



# Let's Talk Turkey

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## Happy Early Spring—It's Also Budget Season!

With this edition of "Let's Talk Turkey" we usher in the annual budget process. The annual budget consists of four components: the Board of Selectman (BOS) Operating Budget; the Board of Education (BOE) Operating Budget; the Town Capital Budget; and Debt Service for the Seymour/Allgrove Elementary School projects. The various boards have been working on their part of the budget for several months. In February the Board of Finance (BOF) gave their initial direction to the BOS and BOE regarding proposed expenditures for the upcoming fiscal year (FY17) and preliminary budgets were presented to the BOF at their March 15th meeting. I have listed below the important dates where you will have the opportunity to learn more about the annual budget and to provide feedback to the boards.

**March 24th** • The BOF Meeting will be held at Town Hall at 7:30 PM. The BOF will provide final direction to the boards regarding the budget to be presented to the Town at the April 5th Public Hearing.

**April 2nd** • We anticipate that the Annual Budget Edition of "Let's Talk Turkey" will be in houses on April 2nd so that residents can review detailed presentations of budget components and costs. Budget information will also be available on the town website—[www.eastgranbyct.org](http://www.eastgranbyct.org)—at that time.

**April 5th** • The Annual Town Budget Hearing will be held at 7:30 PM at the East Granby High School Auditorium. All three boards will present the proposed budget and answer any questions that residents may have. After the Public Hearing, the BOF will consider resident feedback, deliberate, and vote to send a proposed budget to Town Meeting.

**April 19th** • The Annual Town Meeting will be held at 7:30 PM at the Senior/Community Center. After a brief presentation by the boards along with time for resident questions and comments, the BOS anticipates that the Town Meeting will be adjourned without a vote and then subsequently taken to a machine ballot referendum. Please note that the BOS is expected to call for a machine ballot referendum for late April or early May. Polling hours would then be set at the April 19th Town Meeting. By the way, our traditional polling place is the Senior/Community Center. Feel free to contact the Selectman's Office at (860) 413-3301 with any questions.

**2015 Grand List** • The October 1, 2015 Grand List for the Town of East Granby has been finalized as of February 2016. For the upcoming fiscal year (FY17), the value of taxable property in East Granby increased by .94% with a net total of \$586,967,397. The split of the Grand List is 77% residential, 12.50% personal property, and 9.73% motor vehicles. Overall, real estate values increased by 0.29%, personal property (business equipment) increased by 4.2%, and motor vehicles increased 2.4%.

**Senior Tax Relief** • Residents aged 65 years or older along with residents who are disabled may be eligible for Senior Tax Relief. If you income qualify, the amount of property taxes that you will pay for the upcoming fiscal year may be reduced. If you have any questions or would like to make a confidential appointment, please call Assessor Mary Ellen Brown at (860) 653-2852.

### Newsletter Publication Schedule

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## Completed Town Ordinances Online

The Town Ordinances are now complete and can be found online at [www.eastgranbyct.org](http://www.eastgranbyct.org) under "Our Town." Since the Ordinances were adopted at a Special Town Meeting on December 3, 2015, copies are no longer free. The fee for copies is \$.50 per page and they can be obtained from the Town Clerk's Office. For more information, please call the Town Clerk's Office at (860) 653-6528.

## Granby Ambulance Association Congratulates Eight

Granby Ambulance regularly holds training classes for members of our communities. We offer CPR, First Aid, EMT initial, EMT refresher classes and more. Most recently, eight EMTs and firefighters came to Granby Ambulance to take a three-day, 30 hour EMT refresher class.

GAA congratulates East Granby resident Nicole Wade; East Hartland residents Charlotte Anderson, Carrie Boldt, and Norm Gundersen; Granby residents Carol Brennen and Kim McLaughlin; and Bloomfield resident Nick Lorenzo for successfully completing the EMT refresher class.

These eight individuals routinely volunteer days, nights, and weekends to make sure our towns are safe, and we thank them for taking an additional 30 hours of their time so they can continue to dedicate their lives to helping others as EMTs.

If you or your group is interested in the GAA training program or classes we offer, please visit our website: [www.granby-ambulance.org](http://www.granby-ambulance.org)! Our most popular class is the AHA Family & Friends CPR Course which teaches adult, child, and infant CPR/ AED and relief of choking in an adult, child, or infant. Family and Friends CPR is ideal for schools and students, new parents, grandparents, babysitters and others interested in learning how to save a life.

## EGCCNS Now Registering

The East Granby Congregational Church Nursery School is now registering for the 2016-2017 school year and is holding an open house on Thursday, March 31st from 3:00 to 6:00 PM. Programs include:

- three year old class on Tuesday/Thursday from 9:00 to 11:30 AM with an option of a third day
- four year old class on Monday/Wednesday/Friday from 8:15 or 9:00 AM to 11:30 AM with an option of five days

Come and see our creative classroom, meet and visit with our staff, and learn about our unique program and curriculum. For more information and registration forms, contact Jen Goldie, Director, at (860) 653-3913 or [www.egccns@egchurch.necoxmail.com](mailto:www.egccns@egchurch.necoxmail.com). Visit us on Facebook and also look for us at the Family Resource Night at Allgrove Elementary School on March 23rd.

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### Odd and Ends:

Winter Clean-Up – The Department of Public Works crew will be working their way through all neighborhoods picking up broken curbing and raking out lawn areas damaged on the Town Right of Way.

The Whitewater Triple Crown Race Re-scheduled – This year the Annual Whitewater Triple Crown Race will be held at the Tariffville Gorge on the Farmington River in July due to contestants being at Olympic Trials in April.

Old-Newgate Prison – There's no definite news on whether the State will be able to re-open Newgate Prison this year. I'll keep you posted. Over the past couple of years, the State has installed a new lighting system and shored up and repaired failing prison walls.

**I hope to see you at the Town Budget Hearing  
on April 5<sup>th</sup> at the High School Auditorium.**

Jim Hayden, First Selectman

## Coming Events at EGCC

### **Holy Week Services at East Granby Congregational Church**

- **Palm Sunday**, March 20th – 10:25 AM worship followed by a Pot Luck Breakfast and Easter Egg Hunt.
- **Maundy Thursday**, March 24th – 7:30 PM worship in our sanctuary.
- **Good Friday**, March 25th – from 12:00 noon until 3:00 PM, our sanctuary will be open for you to drop in for prayer or meditation.
- **Easter Sunrise Service**, March 27th – 6:30 AM in our sanctuary followed by breakfast.
- **Easter Worship**, March 27th, 10:25 AM in our sanctuary followed by a time of fellowship.

### **Rummage Sale**

We will hold a rummage sale on April 2nd from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM in the EGCC CEC (round) Building. If anyone in town has any items they would like to donate to the sale, please give Judy Goff a call at (860) 653-7747 for pickup. We are not accepting any clothing, TVs, or computer equipment.

### **Carnival**

The EGCC Memorial Day Carnival will be back on Monday, May 30th. All are invited to join us on the lawn of East Granby Congregational Church on Memorial Day for a great celebration of the day. Gather with friends, family, and representatives of many local community organizations as we come together for some lighthearted fun. Games, activities, and food will be available. We hope to see you there immediately following the town parade! Keep an eye out for further details.

## 3RD ANNUAL EGCCNS PANCAKE BREAKFAST

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Come one, come all—get a great start  
to your Saturday and join us for

### HOT-OFF-THE-GRIDDLE PANCAKES

(plain or blueberry/gluten free available by request)  
100% maple syrup, sausage  
juice, coffee or tea



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**When:** Saturday, April 30th

**From:** 7:30-10:00AM

**Where:** In the Fellowship Hall of the  
East Granby Congregational Church

*Proceeds to benefit the EGCC Nursery School*

Adults: \$8 | Children under 10: \$5 | Under 2: Free  
Tickets can be purchased at the door  
*Takeout orders available!*

For any questions please call:  
Debbie Paskiewicz at (860) 214-7986

## Social Services Offers Assistance Programs

Office hours for the East Granby Social Services department are Monday 12:30 to 2:30 PM; Tuesday 1:00 to 4:00 PM; Wednesday by appointment only; Thursday 8:30 to 11:30 AM; and Friday from 8:30 AM to 12:30 PM. Appointments outside of these hours are available by appointment by calling (860) 413-3328 or e-mailing [aliciav@egtownhall.com](mailto:aliciav@egtownhall.com).

### Energy Assistance

Applications are being accepted from residents of East Granby who wish to apply for the Connecticut Energy Assistance program. This program is designed to help residents pay for heating costs. Please contact Social Services to review the income and eligibility guidelines and to schedule an appointment.

### Fuel Bank

The East Granby Fuel Bank is a fund available to those eligible residents in need of assistance with heating their homes. 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 in maintaining their independence and maintaining their home. 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. For more information call Social or Senior Services at (860) 413-3328 or (860) 413-3334 for more information.

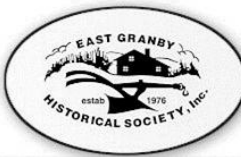
### Renter's Rebate

The Elderly/Totally Disabled Renters rebate program will be reopening in April. More details will be coming as they are available. Please call Social Services in April for income and eligibility requirement.

## East Granby Historical Society News

### Seeking Tag Sale Donations

We plan to hold our annual tag sale on Saturday, May 21st on the grounds of the Historical Society Barn at East Granby Farms. Donations of items are needed (please no clothing or very large items). Please contact Nancy Moody at (860) 653-2866 or [moodynancy@att.net](mailto:moodynancy@att.net).



### "Birthday at the Barn"

Join us on Sunday, June 5th from 2:00 to 5:00 PM. Celebrate the Historical Society Barn's first decade—with displays, demonstrations, and refreshments! Mark your calendar! More details in the May newsletter.

### Honoring Tom

The article excerpted below was written by Society member Tom Howard, who very recently and suddenly passed away. Tom was a past president, historian, and researcher. His passions included extensive research on the Society's Concord stagecoach, genealogy (he had just presented a seminar on January 25th at the East Granby Senior/Community Center), and East Granby's smallpox cemetery. This article was published in Connecticut Explored Magazine's Summer 2014 issue.

### RESTORING EAST GRANBY'S SMALLPOX CEMETERY

*By Tom Howard*

*It was the dreaded smallpox that killed 60-year-old Joshua Holcomb and, presumably, his one-year-old granddaughter Ruth Ford, when they died within a month of each other in 1784 in the Turkey Hills district of Simsbury (now East Granby). Three other of Holcomb's grandchildren died of unknown causes in the next decade: Caleb at age 2 in 1788 and his twin sisters Amarilla and Boadica Holcomb, who were just a year old in 1793. They were all laid to rest in the hilltop family cemetery on the east side of the*

Holcomb property. The spot, just off Hatchet Hill Road and yards away from the Blue-blazed Metacomet trail, has come to be known as East Granby's smallpox cemetery. But for decades its story was, well, buried.

