members of the Board of Education who have worked to achieve this impressive accomplishment—and of course the committed staff and students who obviously have been doing their homework! Our Board of Education candidates will work to support this continued success and they include John Welsh, Karey Pond, Sharon Shephard, and Bob Paskiewicz.

The Board of Finance has worked over the last few years to ensure that the town's finances are affordable and effective. The Democratic members have supported smart management, which has resulted in great services through our BOS and BOE. Seeking to continue this success are Board of Finance candidates Dan Dziedzic, Dillon Tyman, and Dave McNally. Over the last two years these three have worked with the other members of the BOF to ensure we keep making East Granby the best small town in Connecticut (and truly the best value too!).

We hope you can join us as we support these and our other candidates as they work to continue serving the town. Our next Democratic Town Committee meetings will be September 21st and October 19th in the Senior/Community Center at 7:30 PM. All are welcome.



Our Annual Pasta Dinner will be held in the Senior/Community Center on Friday, September 22nd from 5:00 to 7:00 PM. The menu will include baked ziti, meatballs, vegetarian chili, salad, bread, and homemade desserts. Many of our candidates will be there to

discuss the upcoming municipal election, along with state-wide candidates dropping in to say hello. Tickets at the door are \$10 for adults, \$5 for children aged 12 to 18 years of age, and children under 12 years of age are free! Drop in and get some great food and meet the candidates!

East Granby Republicans

The East Granby Republican Town Committee (RTC) has awarded our annual "Carolyn and Edward Phillips" scholarship to Olivia Hoerle. This \$500 award is given to a graduating high school student, and was chosen from a field of more than a dozen candidates. Congratulations to Olivia, and good luck at college!

Golfers Wanted! The East Granby RTC will be holding a Golf Tournament on September 9th, 12:15 PM at Agawam Municipal Golf Course. The cost for this event is only \$90. This price includes 18 holes of golf (four man scramble), riding cart, dinner, and various awards. Attire is collared shirts; shorts are acceptable, but no jeans; no metal golf spikes. The deadline for reservations is August 20th. For more information and reservations, please contact Phil Chester at (860) 819-4473.

At the state level, the Democrat-controlled House of Representatives voted to accept Governor Malloy's deal with our state employee's union. The Senate voted to accept the labor deal, with Lieutenant Governor Nancy Wyman casting the tie-breaking vote. This deal would invoke a three-year wage freeze for most workers. Contrast this with our teachers' contract, which gives workers 3% raises in each year of a three-year contract. Also, our Superintendent was given an increase of 2.5% (approximately \$4500), and an additional \$1000 towards medical insurance. The basis for the Superintendent's increase is the annual evaluation. While many other towns make these publicly available, East Granby does not. Written evaluations are subject to disclosure via the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), and since our evaluation is conducted verbally, it is not available to the public. Most other towns consider this information important to disclose, and East Granby taxpayers also have the right to know.

A caucus of East Granby Republicans was held on July 19th. The purpose was to select party endorsed candidates for the November 7th municipal election. Candidates were selected for First Selectman, Board of Selectman, Board of Finance, Board of Education, Planning and Zoning, and other town boards and commissions. If you'd like to be part of the solution and would consider running in future elections, please contact Lee Sandora at (860) 798-4916 or via e-mail at Isandoraeg@gmail.com.

The East Granby RTC welcomes all Republicans to our meetings, which are held at 7:00 PM on the third Wednesday of the month at the Senior/Community center. Come join us!

Concerned Taxpayers of East Granby

Concerned Taxpayers of East Granby (CTEG) is a non-partisan organization for East Granby taxpayers to promote a balance of town spending versus quality of services and affordability of living in town. CTEG promotes involvement of taxpayers in town government decision-making to ensure the economic viability of our community. Budget season in East Granby ended with the approval of teachers' and school administrators' contracts with annual 3% raises. Revenue from the state to the town is estimated to be reduced by 29%. The approved budget had a 4.2% property tax increase plus withdrawal of \$1 million from the town's saving's account, thereby drawing down the account to the minimum 10% cash reserve looked for by the fiscal ratings agencies. At the state level, economic policy has led to a sharp drop in income tax receipts, resulting in a budget shortfall of \$5 billion over the next two years, or nearly 25% of budgeted state spending. On July 31st, the state Senate, in a party line vote, approved Governor Malloy's attempt to solve the state fiscal crisis by making a deal with state unions and extending a host of extravagant government union benefits through 2027.

Other issues currently in the works in East Granby town government are changes to the town ordinances and the revision of East Granby's ten-year Plan of Conservation and Development (POCD). Updates are available from the office of the First Selectman or the Planning and Zoning Commission, both in Town Hall: www.eastgranbyct.org, (860) 653-2576, info@egtownhall.com.

Lastly, the featured highlight of the EG Public Schools Efficiency Report completed at the end of last year was that East Granby's expenditure per high school pupil is third highest out of the state's 160+ school districts, and over 40% higher than the rest of East Granby's District Reference Group. The huge excess capacity in the high school led to the recommendation that the Board of Education explore creating a regional high school with a neighboring school district. After a statewide survey by the Connecticut Economic Resource Center (CERC), the President of CERC said that "Increasingly, towns will not be able to afford to sustain the level of services to which they have become accustomed, as budget pressures increase along with a reluctance to raise taxes." So far, East Granby's Board of Education has been unwilling to move in that direction.

If you want your voice to be heard on matters of the town budget, municipal governance, POCD, or other issues, go to Board meetings and public hearings and show Board and Commission members that you're watching and will hold them accountable. Municipal elections for Town offices will be held this year on Election Day, November 7th. Get out and support your candidate—or better, run for office yourself! Vote in the referendums, municipal elections, and at town meetings—every vote counts, literally! In East Granby, referendums, elections, and town meeting votes are often decided by margins of as little as two to four votes! Do whatever you can to help keep our town government oriented responsibly and encourage town officers to put together a good strong economic development profile for the community. Come to a CTEG meeting to talk with likeminded neighbors and discuss your ideas.

All CTEG meetings are on the third Monday of the month at 7:00 PM at the East Granby Public Library and are open to the public. Our next meeting will be Monday, September 18th. Come and find out what's going on in the community. Share your thoughts and concerns with people who are interested in keeping East Granby a great place to live, work, and retire. If you can't come to meetings, we're still interested in your ideas. For more information, call (860) 658-0268, e-mail info.CTEG@cox.net, or visit the CTEG website at www.egtaxpayers.org.

