A gift for hearts of all ages, this gentle, timeless story will delight anyone in need of a sprig of inspiration.

Book Discussion
w/Mrs. Witte Meredith
August 29th at 6:30pm

Seedfolks
by Paul Fleischman
Books available for $5
East Granby Public Library
Say Goodbye to Those Lazy, Hazy Days of Summer!

I hope that you and your families have had a great summer. Every year it seems like summer goes by too quickly and this year was no exception. Here are some of the activities and events going on in East Granby in the upcoming month.

Unfortunately, we received sad news in July with the passing of East Granby Volunteer Fire Department Chief, Peter Ahlstrin. The Chief was a valued member of our community who spent his entire adult life as a member of the Fire Department and our condolences go out to his family and the members of the Fire Department for their loss. My thanks to the State and Regional Agencies, Connecticut Air National Guard and 26 Municipal Fire Departments that supported us with manpower and public safety coverage for five days.

Back to School Safety: School opens on September 1st and there will be frequent bus stops and short delays. Please drive carefully and obey all traffic rules. Never pass a bus which has stopped and is taking on or releasing passengers—not only is it against the law, it could be very dangerous.

Last Blast of Summer Concert: East Granby Parks & Rec presents the Last Blast of Summer Concert on August 26th at the Town Center Complex Pavilion from 6:00 to 8:00 PM. This free summer concert, presented by our Parks & Recreation Commission, features music by Latanya Farrell who has a “sweet, soulful, and expressive style.” Latanya’s songbook ranges from jazz to oldies to Bruno Mars and everything in between! It should be fun! The concert will be held at the Town Green between the Ambulance Building and Town Hall. Bring your own chairs! Parking is available at the Senior/Community Center, Library, Post Office, Allgrove School and the west end of the Center Shops. There will be face painting, a bounce house, and food vendors prior to and during the concert.

Free Pancake Breakfast/Open House: Enjoy the pancakes, food, and fun and meet the East Granby Volunteer Fire Department and Granby Ambulance Association staff and volunteers on August 27th from 9:00 AM to 12:00 noon. You can also tour the Ambulance and Fire Department facilities.

Plan of Conservation and Development: The Planning and Zoning Commission (PZC) has jurisdiction regarding all town zoning and land use decisions. The PZC also develops the Plan of Conservation and Development (POCD), a ten-year roadmap for potential future growth and development in East Granby. The PZC will be conducting a public hearing on the 2016 Draft Plan of Conservation and Development at Town Hall on September 13th at 7:00 PM. Any resident or party wishing to make public comment can either attend the public hearing or submit such comments in writing to the Planning and Zoning Commission prior to the Public Hearing date. The draft document is available on our website at www.eastgranbyct.org/files/POCD_2016.pdf. Contact our Community Development Director, Gary Haynes, at (860) 413-3310 with any questions.

Paving Update: We have not received the State STEAP Grant that we hoped would help us pave an additional 2.5 miles of town roads this year. At this point this year’s paving will consist of Griffin and Copper Hill Roads in the fall for approximately $145,000 which was approved at the June 22nd Town Meeting.

Volunteers Needed: Our Municipal Historian position is open. This is a volunteer, unpaid position where the Historian would expand and promote the community’s awareness and appreciation for East Granby history through research, exhibits, public programs, displays, celebrations, and commemorations. East Granby’s municipal history is housed at the East Granby Public Library and the Municipal Historian would be tasked to keep the collection organized. For more information, please call the Selectman’s office at (860) 413-3301.

Small Cities Grant Awarded to East Granby: Governor Malloy announced in late June that the Town and Metacomet Homes Inc, a non-profit organization run by a volunteer Board of Directors, have been awarded an $800,000 Block Grant for improvements at Metacomet Village. Those improvements include replacement of all roofs, several electric panels, furnaces, and paving of all parking areas. Metacomet Village has 28 units of Senior & Disabled Affordable Housing.

Enjoy the rest of the summer!

Jim Hayden, First Selectman
**EGVFD Update**

We, the members of the East Granby Volunteer Fire Department, would like to offer our most sincere gratitude to and appreciation for our neighbors and brother and sister firefighters. The outpouring of support we received in comfort and donations from our neighbors inside and outside of town, as well as the assistance in town coverage volunteered by numerous fire departments helped us through a challenging month of July. Thank you all for your dedication and support of the East Granby Volunteer Fire Department.

The EGVFD has had a very successful neighborhood visit season this summer. Thank you to all of the residents for your warm receptions. If you would like us to visit a different location next summer or have any suggestions on how we can improve these events please contact us at (860) 653-6267.

Finally, a reminder that the Granby Ambulance Association and the EGVFD will be hosting a free pancake breakfast and open house at our stations on Saturday August 27th from 9:00 AM to 12:00 noon. We look forward to seeing you there!

The East Granby Volunteer Fire Department is a one hundred percent volunteer organization that responds to approximately 250 alarms a year. If you are interested in donating to, learning more about, or joining the department, please visit our website at www.eastgranbyfire.com or stop by our center station at 7 Memorial Drive any Monday evening.

**JP Position Available**

The Town of East Granby is accepting applications for those who would like to be a Justice of the Peace. Applicants must be unaffiliated voters or minor party members. Those interested can apply to the Town Clerk to be included in a lottery that will determine who will fill any regular or vacancy slots for the positions.

To be eligible, voters must not have been registered with a major political party—Democrat or Republican—for three months prior to August 1st. The deadline to apply is November 1st. For details call the Town Clerk’s office at (860) 653-6528.

**Board of Assessment Appeals**

The Board of Assessment Appeals will meet in open session at the East Granby Town Hall on Monday, September 12th from 6:00 to 7:00 PM for the sole purpose of hearing appeals related to the assessment of motor vehicles listed on the October 2015 Grand List. No appointments are needed. Vehicles in question should be driven to the Town Hall parking lot.

Please note that the assessment date for these vehicles was October 1, 2015 and that the State of Connecticut requires that assessments used are according to the values and guidelines set forth in the October 2015 NADA pricing guide. For more information, please contact the Assessor’s Office at (860) 653-2852.