Joshua and Ruth died a difficult death. Smallpox was an insidious disease that marked even its survivors and patients' caregivers. It hit the youngest and the oldest hardest. Likely the whole extended family was exposed. About a third of those who contracted the most serious form of smallpox died from the disease. Among those who survived, scarring and blindness were common. Isolated pest houses allowed patients to be cared for under quarantine conditions. It was a persistent killer until a cowpox vaccine, developed in 1796, provided immunity for 98 percent of those who received it. However, epidemics still occurred with some frequency in 19th century Connecticut. The 30 smallpox-specific cemeteries in 29 Connecticut towns are testimony to the victims, who were usually buried in family plots in isolated places.

Joshua's and the children's families were spared, and about a decade after the twins' deaths, those relatives moved west, leaving their deceased infants behind. For 150 years the headstones—one each for Joshua and Ruth, and a shared stone for Caleb, Amarilla, and Boadica—marked the graves. Surface indications lead us to believe there were other burials and likely headstones in the cemetery, but the people interred there remain unknown.

In 1939, after a quarry developed nearby, the then-owner William A. Seymour apparently gave permission to a local stone collector, William Eli Talbot, to remove the last remaining memorials. The collector then cemented them into a cellar wall as part of the foundation for a building he used for his workshop behind the house he had built in about 1935 in nearby Bloomfield. Talbot had lived in East Granby, a half mile from the cemetery, as a boy. As an adult he worked as a plumber and was skilled at working with wood and stone. He died in 1973 at age 86.

Photographs from 1932, now in the East Granby Public Library's archives, show where the stones originally lay. The 1937 edition of the Connecticut Walk Book, a guide to major hiking trails in the state published by the Connecticut Forest and Park Association notes, "Of interest on...Hatchet Hill, a smallpox burial ground of the 18th century, with curious inscriptions." The removals did not go unnoticed. The 1940 edition refers to the site as "a cemetery of the 18th century where smallpox victims were buried. Vandals have removed the headstones from time to time until not one is now left." Though reuse of gravestones was not unknown in the past, this description indicates that the practice was frowned upon by 1940.

The quarry company (now Galasso Materials LLC, formerly Tilcon/Roncari) and the East Granby Planning and Zoning Commission were made aware of this ancient cemetery by me in 1993 and again in 2013 as Galasso's expansion plans were being considered. The cemetery was officially designated by the town in January 2013 "as historically significant to the Town of East Granby" and a 200-foot ridge line was set aside by Galasso to protect the cemetery from encroachment. The Town approved a Ridgeline Protection Zone in January 2014 to provide further protection.

Last October, after 74 years, new memorial stones for Joshua, Ruth, and the Holcomb children were placed on the graves. The installation of these new granite headstones righted the wrong done years ago.

## News from the East Granby Land Trust

It is with great sadness that we say goodbye to our friend and former EGLT president Tom Howard, who stepped up to become president of and revitalize the East Granby Land Trust at a time when it was in danger of dissolving.



Tom gave us new focus, energy, and leadership, and recruited half of us over the past few years as well. We will greatly miss his sense of humor, gentle guidance, and wisdom.

### East Granby Land Trust 2016 Programs

Please check our website and Facebook for event dates, as most are weather-dependent and are still to be determined.

- **Live Animal Story Time:** We are currently sponsoring a series of story times for the YMCA after-school program featuring live snakes, lizards, turtles, and stories to accompany the live presentations. A huge thank you to the YMCA for letting us conduct the program.
- **Vernal Pool Walk:** Open to the public. We will spend some time in the rain watching amphibians transition from the woods to the vernal pools to lay their eggs. Date: early spring, to be determined.
- **Endangered Species Talk:** Roaring Brook Nature Center will be putting on an endangered species talk for the 3rd grade class this spring on behalf of the Land Trust.
- **Middle School Earth Day Event:** The Land Trust interns will be putting on an Earth Day event for the East Granby Middle School 6th grade class, including hiking, a scavenger hunt, games, and live animals.
- **Earth Day Bags:** Seymour School's 3rd grade class will be decorating grocery bags with great Earth-friendly advice, and Geissler's Supermarket has agreed to use these brown bags on Earth Day, April 22nd, instead of using both paper and plastic.
- **Annual Kindergarten Nature Walk:** We will be bringing the Allgrove Kindergarten classes on a walk of the Allgrove Nature Trail to show them some of the natural trees and plants right in the school's backyard.
- **Wildflower Walk:** Open to the public. Join us in identifying local wildflowers around East Granby with EGLT board member Ian Clark on April 23rd at 9:00 AM. Meet at the East Granby Senior/Community Center.
- **Bird Walk:** Open to the public. Join us with board member Brian Kleinman of Riverside Reptiles as he helps us to identify warblers and other birds as they arrive in the spring. Meet at the Greenway parking lot on Route 20 (bike trail) at 7:00 AM on May 14th.
- **Snake Talk:** Open to the public, intended for a mature audience. Join us for a talk about the snakes of Connecticut, with a live snake presentation by Brian Kleinman of Riverside Reptiles.

- **National Trails Day:** On Saturday, June 4th, join us at the Senior/Community Center at 8:45 AM to carpool to the trailhead for a roughly two hour hike to celebrate National Trails Day 2016.
- **Rock Talk/Gem Cutting:** EGLT member and gemologist Allen Petersen will walk us through what it takes to turn a rough stone into a gem. In June, date is still to be determined.
- **Fairy House Building:** Join us this summer for fairy-house-building on our favorite fairy village property, Pond Meadow. All kids are welcome to bring and use natural items to make fairy houses in the woods. In July, date is still to be determined.
- **Our Night Sky:** This fall the EGLT and East Granby Public Library will be presenting the Greater Courses Series, "Our Night Sky." This will be a six-week-long series on Tuesday evenings from 6:30 to 8:00 PM in September and October. The video series will be followed by group discussion each week. Signup will be in the library. Stay tuned for future announcements.
- **Night Under the Stars:** Planetarium Educator Brian Kennedy will talk to us about the current night sky and bring a telescope for viewing the night sky if the sky is clear. Coming this fall, date to be determined.

Thank you to Amanda Thompson, our Programs Chair, for bringing her boundless energy, enthusiasm, and dedication to our organization and community.

The East Granby Land Trust (EGLT) is a private, non-governmental, non-profit organization incorporated in 1974 for the purpose of conserving the natural resources and unique features of East Granby. EGLT currently owns land parcels comprising over 264 acres that are open to the public for passive recreational activity including hiking, photography, and nature study.

## East Granby Senior Club

The East Granby Senior Club meets the second Friday of each month for lunch and a program and is open to anyone 55 years of age and older. Dues are \$10.00 per year and \$10.00 for each meal. A reservation must be made by the Tuesday before each meeting by calling Carol Carrara at (860) 653-5273. If you need a ride on the bus, please call (860) 413-3327. Please remember reservations and bus calls are separate.

- **April 8th:** The East Granby High School will be doing a brunch for us. If you are a member of the East Granby Senior Club, you will receive an invitation. You must RSVP to the phone number provided on the invitation. The time will be printed on your invitation. Cost is free for members.
- **May 13th at Noon:** Lunch will be sandwiches and ice cream. The program will be a travelogue by East Granby resident David Kilbon on his November 2015 trip to Cuba. Cost is \$10.00 for members.

- **June 10th AT Noon:** Lunch will be a cookout provided by the Women's Club of East Granby. The program will be the Bristol Old Tyme Fiddlers. Cost is \$5.00 for members.

Come join us each month for lunch, meeting old and new friends, and a variety of interesting programs.

## East Granby Cemetery Association

When you walk through the Center Cemetery, you will notice the interesting and varied designs of the very early headstones. The winged death's head was the first gravestone design of the colonies. Its popularity was due to the Puritan distaste of icons, which reminded them of Catholicism. They did not think of the winged death's head as a religious symbol, but rather a neutral symbol of death (skull) and resurrection (wings).



As time passed and religion became less rigid, the gravestone art became less austere. In general, the death's head design falls into three different periods (and designs): death's head (a conventional skull with or without wings); winged cherubs (where a face replaces the skull); and wingless cherubs. By 1750, the death's head had been almost entirely replaced by the winged cherub. As the Puritans grew in prosperity, they were not quite so preoccupied with death. More beauty and less austerity were reflected in the stones, and the face represented looked less like a skull and more like a person. In the winged cherub period (last quarter of the eighteenth century), people seemed to want to get away from the designs suggesting death, and there were even attempts to make the head into a portrait of the deceased. Actually, calling these carvings "portraits" is not to say they were exact likenesses of the deceased. They were simply intended to represent the deceased.

By the end of the eighteenth century, the winged death's head had all but disappeared as a headstone design. The urn and weeping willow (in various forms and combinations) became popular symbols of mourning in the early 1800s, and those designs are much of what you will see after 1812. There are examples of all these types of headstones in the Center Cemetery.

We are very fortunate to have an ancient burying ground right here in the center of East Granby. The East Granby Center Cemetery originated in 1722 and has a rich and notable history relating to our town, state, and country. The East Granby Cemetery Association is a small group of volunteers who oversee the maintenance and preservation of the cemetery. We meet only about four times a year and welcome new members. For information, please call John Rusnock, President, at (860) 653-2194. Donations for the upkeep of the cemetery are greatly appreciated and can be made payable to "East Granby Cemetery Association" and sent to Carol Mathis, Secretary, at 61 Cider Mill Heights, North Granby, CT 06060.

## Capitol Roundup

**Rep. Tami Zawistowski, 61<sup>st</sup> District**

The 2016 legislative session is in full swing. I wish I could report better news, but unfortunately, the state's financial outlook has grown worse since year's end. The projected deficit for this fiscal year ending June 30th is roughly \$220 million, and balloons to \$900 million the year after that. The next biennium budget cycle deficit is projected at \$4.6 billion.

My colleagues and I in the minority party have for some time been calling for structural changes to the state budget that carry substantial long-term savings as well as other spending reductions. The governor and some majority party members have now signaled a willingness to take similar steps to improve our state's fiscal future. The governor's opposition to a contract for some UCONN employees—21 percent raises over 5 years while raising tuition 31% over the first four of those years—was viewed by some as a positive move in seeking an affordable path forward.

There are a variety of money-saving proposals up for deliberation. The Appropriations Committee, for example, held a hearing on my proposal to study the impact of shifting all state employees to a 40-hour work week to determine if we'd save money by reducing overtime shifts and use of consultants.

When you pay your cable bill, a sliver goes toward covering a grant program funding technological upgrades to schools and municipalities that provide community television programming. The program has been used to great effect in East Granby. But the legislature raided the funds to balance the budget and then borrowed money to give out the grants. The tax remains in place, but the borrowed money is gone. I've proposed that we again use the tax revenue for its intended purpose. If not, we should pull the plug on the tax.