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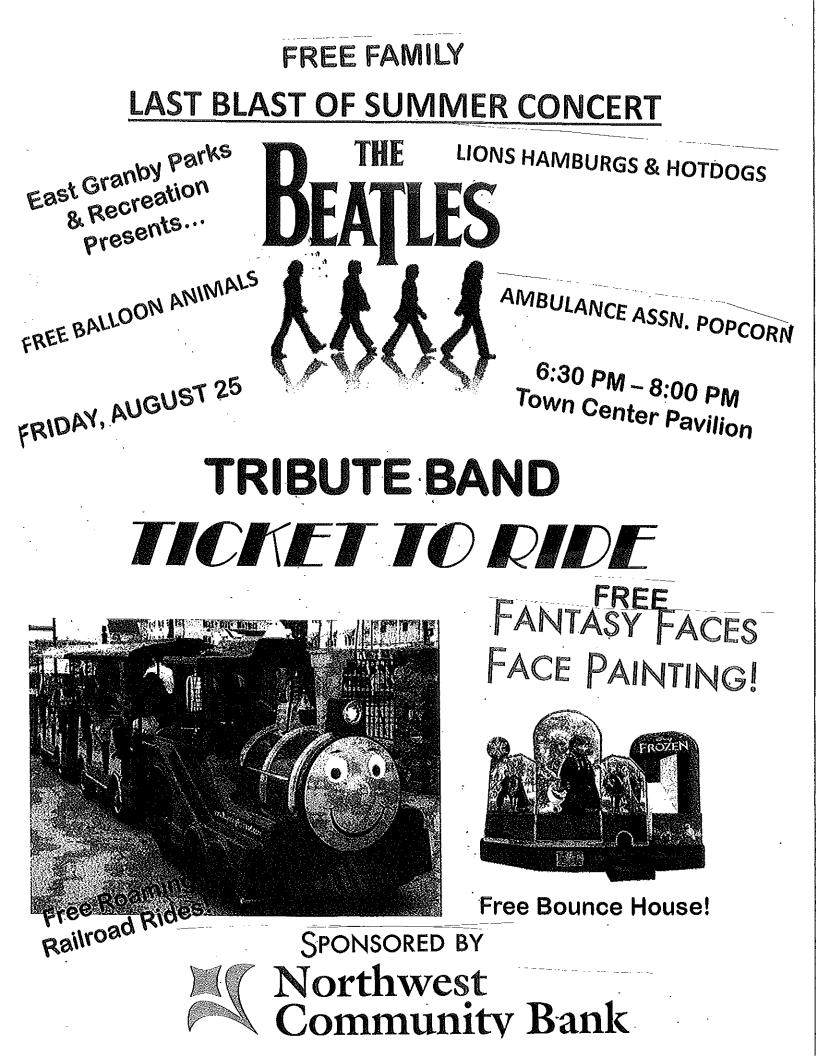
!!! Thank You !!!

To all the Businesses, Organizations, & Individuals who supported The East Granby Baseball Team, and their annual trip to Dodgertown in Florida!!

ABC Pizza At The Barn **Baseball City Big House Fitness Studio** Blue Fox Rock and Bowl Burger Fi Center Grill Chris Corkum Baseball Costco **CT Physical Therapy Deepwater Seafood** Dunkin Donuts FA Hesketh Galasso Materials Hanoush Jewelers Hayes-Huling Funeral Home Ivy Nail Spa Joe's Pizza Lally's Fine Wines Little Mazen Pizza McKenna Orthodontics Mohawk Mountain Necker's Toyland New England Pasta Co. Paine's Recycling **Robert Gange DDS** SNE Building Systems **Tanning Down Under** The Hair Studio at 4 Corners Travelers Championship

Goosetown Communications Airport Gas Atilllo's Restaurant **Bear Essentials** Big Y **Bradley Bowl** Cahill's Motor Cars Chili's **Clark Farms Cracker Barrel Pub** CVS Domino's Pizza Eastern Mountain Country Club First and Last Tavern Gouveia Vineyards Happy Nail Spa Hopmeadow Chiropractic Jacob, Walker, Rice & Barry Kalimarides Family Launch Trampoline Park Lox, Stock, and Bagels Menchies Multi Mode Logistics Nemeth Appraisals Northwest Community Bank Plan B Burger Rooster's Men's Grooming Sofia's Restaurant **Tarrifville Wine and Spirits** The Silver Dahlia The Mohegan Sun

Antonio's Restaurant Back East Brewing Company Beman Hardware **Bill Selig Jewelers Brookside Bagels** Cape Cod Fence Company Chiropractic Care of Granby **Connecticut Sun CT Elite Baseball Deco Nails** Dom's Coffee **Edible Arrangements** Flatbread Company Granby Autowash Hartford Distributors Infinity Music Hall Jakes Wayback Burger Kane's Market Little City Pizza Manchester Honda Mitchell Dodge Mystic Aquarium **New Britain Bees** Old Mill Pond Rancho Vieja Scott's Sporting Supplies Suburban Sanitation The Emporium Gallery Tracey Colleen Organic Salon Wadsworth Athenium







EAST GRANBY EMERGENCY SERVICES

Cordially invites you to an

OPEN HOUSE & PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Meet our staff and volunteers for food and fun while taking an opportunity to tour your local EMS and fire facilities.



SATURDAY, AUGUST 26, 2017 9AM-12PM Veterans Memorial Drive East Granby







Old New-Gate Prison & Copper Mine

CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT



Late Summer & Fall Events 2017

Aug. 26th Roaring 'Twenties at Old New-Gate

New-gate was a popular tourist attraction in the 1920s and was as well known for social events as it was for its history. Join us for a step back in time with music, vintage radios, antique cars and entertainment from the Flapper Era. Period dress encouraged - prize for the best costume! 10am to 7pm.

Sept. 9thA Bat's Life at Old New-GateLearn more about New-Gate's year-round residents and the importance of
their preservation for insect control and as pollinators. All-ages program.
9am to noon, museum open until 4pm.

Sept 23rd Irish Music Concert with *The Jolly Beggars* Music 6:30pm to 9:30pm. Museum opens at 10am. Feel free to bring lawn chairs and a picnic basket to enjoy on the grounds.

Oct 27th An Old New-Gate Halloween

& 28th Visit one of the spookiest places ever for a Halloween treat! But who knows what kind of tricks some of the spirits may have planned? Friday 4-9pm, Saturday 10am to 9pm.

Admission varies by event, with a portion of the proceeds going to the Friends group. Full mine tours not available at this time. Refreshments will be available for purchase.

Located at 106 Newgate Road, East Granby To be held Rain or Shine

For more info: Liz Shapiro 860-256-2760 Elizabeth.Shapiro@ct.gov Info & updates will be posted on the East Granby Historical Society Facebook page, and in the East Granby Community and Granby Living Facebook groups EAST GRANBY LIONS CHARITIES, INC.

5th Annual RUBBER DUCK DERBY FUN FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY! JOIN US SUNDAY, SEPT. 10TH AT GRANBROOK PARK OFF HARTFORD AVE. (RT 189) East Granby FROM 11 AM TO 2 PM FOOD! LIVE MUSIC! & ACTIVITIES! DUCK RACE STARTS AT 1:30 PM

(You do not need to be present to win)

\$5.00 ADOPTS A DUCK FOR THE RACE

(Your ticket number corresponds with the duck number)

1st Prize: \$500 VISA GIFT CARD

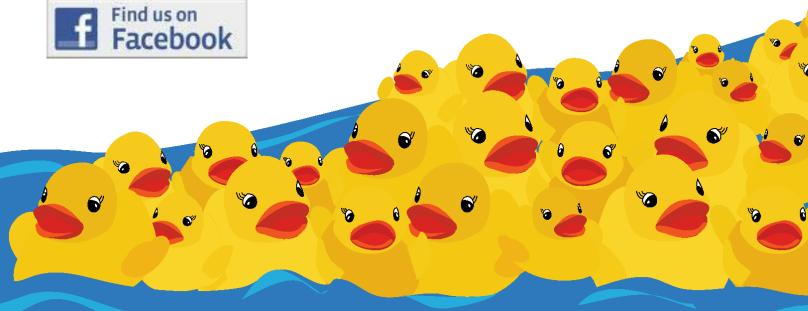
2nd Prize: **\$250** VISA GIFT CARD

3rd Prize: \$100 VISA GIFT CARD

4th Prize: 2 TICKETS for the Lions's Fall Turkey dinner

Plus other prizes to be determined

Duck adoptions available at: East Granby Library, Town Clerk's Office or any EG Lion Club member





Food Pantry and Thrift Shop Last of Summer Update

Summer is flying by and there are still so many good things to enjoy before our schedules become filled with responsibilities and activities for the fall season. In between lazy days outside and watching the fireflies after sunset, the Thrift Shop volunteers are getting ready to restock with Fall and Winter Clothing and holiday items. *Friend to Friend* is also working with our special friends from *Expressions Pottery* and the *Women's Club of East Granby* for our **17th Annual Empty Bowls** event on **Saturday, October 21, 2017**. See details and save money on tickets by purchasing them on our website, **www.friendtofriendeg.com** (beginning in September) or mailing in the registration flyer in this issue. Enjoy every summer moment left and we hope to see you at the Thrift Shop and also at Empty Bowls in October. And, as always, *thank you for being a friend!*

Food Pantry

Call Social Services at 860.413.3328 to register with the Food Pantry. To volunteer call Sandy at 860.392.8362.