**Plan of Conservation & Development Update**

The Planning and Zoning Commission has initiated the process for the 2016 update of the Plan of Conservation and Development (POCD). The current plan was adopted in 2004 and by state statute must be updated every ten years. The Planning & Zoning Commission has scheduled the POCD 2016 public hearing for September 13th at 7:00 PM in the Town Hall Public Hearing Room. A copy of the rough draft has been posted on the Town Website at www.eastgranbyct.org. Comments regarding the POCD can be submitted to the Planning & Zoning Commission in writing or at the public hearing on September 13th. If you have any questions or comments regarding the process or about the POCD please feel free to contact Gary Haynes, Director of Community Development, via e-mail at garyh@egtownhall.com or (860) 653-3444.

**East Granby Social Services**

**Fall Office Hours**

Mondays, Tuesdays, and Fridays from 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM and Thursdays from 9:00 to 11:00 AM. Appointments outside of these hours are available by appointment.

**Back to School Backpack Program**

If you are interested in assisting with our annual back to school backpack program please contact Social Services at (860) 413.3328 for additional details.

**Empty Bowls 2016**

Potters from Expressions Pottery Workshop of East Granby and the Women’s Club of East Granby are gearing up for the 16th Annual Empty Bowls fundraiser to benefit the Friend to Friend Food pantry. Come and select a beautiful handmade soup bowl made by the potters at Expressions Pottery, enjoy delicious soup donated by local restaurants, and then take a stroll over to Expressions Pottery to enjoy desserts and see the studio. When: Saturday, October 15th from 11:30 AM to 1:30 PM. Cost: $15 pre-registration; $18 at the door. Pre-registration is strongly encouraged. The registration form is in this edition of Let’s Talk Turkey or can be found on the East Granby Social Services website. Contact Social Services with questions.

**Energy Assistance**

Applications will be accepted after September 19th 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 incurred after September 1st.
Please remember that proof of income from the previous four weeks is required for the application. Contact Social Services in September to review the income/eligibility guidelines and to schedule an appointment.

**Fuel Bank**
The East Granby Fuel Bank is a fund available to town residents in need of assistance with heating fuel. This fund is available year round but is especially important in the cold winter months. 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. If you would like to contribute to the fund, please contact Social Services for additional information.

**East Granby Senior Club**
On Friday, September 9th we will resume the East Granby Senior Club. Remember, we are a “members only” club and receive no funding from the Town of East Granby. We have some great programs and lunches planned so join us for lunch at 12:00 noon. Yearly dues are $10.00 and are payable at our meeting. If you plan to pay by check, please write it payable to East Granby Senior Club. Please be aware that you do not have to reside in East Granby to be a member and anyone over 55 is eligible. If your friends would like to join, please bring them along. Please join us every month for good food, fun, fellowship, and interesting programs. Meetings are held the second Friday of each month. You must make a reservation by Tuesday before each meeting. Please call Lorie Orzechowski at (860) 658-6040. If you need a ride, please call the mini bus at (860) 413-3327. We hope to see you each month!

**September 9th at 12:00 Noon**
Program: Bingo! Come join in some old time fun! Prizes will be awarded for each game. Lunch will be sandwiches, chips and ice cream. Cost is free for members.

**October 14th at 12:00 Noon**
Program: “Big John” Hartman will entertain us with his show “It’s All About the 50s.” Big John took his first piano lesson at the age of seven in 1955 and has been playing and singing ever since. He has performed in Europe, the Virgin Islands, cruise ships, The Log Cabin in Holyoke, as well as Dock and Dine in Old Saybrook. The program is generously sponsored by Frank Carmon of Carmon Funeral Homes. Lunch will be lemon chicken, salad, and cookies. Cost is $10.00 for members.

**November 18th at 12:00 Noon**
(Yes, we are meeting on the 3rd Friday this month.) Program: “Ruth O’Neil and Jim Hammett,” a musical duo from Coventry. They will share their vocal and instrumental talents on banjo, guitar, and ukulele. The duo plays mainly folk and bluegrass. They really love songs from America’s past. Come enjoy as they pass on traditional music. Lunch will be a Thanksgiving Dinner. The dinner and program are both sponsored by the Women’s Club of East Granby. Thanks for their generosity! Cost is free for members.

**Women’s Club Seeks Members**
The Women’s Club of East Granby welcomes all women aged eighteen and over to our first meeting on September 14th at 7:00 PM, to be held at Gio’s Restaurant in East Granby. We meet on the second Wednesday of every month to review our current fundraisers and social events, brainstorm new ideas, and enjoy each other’s company. Our goal is to provide service to our community, promote social and educational opportunities and enjoy good fellowship. Some of the community events that we run or support include Empty Bowls, the East Granby Golf Outing, Winter Wonderland, and the East Granby Ridge Run 5K. The money we raise goes back to our town in contributions to the public library, our schools, the food pantry, the fuel bank, and many other local organizations. We love to have new members with fresh ideas that keep our club always evolving. Come to our first meeting (bring a friend) and see what we’re all about. Check us out at www.womensclubeg.org or visit us on Facebook.

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Copper Hill United Methodist Church
Fall Tag & Bake Sale
27 Copper Hill Road, East Granby, CT
Saturday, September 17th from 9 AM - 2 PM
(Donation drop-off on Saturday, September 10 from 9 AM - 1 PM)
Lots of ‘treasures’ and delicious home-baked goods to be had.
For information, call Susan at 860-668-1031
East Granby Veterans Events
The East Granby Veterans is a group formed to bring community awareness of veterans in East Granby and for the mutual benefit of veterans as a support group. In addition, the group has reached out to the community by marching in parades, meeting in the local schools, making presentations to the students, helping veterans with their VA benefits and medical appointments, and by performing charitable acts through fund raising for a high school Scholarship Fund honoring a graduating senior.

Tag Sale
We are hosting our third annual tag sale on Saturday, September 10th from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM at the East Granby Senior/Community Center. If you have anything you would like to donate please contact Jack Haller at (860) 651-3878, Tom Moran at (860) 658-0037 or e-mail eastgranbyctveterans@gmail.com.

Scholarship
We are proud to announce that Olivia Morris is the recipient of our 2016 East Granby High Scholarship. Thank you to all who helped to support the scholarship for this outstanding young lady. We wish her the best of luck in her academic pursuits.

Next Meeting
Our next meeting will be held on Tuesday, August 30th from 7:00 to 9:00 PM at Gio’s Brick Oven Pizzeria.

EG Lions Rubber Duck Derby
It’s the most exciting spectator sport in East Granby! It’s like the Olympics of Duck Racing! The East Granby Lions Rubber Duck Derby is coming to town on Sunday, September 11th!