I organized a meeting where I invited Department of Transportation (DOT) staff, a Connecticut trucking industry representative, First Selectman Jim Hayden, and Windsor Town Manager Peter Souza. One of the goals was to find a way to keep large truck traffic away from residential areas, especially those surrounding International Drive. Recent actions and coordination between officials in East Granby and Windsor have produced progress, and the DOT expressed willingness to add signage on Routes 20 and 187 to encourage truck drivers to stay on major roads.

The meeting's other purpose was to learn whether there has been progress toward resolving safety issues at the Greenway/Rail Trail crossing on Route 20. The DOT explained there has been significant progress in developing solutions but they would likely require policy changes from the agency. We also discussed temporary improvements while policy discussions are underway.

I'll keep you updated about all of this, particularly on my web and Facebook pages. Meanwhile, feel free to contact my office at (860) 240-8700 or [tami.zawistowski@housegop.ct.gov](mailto:tami.zawistowski@housegop.ct.gov) if you have questions, ideas, or comments, about state related issues.

## 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 in order to ensure the economic viability of our community.

The two major town government initiatives now underway are the recodification of town ordinances and the upcoming FY 2016-17 town budget.

The recodification of town ordinances and new town fee structure was approved at Town Meeting on December 3rd. Substantive ordinance changes and new ordinances will follow this year. The complete rewrite of town ordinances and new fee structure is available for review in person in the Town Clerk's office, or the Office will mail a copy to anyone, for a fee, on request. Call the Clerk's Office at (860) 653-6528 to request a copy.

Budget season is in full swing. The town budget last year was over 21 million dollars, having increased by 18% over the past five years. Schools spending makes up over 75% of the annual town budget (including \$5700 allocated by the Board of Education to hire a media consultant to help pass the budget), and the recently passed teachers' contract featuring annual salary raises averaging 3.39% accounts for almost half of the annual town budget.

For the upcoming fiscal year, the Board of Finance, at their February 11th meeting, proposed budget increases of 2% for the general town government and 2.5% for the schools. The Board of Selectmen and the Board of Education will have responded to those proposals on March 15th. Following that and an opportunity for public comment, the BOF at their next budget meeting on March 24th will give the BOS and BOE their final decision on the FY 2016-17 budget limits that the Boards will present to the public at the annual Town Hearing on the Budget on April 5th.

All BOF meetings start at 7:30 PM and are held in the Town Hall Hearing Room. The April 5th Town Hearing on the Budget will held at the High School at 7:30 PM. Note that the public vote (referendum) on the budget will likely be held on the first or second Tuesday in May, before the next issue of "Talk Turkey" comes out. Don't forget to vote at the Senior/Community Center on referendum day!

All CTEG meetings are on the third Monday of the month at 7:00 PM at the East Granby Public Library. Our next meeting will be on March 21st. All CTEG meetings are open to the public. 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](mailto:info.CTEG@cox.net), or visit the CTEG website at [www.egtaxpayers.org](http://www.egtaxpayers.org).



# Food Pantry and Thrift Shop Spring Update

Spring is on our doorstep! It's also on our minds as we get ready to revamp and reopen the *Friend to Friend Thrift Shop* in April. Our volunteers are working hard, and we have additional help from East Granby High School leadership students and Dr. Mark Waller. We appreciate the continued support from all EG students and our community, thank you for being our friend!

## Food Pantry

860.413.3328

- In need of the following items:  
canned fruit, baked beans,  
spaghetti sauce and cereal
- 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  
860.413.3328 (after hours)

### Grand Reopening April 2, 2016!

#### Our New 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 email us at  
[friendtofriendthriftshop@gmail.com](mailto:friendtofriendthriftshop@gmail.com)

## Events

### **Thrift Shop Donation Drop-Off Days**

*Tuesday, March 22, 4-7 p.m., at the  
East Granby Senior/Community Center  
and Saturday, March 26, 10 a.m.-1 p.m.,  
at the East Granby Senior/Community  
Center and the Thrift Shop.*

(See the Thrift Shop Notice in this  
newsletter for more information.)

### **Thrift Shop Grand Reopening Sat., April 2, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.**

Stay tuned to our facebook page for  
details and special events!

# Calling all friends to help with the Friend to Friend Thrift Shop Revival for our Grand Reopening!

The East Granby Friend to Friend Thrift Shop was created to help fund the Friend to Friend Food Pantry. This nonprofit organization is staffed by volunteers to provide temporary food assistance to individuals, families and seniors in East Granby.

In celebration of Friend to Friend's 25th Anniversary, the Thrift Shop will undergo a transformation and is asking for donations to sell at the shop. Space is limited so please donate *gently used* items that are in season such as spring clothing, belts, jewelry, dishes, silverware, pots, pans and table linens.

## Donation Drop-Off Days

**Tuesday, March 22, 4:00-7:00 p.m.**, East Granby Senior/Community Center, 9 Center Street and **Saturday, March 26, 10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.**, East Granby Senior/Community Center and the Thrift Shop, 32 Spoonville Road.

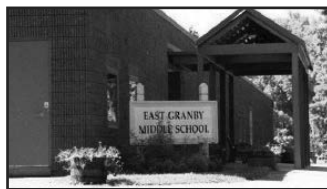
If you have questions, ideas or can volunteer to work at the shop, please email **[friendtofriendthriftshop@gmail.com](mailto:friendtofriendthriftshop@gmail.com)**.

*Find updates about the Grand Reopening, Saturday, April 2, 2016  
on our Friend to Friend Food Pantry Facebook page!*





# EAST GRANBY PUBLIC SCHOOLS



## MAKING US PROUD!

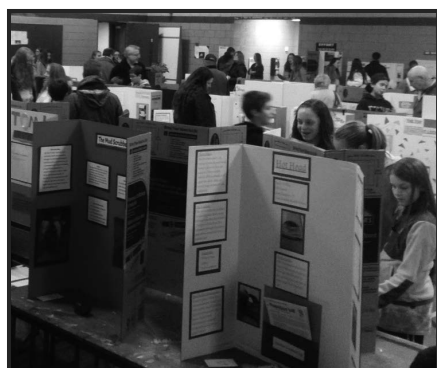
East Granby High School has again been named to the College Boards' 6th Annual AP Honor roll in recognition of the increased number of students taking the Advanced Placement (AP) tests and earning a score of 3 or higher and 3 college credits.

## BREAKING NEWS!

*The Connecticut State Department of Education has just named R.D. Seymour Elementary School and East Granby High School as 2014-2015 "SCHOOLS of DISTINCTION"*

Governor Dannel P. Malloy said "These schools are being recognized by the state for the right mix of innovation, resources, and a belief in doing what's right for our children. This distinction is earned through the grit, talent, and passion of the schools' teachers and leaders. We are proud of them for their accomplishments and look forward to seeing such successes replicated for students across the state." East Granby Public Schools-Making Us Proud!

## Look At What We Are Up To!



East Granby Middle School student performance is at an all-time high in the school district. Some East Granby Middle School students recently participated in the Third Annual Invention Convention where they proudly demonstrated and explained their inventions before a large crowd in the middle school gymnasium. A team of engineers judged each creation and at the close of the evening, fifteen students qualified to participate in the Connecticut State Championships, taking place at Gampel Pavilion at the University of Connecticut. We will keep you posted on their progress.

## And There Is More.....



In late January, three teams of students from East Granby Middle School participated in the Kids' Lit Quiz literature competition at Central Connecticut State University. One team earned a place in the National Finals. Students on all three teams won prizes for achieving 'Round Leaders' status.

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# EAST GRANBY PUBLIC SCHOOLS- MAKING US PROUD!

## R. Dudley Seymour & Carl D. Allgrove Elementary Schools

East Granby Public School elementary students have been invited once again to display their Art work at Bradley International Airport for an extended period of time this school year. Please be sure to view the display on your way through the airport.



### Long Hours of Grant Writing Pays Off \$19,250.00

We are happy to report that we recently received notification that the East Granby Public schools was awarded a grant from the Connecticut State Department of Education in the amount of **\$19,250.00** for the purchase of additional Chromebooks. This grant will help ensure that all students have opportunities to utilize technology to enhance learning and complete computerized assessments throughout the school year.

Several teachers in the East Granby Public Schools also recently received mini-grant awards made possible by the **Rockbestos Surprenant Cable Corporation** to support the effective implementation of the curriculum.



*Student working on Chromebook.*

## East Granby High School - School Store Point of Sale System

East Granby High School students are scanning a product item to load into the Point of Sale (POS) System inventory at the school store. The POS is working well and students are collaborating with closing and inventory management as well as many other operations.



# EAST GRANBY PUBLIC SCHOOLS- MAKING US PROUD!

## *A Message from: Dr. Christine Mahoney, Superintendent of Schools*

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In a few short weeks, students will take Connecticut's standardized tests. A few days ago, Governor Malloy and Education Commissioner, Dr. Diana Roberge-Wentzell, announced new steps to reduce state testing time and help district teachers to spend more time teaching, thereby expanding learning time for students. In the announcement, the Commissioner stated that, "Changes to the application of the Smarter Balanced Assessment Consortium (SBAC), impacting every student in grades three through eight, is part of a broader effort to help districts spend less time testing students and more time teaching." Currently in grades three through eight, there are two components of the SBAC exam. The first is a computer adaptive test – the portion of the assessment done electronically with adaptive questions based on student responses – and the second is a performance task, such as essays. As part of the new steps to reduce state testing, the performance tasks, which are often duplicative with in-class work, will be eliminated. The change could increase learning time by up to an hour and forty-five minutes. We are working as hard as possible to be smart about testing, limit anxiety, and boost learning time. Tests are important – they help us measure ourselves and pinpoint how to improve.

East Granby's teachers have been engaging students in a rigorous academic program, focusing heavily on the areas of English Language Arts, Mathematics, and Science. In a previous message of Let's Talk Turkey, and in the district's Edlines newsletter, I shared that results of the Spring, 2015 new state standardized assessments showed that East Granby's students outperformed other schools in our District Reference Group (DRG) D, and in some cases outperformed schools in DRG A, B, and C in some of the tested areas. As a new assessment, the SBAC scores looked different from the Connecticut Mastery Test (CMT) and the Connecticut Academic Performance Test (CAPT) that was administered in previous years.

This month, the State Department of Education will share their analysis of the results of the 2015 Smarter Balanced Assessment Consortium (SBAC) tests that have been calibrated to a new performance Index. Again you will see that East Granby's students performed very well, above the state average. We received a letter of commendation for our participation levels. Like most other districts in the state, we have more work to do to ensure that all of the subgroups in our student body consistently perform at high levels and exceed the state performance index set for this computerized test focused on Connecticut's new academic learning standards.

We have already begun the process to ensure that our students perform at higher levels next year. The leadership team is experienced at examining and analyzing the data, and has put in place processes to reach each learner whose performance indicates the need for academic intervention. We are committed to preparing every student to achieve at high levels.