- In need of the following items: baked beans, mac and cheese, canned fruit, coffee, spaghetti sauce and laundry detergent.
- Food donations may be dropped off at East Granby Senior/Community Center, East Granby Public Library and the East Granby Congregational Church.
- Monetary donations can be mailed to Friend to Friend Food Pantry, P.O. Box 631, East Granby, CT 06026

Thrift Shop

32 Spoonville Road 860.651.1659 860.392.8362 (after hours)

Our Hours:

Tuesday: 10-2 p.m., Thursday: 2-6 p.m. Saturday: 10-2 p.m.

Come browse the Thrift Shop for great bargains on seasonal clothing, jewelry, accessories, housewares, and much more!

We need volunteers to help at the Thrift Shop, please call Sandy at 860.392.8362. (We close in late December and open in April.)

Events

Thrift Shop Donation Drop-Off In need of gently used winter clothing and holiday items Thursday, September 14, 2-6 p.m., and Saturday, September 16, 10 a.m-2 p.m., at the **Thrift Shop**, 32 Spoonville Road, East Granby.

17th Annual Empty Bowls

Sat., October 21st, 11:30 a.m.-1:30 pm.

Save money: purchase tickets early by mailing in our registration flyer in this issue or in September, purchase tickets on our website before 10/18 at *www.friendtofriendeg.com*, please spread the word on this great event!



Join Expressions Pottery Workshop, the Women's Club of East Granby and Friend to Friend for East Granby Food Pantry's biggest fundraiser of the year! Empty Bowls is celebrating 17 years of helping our Food Pantry and East Granby Social Services provide to residents in need, with supplemental food & fuel assistance. This annual collaboration, along with local restaurants, helps the current needs of East Granby families and elders.

How it works:

- Come to the East Granby Senior Community Building on Saturday, October 21st from 11:30 a.m. 1:30 p.m.
- Pick up your pre-registration (\$15) ticket or pay at the door (\$20) & proceed to pick out a beautiful and unique handmade bowl.
- Take your bowl of choice up to the window and choose one of the six soups offered.
- Each table will have refreshments, bread & butter to enjoy, while listening to easy music.
- Afterwards, take a walk over to Expressions Pottery Workshop, located at 9 School St. and enjoy dessert, watch a demonstration, browse the gallery and pick out a free pumpkin!
- ** Last year we nearly sold out of beautiful handmade bowls, after selling approximately 350 bowls. We encourage you to register early, so there are enough bowls made for the event!









Registration Form (please detach and return to the address below)

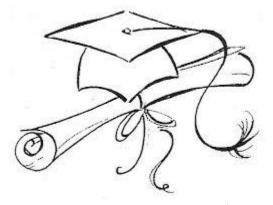
NUMBER OF BOWLS ______ X \$15.00 = TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED: __

NAME:	PHONE #
ADDRESS:	E-MAIL

*Checks should be made out to "Friend-to-Friend (Empty Bowls)" and sent to: Friend to Friend, P.O. Box 631, East Granby, CT 06026

You can also purchase tickets on line in September at www.friendtofriendeg.com

Any questions about the event, contact Alicia Van Neil at 860.653.7660, or email aliciav@egtownhall.com



Congratulations East Granby High School Class of 2017

Zachary Michael Allen Ashley Kate Barry Alívía Grace Begín Alexís Noelle Bennour Jolíe Elízabeth Berger Ashley O Boateng Madíson Skylar Bradley Kyle Paul Brassard Eríc W Brazalovích Erín Hall Brewer Anna Maríe Brose Sean Albert Brunelle Damíon Míchael Burke Mazwí Andreh Cele Alexander Matthew Chester Justín Leonard Cormíer LOGAN G COSGrove Evan Michael DePamphilis Ilíja Dokmanovíc Kaí Noah Dunlap Patrick Lorenzo Escourse Emily Janelle Farmer Nelson Alexander Ferguson Aleksandra Fiedzínkiewicz Zachary Michael Fiore John Joseph Flanagan Jr. Alexandría H Geer Nícole Gallagher Gosselín Luke Marío Alexander Gouín Genna Ellen Hartman Olívía Zoe Hoerle

Mason Thomas Holt Gwynne Maddalena Hooper Jonathan Edward Kelly Kathryn Anne Kelly Samuel Rand Kilby Mackenzie Maureen Lacroix Nathan Kenneth Langmeier Felícía Míchele Layfulde Tajíanna Shy Ledford Kaelyn Ann Ludwig Carly Maríe Malínowskí Anthony Vincent Miller Angelica Moquete Ohodgee Malik Holmes-Nieves Tyler Steven Petruntí Keegan Kathleen Plockí Daniel Christopher Rascao Jenna Rose Sherídan Hanna Paulíne Shookus Kyler John Sladyk Sarah Kadelíne Soucy Alexa-Rae Maríe Spera Benjamin Joseph Stone Brittania Bianca Tulloch Ryan Joseph Vanags Tíffany Elízabeth Wilkinson Brady Stuart Williams Ryan Arthur Woods Jennífer Lynn Yekel Kyle F Yourous

East Granby High School Honor Roll • Fourth Quarter 2016-2017

GRADE 9	GRADE 10	GRADE 11	GRADE 12
Cullen Beman Maya Brody Madelynn Burkett Britney Couceiro Stephanie Crocker Justin Hall Victoria Hall Jade Kiang Jordan Kido Emily Kowal Aden Kulch Leah Langhoff Joy Li Heather MacKinnon Madeline Moore Eva Ramey Julia Redfield Sophia Sanford Jenna Springer	Jacob Anthony Amber Bourgault Cristina Brose Brianna Canny Christian Fagnant Eric Farmer Christopher Fortier Emily Frascona Chloe Gosselin Rachel Griffin Catherine Kelly Jordan Kott Jillian Kuofie Tiffanie Moreau Madison Peladeau Bianca Prescott Gabriela Reis David Sales Olivia Sanford Caitlin Strzegowski Ashley Thomas Kayla Tran Jack Tubridy Jordan Walsh Taylor Whitehouse	Katarina Bade Sierra Benware Abigail Bouwer Olivia Brody Alexander Cannon Jamie Crane Allie Davis Sosie French Kylie Geer Megan Hacia Olivia Kowal Hayley Morris Claire Newhall Ivana Prats Lita Roy Kohl Russell Tatum Strong Ryan Trombly Caroline Tuczinski	Zachary Allen Jolie Berger Anna Brose Alexander Chester Zachary Fiore Alexandria Geer Nicole Gosselin Genna Hartman Gwynne Hooper Kathryn Kelly Samuel Kilby Nathan Langmeier Kaelyn Ludwig Keegan Plocki Sarah Soucy Benjamin Stone Brady Williams