This year’s rubber ducks have come from all over the world and most of them have won multiple Duck Races during their careers. Only the best have passed the exhaustive screening and qualification process and are qualified to race in this year’s Derby. They are all certified drug-free and have been placed on a special diet and an extensive training schedule to ensure they will be in top physical and mental condition for our Duck Race. Imagine a thousand Rubber Ducks racing down the river towards the finish line with hundreds of people alongside the riverbank cheering on their adopted duck, hoping it will finish in the money!

Here’s how you can participate: adopt a duck (purchase a ticket). Ducks are $5 each. Each ticket has a number corresponding to the numbers printed on each duck. On September 11th, they will be ceremoniously released from the Greenway bike bridge over Salmon Brook. They have to survive the fall from the bridge and then swim to the finish line at Granbrook Park. The ducks able to navigate all the hazards, keep from getting trapped in obstacles in the water, and cross the finish line downstream are the winners. Prizes include $500, $250 and $100 preloaded Visa cards and various gift cards to area restaurants and businesses. Festivities at Granbrook Park begin at 11:00 AM on September 11th. There will be live music, burgers, hot dogs, and other refreshments as well as games for kids. It’s fun for the whole family.

The Rubber Duck Derby is the major fund-raiser for our Lions Club. The Lions are all volunteers, so 100% of all money raised goes towards providing scholarships and contributing to local organizations and charities. If everyone in town just adopts one duck for the race, we could do so much more!

Ducks can be adopted at the East Granby Library, at Town Hall, or the Farmer’s Market. They are also available at the RCC (a.k.a. The Dump) on select Saturdays. Ducks are also sold by all Lion members. Adopt your duck today! You don’t need to attend the Duck Race to win, but we hope to see you there so you can give your duck a pep talk and then root it on to victory!

You can follow the ducks on Facebook as they prepare for the big race at: East Granby Lions Club Rubber Duck Derby.

News from the East Granby Land Trust

Our Night Sky Series
The East Granby Land Trust presents an educational video and discussion group of The Great Courses Series, “Our Night Sky.” Participants will:

- Investigate the origins of constellations and how to identify the most popular constellations in the night sky.
- Discover the distinct features of the cratered face of Earth’s moon.
- Learn how to spot fascinating natural phenomena like meteor showers, lunar and solar eclipses, and comets.
- Discover which of our solar system’s planets you can see with nothing more than a simple telescope.
- Learn how to read a star chart to help you locate interesting objects in the night sky—in all four seasons.
- Get an introduction to the features of telescopes and binoculars, including optical design, magnification, and mounts.

The program series will be held on Tuesday nights beginning September 13th through October 18th from 6:30 to 7:30 PM (30 minute video followed by 30 minute discussion) in the Large Conference Room of the East Granby Public Library. You may sign up at the Library Front Desk.

Invasive Species Cutting
Late summer/early fall is the best time to cut invasive species on EGLT land. We have a few parties lined up and would love
to have you join us. Wear long pants and long-sleeved shirts and join us for the following:

- Saturday, August 20th – Griffin Marsh (corner of Holcomb Street and Ezekiel Way)
- Saturday, August 27th – Pond Meadow (across from 21 Pond Lane)
- Saturday, September 10th – Pond Meadow (see above)
- Saturday and Sunday, September 17th and 18th – Newgate Farm (across from 140 Kimberly Road)

If you have any questions about programs or work parties please e-mail programs@eglt.org or check out our website, www.eglt.org.

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.

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**East Granby Historical Society News**

**Summer Hours**

The Historical Society barn/museum is open to the public on the second Saturdays of the month from 12:00 noon to 3:00 PM. September 10th and October 8th are the remaining scheduled dates. However, anyone may make an appointment for another time by contacting Nancy Moody at (860) 653-2866 or moodynancy@att.net. Come and sit inside the beautifully restored 1850 Concord stagecoach, or sit on a big-wheeled Victorian-era bicycle. See the recently assembled antique weaving loom, a Ford Model A truck/tractor hybrid, and many other items and displays from East Granby's past.

**Upcoming Programs**

Hints of the programs for the coming year, which are all open to the public: Gargoyles, Clocks, Vintage Sports Equipment, East Granby's Railroads, and a magician! Look for details in the September issue of *Let's Talk Turkey*.

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**New Youth Action Council**

East Granby Youth Services is proud to announce the formation of the East Granby Youth Action Council. The Y.A.C is an official town council comprised of youth members from the East Granby Middle School and East Granby High School. It is designed to cultivate youth as leaders within our community and is led by its members under the guidance of the Commission on Youth Services and Youth Program Leaders, Amanda Thompson for the High School and Sharon Shepherd for the Middle School. This is an opportunity for our young adults to share their voice and offer their perspective. The mission of the East Granby Youth Action Council is to advocate on behalf of our youth citizens on matters most critical and relevant to them within our community. Congratulations to all of the newly appointed East Granby Youth Action Council Members.

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**Eagle Scout Award Received**

Tuesday, June 7th was proclaimed “Jonathan Kelly Day” in East Granby by First Selectman, Jim Hayden. Jonathan recently received his Eagle Scout award at a Court of Honor Ceremony at the East Granby Senior/Community Center. Jonathan’s Eagle Project was the execution of a nectar garden and informational kiosk at Greenstone Hollow Nature Sanctuary for the Hartford Audubon Society on Ridge Boulevard in East Granby. The kiosk, completed with an informational board,
allows visitors to learn about nectar feeders and plants. Jonathan has also registered the garden at Greenstone Hollow with Monarch Watch, an international organization focused on protecting monarch butterflies.

Additionally, Jonathan earned the William T. Hornaday bronze medal for his exceptional projects in the area of conservation. Jonathan planned, organized, and led a project to reclaim the Cub Scout meeting area at Granbrook Park from invasive plant species, as well as established log vanes in the Farmington River at Granbrook Park to minimize erosion. In order to earn the William T. Hornaday Bronze medal, a scout must coordinate, lead, and carry out three significant conservation projects. Less than 1,200 Hornaday medals have been awarded nationally since its inception in 1914. Only 12 were earned in 2015 nationally. Presenting the William T. Hornaday Award to Jonathan were Lonny Mo, Connecticut Rivers Council Commissioner; his Hornaday Advisor, Bob Gilmore of Troop 175; and Honorable Judge Marshall K. Berger, Jr.