The Board of Education is deeply engrossed in the process to secure a budget that will sustain the district's effort to provide high quality education experiences for students. The East Granby Board of Finance, at its meeting on February 11, 2016, directed the Board of Education to prepare a budget that reflects a 2.5% increase over the current year. Adequate funding for the 2016-2017 school year is critical to achieving the educational goals established for students in the schools. We are working diligently to secure grant funding, in-kind services, cooperative learning opportunities and professional development for members of our learning community. We continue to benefit from partnerships with the business community and higher education to help ensure that our students graduate from the East Granby Public Schools with significant credentials earned while participating in our high quality educational program.

Please join the conversation and the efforts to ensure that students in the East Granby Public Schools continue to grow and excel as they immerse themselves in learning experiences of the highest caliber, and that the community continues to be proud of its public schools. Thank you for your continued support of the East Granby Public Schools.

*Dr. Christine Mahoney,  
Superintendent of Schools*

# EAST GRANBY PUBLIC SCHOOLS- MAKING US PROUD!

## *A Message from Joe Doering, School Board Chairman*

On behalf of myself and the entire East Granby Board of Education, we want to congratulate Superintendent Dr. Christine Mahoney, our students, teachers and our entire school community, for all their accomplishments and accolades so far this year, and we look forward to more good things to come.

As we all know, our students success comes at a price. With that said, as we enter this year's budget cycle there are a few things to keep in mind. Our overall goal is to provide the students in East Granby with an excellent education in a fiscally responsible way.

To date, the East Granby Board of Finance has provided guidance to us and we have been encouraged to present a budget with a 2.5% increase along with what we feel is an adequate budget to support the schools in 2016-2017.

### **BUDGET DRIVERS:**

This year our budget drivers include sustaining one additional teacher, employment contractual obligations, and increased special education costs. These costs make up a good part of the school budget. We are fortunate, that while many of our neighboring districts are experiencing declining enrollment, East Granby's enrollment is stable. In addition Kindergarten registration, which is well underway is higher than it was this time last year.

### **EFFICIENCY STUDY:**

Our Board and our Administration have been working very hard to implement recommendations that were made following a detailed efficiency study. We will continue to do this until recommendations have been addressed. The entire efficiency study can be found on the East Granby Public Schools website, [www.eastgranby.k12.ct.us](http://www.eastgranby.k12.ct.us)

The Board of Education thanks you for all of your support and looks forward to working with our entire East Granby community as we work to complete this budget cycle.

I also ask you to please take note of the dates listed below and join us at the meetings.

***These are your public schools- This is your community and our students are our future.***

*Joe Doering-Chairman,  
East Granby Board of Education*

### ***Mark Your Calendars and Come Out to Support Your Schools!***

Board of Education	March 14, 2016	7:00 p.m.	Carl Allgrove School
Board of Finance	March 15, 2016	7:30 p.m.	Town Hall
PUBLIC HEARING	April 5, 2016	7:30 p.m.	High School Auditorium
Board of Finance	April 5, 2016	Following the Public Hearing	
TOWN MEETING	APRIL 19, 2016	7:30 p.m.	Community/Senior Center

# East Granby Middle School Honor Roll • Second Quarter 2015-2016

## --- HIGH HONORS ---

GRADE 6	GRADE 7	GRADE 8	
Taylor Andrews Vincente Auger Colby Betts Brooke DeJesus Cayleigh Goberman Tirna Iqbal Benjamin Lakomy Patrick Lakomy Paige Lareau Mila Miller Isaac Mullen Sarah Phillips Benjamin Rickevicius Erin Russell Sarah Springer Nathaniel Welsh Benjamin Wolf Arne Worlund Jaxson Wyse	Emmanuel Akpan Andrew Allen Connor Anthony Aiden Attianese Erik Bade Jaya Badhe Christian Barry Jamison Belliveau Samuel Benner Julia Broome Jordan Buldrini Victoria Cannon Steven Chen Julia Cotteleer Erika Eaton Sydney Farley Logan French Anette Garcia Rojas Austin Gelinas Jessica Grenier Emma Griffin Sean Griffin Madelyn Guilmartin Amanda Jacius	Ethan Lakomy Allison Landolina Jenna Lindinger Michael Luciuk Kaitlyn McDonough Kaitlyn Morano Tyler Nardi Sofia Pasquantonio William Pitney Taylor Popella Andrew Reardon Jasmine Ritter Morgan Rybczyk Michael Santos Madalynne Stone Delilah Strong Allison Strzegowski Sean Trombly Abby Tubridy Rhiannon Velleman Jamieson Vick Jayden Weaver Brian Yi Erika Yourous	Cullen Beman Samantha Borsari Maya Brody Britney Couceiro Stephanie Crocker Brooke DePamphilis Justin Hall Victoria Hall Jade Kiang Jordan Kido Emily Kowal Leah Langhoff Joy Li Heather MacKinnon Madeline Moore Lauren Morano Julia Redfield Sophia Sanford Jenna Springer

## --- HONORS ---

GRADE 6	GRADE 7	GRADE 8
Olivia Boehm William Burke Jonathan Ciottone Quinn Coushaine Riona Drake Jason Ho Meghan Jones Jack Kido Erin Lally Evan Malinowski Sreekar Patti Lauren Rechenberg Joseph Roy Sebastian Ruiz Kaharie Wilson Kirsten Wimpfheimer Annabella Zannotti	Ashley Cappiello Madison Chamberlain Madison Duplin Katharine Duray Jacob Feliciano Courtney Jewell Autymn Joseph Sarah Lostowski Veronica Orkney Denise Ruiz Samuel Thomas Julia Tran Kyle Weir Nicholas Williams	Sariah Colon Nicholas DeFranzo Trinity DeJesus Rachael Freston Emily Kelly Deven Kemp Grace Klucznik Aden Kulch Julie-Andrea Kuofie Madison Latonie Anna Moody Erica Smit Isabella Williams



## 8th Annual East Granby Ridge Run/Walk 5k

**When:** Saturday May 21, 2016 10:00 a.m.

**Where:** East Granby Farms 79 North Main St. (Route 187N)

Online Pre-Reg: \$25 adult, \$20 addt'l family/team members

\$15 ages 5-17, four and under free

Race Day Registration 8:30-9:30a.m.: \$30pp; \$15 ages 5-17

Cash and check only. Payable to WCEG.

**All proceeds benefit:** East Granby Schools and Community

Music, Bounce House, Refreshments

Free T-Shirt with adult registration

(Children may register as adults to receive T-Shirt)

Prizes , 50/50 Raffle

Best Costume Contest!

100 yard fun run for the kids

**Sponsored by Women's Club of East Granby**

Register online at [eastgranbyridgerun.com](http://eastgranbyridgerun.com)

Go online to become a sponsor. Any level appreciated.



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[wceg.org](http://wceg.org)

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# 2016 MDC Household Hazardous Waste Collection Schedule

(Collections are held on Saturdays from 8 a.m. - 1 p.m.)\*

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DATE	TOWN	LOCATION
May 7, 2016	+Newington Town Garage	281 Milk Lane (off Fenn Road)
May 14, 2016	Hartford	ML King School Corner of Westbourne Pkwy and Blue Hills Ave
June 4, 2016	Windsor	Poquonock WPCF, 1222 Poquonock Avenue
June 12, 2016*	West Hartford	Emanuel Synagogue, 160 Mohegan Drive
June 25, 2016	Wethersfield	Webb School, 51 Willow Street
July 9, 2016	Rocky Hill	Stevens School, 322 Orchard Street
Sept. 10, 2016	+Bloomfield	Public Works Building, 21 Southwood Drive
Sept. 24, 2016	West Hartford	Public Works Garage, Oakwood Ave Ext (off New Park Ave)
Oct. 15, 2016	East Hartford	East Hartford WPCF, 65 Pitkin Street
Oct. 29, 2016	+Windsor Locks/E. Granby	Public Works Garage 6 Stanton Road, Windsor Locks

(WPCF = Water Pollution Control Facility)

\* One collection is held on **Sunday, June 12, 2016**

+ Used oil is accepted at this collection

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Residents of the following towns may attend any MDC sponsored HHW collection event:

Bloomfield	East Granby	East Hartford	Hartford
Newington	Rocky Hill	West Hartford	Wethersfield
Windsor	Windsor Locks		

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ATTENTION! The town of **Farmington** is no longer part of the MDC program. Therefore, Farmington residents cannot attend MDC collections and participants in the MDC program cannot attend any Farmington collections. IDs will be checked to verify residency. Questions? Call the East Granby Selectman's Office at (860) 413-3301.

# East Granby Fire Marshal's Office Safety Tips

## SAFETY TIPS FOR POSSIBLE ELECTRICAL PROBLEMS

- A light bulb that burns out frequently is a sign that the bulb is too high a wattage for the fixture.
- If the lights flicker and dim every time an appliance is turned on, the circuit is overloaded or has a loose connection.
- If sparks appear when a plug is inserted or removed, it could be a sign of loose connections.
- If an electrical cord is warm to the touch, the cord is under-rated or defective.
- If circuit breakers keep tripping, or there are frequent blown fuses, this is a warning sign of problems.
- Improperly installed and/or rated electrical devices, such as switches or receptacles and loose connections at the devices, can lead to arcing and fires.
- Always be sure the correct size of fuses is installed. The fuse is a safety device designed to limit the electricity carried to a safe level.
- Always be sure that electrical devices installed outdoors are designed especially for outdoor use. Outdoor receptacles, as well as those in kitchens, bathrooms and anywhere near water, should be the ground fault circuit interrupting type (GFCI).
- Always use only extension cords that are rated for the power used by the device they will be powering. Never use extension cords as a long-term solution to the need for another receptacle.
- An extension cord should never be connected to another extension cord or power strip.

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As an additional reminder with daylight savings time approaching, the East Granby Fire Marshal's Office offers assistance to residents with **smoke detector testing and replacement** as well as battery replacement. Please contact the Fire Marshal's Office to schedule a time to have your detectors checked and possibly replaced. You can contact us at 860-653-3444 or due to our varying work hours, e-mail can be a quicker way to reach us at JohnL@egtownhall.com This program is free of charge to the residents of East Granby. Working smoke detectors save many lives each year. Help us keep you and your family safe by testing and replacing your detectors.

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## TWO RECALLED ITEMS FROM THE U.S. CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY COMMISSION

Residents should be aware of a couple of products which were recently recalled by the U.S Consumer Product Safety Commission. The Consumer Product Safety Commission maintains a database of recalled products for consumers; their website is [www.cpsc.gov](http://www.cpsc.gov). I encourage residents to occasionally visit the website to review any recalls.

## • Microsoft Recalls AC Power Cords for Surface Pro Devices Due to Fire, Shock Hazards:

This recall involves AC power cords sold with Microsoft Surface Pro, Surface Pro 2 and Surface Pro 3 computers before March 15, 2015. Surface Pro and Surface Pro 2 devices have a black case with the product name on the back of the device toward the bottom. Surface Pro 3 computers have a silver case with "Windows 8 Pro" on the back of the device under the kickstand. This recall also involves accessory power supply units that include an AC power cord sold separately before March 15, 2015. The recalled power cords do not have a 1/8-inch sleeve on the cord on the end that connects to the power supply.