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Maximiliano Auger Zory Crumpler Trinity DeJesus Brooke DePamphilis Julia Fiedziukiewicz Emily Kelly Deven Kemp Kristian Kowalski Julie-Andrea Kuofie Lauren Morano Jordan Sniffin Isabella Williams Schyler Wyse	Jaime Baird Jessica Barry Laura Brassard Nancy Cheng Zachary Clark Katherine Corbett Audrey Corcoran Alessandra Damato Aidan Gallagher Declan Gallagher Jameson Gill Theresa Hecht Sarah Jacius Genesis Knutson Cory Ludwig John Patrizzi Joselyn Rybczyk Ekaterina Santos Dillon Silkey Devin Stout Max Teixeira Aidan Walsh Ambrosia Williams Jesse Worlund	Jordin Comstock Luke Denno Jacob Gaudreau Jaequan Grant Lauren Houde Melanie Kellogg McKayla Langmeier Julia Vassallo Eve White Alexandra Williams Jonathan Wilson	Ashley Barry Alivia Begin Alexis Bennour Ashley Boateng Nelson Ferguson Felicia Layfulde Tajianna Ledford Tyler Petrunti Jenna Sheridan Tiffany Wilkinson

East Granby Middle School Honor Roll • Fourth Quarter 2016-2017

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GRADE 6

GRADE 7

Taylor Andrews Vincente Auger Colby Betts William Burke Henry Butler Melanie Chen Jonathan Ciottone Brooke DeJesus Jadvn Feigenbaum Cayleigh Goberman Tirna Igbal Devon Johnson Meghan Jones Jack Kido Benjamin Lakomy Patrick Lakomy Paige Lareau Mila Miller

Ashley Moore Isaac Mullen Sreekar Patti Sarah Phillips Paul Quinlan Sebastian Ramey Kaeleigh Reardon Lauren Rechenberg Beniamin Rickevicius Sebastian Ruiz Erin Russell Sarah Springer Nathaniel Welsh Kirsten Wimpfheimer Benjamin Wolf Arne Worlund Annabella Zannotti

Connor Anthony Aiden Attianese Jamison Belliveau Julia Broome Jordan Buldrini Victoria Cannon Ashley Cappiello Steven Chen Julia Cotteleer Katharine Duray Sydney Farley Austin Gelinas Emma Griffin Sean Griffin Amanda Jacius

Ethan Lakomy Kaitlyn McDonough Tyler Nardi Sofia Pasquantonio William Pitney Jasmine Ritter Denise Ruiz Madalynne Stone Allison Strzegowski Sean Trombly Abby Tubridy Rhiannon Velleman Jayden Weaver Erika Yourous

GRADE 8

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GRADE 6

Idara Akpan Daniel Diaz Geoffrey Durante Parker Ford Rvan French Teresa Galloway Veda Gaudette Nathan Kraiza Marissa Lyman Jocara Mack-Duncan McKenna Moore Benjamin Nardi Kathryn Patrizzi Sean Pitney Colin Rechenberg Jayleen Rivera Makenzie Vick

GRADE 7

Rhvs Brauer Aidan Cosgrove Quinn Coushaine Jasmyn Dillon Liam Flanagan Lucy Formanek Matthew Fortier Jason Ho Erin Lally Zachary Latonie Kyle Lyman Jayden Maddox Evan Malinowski Logan Santy Kaharie Wilson

GRADE 8

Emmanuel Akpan Erik Bade Samuel Benner Theophilus Boateng **Emilee Bolasevich** Madison Chamberlain Erika Eaton Jacob Feliciano Logan French Jessica Grenier Madelyn Guilmartin Autymn Joseph Jenna Lindinger Sarah Lostowski Kaitlyn Morano Justin Moreau Veronica Orkney Taylor Popella Andrew Reardon Michael Santos Delilah Strong Samuel Thomas Julia Tran Jamieson Vick Kyle Weir Nicholas Williams

Superintendent's Message School Year 2016-2017 in Review

Looking back enables us to plan forward with purpose and determination. So at this time we take this opportunity to look back with you on our accomplishments over the last year. We internalized and focused on our theme, "*We do well when we all do well*," Eleanor Roosevelt, and made significant progress toward achieving or surpassing our goals. As I reflect on the achievements of our students, faculty, staff and administrators, I continue to be impressed by their determination, energy, fortitude, depth and breadth of knowledge, and the zeal with which they pursued excellence.

There was strong evidence of academic growth and a palpable presence of increased effort to focus on the needs of each learner to help them consistently improve their performance. The combination of resources, strengthened partnerships, focused professional learning, changes in curriculum, and implementation of best practices enabled us to make significant improvements in many areas in our learning community. The synopsis that follows recounts the achievements of the goals expressed in the 2016-2017 *Areas of Focus* document. We will continue to pursue increased achievements in the areas where we have determined that additional progress must be made in the coming year. To that end, we will make adjustments in the professional practices we implement in our learning community.

Throughout the year, students participated in a rich curricular program supported by instruction designed to stimulate and develop critical thinking and intellectual agility. At each school level, there were many accolades and significant evidence of growth as demonstrated in our award ceremonies at the end of the school year.

Synopsis of Achievement of the Goals in the 2016-2017 Areas of Focus

Improve Student Performance, Increase Academic Rigor, and Implement State Requirements

Implement research supported best practices and a variety of resources to improve instruction and student performance in Reading, assess student understanding and knowledge of content in complex texts, and enable students to demonstrate higher performance levels.



Elementary and Middle school teachers and paraprofessionals observed and/or participated in several sessions with trainers who demonstrated additional instructional protocols in the Teachers College model for teaching reading and writing. Teachers also continued the use of standardized measures to determine and set new benchmarks for students' performance in Mathematics and English Language Arts. Using data from Fountas and Pinnel assessments, faculty in the elementary schools documented that greater than 90% of students met or exceeded the reading benchmarks set for the end of the school year. We continued to provide structured supports for sub-groups of students whose previous standardized assessment results indicated a need for academic intervention. This work to strengthen students' reading comprehension or mathematical prowess will continue next year to further assist the learners who need additional support to maintain or improve their level of performance. Our endeavor to develop stronger readers and writers at every grade level will continue to be enhanced by the co-curricular programs implemented to encourage the development of communication skills.

In 2016-2017, teachers mapped curriculum using the new Atlas Rubicon platform. The time provided during the professional learning sessions was used to record the information, especially in the areas where there are new curriculum standards and materials, and/or new courses (Social Studies, Science, and Business). The new maps will help to ensure alignment of the curriculum and will inform the vertical articulation from one grade level to the next.

Standardized assessments results for the previous year reported in the 2016-2017 school year showed that East Granby students performed at high levels on the Advanced Placement (AP) tests and the Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT), resulting in a gold rating for the high school, a third place ranking in the state of CT and (first place in the DRG) from US News and World Reports.



Continue efforts to increase rigor in the Fifth-Year High School Associates in Science in Advanced Manufacturing Technology Degree Program and expand degree options for students.