Jonathan Kelly at Greenstone Hollow

Capitol Roundup
Rep. Tami Zawistowski, 61st District

Recent articles and letters published in the Hartford Courant have again put a much-needed spotlight on Connecticut’s budget problems—in this case, their impact on some of our state’s most historic tourist destinations.

Connecticut’s famed Old State House has now been closed indefinitely, and nobody knows how long it will be closed. The many visitors to Hartford who visit the State Capitol—they come from all over the country—leave their tours disappointed after learning they won’t be able to visit the Old State House and view the historical artifacts inside the building where the Amistad trial was held. Changing priorities in the state budget have left the Old State House without enough funding to remain open.

We’ve got a similar issue here in East Granby. As you’re likely aware, the state has spent considerable time and money to rehabilitate our regional tourism jewel—Old New-Gate Prison and Copper Mine, closed since late 2009. A state hiring freeze, however, will keep New-Gate closed until that freeze ends—and even then we will need to figure out how to do more for less.

Late in the 2016 legislative session, I joined with a group of legislators from both parties to form a Tourism Caucus—an informal panel focused not only on continuing to promote our state’s attractions on a shoestring budget, but on pinpointing creative and low-cost solutions to the challenges posed by operating historic destinations such as New-Gate and the Old State House in the face of budget deficits.

Along those lines, I’m happy to report that I’ve put together a small group of East Granby residents with a few staffers from the state’s Department of Economic and Community Development (DECD) to create a New-Gate Open House Day on October 22nd. This will give residents of East Granby and surrounding towns a chance to see what’s been going on behind the walls, including the significant work done to stabilize the guard house. The interest generated will help demonstrate the high level of interest in this important landmark and show state officials that we need to get it open again—after all, it was actually operating at a profit when it was closed in 2009.

This free event will offer tours of the prison grounds and of Viets Tavern, which is now undergoing testing to eliminate the peeling that occurs each time it is painted. The mine, however, will not be open that day due to a newly discovered species of bat that sets up residence there at the beginning of October.

Thanks to volunteers and historians passionate about the site, there will be presentations on New-Gate’s notorious history, its archaeology, historical artifacts, the restoration project—and the bats. This will be a sampling of what visitors could see during a full scale tourist season, and they offer a glimpse into what future operations of New-Gate could offer.

At this point, there’s no end in sight to Connecticut’s financial troubles. That means volunteers, professional educators, and even hobbyist historians will likely play integral roles in staffing and supporting New-Gate and other historical destinations.

There’s already mounting interest in reestablishing the Friends of Old New-Gate group, which I consider a great step toward getting the site open more regularly. If you’re interested in participating in the Friends group, or want to know more about the work at New-Gate, feel free to contact my office at (860) 240-8700 or tami.zawistowski@housegop.ct.gov.

See the September issue of Let’s Talk Turkey for more information about Old New-Gate Open House Day, or check for updates on the East Granby Community Facebook page, or on my Facebook page @reptazawistowski. And save the date—October 22nd—for a fun and informative peek behind the walls.
News from the Democrats

The long summer days have found local candidates for State Representative, Mike Malloy, and State Senate, Annie Hornish, busy getting their message out to the voters. They have received overwhelmingly enthusiastic support from those in East Granby. Save the date for our annual Pasta Dinner and Awards Ceremony on September 16th at the Senior/Community Center. We hold our monthly meetings on the third Thursday of each month at 7:30 PM at the Senior/Community Center. Upcoming meetings are August 18th, September 15th, and October 20th. Join us to find out how you can participate in this year’s election at the local level.

East Granby Republicans

The East Granby Republican Town Committee (RTC) has awarded our annual “Carolyn and Edward Phillips” scholarship to Paige Derlinga. This $500 award is given to a graduating student, and was chosen from a field of more than 30 candidates. Congratulations to Paige and good luck at college!

This November’s election is crucial to getting our state back on sound financial footing. Control of the governorship and state legislature by one party has resulted in deficit after deficit, and has burdened our residents with excessive debt. Rep. Tami Zawistowski and Sen. John Kissel, who represent East Granby in our state government, have fought against tax increases and in support of fiscal restraint. They have also fought to preserve funding for our most vulnerable citizens and for supporting local education—both of which were reduced in the recent Democrat-supported budget. Our town additionally benefits from having an East Granby-based State Representative who has the experience and temperament to represent us at the Capitol. Please vote to return Rep. Zawistowski and Sen. Kissel to the state legislature this fall. If you would like to volunteer to be part of either campaign, please contact East Granby RTC at lsandoraeg@gmail.com or (860) 844-8393.

Election season is approaching, and the outcome for our state is critical. The two main sources of jobs in Connecticut—aerospace and defense and insurance—are leaving the state. General Electric and United Technologies have moved portions of their headquarters to other states. Pending mergers in insurance (Aetna and Humana, Cigna and Anthem) pose potential job losses since both Anthem and Humana have their headquarters outside Connecticut. Small businesses face added regulatory burdens and taxes. We need to make our state more business friendly.

We urge all citizens to examine the issues and exercise their right to vote on Election Day, Tuesday, November 8th. To ensure that you are registered to vote, contact the East Granby Registrar at (860) 653-0097.

The East Granby RTC welcomes all Republicans to our meetings, which are held at 7:00 PM at the Senior/Community center. The next meetings will be held on September 21st and October 19th.

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 recodification of East Granby town ordinances and new town fee structure was approved at Town Meeting at the end of last year. 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. The town ordinances in full can also be found on the town web page, www.eastgranbyct.org, by clicking on the “Residents” tab, and then on the “Town Ordinances” listing.

Voting in the upcoming presidential and congressional elections will be on Tuesday, November 8th at the Senior/Community Center. Don’t forget to make sure that you’re registered to vote well in advance! If unsure, or for information about obtaining an absentee ballot, contact either the Republican or Democrat Registrar of Voters at (860) 653-0097 or the Town Clerk at (860) 653-6528.

If you want your voice to be heard on matters of the town budget, municipal governance, or other issues, go to Board meetings and public hearings and show Board members that you're watching and will hold them accountable. Vote in the referendums, municipal elections, and at town meetings—every vote counts! The recent vote on capital spending projects passed at the July 26th town meeting by a two vote margin! Do whatever you can to help keep our town government oriented responsibly. Come to a CTEG meeting to talk with likeminded neighbors and discuss your ideas.