Consumers should unplug and stop using the recalled power cords and contact Microsoft for a free replacement AC power cord. Microsoft can be contacted at 855-327-7780 or online through their website [www.microsoft.com](http://www.microsoft.com) under support.

These cords were sold at Microsoft stores, Best Buy, Costco and other stores nationwide, and online at [www.microsoft.com](http://www.microsoft.com), from February 2013 through March 15, 2015 for between \$800 and \$2,000 for the Surface Pro computer and between \$64 and \$80 for the power supply unit sold separately.

## • Ambient Weather Expands Recall of Radios Due to Fire Hazard

The recalled Ambient Weather radios are red and black and measure about 8 inches wide by 4 inches tall by 2 inches deep. "Ambient Weather", "AM/FM/Weather Band Radio" and "NOAA Weather Radio" are printed in white lettering on the front of the radio. The radios have a black crank handle on the back, an antenna on the top, and a LED flashlight on the left side, a clip on the right side and a cable to charge a smart phone. Accessories included an AC adaptor, DC converter, or solar panel charger. Model number WR-333, WR-333A, WR-334U or WR-334A-U is printed on the owner's manual.

Consumers should immediately stop using the recalled weather radios and contact Ambient Weather for a full refund. Consumers who received replacement AC power adaptors in the previous recall are also included in this recall. Consumers can contact Ambient Weather toll-free at 877-413-8800 or online at their website [www.ambientweather.com](http://www.ambientweather.com) under customer service.

These products were sold at Grainger stores nationwide and online at [Amazon.com](http://Amazon.com) and [AmbientWeather.com](http://AmbientWeather.com) from October 2012 through June 2014 for between \$30 and \$90.



# EAST GRANBY SENIOR CENTER



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## **DIAL-A-RIDE ON THE MINI BUS**

- ❶ Grocery, Pharmacy & Banking every Wednesday
  - ❷ 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.
  - ❸ Retail 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.

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## **BLOOD PRESSURE CLINIC – PROVIDED BY THE FARMINGTON VALLEY VNA** **MONDAYS~ APRIL 4<sup>TH</sup>, MAY 2<sup>ND</sup>, JUNE 6<sup>TH</sup>, JULY 11<sup>TH</sup>, AUGUST 1<sup>ST</sup> 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.

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## **HOW CAN YOU RESIST DELICIOUS FOOD?**

Enjoy a hot meal every Tuesday and Thursday at the **Granby Senior Center**—a *Connecticut Community Renewal Team Program*. A donation of \$2.00 is suggested. Call **(860)844-5352** on Friday for a reservation for the following week. Call the minibus if you need a ride **(860)413-3327**

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**CT INFO LINE—DIAL 211**—Vital resource to find available community services.

**CHOICES: CALL 1-800-994-9422** for assistance with Medicare, Medigap and Medicare Part-D applications.

**CONSUMER LAW PROJECT FOR ELDERS**—Free legal assistance for seniors with consumer problems. **Call (800)296-1467.** *The Senior Services office offers resource information on Senior Housing, Home Health Care Services as well as general information for seniors.*

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## **EXERCISE CLASSES, PROGRAMS AND SHOPPING**

**PEDI—CARE FOR YOUR FEET**—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

**GET FIT EXERCISE CLASSES**—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.

**LINE DANCING CLASS**- 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!

**KNITTERS & CROCHETERS**- Join us from 1:00—3:00 PM the first and third Wednesday of each month. Come and socialize, work on your own project, meet other knitters and crocheters, or make items to donate to area hospitals, shelters, or schools. Donations of yarn are appreciated!

**HEARING CLINIC**- Thursday, April 7<sup>th</sup> -Dr. Christine DiRienzo A.U.D. and her team will be offering hearing testing, wax removal, hearing aide cleanings and minor repairs. **FREE** at the East Granby Senior Center. Appointments beginning at 1:30pm Call (860) 413-3334

## **SHOPPING TRIPS:**

- **MARCH 21<sup>ST</sup>, APRIL 18<sup>TH</sup>, MAY 16<sup>TH</sup> – WALMART**
- **MARCH 28<sup>TH</sup>, APRIL 25<sup>TH</sup>, MAY 23<sup>RD</sup> - MRS. MURPHY'S & OCEAN STATE JOB LOT**
- **APRIL 4<sup>TH</sup> – ENFIELD**
- **APRIL 11<sup>TH</sup> - STEW LEONARD'S/FOOTPRINTS**
- **MAY 2<sup>ND</sup> – CHRISTMAS TREE SHOP      MAY 9<sup>TH</sup> – TARGET, PETCO, DOLLAR TREE**

# **SENIOR CENTER TRIPS AND PROGRAMS**

**FRIDAY, APRIL 1ST—The Farmington Valley VNA presents—Are Your Joints Happy?**—A great program with humor and advice on all those aches, pains and arthritis we deal with every day. Cathy Watso, a Licensed Physical Therapist with over 25 years of experience has sensible ideas to help you manage everyday tasks. Cathy is currently working in the Home Care setting and enjoys instructing clients in the care and appreciation of their own bodies. This presentation is so enjoyable you'll be "aching" for more! Presentation begins at **10:00am at the East Granby Senior Center**. There is no charge and light refreshments will be served. **Reserve your spot by March 24th.**

**FRIDAY APRIL 15TH—American Museum of Tort Law** —Winsted, CT—Consumer advocate and former presidential candidate Ralph Nader's recently opened museum filled with items like defective toys and unsafe machines all tied together under a unifying theme: tort law. The evolution of tort law is introduced via a timeline, including the display of large and small items, historic paintings, engravings, and photographs. Here you will see the cases that established important legal precedents; cases that laid the groundwork for our modern legal rules. Each interactive case shows the sequence of events, using artifacts, media, and documents to draw out legal points that illuminate the underlying principles of law. Come in and learn about: The case that put an end to tobacco company deception; The law that protects you in your home and workplace; The case of the flaming rat! You don't want to miss this interesting and educational experience. We will be stopping for lunch on the way home. **Depart the Senior Center at 10:00am. Cost is \$5 (Lunch is on your own).** **Reservation and payment is due by April 7th.**

**FRIDAY MAY 6TH—Laurel Ridge Daffodil Tour**—Litchfield, CT—Remy and Virginia Morosani moved to Litchfield in the Spring of 1941 and began to assemble the pieces of property that became Laurel Ridge Farm. There was a pasture across the road from their house that was too rocky to make into a good hay field, but the land had a rugged beauty to it. They were inspired to plant daffodils on that portion of their property, and in the fall of 1941, they planted approximately 10,000 daffodil bulbs in the rocky valley bottom. From the mid 1940's till the late 1960's the daffodils were periodically separated and replanted, expanding the original two acres to the full fifteen acres now evident. You don't want to miss this beautiful & scenic ride through Litchfield. We will stop for lunch on the way home. **Depart the Senior Center at 10:00 a.m. Cost is \$2(lunch is on your own).** **Reservation and payment due by April 28th.**

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 11TH—The Travelers Chorale Spring Concert**—Hartford, CT ~The Travelers Chorale was founded in 1924 and is the oldest company-affiliated, eight-part choral group in America. Please join us for a night of exciting and moving music by the 100-voice chorale. This 91st Annual Spring Concert will be held in the Mortensen Hall at the Bushnell. **Depart the Senior Center at 6:30pm. There is no charge for this event but please consider bringing a non-perishable food donation to benefit Hartford families in need.** **Reservation due by May 3rd.**

**FRIDAY, MAY 20TH—Farmington Valley Health District presents—Spring into Safety**—Justine Ginsberg will be addressing a variety of topics to keep you safe this spring. From allergies, asthma, and ticks to getting your well tested and preventing food-borne illness- this is a presentation you don't want to miss! Presentation begins at **10:00am at the East Granby Senior Center**. There is no charge for this presentation and light refreshments will be served. **Reserve your spot by May 12th.**

**Join our mailing list to receive the Senior Moments Newsletter.  
Call (860) 413-3334 or email [kellyj@egtownhall.com](mailto:kellyj@egtownhall.com) to sign up.**

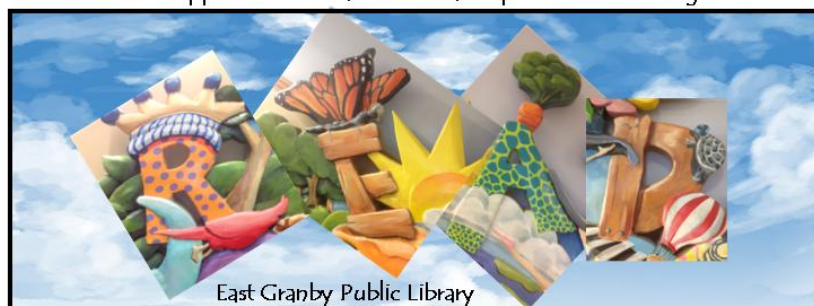


## Annual Fund 2016

"Libraries store the energy that fuels the imagination.  
They open up windows to the world and inspire us to explore,  
achieve, and contribute to improving our quality of life.  
Libraries change lives for the better."

— Sidney Sheldon

Please support the Fund Drive and help us continue to grow!



Library  
**Used  
Book  
Store**  
There  
is  
always  
some-  
thing  
new!

## Afternoon at the Movies

**Wednesdays at 1:00pm**

March 23rd

**"A Brilliant Young Mind"**

PG13, 112min

True Genius comes from opening  
your heart.

March 30th

**"Brooklyn"**

PG13, 105min

A young Irish immigrant trying to  
navigate her way through 1950  
Brooklyn.

April 6th

**"Room"**

R 118min

Mother and son held captive in a  
11ft by 11ft room.

April 13th

**"Spotlight"**

R, 129min

Academy Award for Best Picture.  
A powerful & riveting drama.



March 8th, 1:00pm

How to use the Library Webpage,  
Calendar, and Card Catalog.

March 22nd, 1:00pm

How to use Zinio, the Library Free  
Online Magazine source. Bring your  
own laptops or ipads if you want.

For more information or to sign up call  
the East Granby Public Library at :  
860 653-3002



## Drum Away the Blues

Traveling the world with songs,  
stories and rhythm. Multicultural  
participatory Fun-For-All-Ages  
w/Percussionist/Author

Craig Harris.

**Thursday, March 31st at 7:30pm**



**Allgrove School Family  
Resource Night**

Wed., March 23<sup>rd</sup>

6:00-7:30pm

Visit the library table  
& receive a special  
bookmark!



## Story Time

Tues. 10:30 a.m. for 2's

Thurs. 1:30 p.m. for 3's

Everyone is welcome!