The curricula for Engineering I and II were finalized and approved. Students from the middle and high school participated in several Manufacturing Technology workshops, career programs and site visits. We have also established the

Integrated Learning Experiences for the 21st Century component (ILE 21) that includes an opportunity for students to participate in Unpaid Experiential Learning Program as authorized by the Department of Labor and the Department of Education. We have also developed the web site for Students Services that includes School and Career Counseling information. In 2016-2017, we also established and convened monthly meetings of an East Granby Career and Technical Education (CTE) Fifth Year committee of teachers, counselors, administrators and the Superintendent to further institutionalize the CTE/5th Year/ILE21 program. Two Advisory Board meetings were also convened during the school year.

After additional meetings with Dean Stefaniwicz and Julie Cotnoir from Asnuntuck Community College, new articulated courses were added to the East Granby High School curriculum. Students pursuing courses such as Introduction to Business, Macro-Economics, and Personal Finance will now earn college credit upon successful completion of coursework. At the last meeting with the Academic Dean at ACC, we identified other opportunities for students to access college level courses through the Colleges' high school partnership program enabling them to earn more college credits. **Our continued partnership with ACC has enabled us to expand opportunities for East Granby students to earn a Certificate or Associates degree in Business**. We have also established contact with several businesses and developed documents describing the UELP program and the benefits to students, business operators and the community.

Improve Student and School Performance emphasizing Connecticut Core Standards, intensive learning intervention opportunities, and Mastery Based and Personalized Learning.

East Granby students practiced habits of mind, were highly motivated, and participated in focused, effective, on-going academic interventions spurring them to compete in many events where they succeeded at the state level and proceeded to compete at the regional level. (Music, Science/Invention Convention). This and the other examples described below are evidence of the effectiveness of high impact teaching strategies and teaching for mastery. Faculty members were also motivated to improve and expand best practices, including the purposeful use of

blended learning strategies. Art teachers continued to display student work at Bradley Airport and expand the offerings in the Art department integrating technology in unique and powerful ways to emphasize 21st century skills. Counselors, teaching faculty and administrators organized a very successful career fair at East Granby High School in April 2017 to expose students to career options. In the area of STEM, middle school science teachers inspired students to participate in the Connecticut Invention Convention resulting in several students being recognized with significant honors and awards. East Granby middle school Science teacher, Dr. Sarah Faulkner won a grant prize of up to \$5,000 to participate in a study program in Peru this summer.

To ensure continued alignment with Board of Education goals related to student learning outcomes, a *Strategic Thinking* session was held in late fall to envision the Intellectually and Technologically Agile Learner. Faculty, administrators, students, parents, community members, and business partners from Office Depot Education Division participated in several sessions to identify the vision of the 21st century learner, coin descriptors of the graduate, and identify elements of the work in which teachers and students should be engaged. A follow-up retreat was held in the Spring with Administrators and members of the Board of Education. Participants drafted vision and mission statements and goals based on the data gathered in the previous sessions. Subsequently, belief statements and goals have been agreed upon and a new Areas of Focus document will be drafted for the 2017-2018 school year.

Administrators participated in year II of the Mastery Based training and shared information with faculty as they engaged them in identifying the power standards that students must master in each content area. There was a follow-up workshop on the professional development day in May to deepen the understanding of how Mastery Based instructional practices can strengthen instructional pedagogy and student performance.

Advanced Placement and online courses and resources continue to be a part of the diverse array of learning options for students. We explored Computer Science with a consultant and we are currently examining ways to include the subject in our curricular offerings. We are also exploring Career IB since the online IB program will no longer be an option for us. The process of becoming a Career IB institution was examined and will be pursued further this school year. We are also working to establish a global partnership opportunity in preparation for expanding opportunities for our students to engage meaningfully as global citizens. East Granby students will be well poised to earn a Bilingual or Global Certificate upon successful completion of the requirements.

Technology Integration

Several online programs support the implementation of the curriculum and the course of studies in the schools (K-12)MyON,



FASTMATH, AGILE MIND, ALEKS, Khan Academy, and the new Electronic Card Catalog (to be installed later this summer at the elementary level), Atlas Rubicon, and Edivate are impactful programs for improving instruction and students learning. All faculty and administrators are trained to utilize *Edivate*, an online resource that enables anytime/anywhere job-embedded professional learning. The intentional inclusion of the Library Media Curriculum Technology Integration Specialist had a significant impact on the teaching and learning practices in the schools this year as he worked with faculty and students to integrate technology to advance and transform the education program.

Communication

Articles on best practices from Hanover Research were shared with administrators, faculty and staff and served to inform discussions in faculty and curriculum meetings. Administrators also participated in book studies throughout the year as a regular part of leadership meetings. Training in Mastery Based Teaching and Learning was also expanded and implemented. Teachers College Readers Writers Workshop was a major area of emphasis in the professional development program in the elementary and middle school during the 2016-2017, school year. Curriculum development work to transition to the new Next Generation Science Standards (NGSS) was also initiated after faculty participation in training at the state level.



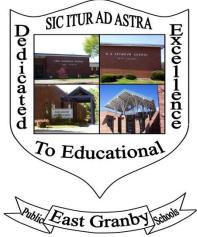
The Superintendent and administrators participated in informational sessions that were recorded and aired on GCTV. Each segment focused on a school or specific program and offered valuable information on activities in the schools. A successful Community Forum was held on January 26, 2017 to engage attendees in a discussion of students leaning outcomes – specifically, the Intellectually and Technologically Agile learner.

It is evident from this 'synopsis' that every member of the East Granby Public Schools learning community was actively engaged in a rigorous learning program exemplifying the high expectations of our learning culture.

In the final analysis, the view from my vantage point is spectacular. We aligned our resources, made significant progress, achieved our goals and we now look ahead with great anticipation to further growth and development guided by the ambitious goals established in the 2017- 2018 *Areas of Focus* document.

Sincerely,

Christine F.A.S. Mahoney, Ed.D Superintendent



East Granby Public Schools 2018 Teacher of the Year Kristi Smith – Second Grade Teacher

On behalf of the East Granby Board of Education and the East Granby Public Schools learning community, I extend heartfelt congratulations to Kristi Smith on being named East Granby Public Schools Teacher of the Year, 2018.

Kristi is a consummate professional and a colorful role model for all. In her twenty three years of service to the East Granby Public Schools, she demonstrated an unmatched passion for teaching. She approached everyday with an infectious positive attitude and an endearing warm nurturing spirit. Her colleagues admire her energy and enthusiasm for learning and her coordinated style. Kristi willingly explored curriculum developments and researched resources that would strengthen teaching and learning at Carl Allgrove School. Kristi is a true pioneer and innovator.

Kristi's contribution to the professional learning culture at Carl Allgrove School is enviable. Colleagues appreciate her willingness to serve as the Curriculum Leader for English Language Arts, and to lead and represent them in the focused important work with Teachers College, Columbia University. The wealth of information she shared with teachers after participating in the Summer Reading Institute at Teacher's College empowered them to implement and integrate best practice in Reading instruction each day – empowering our youngest learners as they strive to attain their individual reading benchmark. Kristi is truly a LEAD teacher.

In order to help develop digital citizenship in the children at Carl Allgrove School, she purposefully integrates technology in instruction. After attending the Teachers College Technology workshop, Amplify, Digital Pedagogy for Today and Tomorrow, she shared information unselfishly with her colleagues enabling them to use technology to engage students in meaningful learning activities.