All CTEG meetings are on the third Monday of the month at 7:00 PM at the East Granby Public Library. Our next meeting after the summer break will be on Monday, September 19th. 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, or visit the CTEG website at www.egtaxpayers.org.
East Granby Parks & Recreation presents "Last Blast of Summer!!"

Free Family Summer Concert with Latanya Farrell

Friday, August 26th
6:00PM-8:00PM
@Town Center Complex Pavilion

Bring Your Chairs!

Sponsored by
Northwest Community Bank
Windsor/Windsor Locks Rotary International
Food Pantry and Thrift Shop

Late Summer Update

Summer is almost over and before we have time to miss it our schedules are filled with responsibilities and activities for the fall season. We look forward to the return of our EG student volunteers in September and our holiday giving preparations. Please see our upcoming events below. We appreciate our small and mighty community of East Granby. 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)

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

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

We need volunteers to help at the Thrift Shop, please email us at friendtofriendthriftshop@gmail.com

Events

Thrift Shop Donation Drop-Off
In need of gently used winter clothing and holiday items
Wednesday, September 14, 5-7 p.m., at the East Granby Senior/Community Center and Saturday, September 17, 10 a.m.-2 p.m., at the Thrift Shop.

16th Annual Empty Bowls
Sat., October 15, 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.
See our registration flyer in this issue. We also have the registration form posted on our Friend to Friend Food Pantry Facebook page; please spread the word on this great event!
Join Expressions Pottery Workshop, the Women’s Club of East Granby and Friend to Friend for East Granby Food Pantry’s biggest fundraiser of the year! We are celebrating 16 years of helping our Food Pantry and East Granby Social Services provide to residents in need, with supplemental food & fuel assistance. This annual collaboration, along with local restaurants, helps the current needs of East Granby families and elders.

How it works:

• Come to the East Granby Senior Community Building on Saturday, October 15th from 11:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.
• Pick up your pre-registration ($15) ticket or pay at the door ($18) & proceed to pick out a beautiful and unique handmade bowl.
• Take your bowl of choice up to the window and choose one of the six soups offered.
• Each table will have refreshments, bread & butter to enjoy, while listening to easy music.
• Afterwards, take a walk over to Expressions Pottery Workshop, located at 9 School St. and enjoy dessert, watch a demonstration, browse the gallery and pick out a free pumpkin!

** Last year we nearly sold out of beautiful handmade bowls, after selling approximately 350 bowls. We encourage you to register early, so there are enough bowls made for the event!

Any questions about the event, contact Alicia Van Neil at 860.413.3328, or email aliciav@egtownhall.com

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

NUMBER OF BOWLS ________ X $15.00 = TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED: ___________________________ 
NAME: __________________________________________ PHONE #: ___________________________
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*Checks should be made out to “Friend-to-Friend (Empty Bowls)” and sent to: Friend to Friend, P.O. Box 631, East Granby, CT 06026

Additional forms on our Friend to Friend Food Pantry Facebook page.
EAST GRANBY LIONS CHARITIES, INC.

4th Annual RUBBER DUCK DERBY
FUN FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY!
JOIN US SUNDAY, SEPT. 11TH
AT GRANBROOK PARK
OFF HARTFORD AVE. (RT 189) East Granby
FROM 11 AM TO 2 PM
FOOD! LIVE MUSIC! & ACTIVITIES!
DUCK RACE STARTS AT 1:30 PM
(You do not need to be present to win)

$5.00 ADOPTS A DUCK FOR THE RACE
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Plus other prizes to be determined

Duck adoptions available at: East Granby Library, Town Clerk’s Office, Farmer’s Market or any EG Lion Club member
SAFETY TIPS FOR POSSIBLE ELECTRICAL PROBLEM

- 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 underrated 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.

PRODUCT RECALL ALERT
The Consumer Product Safety Commission publishes many recall alerts and safety notices for common household products and the one listed below is an example of these. These alerts and bulletins also inform consumers how to have the products fixed and who to contact. We urge all residents to look at the Consumer Product Safety Commission website at www.cpsc.gov and you can also contact our office for any questions regarding one of these recalls or safety bulletins.

Frigidaire and Kenmore Wall Ovens Recalled by Electrolux Due to Fire Hazard (Recall Alert)
Recall date: JULY 26, 2016
Recall number: 16-759

Hazard: The thermal switch on the ovens can malfunction due to improper manufacturing, posing a fire hazard to consumers.

Consumer Contact: Consumers who purchased a Frigidaire oven should contact Electrolux toll-free at 888-360-8556 from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. ET Monday through Saturday or via email at web.productrecall@frigidaire.com. Consumers who purchased a Kenmore oven should call Sears at 800-659-7026 from 7 a.m. to 9 p.m. CT Monday through Friday and from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. CT on Saturday or online at www.sears.com and click on “Product Recall” for more information.

Description: This recall involves Frigidaire and Kenmore-branded electric single and double wall ovens made by Electrolux. They were sold in black, white or stainless steel. The single ovens measure about 24 inches wide, 32 inches tall and 25 inches deep. The double ovens measure about 24 inches wide, 51 inches tall and 25 inches deep. “Kenmore” or “Frigidaire” is printed below the oven window. The model and serial numbers are located on the left side trim on the inside of the oven. The following model and serial numbers are included in this recall:

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Remedy: Consumers should immediately stop using the recalled ovens and contact Electrolux or Sears to schedule a free inspection and free repair. The firm is contacting all known purchasers directly.

Sold At: Frigidaire ovens were sold by Knie Appliance & TV, Inc., in Illinois from March 2016 through April 2016 for between $1,000 and $1,400. Kenmore ovens were sold exclusively at Sears stores nationwide and online at www.sears.com from March 2016 through April 2016 for between $1,400 and $2,100.

SMOKE DETECTOR PROGRAM
The East Granby Fire Marshal’s Office strongly encourages residents to take advantage of our free smoke detector testing and replacement program. A simple call or email to our office and we will come out and check your detectors free of charge. We offer free replacement of battery operated detectors. Smoke detectors have a lifespan of ten years and have been proven to save lives. Help us keep you and your family safe by taking advantage of this program. We can be reached at 860-653-3444 or due to our varying hours, email can be a quicker way to contact us at JohnL@egtownhall.com

If you should have any questions, comments, or concerns regarding any of the items listed or any other concern please contact the Fire Marshal’s Office at 860-653-3444 or by email. Due to our varying work schedule, email is the best way to contact us.