## Create Adventurous Eaters

Tuesday, March 29th

6:45-8:00pm

Join Oxen Hill Farm &  
dietitian Alicia Newton,  
and learn the secrets of  
how to transform your  
child into an adventurous  
eater.

# 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)	4/5, 5/3
Conservation 7:30 (TH)	4/6, 5/4
Board of Education (AS)	3/28, 4/18, 5/9
Economic Development 7:30 (TH)	3/28, 4/25
Elementary School Committee	As Needed
Board of Finance 7:30	3/24 (TH), 4/5 (HS), 4/19 (SC)
Parks & Recreation 7:30 (EGF)	4/7, 5/5
Planning & Zoning 7:00 (TH)	4/12, 5/10
Board of Selectmen 6:30 (TH)	5/23, 4/13, 4/27, 5/11
Zoning Board of Appeals 7:30 (TH)	4/5, 5/3
Youth Services Bureau 6:30 (EGF)	3/21, 4/18, 5/16

## 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](mailto: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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# East Granby Parks & Recreation Department Spring & Summer Programs 2016



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79 North Main Street  
PO Box 1858  
East Granby, CT 06026  
Recreation Office 860-653-7660  
**Office Hours:**  
Monday—Thursday 8am - 4pm  
[eastgranbyrec.com](http://eastgranbyrec.com)



## Registration Information

The East Granby Recreation Dept. is proud to provide the Town of East Granby with our activity registration system and website. Please **CREATE AN ACCOUNT** with your household information. The data provided, emergency contacts, allergies info and more, will help us better serve you. The info will also automatically fill out your registration forms.

**EASTGRANBYREC.COM**

***ONLINE CREDIT CARD PAYMENT IS AVAILABLE.***

When you're ready to complete a registration form for activities be sure to review the **How to Register for an Activity** page. Registrations and payment for programs must be received in advance. Register early to help insure that the program of your choice will be offered. Registration may be made in person at East Granby Farms or by mail. Remit registration form with payment payable to;

**East Granby Parks and Recreation**

**P.O. Box 1858**

**East Granby, CT. 06026**

It is the policy of the Recreation Department that recreational opportunity will **NOT** be denied to any resident because they lack financial resources; program scholarship information is available upon request. All inquiries are kept in the strictest of confidence.

The East Granby Parks and Recreation Department reserves the right to cancel any program if there is insufficient registration. Your early registration helps us make the decision to run the program.

Programs are designed as enriching experiences; participants who are a disruptive influence on others will be asked to withdraw. **NO REFUND WILL BE ISSUED** under these circumstances.

Our policy on refunds is to issue these only for medical reasons. A doctor's note is required. There is a \$25.00 penalty fee for returned checks.



The East Granby Parks & Recreation Department in conjunction with the school's Special Education program will be integrating children with special needs into the Parks and Recreation Department's programs. Please call the Recreation Department so that we will know how to best serve you.

## EAST GRANBY RECREATION IS ON THE ROAD AGAIN!!

All trips require advance registrations &  
minimum number of passengers.

Your seat is guaranteed with payment,  
not phone reservations.



### NEW YORK CITY ON YOUR OWN

Saturday, October 8th or December 3rd  
See China Town, visit Little Italy, go to a show,  
visit a museum, shop - use your imagination!  
Depart from the East Granby Farms at 7:15 am  
& depart NYC at 7:00 pm. Cost: \$40pp



### VS TORONTO BLUE JAYS AT FENWAY PARK

Join us on Monday, April 18th for the annual  
Patriot's Day Game at Fenway Park. This is one  
of the most significant home games of the sea-  
son with the Boston Marathon running through  
the city during the game and lots of pre-game  
holiday pageantry and ceremonies. We will be  
seated in Right Field Box 90 for this game  
(under the retired numbers). Our bus will leave  
East Granby Town Hall at 7:30 am (for the  
11:05 am game start time). **LIMITED SEATS -  
DON'T WAIT TO SIGN UP IF YOU WANT TO GO!**  
Tickets can only be reserved with full payment.  
Cost: \$99pp



### VS BOSTON RED SOX

Join us on July 15th as two of baseball's  
biggest rivals meet this summer at Yankee Stadi-  
um for what is sure to be a battle for the top of  
baseball's toughest division. With the Yan-  
kees and the Sox both reloading their lineups af-  
ter disappointing seasons the games this year  
will be intense. We expect to have seats in sec-  
tion 233 (straightaway left field, 2nd lev-  
el) **There are limited seats\*\*** so don't wait to pur-  
chase if you really want to go. Full payment must  
be made at time of purchase. Cost \$109pp

## BOSTON RED SOX VS KANSAS CITY ROYALS

Join us on Saturday, August 27 for our bus trip to  
see the Red Sox play defending World Series  
Champion Kansas City Royals at Fenway Park.  
We are lucky to have seats in right field box #87  
for this game (under the retired numbers in right  
field). Our bus will leave East Granby Town  
Hall at 3:00 pm (for the 7:00 pm game start  
time). **LIMITED SEATS DON'T WAIT TO SIGN UP IF  
YOU WANT TO GO!** Tickets can only be reserved  
with full payment. Cost is \$115pp



There are so many ways to enjoy Saratoga,  
which is steeped in tradition, mythology & plain  
old good times. You can watch all the race ex-  
citement from the grandstand or bring your own  
cooler, chairs, blanket & picnic in the backyard.  
If you prefer, visit Restaurant Row which high-  
lights some of Saratoga's favorite restaurants  
right on the track. What are you waiting for?  
Includes: Roundtrip motor coach transportation,  
general grandstand admission.  
Date: TBA Date in August  
Cost: TBA

### BRONX ZOO—Monday, August 22, 2016

Join us as we visit the worlds greatest zoo.  
We will be departing East Gran-  
by Town Hall at 7:00 am and  
depart the zoo at 4:30 pm. The  
Bronx Zoo is the largest metro-  
politan zoo in the nation, with  
more than 6,000 animals and  
many award-winning exhibits.  
Your Total Experience ticket  
includes: general admission,  
zoo shuttle (ride all day), Congo Gorilla For-  
est, the Butterfly Gardens, Bug Carousel, Jun-  
gle World and the Asian Monorail. Cost:  
\$56pp. Bus transportation to the zoo is in-  
cluded.



## SPRING HAPPENINGS



### FLASHLIGHT EASTER EGG HUNT

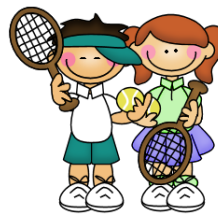
Wednesday, March 23rd  
8:00 pm Sharp!!  
East Granby Farms

Join in and look for candy/prize filled eggs under the stars. Be sure to bring your flashlight and basket or bag. This hunt is for East Granby residents in grades 4 – 8. Please bring a can good for the Food Pantry. Free

### ANNUAL EASTER EGG HUNT

Saturday, March 26th  
10:00 am Sharp!!!  
East Granby Farms

Pre-school thru grade 3. Be sure to bring your basket. The famous bunny is sure to be here! The hunt will be held rain or shine. Please bring a can good for the Food Pantry. Free



### SPRING YOUTH TENNIS LESSONS

Ages 7 and up  
6 Mondays, beginning  
April 4, 18, 25, May 2, 9, 16

Intermediate 4:15 – 5:15 pm  
Beginner/Novice  
5:15 – 6:15 pm

Classes are geared to the beginner/novice and intermediate player. Participants should bring an appropriately sized racket, lots of drinking water, a can of balls and wear tennis shoes. Rainy days will be held at the Middle School Gym. Instructor: Ms. Hebel—E. G. High School courts. Cost: \$60

### APRIL VACATION GOLF CAMP PLAYER LEVEL

Ages 9 - 16  
9:00 am – 3:30 pm  
PGA Golf Academy at Copper Hill  
April 11 – 14(4 days)

This level practice and manship, play will be nutrition, development,



includes content, assessment. Sports-etiquette and rules of stressed as well as fitness and skill de-

“near golf course experience” and assessments of each level. Lunch and all fees are included. Cost: \$255 before April 1st - after \$275



### NFL FLAG FOOTBALL

Juniors Ages 7 - 10  
Seniors Ages 11- 13

NFL Flag Football is the premier youth football program for boys & girls. The program provides young players a fun and exciting opportunity to engage in non-contact, continuous action, while learning lessons in teamwork. Program begins the week of April 18th. Practices will be held during the week & games will be played on Saturdays. We will only be playing East Granby teams. Last day to register is April 13th. No late registrations. Cost: \$60



is a polymer clay, easily molded and dries naturally. No need for an oven or kiln to complete a craft and it can be taken home the same

day! It is 100% safe, non-toxic, and completely mess-free. It can be mixed into any color and does not require glue when sticking parts together. Best of all, it won't crack, crumble, stick, or stain and finished artwork lasts a life-time!

Join us on Wednesday, April 13th.

Caterpillar Leaf—Ages 3—5  
with Parent or Caretaker  
Time 10:00-10:30 am—\$8

Turtle & Pond—Ages 5 & up  
Time 11:00—12 noon—\$12  
East Granby Recreation Center





## ADULT PROGRAMS



### ADULT GOLF LESSONS

4 Mondays Beginning

May 16 (no 5/30)

6:30 – 7:30 pm

Copper Hill Golf Academy

37 Griffin Road, East Granby

Whether you are complete beginner or someone looking to learn a bit more about the game of golf, this 4 week class will cover everything you need to know. Each one hour class will provide the fundamentals behind the full swing, chipping, pitching or putting. During each class we will also cover some of the common rules & etiquette to make your on-course experience as comfortable and seamless as possible! You will leave with all of the skills needed to hit the ball further, chip it closer and get it around a golf course. Dress in comfortable clothing and athletic shoes. Clubs are available for use if necessary. Cost: \$65



### ZUMBA CORE with Caitlin For Adults & Teens 16+

Mondays May 2nd – June 13

6:00 - 7:00 pm

East Granby Farms Recreation Center

\$40 for six weeks or \$10 for walk-ins; 10 class punch card is available for \$70!

“Ditch the workout and join the party!”

Zumba fuses hypnotic Latin rhythms and easy to follow moves to create a dynamic workout system. Learn how to Salsa, Cumbia, Merengue, Hip Hop and much more! Class ends with 20 minutes of isolates Core/Mat work. Please bring a mat. NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY!

### ZUMBA with Renee For Adults & Teens 16+

Tuesdays April 19–May 24

6:00 - 7:00 pm

East Granby Farms Recreation Center

\$40 for six weeks or \$10 for walk-ins; 10 class punch card is available for \$70!

What is Zumba? Zumba fuses hypnotic Latin rhythms and easy to follow moves to create a dynamic workout system that will blow you away. Learn to Salsa, Cumbia, Merengue, Hip Hop, Belly Dance and much more!