Parents recognize and value her leadership in the Carl Allgrove School community. Family Math Night has become a major event because of her significant investment of time and energy preparing the presentation of the Mathematics curriculum. Kristi worked collaboratively with her Principal, Mrs. Maylah Uhlinger and members of the school community to design and institute fundraising activities such as, the magnificent garden arrangements that are prepared by parents, colleagues, and students in each class at Carl Allgrove School and are proudly displayed during the Spring district wide Art show.

One of Kristi's colleagues who nominated her for this recognition as Teacher of the Year described her as one who "embodies the exemplary character of an outstanding teacher." That description is the widespread sentiment of everyone who enters Carl Allgrove School. Congratulations on a well-deserved honor.

Sincerely,

Christine F. A. S. Mahoney, Ed. D. Superintendent of Schools





Recycling Collection Center (RCC) Administrative Rules Effective July 1, 2017

The following rules and regulations are in effect at the RCC. This is not meant to be a comprehensive list, but rather highlights of the overall policy. For clarifications on any of these items, please contact the First Selectman's office at (860) 413-3301.

- Effective, July 1, 2017, a \$50 new/renewal permit fee will be charged per household for residents to have access to the transfer station to dispose of municipal solid waste. 2017/2018 permits expire on June 30, 2018. You will have the month of July to obtain a permit. New permits are only issued at the RCC. After July 30, 2017, no one will be allowed to use the facility without a new permit. Stickers are limited to two per household. <u>Only one truck or trailer load allowed per day.</u>
- 2. Transfer station access is limited to residents of East Granby. Only residential building materials will be accepted. <u>Contractors are not permitted to dispose of commercial building materials.</u>
- 3. New permits may be purchased at the RCC by producing a valid driver's license, the vehicle registration, showing the vehicle registered in East Granby, and a check or money order payable to the Town of East Granby in the amount of \$50.00. We do not accept credit/debit cards or cash. Subsequent to the permit being processed, the stickers will be administered at the RCC, and affixed by the Attendant to the bottom driver's side corner of the windshield.
- 4. No permits shall be required for the disposal of recyclable materials including commingles such as bottles and glass, cardboard, e-waste, metals and oil.
- 5. Valid Permits will allow disposal of the following at the RCC:
 - ✓ Household waste
 - ✓ Bulky Waste
 - ✓ Leaf & grass clippings
 - ✓ Brush
 - ✓ Restricted quantities of building materials that homeowners have used to repair their homes. Limit one load or trailer load per day.
- 6. The following items are **<u>not</u>** accepted at the RCC:
 - ✓ Tires
 - ✓ Hazardous Waste (i.e. pathological, biological, cesspool or other human wastes which according to federal, state or local rules or regulations from time to time re4quire special handling in their collection, treatment or disposal under 42 U.S.C. Section 6921-6925 EPA)
 - ✓ Antifreeze
 - ✓ Gasoline
 - ✓ Car Batteries
- 7. Any items that contain Freon will require a check made out to the Town of East Granby in the amount of \$25.00 for each item to cover the town's disposal fee.



Recycling Collection Center (RCC) PROGRAM JULY 1, 2017 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2018

2016-2017 RCC permit stickers expired on June 30, 2017. New stickers will become available at the RCC facility beginning on Saturday July 1, and can be purchased on any Tuesday or Saturday throughout the month.

No resident will be allowed to dispose of their refuse after July 30th without purchasing a new permit. Permit purchases will be available at the RCC on any day which the RCC is open.

Each resident purchasing a permit will need to produce a current driver's license, and vehicle registration showing an East Granby address, and a check or money order in the amount of \$50.00 made out to the TOWN OF EAST GRANBY to the attendant. NO CASH OR CREDIT/DEBIT cards will be accepted.

PLEASE NOTE THAT STICKERS ARE <u>NOT</u> PRO-RATED. THE PRICE IS \$50.00 WHETHER YOU PURCHASE THE PERMIT IN JULY OR APRIL.

After producing the required information, the attendant will complete a form with the provided information. The attendant will then remove the old permit and affix a new sticker to the bottom, driver's side corner of the windshield. The sticker may not be removed from the windshield thereafter, as it will destruct while being removed.

Each household is allowed two permits for the \$50.00 fee. The Attendant will have record of the initial \$50.00 payment and will issue a second permit at no additional charge. The resident must produce their driver's license, current registration, and be driving the vehicle the second sticker will be affixed to.

If during the fiscal year, the resident purchases a different vehicle, or replaces their windshield, the attendant will cancel the old permit and issue a new one.

If a resident is borrowing a vehicle, they may obtain a temporary, one-day pass, provided the \$50.00 permit fee has been paid, this can be obtained at the RCC. At that time, the resident's current driver's license and the license plate number of the vehicle being borrowed must be provided.

For questions regarding this program, please contact the First Selectman's office at (860) 413-3301.



EAST GRANBY SENIOR CENTER

DIAL-A-RIDE ON THE MINI BUS

O Grocery, Pharmacy & Banking every Wednesday

• Doctor, Dentist, Hairdresser & Personal Care Appointments every Tuesday and Thursday from 9:00 AM until 3:00 PM. Appointments should be scheduled no earlier than 9:00 AM and no later than 3:00 PM. Transportation to the Windsor Caring Connection (Windsor's Adult Day Health Center) will now be provided on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Please call (860) 547-0251 for more information.

Setail Shopping, Trips & Community Events on Mondays and Fridays.

Check the Senior Moments Newsletter calendars for the bus schedule and call (860)413-3327 at least 24 hours in advance. Your reservation will be recorded on the voicemail system and a driver will call you to confirm. There is no charge to use the Mini Bus but an annual donation of \$20 is greatly appreciated.

BLOOD PRESSURE CLINICS – Provided by the Farmington Valley VNA Mondays ~ SEPTEMBER 11TH, OCTOBER 2ND, NOVEMBER 13TH 11:00AM-12:00PM.

The Farmington Valley Visiting Nurses Association will be at the East Granby Senior Center providing free blood pressure screenings. No appointment necessary.

<u>***Hearing Clinics***</u>Thursday September 14th 9:00AM-11:00AM and Thursday October 12th 1:00PM-

3:00PM at the East Granby Senior Center. There will be hearing testing, hearing aide cleanings and minor repairs. FREE at the East Granby Senior Center. Appointments can be made by calling (860) 413-3334.

<u>***Flu Clinic***</u> – Provided by the Farmington Valley VNA

Monday October 16th 3:30PM-5:30PM at the East Granby Senior Center. Appointments can be made by calling (860) 651-3539.

EXERCISE CLASSES & PROGRAMS

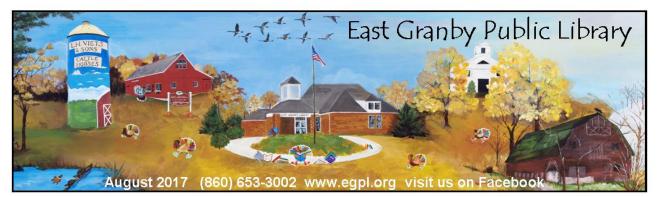
<u>PEDI—CARE FOR YOUR FEET</u>—Professional foot care is provided by a licensed nurse the 1st Thursday of each month--8:30 AM—2:00 PM in the East Granby Senior Center. Your visit includes: General assessment of your feet; trimming, filing, & cleaning nails; reduction of thickened toe nails; smoothing of corns and calluses; massaging, moisturizing lotion and powdering. Call (860)413-3334 for an appointment. Cost \$29

<u>GET FIT EXERCISE CLASSES</u>—Mondays and Wednesdays 10:00 AM-11:00 AM—Senior Center—\$4.00 walk-in cost. Improve fitness, balance, strength, flexibility, range of motion, and posture. This ALL LEVELS class uses hand weights, exercise bands, and loops done in or next to a chair for safety. **Try it for free on Monday** September 11th!