Fire Marshal Ken Beliveau
KennethB@egtownhall.com

Deputy Fire Marshal John Leahey
JohnL@egtownhall.com

Deputy Fire Marshal David Deskis
DavidD@egtownhall.com
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Cordially invites you to the

OPEN HOUSE - **FREE PANCAKE BREAKFAST**

Meet our staff and volunteers for food and fun while taking an opportunity to tour
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SUPERINTENDENT’S MESSAGE

2015-2016 Year in review

The end of each school year is a perfect time to reflect on the achievements celebrated and challenges confronted by members of our learning community. Collectively, we review the goals that were established and stated in the school and district improvement plans and in the Areas of Focus documents. These documents guided us as we initiated and implemented strategies to improve student, school and district performance. Our faculty, staff and administration worked diligently with unbridled energy, effort, and determination to engage students in the learning process. We witnessed the purposeful integration of technology to transform teaching and learning. We procured and allocated resources and attention to the identified areas for growth.

As I ruminate on the accomplishments along the journey to excellence, I noted with deep satisfaction the strong evidence of academic growth in our student performance. I also noted the shift in mindset that allowed our students and faculty to take advantage of new best practices to realize some significant improvements. The positive changes resulted in the achievement of the goals stipulated in the Areas of Focus for 2015-2016, document. I now share with you a brief synopsis of our progress in the areas identified. Where it is evident that the work in a particular area must continue, we will pursue additional steps to maximize the impact of our efforts in our progressive and innovative learning community. The efforts will reflect our determination to ensure that our school district graduates are well-served by the education system, and are prepared to achieve success in future pursuits.

School year 2015-2016 was a productive year. Our students were fully engaged in a rigorous academic program and continued to earn many accolades and prizes for their outstanding performance in and out of the classroom.

Areas of Focus for the 2015-2016 School Year

Improve Student Performance, Increase Academic Rigor, and Implement State Requirements.
Utilize a variety of resources to (i) adjust instruction and to increase student performance in Reading, (ii) assess student understanding and knowledge of content in complex texts, and (iii) enable students to demonstrate higher performance levels.

- Utilize standardized assessments, teacher assessment data (Fountas & Pinnel, Measurement of Academic Progress), and other sources of information to identify deficiencies in reading comprehension of complex informational texts
- Provide additional professional development for faculty and administration on (i) instructional strategies, following the TCRWW model that recognizes the implication of changes in the Connecticut Core Standards. Elementary schools will continue to be Project schools and the Middle school will continue participation in the Writing program
- Improve student and school performance through on-going review of data, and adjustment and realignment of the curriculum to the Connecticut Core Standards emphasizing 21st Century Authentic Literacy Skills – purposeful reading, writing, and communicating

Teachers continued to use standardized measures to assess, benchmark student performance in academic subjects, and to identify specific interventions to help students achieve at higher levels. We utilized a variety of on-line resources to boost students understanding of complex texts, and in the elementary grades there
was particular emphasis on strategies to improve reading and writing. The continued implementation of the Teachers’ College Reading and writing workshop model helped to increase student performance. We examined the performance of sub-groups of students on standardized measures...CMT, SBAC, and CAPT, and provided additional supports to help them improve. Data gathered at the end of the school year showed that all students gained a years and one half growth, and some students moved as much as five reading levels above where they started.

Better readers make better writers. Students in the elementary school also demonstrated their reading and writing prowess by participating in the Readers are Leaders and Star Reader programs, and in the publication of a newspaper and literary magazine. At the Middle school level, students participated in several writing contests and won numerous awards, including taking first place in the University of Connecticut student writers contest, and taking first and second place in the Abigail Phelps Daughters of the American Revolution Essay competition.

We provided additional training for faculty and paraprofessionals to enable them to effectively implement the TC model. Several staff developers from Teachers College spent numerous hours in the district modeling/demonstrating and critiquing teachers as they engaged students in the lessons. We continued TC project school status to provide additional professional development in the protocols and models of instruction for teachers and administrators. We also expanded project school status to the middle school to emphasize the writing component.

The first TC Teacher lead group meeting was held at R. D. Seymour School to showcase the superior work in East Granby and learn from the critical feedback of participants. Carl Allgrove School teacher, Kristi Smith was invited to participate with TC staff developers in a Digital Media Literacy Institute at Columbia University.

Continue efforts to institutionalize the Five-Year High School Associates in Science in Advanced Manufacturing Technology Degree Partnership Program

Continue meetings with:

- Asnuntuck Community College (ACC), East Granby Manufacturers, school counselors and teachers to share program updates and discuss learning experiences, co-teaching, and map curriculum implementation;
- Advisory Board to provide updates;
- Implement enhanced public relations strategies to advertise the program; and
- Seek Board of Education approval of revised grade 6, 7, and 8 Technology Education curriculum.

In the 2015-2016 school year there were two Advisory Board meetings at which we described expansion of the Fifth Year model to include Granby and Bloomfield Public Schools. In addition, we shared information about the significant emphasis on updating the Technology Education area, and revamping the curriculum. Several courses were reviewed by the East Granby Board of Education – Coding, Robotics, and Advanced Manufacturing I and II.

Students attended the Fall 2015 manufacturing fair, and are now doing site visits to manufacturers in the local area. Two East Granby students also had the privilege of participating in a site visit of the Manufacturing Division at Asnuntuck Community College with representatives from Connecticut state government, Higher Education, and the United States Assistant Secretary of Commerce and Economic Development. The two students spoke eloquently about the Fifth Year program and the learning opportunities it provides. The also shared their thoughts about the potential of the program to improve and expand their future study and career paths. In Fall 2015, Dr. Mahoney also participated in the accreditation site visit for the Manufacturing Division at Asnuntuck Community College.
Improve Student and School Performance emphasizing Connecticut Core Standards, expanding learning opportunities, and increasing rigor in curriculum and instruction

- Improve student learning through the implementation of focused interventions to assist students in achieving and exceeding the new performance indices
- Ensure the effective implementation of best practices that positively impact teaching and learning and engage the school community in discussions about Mastery based diplomas and personalized learning
- Continue efforts to ensure a successful realignment of the curriculum to the Connecticut Core Standards, increase the rigor in the curriculum by increasing the number of advanced Placement offerings, explore and pilot International Baccalaureate courses, and place greater emphasis on blended learning

In the 2015-2016 school year we emphasized strategies to help students develop the cognitive skills related to processing non-fiction materials, scientific inquiry, and research protocols. In the Middle and High schools, students were required to complete several research projects to learn, hone, and demonstrate mastery in understanding complex texts. As we put greater emphasis on Mastery of content, we will continue to engage our students in learning experiences that require them to demonstrate mastery of learning standards in each subject area.