### MEN'S ADULT SOFTBALL

Drop-in recreational games are available on Wednesdays beginning on June 22 & running thru the summer from 6:00 - 8:00 pm at East Granby High School Fields. You must register if you are planning to participate! Call the Recreation Office at 653-7660. Cost: Free



**SAVE!  
SAVE! SAVE!**

### SIX FLAGS DAY TICKETS

\$37.00 (gate price - \$61.99 Adult)

### CONNECTICUT SCIENCE CENTER

TICKETS—\$13.50

(Regular price \$21.95 for adults  
and \$14.95 for a child)

### LAKE COMPOUNCE

\$37.00 (gate price - \$61.99 Adult)



## CAMP INFORMATION



### CAMP GRANBROOK

9:00 am - 3:00 pm  
GRANBROOK PARK

This is a day camp for children entering grade one through age 12. Activities include; arts and crafts, music, bowling (**Wednesday afternoon at Bradley Bowl**) recreational games, special guests and swimming (**Tuesday & Friday afternoon at Salmon Brook Park in Granby**).

Each child should wear sneakers and socks, and bring a snack and lunch. Refrigeration is available.

Camp is held rain or shine! In case of heavy rains, the East Granby Farms Recreations Center will be used. Please call Granbrook Park at **860-305-9920** to verify location. If your child will not be attending camp on a certain day, contact the staff at Granbrook Park (**860-305-9920**) between 8:45 - 9:00 am to let them know. If someone other than a parent is to pick the camper up, a note in writing is necessary. Please be prompt in picking up the camper at the conclusion of the day.

Camp will be held in one-week sessions. Cost is \$100 per week. If you are registering 2 or more children per week, deduct \$5 per child. Week of a 1/2 days ( 9—noon or noon to 3:00PM) is available for \$55 No sibling discount for 1/2 day program.

Week 1	June 20—24
Week 2	June 27—July 1
Week 3	July 5—8 (\$80)
Week 4	July 11— 15
Week 5	July 18— 22
Week 6	July 25—29
Week 7	August 1— 5
Week 8	August 8 - 12

## EXTENDED DAY

This is an extended day camp service available to all children enrolled in Camp Granbrook or the Sports Camp. This program is available from 8:00 - 9:00 am and 3:00 - 6:00 pm Monday through Friday at Granbrook Park. The fee is \$5 per hour (or any part of) per child. Family rate is \$7 per hour (or any part of).

**Extended day payment will be collected on Friday of the week the services were rendered.**



### SPORTS CAMP

9:00 am - 3:00 pm  
GRANBROOK PARK

This is a sports camp for youths entering grade one through age 12. The day will be spent playing a variety of sports and games including: basketball, baseball, bowling (**Wednesday afternoon at Bradley Bowl**) soccer and swimming (**Tuesday, & Friday afternoons at Salmon Brook Park in Granby**).

Information dates and fees are the same as Camp Granbrook

## SUPER SNEAKER FUN CAMP

Ages 3 – K

Session I June 27—July 1

Session II July 18—22

Session III August 8—12

9:00 - 11:30 am

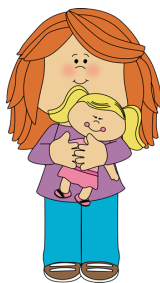
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This program is designed for children who have reached their third birthday at the start of camp through those completing kindergarten (proof of age may be required and they must be toilet trained). This program provides opportunities for self-expression, creativity, crafts, music games and plenty of FUN!! A snack will be provided. Limited enrollment! Cost: \$57



## **DOLLY 'N ME CAMP**

**Ages 5–8**  
**July 18–22 1:00 – 3:00 pm**  
**East Granby Farms**



Bring your favorite 18 inch doll to enjoy all the fun of camp this week. We'll act out stories, do arts and crafts, take part in a Dolly 'n Me dance class and finish the week with a Dolly 'n Me tea party. Come join the fun! Cost: \$60



## **THE FORCE IS IN THE STARS CAMP**

**Ages 5–8**  
**JULY 25–29 1:00 – 3:00 pm**  
**East Granby Farms**

Are you prepared to embark on the greatest adventure ever seen in a galaxy long ago and far away? Campers begin the week as Padawans who are preparing to begin their Jedi training. Throughout the week these Padawans are challenged through daily STAR WARS activities along with traditional camp activities. Cost: \$60

## **PERFORMING ARTS SUMMER PROGRAM**

**Ages 6 -12**  
**July 5–8 (4 day) 9:00 am–2:30 pm**  
**East Granby Farms**

Mornings consist of exciting acting classes and dance classes. Acting classes include creative theater games, concentration exercises, voice and speech work, and structured improvisation to improve performance. Other topics include: monologue work, acting terminology, sense memory, sib-text, stage skills, script work and more! Classes' help students build confidence and inspire their imagination in a fun and supportive environment.

The dance classes include high energy jazz dance and movement. The afternoons will consist of rehearsals with an end of the week performance for family and friends, Friday at 1:30 pm! Please pack a snack and lunch. Cost: \$185

## **LET'S GOGH ART WORKSHOPS**



### **Treasure Island & Magical Kingdom Art Adventures**

**Ages 5-11**  
**June 20–24 9:00 am–noon**  
**East Granby Farms**

Pirates and Princess art-venturers sail the high seas and discover enchanted kingdoms while creating fanatical masterpieces. Get into character, donning handcrafted pirate swords and flags or princess hats and fluttering wings. Make your own stenciled t-shirts, create magical self-portraits, and build super cool castles. Paint ceramic frogs— perhaps they'll turn into princes! Draw treasure maps, design wooden row boats, and set out on a hunt for buried treasure. Then create gem-studded chests to hide the riches! Pirates and princesses explore clay art, painting, beading, ceramics, stained glass, fabric art, and more! Bring an oversized T-shirt , a snack and a drink! Cost: \$135



## **OOPSY GOOPSY MESSY ART FUN**

**Ages 5 – 12**  
**July 25 – July 29 9:00 am–noon**  
**East Granby Farms**

Messy art is so much fun! And the works of art that come from making a mess are quite amazing! Think splatter and blow painting. Make slime and flubber and silly putty. Create with shaving cream and glue. Oh, what a mess we make! Design ceramic doggy banks and create shrinky dink sculptures. Learn how to make your own clay, and then sculpt super cool masks. Decorate wacky, wild cars for an art car parade. Discover marbleizing and glitter painting, design batik T-shirts, and experience collage and fabric arts. Creative spirits are set free! (Artists must dress for a mess!) PAINTING or GLITTER TATTOOS are included. Bring an over-sized old T-shirt to use as a smock, a snack and a drink each day. Cost: \$135



## **Pre-Engineering: Minecraft LEGO CAMP**

**Ages 5 – 7**

**July 11–15 9:00– noon  
East Granby Farms Recreation Center**

Bring Minecraft to life using tens of thousands of LEGOS! Build engineer-designed projects such as motorized Creeper, a portal to the Nether, and a moving Minecart! Create your favorite Minecraft objects with guidance of an experienced Play-Well instructor. Weather you are new to Minecraft and LEGO or a seasoned veteran, you'll be hooked on the endless possibilities. Cost: \$140

### **Engineering FUNDamentals: Minecraft**

**AGES 7–12**

**July 11–15 1:00 - 4:00 pm  
East Granby Farms Recreation Center**

Bring Minecraft to life using LEGO! Build a motorized walking Creeper, a terrifying Ghast, and a motorized Minecart! This project-based camp, designed by Play-Well instructors, combines the basic format of our core engineering-themed programs based on the world of Minecraft. Students will explore real-world concepts in physics, engineering, and architecture while building their favorite Minecraft objects. Students will have a blast, even without prior experience with Minecraft or LEGO. Cost: \$140

### **GIRL POWER ENGINEERING LEGO CAMP**

**June 27—July 1**

**Ages 5–7 9–noon  
Ages 8– 10 1:00– 4:00 pm  
Holcomb Farms, Granby**

A Play-Well offering for girls who love to build! Taught by women engineers and scientists, this course will provide a supportive environment for girls to build engineered-designed projects. Design and build as never before, and explore your craziest ideas in an interactive environment. Curriculum created for LEGO lovers and newbies alike! Cost: \$180

## **SECRET AGENT LAB Mad Science**



**Ages 6–12**

**August 15–19 9–noon**

**East Granby Farms Recreation Center**

Develop your special agent and detective skills in this hands-on week of fun! Uncover the science involved in evidence gathering and analysis. Sharpen your secret agent skills and discover how chemistry and the science of forensics can come to the aid of a secret agent. Identify and collect evidence-from fingerprints to tracks to trash! Bring a snack & drink. Cost: \$140, \$255 for both Mad Science programs.

### **ENGINEERING EXPLORERS**

**Mad Science**

**Ages 6-12**

**August 15– 19 1:00– 4:00 pm  
East Granby Farms Recreation Center**

Weather your child loves to build things or destroy them, this camp includes lots of both! The engineers will design and build bridges and “skyscrapers” using simple tools and their imaginations. Kids will even construct a geodesic dome big enough for all the campers to sit inside! Campers will have fun designing simple machines, using pulleys, Then we move on to engineering in action-your kids work together to brainstorm, design, test, evaluate and redesign problem-solving contraptions. Bring a snack & drink. Cost: \$255 for both science programs.

### **YOUTH TENNIS LESSONS**

**Ages 7 and up**

**Session 1 June 27–July 1**

**Session 2 July 4–8**

**Beginners/Novice 9–10:00 AM**

**Intermediate 10–11:00 AM**

**High School Tennis Courts**

Classes are geared to the beginner and player. Par-bring an ap-racket, lots



geared to the be-intermediate youth ticipants should propriately sized of drinking water, a can of balls and wear tennis shoes. Rainy days will be held at the Middle School Gym. Instructor: Ms. Hebel. Cost: \$60



## SUMMER HORSEMANSHIP at MAPLE VIEW

198R Salmon Brook Street, Granby  
Ages 6-12    9 am – 2 pm Cost: \$300  
Ages 3 -6    9:30 am – 11:30 am Cost: \$125

This camp offers an opportunity for beginner students to learn horsemanship and farm skills through games & activities geared for boys and girls 6 - 12, students will be divided into small groups for mounted and unmounted lessons on how to take up a horse, saddle, bridle and daily care for all of the farm animals. Campers will walk trails, ride horses, feed animals, play games, and make crafts. The pre-school age children will learn similar skills in a separate group. A short, instructive ride on one of our ponies will be included in their lessons. The camp is focused on safety and maintains a low counselor to student ratio. Campers need: Shoes with a low heel, long pants (shorts for after riding), bug spray, sun block, water bottle, lunch (full day camp), snack. Rain or shine!

Session I	June 27—July 1
Session II	July 11—15
Session III	July 18—22
Session IV	July 25—29
Session V	August 1—5
Session VI	August 8 —12



## ENTRY GOLF—Ages 5—8

5 Week Program    \$70 per session  
This is an introductory program designed to familiarize kids with little or no golf experience. This is an ideal “first step” in fostering an interest in golf. Course content includes sportsmanship, etiquette, rules, and pace of play, fitness, and skill development. Copper Hill Golf Academy Space is very limited!