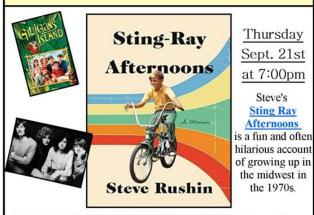
<u>LINE DANCING CLASS</u>- Tuesdays 10:00 AM-11:30AM at the East Granby Farms Recreation Center - \$5.00 walk-in cost. Come on down and enjoy some great music and learn some fun line dances. It's a great way to exercise while having fun! Classes start back up on September 12th. Try it for free on Tuesday September 12th! <u>GREENWAY TRAIL WALK</u>

Saturday September 30, 2017-Join us for a casual trail walk sponsored by the East Granby Commission on Aging. We will meet at the Copper Hill Road entrance at 10:00am. All are invited so bring a friend, family member, and/or leashed pet. It's a great way to meet new people, get some fresh air and exercise too. This will be a go at your own pace walk so it doesn't matter if you are new to walking or experienced – it is sure to be fun for all! In the event of inclement weather this event will be cancelled and there will be no rain date. Please register by September 24th by calling Kelly Jacobs at (860) 413-3334 or emailing kellyj@egtownhall.com.

Be on the lookout for the Fall edition of the Senior Moments newsletter featuring all our programs and trips for September, October and November! Join our mailing list to receive the Senior Moments Newsletter. Call (860) 413-3334 or email <u>kellvj@egtownhall.com</u> to sign up.



Author Talk with Steve Rushin



An Amazon Best Book of July 2017: I am a child of the 70s, and for me, the years before I became burdened with job/girls/nuclear holocaust -based insomnia were filled with *The Six-Million Dollar Man*, Evel Knievel, baseball cards, and *Gilligan's Island* reruns, all set to a soundtrack featuring both Led Zeppelin and the soulless, sexless croonings of the Brothers Gibb

> Sign Up requested East Granby Public Library

FOR TEENS: **PIZZA Making with Colleen Bell** Wednesday, Sept.13th

5-7 p.m. Come and learn how to make homemade pizza You will break up into small groups to make your own personal size pizza that will be baked right in the library with a mini pizza oven. You

will mix and knead your own pizza dough

that you can bring home. This is a cooking skill that will last a lifetime. Class is limited to 16 teens in

grades 7-12. Sign up is required Afternoon at the Movies Wednesdays at 1:00pm

> August 23rd **"Gifted"**

PG-13, 100min A heartwarming look at the meaning of what a family is.

> August 30th "Their Finest"

R, 117min In the fight for freedom everyone played a part.

September 6th "Megan Leavey" PG-13, 116min based on the true life story of a young marine corporal and her dog.

End of Summer Reading Pot-Luck

Thursday, August 24th at 5:00 p.m. Bring dinner & something to share. Library will provide drinks, games, & music. There will be a raffle! Please RSVP!



Pig out on Story Time with Farmer Minor, Daisy the pig, & Lily the pug! Thursday, Sept. 7th 6-7 p.m.

Storytime

Story times for toddlers to 5 years will begin after Labor Day! Times/ days TBA. contact Ms. Paul at 860-653-3002!

Meeting Schedules

Town Hall (TH) • Senior/Community Center (SC) Allgrove School (AS) • East Granby Farms (EGF) Library (L) • High School (HS)

Commission on Aging 6:30 (SC)	9/5, 10/3
Conservation 7:00 (TH)	9/6, 10/4
Board of Education 7:00 (AS)	8/28, 9/11, 9/25
Economic Development 7:00 (TH)	9/25, 10/23
Elementary School Committee	As Needed
Board of Finance 7:30	9/19, 10/17
Parks & Recreation 7:00 (EGF)	9/7, 10/5
Planning & Zoning 7:00 (TH)	9/12, 10/10
Board of Selectmen 6:30 (TH)	8/23, 9/13, 9/27
Zoning Board of Appeals 7:30 (TH)	9/5, 10/3
Youth Services Bureau 6:30 (EGF)	9/18, 10/16

The above meeting dates and times are subject to change.

Library, Board of Education, and Recreation times & dates are found in the articles. Times are PM unless noted.

Guidelines for Submitting Articles

Please note that the deadline submission time is 9:00 AM on Monday. All articles must be submitted in Word format and sent via e-mail to newsletter@egtownhall.com. Deadlines are strictly enforced to ensure timely preparation of the publication. Articles should pertain to an East Granby organization, agency, or business (non-advertisement) and be of general interest to the public. With the exception of Town Commissions and Boards, we will not accept submissions that are more than one page in size including pictures, objects, and text. At the discretion of the Editor, articles and graphics may be edited. The name of the submitter and a daytime phone number must accompany each article.

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ADULT ACTIVITIES



MENS RECREATIONAL BASKETBALL

DATES: Ongoing Wednesdays Starting 10/11/17 **TIME:** 7:00pm - 9:00pm WHERE: East Granby High School Gym WHAT: Players must be over age 18 and HS Graduate - Max amount of players 20 **COST:** \$3 per person, per evening Participants must wear white-soled gym shoes No basketball during school vacation or non-school days. Limited enrollment! (Must sign liability waiver)



ZUMBA FITNESS CORE HIGH SCHOOL THROUGH ADULTS

DATES: Ongoing Tuesdays - Starting 8/29/17 **TIME:** 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm WHERE: East Granby Farms WHAT TO BRING: Mat, water, small towel

COST: \$40 for a 6 week program or \$10 per week walk-in (cash only) Punch Cards - \$70 for 10 classes. Punch cards can be used for Zumba Core & Zumba *Instructor* : Renee Klucznik

Zumba core incorporates Zumba routines that emphasis the core muscles in order to strengten & sculpt the torso. class ends with 20 minutes of isolated cor/Mat work. Bring a Yoga mat!



CLEAR CHAKRAS THRU MEDITATION

DATE: Monday September 25th **TIME:** 7:00pm - 8:30pm WHERE: East Granby Farms **WHAT:** Bring mat and water bottle COST: \$15 per person, Learn about your chakras, what they represent, how to clear your 7 basic areas and how to continue through meditation every day. Go home with your own sage to clear the energy. Instructor: Lauren Ouellette. Certified Reiki Therapist



GOLF FOR BEGINNERS

DATES: Thursday September 7th, for 4 wks **TIME:** 5:45pm-6:45pm WHERE: Copper Hill Golf Club AGES 16 plus

COST: \$75. Instructor: Paul Banks, PGA This class will cover the fundamentals of the full swing, chipping, pitching and putting, as well as some basic strategies for playing the game. First three classes will take place on the range. Last class will be two hours long as we practice our game on the range. Clubs will be provided for your use. Wear non-restrictive comfortable clothing and supportive athletic shoes.



REGISTRATION

All registrations and payment for programs must be received in advance. Online registrations is available at: eastgranbyrec.com or by contacting the East Granby Parks and Recreation office for a registration form. Payment for programs must accompany a registration form. Please make your checks payable to East Granby Parks and Recreation. A \$25 fine is charged for returned checks.