In early 2016, Janet Garagliano presented at the annual Community Forum. She addressed Mastery and Personalized learning and acknowledged that East Granby’s efforts to emphasize mastery and to personalize learning to meet the needs of students was well aligned with the broader effort to ensure that all graduates know a critical body of knowledge that will help ensure intellectual agility. Prepared documents were shared on the district website. Dr. Mahoney and the Director of Curriculum and Professional Development participated in a series of workshops with the New England Secondary School Council, and shared vital information with all East Granby administrators throughout the year.

As part of our continued effort to personalize learning and add rigor to the academic program, East Granby students had the opportunity to participate in on-line International Baccalaureate courses. Four students took advantage of this challenging opportunity. In addition we added Advanced Placement French and Art to the Program of Studies. We anticipate formalizing AP Physics. We also added an articulated Macro Economics course in the Business Department.

Technology Integration

- Expand the use of technology to utilize a wider variety of online learning resources and formative assessments to enhance student progress toward achieving learning goals
- Expand efforts of the Library Media Curriculum and Technology Integration Specialist to ensure the purposeful integration of technology in instruction, particularly in Reading, Technology Education, and in the on-going efforts to revise the curriculum and support implementation of the Connecticut Core Standards
- Continue to implement strategies to upgrade the school library to support 21st century learning
- Expand training in the use of online learning platforms and newly acquired technology to access resources to enhance teaching and learning, and provide opportunities for students to practice

On a district wide level, we continued our on-line subscriptions that have proven to be a critical part of our program to help learners improve their performance. We added Fast Math at the elementary level, expanded the ALEKS program, continued MyON reading, Read 180, Khan On-line resources, and provided other electronic subscriptions such as Agile Mind to support instruction in several content areas.
The Library Media Curriculum Technology Integration Specialist worked throughout the year to help teachers design lessons to use technology in a transformative way, and engage students in utilizing technology as a tool for learning and demonstrating mastery. We also sought ways to improve our electronic communication in the district. Teachers experimented with other network platforms to communicate with parents, publish weekly or monthly newsletters or student work, and to engage students in the classroom as they collaborated on projects and assignments.

In the library, we continued the on-line subscription library loan program, upgraded our computers, added MacIntosh computers to enable students to complete assignments, purchased additional modular items to create more functional spaces, and supported the completion of special assignments such as the creation of robots, and a prosthetic arm.

**Communication**

- Share educational resources and professional/research supported information with faculty and administration to further enhance and support teaching and learning
- Provide information and opportunities to engage the community in a recognition program
- Engage district administrators and school board members in video recorded conversations about the schools, educational program, the school budget, and form an Alumni Association

On-going professional development is an integral part of the professional learning culture in the district. At every level, we provided job-embedded professional learning on scheduled days throughout the year. We also supported and encouraged faculty, staff, and administrators to participate in job-related webinars, institutes, workshops, and conferences. The newly acquired body of knowledge when implemented enabled us to improve the educational program and student performance. Current research findings and information on best practices were also shared with educators at every level in district. We used both formal and informal processes to share information about changes in curriculum standards, state requirements, and revised learning expectations.

As part of our effort to keep the community engaged and informed, we continued our televised information sessions with administrators and Board of Education members. We also held two recognition ceremonies to recognize community members who supported the schools in a special way, and students who extended themselves within and beyond the school door to enhance community life in a special way.

**East Granby Public Schools District Achievements**

- Newsweek rated East Granby High School as one of the “Top 10 High School in Connecticut” in 2015, and rated East Granby High School as one of the “Top 500 High Schools in America”

- East Granby Middle School students won first and second place in the Abigail Phelps Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution Essay Competition. One student’s essay has been entered into the state competition. EGMS 8th graders have won the Abigail Phelps chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution essay competition five years in a row.

- Four East Granby Middle School 7th graders placed first in the group documentary division in the regional competition of National History Day and one 8th grader placed 1st in the 2014 Individual Research Paper Division.

- In 2015, out of 230 high schools in Connecticut, East Granby High School ranked #11 in Math, #11 in Reading, and #22 in Writing in SAT’s.
Susan Rosenstein, East Granby Middle School teacher, was named National American History Teacher of the Year by the Connecticut Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution.

We celebrated a second consecutive year of East Granby High School being named to the College Board’s AP Honor Roll. The students and school earned a place on the 6th AP Honor Roll based on the increase in the number of students taking Advanced Placement (AP) courses while increasing and or maintaining the number of students earning AP exam scores of 3 or higher.

Three teams from East Granby Middle School competed in the first heat of the Kids’ Lit Quiz literature competition at Central Connecticut State University. Our students competed against 37 teams from all over Connecticut and had to answer 100 literature questions from 10 different categories.


Our school district was invited to participate in a Workforce Development Roundtable, with guest of honor Mr. Jay Williams, U.S. Assistant Secretary of Commerce and Economic Development. Others included college officials, local leaders, representatives from the Connecticut Department of Education and Department of Labor, and numerous manufacturers. The topic for this event was "Ensuring a trained pipeline of workers are available to meet industry needs." The president of Connecticut State Colleges and Universities (CSCU), Mr. Mark Ojakian, moderated the roundtable. There were some very important people present, but it was our students who stole the show! Their enthusiasm in talking about their high school technology education classes won the day.

There are five East Granby High School alumni currently participating in collegiate sports, including one in football, 2 in baseball, and 2 in basketball. Two current athletes have signed letters of intent to participate in swimming and softball at the collegiate level.

Art work from the students at Allgrove and Seymour Schools were proudly displayed in the Connecticut Culture Gallery at the Bradley International Airport. This was our third opportunity to share the creativity and talent of our young and talented artists.

Throughout the school year, members of the East Granby learning community were fully engaged in activities to transform teaching and learning. We again commend the administrators, faculty and staff who demonstrated unwavering support and belief in the ability of our small district to achieve great things. Our laser focused professional development, continued analysis of data, intense intervention programs, and commitment to high standards, enabled us to celebrate the significant accolades that were bestowed on the district. We are extremely grateful to the entire East Granby community for continued support of our efforts to achieve excellence.
DIAL-A-RIDE ON THE MINI BUS
1. Grocery, Pharmacy & Banking every Wednesday
2. 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.
3. 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.