Session A	Saturday	Begins June 18 9:00 – 9:50 am
Session B	Saturday	Begins June 18 10:00– 10:50 am
Session C	Tuesday	Begins June 21 4:00 – 4:50 pm
Session D	Friday	Begins June 24 9:30—10:20 am

## SPORT LEVEL GOLF

Ages 6– 10  
June 22- 24\* July 13—15  
July 20—22\* July 27—29 \* August 10 – 12  
9:00 am - 12:30 pm

PGA Golf Academy at Copper Hill  
\$140.00 (3 days)

Take \$10 of if you register before April 1st!!

This camp includes content, practice, sportsmanship, etiquette and rules of play. Golfers will also learn about fitness and nutrition, posture, movement and coordination while developing skills. This is a shortened version of Junior Golf Camp. Cost includes lunch & green fees. Full swing, putting, chipping, bunkers, etiquette, and rules are addressed.



## CHAMPION/PLAYER LEVEL GOLF

Ages 9 - 16    9:00 am – 3:30 pm  
PGA Golf Academy at Copper Hill  
\$255 before April 1st    \$275 after

This level includes content, practice and assessment. Sportsmanship, etiquette and rules of play will be stressed as well as nutrition, fitness and skill development, “near golf course experience” and assessments of each level. Lunch and all fees are included. Don’t wait, program fills up quickly!

Session A	June 20- 23
Session B	June 27 – June 30
Session C	July 11 - 14
Session D	July 18- July 21
Session E	July 25—28
Session F	August 8—11

## BASKETBALL WORLD COED CAMP

Monday—Friday, August 8—12  
Ages 8—18  
9:00—4:00pm  
East Granby High School Gyms

Basketball World has been conducting basketball camps for 44 years. Campers will learn the latest breakthrough techniques of goal setting, visualization and positive self-talk which will enhance performance, confidence, and self esteem. Participants will compete against players their own age and ability. There is one staff member for every eight campers. Campers should bring a bag lunch. The camp will provide a drink for each camper.

Cost: \$285 includes T-shirt



## WINS FOR LIFE BOYS BASKETBALL

Monday – Friday, July 11 – 15  
Grades 5 – 10  
9:00 am - 3:30 pm  
East Granby High School

This is an exceptional learning opportunity. This unique basketball school features outstanding instruction, advance skill development, fun basketball challenges, and educational activities. Full court completion, station drills, team building games, contests and mini lectures are creatively combined to teach a range of basketball skills and important life lessons. The staff includes high school coaches, teachers, college and high school athletes. Bring lunch, snack, water. All participants receive a T-shirt.

Cost: \$275 before June 1st / \$285 after June 1st



## SKYHAWKS LACROSSE

Ages 7—12  
August 15—19  
5:30 – 7:30 am  
East Granby Farms



Athletes will learn all the fundamentals of stick handling, cradling, passing, and shooting, all in a fun, non-checking environment. Campers not only learn the sport of lacrosse, but also important life skills such as respect, teamwork, and discipline. Every athlete will come away with a deep understanding of the game and its traditions. Participants must provide their own equipment or rent thru Skyhawks. Cost: \$89

## SKYHAWKS



Tiny-Hawk (Soccer & Basketball)

Ages 3 & 4

June 20 – 24 12:15 – 1:00 pm

July 25– 29 12:15–1:00 pm

Ahren's Park, Granby

This camp for pre-school age kids introduces the essentials of these sports. Through games and activities, campers explore balance, hand/eye coordination, and skill development. Must be toilet trained in order to participate. Parents are encouraged to help the coaching staff teach these young children. Bring a water bottle. Cost: \$75



## SKYHAWKS MINI HAWKS

(Soccer, Baseball, Basketball)

Ages 4 - 7

June 20—24 9:00 am – noon

July 25—29 9:00 am—Noon

Ahren's Park, Granby

This program gives young children a fun and positive first step into athletics. Through games and activities, campers explore balance, hand/eye coordination, and skill development and skill development at their pace. Participants should bring: shin guards (recommended), appropriate clothing, snacks & water bottle, sneakers, and sunscreen. Cost: \$125



ONLINE REGISTRATION AND CREDIT CARD PAYMENT  
AVAILABLE AT:  
**EASTGRANBYREC.COM**

PARTICIPANT NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

TOWN: \_\_\_\_\_

HOME PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ CELL: \_\_\_\_\_ E-MAIL \_\_\_\_\_

PROGRAM OR TRIP: \_\_\_\_\_ FEE: \_\_\_\_\_

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For Youths Under 18 - Please complete the following:

AGE: \_\_\_\_\_ SCHOOL: \_\_\_\_\_ GRADE: \_\_\_\_\_

PHYSICAL LIMITATIONS or  
MEDICAL RESTRICTIONS?

\_\_\_\_\_

FATHER'S NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE (W): \_\_\_\_\_

MOTHER'S NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE (W): \_\_\_\_\_

### **LIABILITY RELEASE**

The **EAST GRANBY PARKS & RECREATION DEPARTMENT** is not responsible for personal injuries, damages or losses, which may occur. As in any sports or activities, there is a certain amount of inherent risk involved. Signature on this form indicates recognition of these risks, permission to participate and consent to secure emergency medical treatment in the event a parent/guardian cannot be reached.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature - Parent/Guardian (if participant is under 18 years old)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

Deliver or mail completed registration form and payment to:

East Granby Parks & Recreation Department  
79 North Main Street  
P.O. Box 1858





# East Granby Recreation

## MEDICAL INFORMATION CARD

Print all information

Camper's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Nick Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_

Mother/Guardian \_\_\_\_\_ Daytime Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell \_\_\_\_\_

Father/Guardian \_\_\_\_\_ Daytime Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell \_\_\_\_\_

Child lives with: \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact Person \_\_\_\_\_ Daytime Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Family Medical Insurance \_\_\_\_\_ Policy # \_\_\_\_\_

Doctor's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

The well being of your child is important to us. Is there anything special you want us to know about your child?

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Allergies (Hay fever, poison ivy, insect bites, medications, asthma, etc.)

\_\_\_\_\_

What activities can your child NOT participate in?

\_\_\_\_\_

Is camper currently taking medications? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

What medication? \_\_\_\_\_ What for? \_\_\_\_\_

List medications your child may have to bring to camp. \_\_\_\_\_

**EMERGENCY AUTHORIZATION:** I understand that in any activity there is an inherent risk involved. Parent/guardian signature on this medical form indicates recognition of risks, permission to participate and consent for the staff of East Granby Recreation to secure emergency medical treatment in the event I cannot be reached.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Parent/Guardian

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date



# **East Granby Youth Service Bureau**

## **Spring Programs:**

The **mission** of the East Granby Youth Service Bureau is to coordinate the delivery of community based services for prevention, intervention, treatment, and follow up for at risk youth, and to provide opportunities for all youth to function as responsible members of the community.

### **FREE COUNSELING SERVICES**

As part of its mission to serve and support the youth of East Granby, the Youth Service Bureau offers counseling services addressing emotional, behavioral and mental health issues. Counseling is available for resident youth under the age of age 18 and their families. The Youth Service Bureau provides parenting support, family therapy, individual therapy, play therapy for children, school consultation and referrals as necessary. School, parent and self-referrals are accepted.

The East Granby Youth Service Counselor, Sue Lawshe, is a licensed Marriage and Family Therapist who has worked with families in town since 2010. Some of the issues we can help to address include school behavior and/or peer relationship issues, family conflicts, anger management, substance abuse, suicidal ideation, self-harm, depression, and anxiety. All services are professional and confidential.

The Commission on Youth Services recently welcomed new members and elected new officers. The Commission members are:

Angela Ciottone, Chair  
Karin Kido, Vice Chair  
Mary Shelton, Secretary  
Robert Ravens-Seger  
Trooper Steve Okolowski  
Alisha Kumar, Student Member  
Rachel Griffith, Student Member

Congratulations to our new officers and members! The commission meets the third Monday of every month at 6:30 PM at East Granby Farms, and welcomes public attendance.



**SPACE IS LIMITED — PLEASE REGISTER EARLY!!!**  
**Registration Deadline: THURSDAY April 14, 2016**

**Learn everything you need to know about babysitting!**  
**Red Cross Certification available upon completion**

**Who:** All students in Grades 6, 7 and 8

**When:** Saturday April 16, 2016 — 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM

**Where:** East Granby Youth Service/Park and Rec Office

**Cost:** East Granby Residents \$25.00      Non-residents \$30.00

**Questions?** Call the East Granby Youth Services Bureau at (860) 653-7800 or

Email at [suel@egtownhall.com](mailto:suel@egtownhall.com)

**To Sign Up:** Mail or deliver completed registration form and payment to

East Granby Youth Service Bureau

79 North Main Street,

P.O. Box 1858,

East Granby, CT 06026

Registration forms available on Town website, in YSB office, or in middle school office.

**Wear comfortable clothes and bring lunch**

**snacks and drinks will be provided!**



Kids talk to kids. They tell each other their secrets,  
hopes and troubles. Your child's best friend will know,  
before you,  
if your child is experiencing deep sadness or depression.

**The East Granby Youth Service Bureau invites you to attend:**

**A workshop for middle school students  
and their parents**

# QPR Training

Question, Persuade, Refer

Three simple steps can save a life.

Participants will learn the basics of QPR (Question, Persuade, Refer), become familiar with the signs of potential suicide, and leave with the skills and confidence to ask the questions and make the connections that can save a life. Resources within the school system and the community will be discussed.

**Date:** Tuesday, April 26

**Time:** 7:00 PM to 8:30 PM

**Place:** East Granby Youth Service Bureau  
East Granby Farms  
79 North Main Street  
East Granby, CT

**Register NOW:**

Contact AnneMarie Cox to  
register yourself and your  
child for this *free* workshop:  
(860) 844-5355 or  
[ahcox@granby-ct.gov](mailto:ahcox@granby-ct.gov)





## East Granby Youth Service Bureau

# When I'm in Charge



**American  
Red Cross**

Help prepare your children  
ages 8-11 for situations that may occur when  
they are home without your direct supervision.

This American Red Cross course includes:

- Safe Responses to phone calls and visitors
- Getting along with siblings
- Simple first aid techniques
- Internet, fire and gun safety

**Saturday  
May 7, 2016**

**10:00 AM—1:00 PM**

**Registration  
Required!!**

**Who: Boys and Girls ages 8-11**

**Where: Youth Services/Park and Rec Office @  
East Granby Farms**

**79 N. Main Street, East Granby**

**(NOT the red barn — it's the white farmhouse!)**

**Cost: \$25 residents/\$30 non-residents**

Questions? Contact Sue Lawshe  
at [suel@egtownhall.com](mailto:suel@egtownhall.com) or  
860-653-7800