FOR ALL THE LATEST PROGRAMS **EASY SIGN UPS!**

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RECREATION OFFICE HOURS MONDAY - FRIDAY 8 AM -3:30 PM 860-653-7660 **ALICIAV@EGTOWNHALL.COM**

FALL AND WINTER BUS TRIPS

NEW YORK ON YOUR OWN

October 7th, join us for a day

in New York City on yoru own.

Departing East Granby Farms

at: 7:30 AM and leaving the city

at: 7:00 PM. There is plenty of

time to do some shopping, see a

Limited seats! Cost:45 per person.

show, or visit some of the great

museums the city has to offer.

Reservations for trips are NOT accepted by phone. Payment guarantees your seat and is accepted on a first paid, first served basis.



REGISTER NOW FOR ALL YOUR FAVORITES!

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REFUNDS

We offer refunds for medical reasons or canceled programs. A doctors note is required for a medical refund

CANCELLATION POLICY

School activities have priority over the Parks & Recreation activities. When school is canceled, due to inclement weather, all recreation activities held in the schools will be canceled. Regarding programs other than those held in public schools, a decision to cancel the program will be made by 4 pm, Monday to Friday, OR one hour prior to the start of the program on Saturday and Sunday. Cancellations will be announced on the following radio and TV stations: WTIC-1080, WFSB-TV3, WVIT-TV30 or call 860-653-7660 for a recorded announcement.



Saturday, December 2nd, join us for a day in New York City, decorated in holiday splendor. Departing East Granby Farms at: 7:30 AM and leaving the city at: 7 PM. There is plenty of time to do some shopping, see a show, or visit some of the great museums the city has to offer. Limited seats! Cost: \$45 per person

YOUTH PROGRAMS

BALLET/JAZZ COMBINATION

DATES: Starting Wednesday, 9/20-12/6 **TIME:** 5:15pm-6:00pm WHERE: East Granby Farms Rec Center AGES: 4-6 COST \$115

Feel the beat, whirl, and twirl! This is an instructional program that will introduce young dancers both to the technique and joy of dance! Centered around ballet and jazz, this class will provide students with foundational skills in a fun and inclusive environment! Participants should wear any style/color dance wear.

"CENTER COURT" JAZZ/HIP HOP DANCE

DATES: Starting Wednesday, 9/20-12/6 **TIME:** 6:10pm-6:55pm WHERE: East Granby Farms Rec Center AGES: 7-11 COST \$115

Have you been to a UCONN game lately? Is your child paying more attention to the dance team than the game? If so, they'll LOVE this class! It is full of fun, high-energy pom, jazz, and hip hop! It is entertainment pop jazz, rich in performance-quality technical dance and exciting choreography, guaranteed to get the audience out of their seats! Great exercise and confidence boosting, your child will certainly have a blast!

INTRO TO BATON

DATES: Starting Wednesday, 9/20-12-/6 **TIME:** 4:45pm-5:15pm WHERE: East Granby Farms Rec Center AGES: 6-10 COST \$115

This instructional program is for beginners and includes all necessary fundamentals of the sport of baton twirling. Participants will be taught proper technique in marching, basic twirls, dance, and showmanship. Twirling promotes flexibility, grace, physical fitness, self-confidence, coordination, teamwork, and more! Try something new and join today!

AFTER SCHOOL EXPLORATION IN: ART, YOGA & STORIES

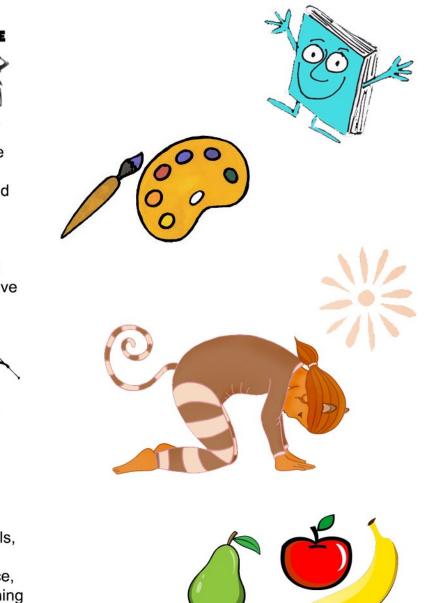
DATES: Starting Tuesdays, 9/12-10/30 **TIME:** 3:05pm - 4:30pm (6 weeks)

WHERE: from Allgrove to the Community Center (all children will be escorted)

GRADES K-2

COST: \$75

With gentle yoga, story-time, creative artwork and a snack, children will have an opportunity to explore and expand their creativity. Instructor: Kathy Paul



YOUTH PROGRAMS

GROWING HEALTHY KIDS

DATES: Starting Monday, 9/25



TIME: 4:00pm - 5:30pm

WHERE: East Granby Farms Rec Center AGES 6-9 vrs

COST: \$15 drop in fee-last Monday of each Month Instructor: Nutritionist Alicia Newton -

Learn about healthy foods-where it comes from, how to prepare it and tasting it. Active, hands-on through games.

WHAT'S COOKIN JR. CHEF?



DATES: Starting Wednesdays, 10/4-11/8 **TIME:** 4:00pm-6:00pm WHERE: East Granby Community Center GRADES: 5th - 8th

COST: \$140

Instructor Alicia Newton - Nutritionist Cooking is a life skill and incorporates health and nutrition as well as math, literacy, culture and creativity. Work together and create delicious meals easily replicated at home.



FLAG FOOTBALL

DATES: Monday, September 11th, runs 8 wks Assessments will be held on Saturday, September 9th from 9-11am WHERE: East Granby Farms AGES Juniors 7-10, Seniors 11-14 **COST: \$65**

NFL Flag Football is the premier youth football program for boys and girls. The program provides young players a fun and exciting opportunity to engage in a non-contact, continuous action sport, while learning lessons in teamwork. Practices will be held during the week 2 times for the juniors; seniors practice 1 or 2 times a week and games will be played on Saturdays mornings. We will only be playing East Granby teams. Space is limited. Last day to register is Wednesday September 6. No late registrations. Cleats, mouth-guard are required. Co-Ed; no experience necessary.

DROP-IN CO-ED BASKETBALL

TIME: 7:00pm-9:00pm

WHERE: East Granby Farms Rec Center **GRADES: 9-12**

DATES: Starting, Thursdays, 9/14/17 11/16/17 GRADES: 6-8

DATES: Starting Monday, 9/11 - 11/13 COST \$2

This program is for East Granby residents and/or students only. Admission is paid at the door. Punch Card available.

TAKE A CHILD MOUNTAIN BIKING DAY!

Sponsored by: East Granby Rec, NEMBA& The Bike Shop

DATES: September 10th

TIME: Meet at 10:30 am for 11:00 AM ride WHERE: Cowles Park

AGES All Ages

COST: Free Event

We welcome riders of all abilities for a fun day on their bikes with the kids! There will be 3 group rides of various abilities. Bring a bike, a helmet and a full water bottle. Parents are encouraged to ride too, but not required.

Waiver form is required before riding. Snacks and water for after the ride will be provided in the parking lot.

Sign up at www.eastgranbyrec.com or call the Parks and Recreation office at 860-653-7660

FALL YOGA FOR TEENS

DATES: Ongoing Saturdays Starting 10/14 TIME:_9:00am-10:30am **WHERE:** East Granby Farms WHAT TO BRING: Mat. water, small towel COST: \$50 for 4 weeks Helping to manage emotions- less anxiety Developing a deeper connection to ourselves and

others with self-love and acceptance. Improves mental focus and build core strength & flexibility.