BLOOD PRESSURE CLINIC – PROVIDED BY THE FARMINGTON VALLEY VNA
MONDAYS~ SEPTEMBER 12TH, OCTOBER 3RD, NOVEMBER 14TH 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.

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

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 ELDER—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.

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. Try it for free on Monday September 12th!

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! Classes start back up on September 13th. Try it for free on Tuesday September 13th!

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!

Join our mailing list to receive the Senior Moments Newsletter.
Call (860) 413-3334 or email kellyj@egtownhall.com to sign up.
NFL YOUTH CO-ED FLAG FOOTBALL

NFL Flag Football is a well organized national program emphasizing football education, participation and sportsmanship. In this 7-week program your child will learn new skills and have fun! This is a 5 vs 5 league, with teams up to 10 players. NFL game jersey and flag belts will be provided. Players must bring cleats/sneakers (cleats preferred), mouth guard, and their own water bottle. Practices will be held two days a week. Games will be held Saturdays at East Granby Farms. We will only be playing East Granby teams. All skill levels are encouraged to participate. Registration deadline is September 5th. Late registrations will not be accepted! Space is limited. Volunteer Head and Assistant Coaches are needed!

7 week program beginning week of September 7th at East Granby Farms—Ages 8-13—two age divisions. Cost: $60.00

PIYO

PiYo is Pilates + Yoga + Nonstop Movement. You sweat, stretch, and strengthen, all in one class! It combines the muscle-sculpting, core-firming benefits of Pilates with the strength and flexibility benefits of yoga. Because you’re always in motion, you’re burning crazy calories. There are no weights or jumps. You use your body weight. It’s low impact, high intensity. It’s restorative, empowering, and set to uplifting music. You will need a mat, towel and water. Instructor: Sheryl Sheridan. Piyo will be offered at 7 PM. on Tuesday evenings at the East Granby Recreation Center. $48 for 6 weeks or $10 Drop in. Beginning Sept 12th.

COUNTRY HEAT WORKOUT WITH SHERYL SHERIDAN

TURN IT UP TO BURN IT OFF™!
EXPERIENCE THE CLASS EVERYONE’S LINING UP FOR. Step right in to this easy-to-follow, completely exhilarating, country dance-inspired workout! No complicated moves. No memorizing routines. Just simply follow along to enjoy the low-impact, high-energy dance class set to the hottest country hits. You’ll have so much fun moving, stepping, clapping, stomping, and laughing, you’ll forget you’re burning mega calories and toning your body from head to toe! You will need a towel and water. Country Heat will be offered at 7 p.m. on Wednesday evenings at the East Granby Recreation Center. $48 for 6 weeks or $10 drop in. Beginning Sept 12th.

ZUMBA CORE WITH CATLIN FOR ADULTS AND TEENS 16+

Zumba Core incorporates Zumba routines that emphasis the core muscles in order to strengthen & sculpt the torso. Class ends with 20 minutes of isolated Core/Mat work. 6 Mondays beginning Sept. 12th from 6-7PM. Classes are held at the East Granby Recreation Center. 6 week session—$40.00 or cash walk-ins ($10 a class). Instructor: Caitlin Sullivan, Zumba Core certified.
CO-ED DROP-IN BASKETBALL

High school students grades 9—12 every Thursday evening beginning September 15th, 7-9:00 PM—ending November 17th.

Middle School Students grades 6—8 every Monday, beginning September 12th, 7—9:00 PM—ending October 24th.

Participants must live in East Granby or attend High School or Middle School in East Granby. Cost is $2.00 at the door!

TRIPS . . . TRIPS . . . TRIPS!

NEW YORK CITY ON YOUR OWN—Saturday, October 3rd and Saturday, December 5th.

Enjoy the Big Apple on your own. See Chinatown, Little Italy, Central Park, a museum, the zoo, a Broadway show or shop – use your imagination! The bus will be leaving East Granby Farms at 7:30AM and NYC at 7:00PM. Cost $40.

BOSTON RED SOX VS KANSAS CITY ROYALS—Join us on Saturday, August 27th 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 3:00PM (for the 7:00PM 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 $115.00

SARATOGA

The graceful power of thoroughbreds running at the Saratoga Race Course—the oldest track with the richest tradition in the country. Thoroughbred racing has no finer setting than Saratoga Race Course. Named one of the World’s greatest sporting venues by Sports Illustrated, the past comes alive in the historic grandstand every summer, as fans experience not only the best in racing, but the unmatched ambience and charm of historic Saratoga Springs. Join us on Sunday, August 21st for an exciting day of thoroughbred racing with reserved grandstand seating and deluxe motor coach transportation. Meet at the East Granby Recreation Center at 7:30AM for departure. We expect to leave Saratoga at the conclusion of the race day - about 6:15 PM. Cost is $60.00.

Celebrate GARLIC!! Join us for a trip to Saugerties, New York for their ANNUAL GARLIC FESTIVAL—October 1, 2016. Visit the garlic marketplace with tons of gourmet garlic, the food alley featuring garlic enhanced foods, such as sausage, pulled pork, garlic green beans and even garlic ice cream. There will be entertainment (bluegrass, Cajun, ragtime, Irish and German music), cooking demonstrations by renowned chefs of the Hudson Valley, instructive garlic growing and braiding talks, arts and craft vendors (featuring over 80 vendors). Free time in historic Saugerties to visit Main Street where you will find quaint shops and restaurants. Cost $56.00

PARKS & RECREATION FALL PROGRAM BROCHURE!

Youth Dance Classes
Halloween Party
Youth Basketball
Skiing
What’s Cooking Junior Chef?
And . . . much, much more!
Meeting Schedules

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

Commission on Aging 6:30 (SC) ..............................................9/6
Conservation 7:30 (TH)..........................................................9/7
Board of Education (AS) .........................................................8/22  9/12
Elementary School Committee.............................................As Needed
Board of Finance 7:30 .............................................................9/20
Parks & Recreation 7:30 (EGF).................................................9/1
Planning & Zoning 7:00 (TH)....................................................9/13
Board of Selectmen 6:30 (TH).................................................8/24  9/14
Zoning Board of Appeals 7:30 (TH)..........................................9/6
Youth Services Bureau 6:30 (EGF)..........................................9/19

The above meeting dates and times are subject to change.
Library, Board of Education, and Recreation times & dates are found in the articles. Times are PM unless noted.

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