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Let's Talk Turkey

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Looking Forward to Autumn!

My favorite time of year is autumn with its beautiful days and crisp nights. As we get into the month of October the hillsides will be alive with color but you don't have to drive out of town to appreciate the season. We in East Granby are fortunate to have beautiful natural amenities within town borders! This fall enjoy the views and trails at the Pedestrian/Bicycle Greenway, the 400 acres up the ridge at East Granby Farms, or the view of Salmon Brook at Granbrook Park. In the past couple of years, our Department of Public Works (DPW) has completed several beautification projects including work at Granbrook Park and creating the view of the pond at the Library and Senior/Community Center, complete with picnic tables and benches. Our DPW crew has also just finished restoring the skating shed and grounds at the Middle/High School. Weather permitting, we expect to allow ice skating on the pond this winter!

In October there are always lots of worthwhile events going on in town such as the 16th Annual Empty Bowls Fundraiser to be held October 15th, Soccer Under the Lights at the High School on October 21st, and the Old New-Gate Prison Open House on October 22nd. For more information, please see the articles within this edition. Please support our non-profit volunteer organizations as they add to our town's "ambiance" as a great place to live!

With autumn we know winter can't be too far around the corner. It is with that in mind that I provide the emergency information below that I hope you will find useful. Our reverse 911 phone system is used to communicate with the town in the case of a severe emergency, where we call you and let you know what's going on. All white page listings are automatically included but if you want to be contacted on your cell/work phone you can use the "Citizen Alert" button in the middle of the Town homepage at www.eastgranbyct.org and register your phones there.

EAST GRANBY EMERGENCY INFORMATION

SHELTER/EVACUATION	SENIOR/COMMUNITY CENTER – 20 Center St.
EMERGENCY POLICE	DIAL 911
NON-EMERGENCY POLICE	860-653-5385 OR 860-653-4956
TOWN HALL	860-653-2576 OR 860-413-3301
SENIOR/COMMUNITY CENTER	860-653-4371
EVERSOURCE (Electric Outages)	860-286-2000 or 800-286-2000
STATE INFORMATION	DIAL 211
TOWN INFORMATION ON TV	WFSB – CHANNEL 3

Municipal Elections: Elections will be held on Tuesday, November 8th from 6:00 AM to 8:00 PM at our traditional polling place, the Senior/Community Center. This year's election cycle is for President, State Legislature, and Town Registrars of Voters. As you know, voting is an important civic responsibility so please exercise your right to vote and be informed about the candidates.

Odds & Ends: Please see the Assessor's article inside which tells you how you can have free removal of junk cars from your property. Unfortunately, it appears that we did not receive a State of Connecticut Small Town Economic Plan (STEAP) Grant. We applied for a \$500,000 STEAP Grant for street paving. Using \$145,000 in town capital funds approved in June at Town Meeting, we will pave sections of Griffin and Copper Hill. The Board of Selectmen expects to return approximately \$117,000 to the General Fund from the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016. Thank you to Steve White from Four Seasons and Bill Grabinsky, a local contractor, for donating their labor to put new roofs on the pavilion and snack shed at Granbrook Park. They look great!

Enjoy the season!
Jim Hayden, First Selectman

Thank You!

Granby Ambulance Association & East Granby Volunteer Fire Department

Thank you to the East Granby community members for supporting the Second Annual Granby Ambulance Association and the East Granby Volunteer Fire Department's Open House and Pancake Breakfast on August 27th. We had over 200 people join us for the meet and greet to learn about emergency services, to learn about



volunteer opportunities, and to share some of their experiences with members of GAA and EGVFD. We look forward to next year's event which is scheduled for the last weekend in August 2017. We are very grateful for the GAA/EGVFD planning committee of Leona Blevins, Paul Oliva, Pete Ahlstrin, and Troy Wolf who made this event enjoyable and successful! Enjoy the remainder of your summer!



Reminders from the Tax Office

Dorian Owens, CCMC, Tax Collector

The July tax collections are now behind us for first installment real estate, motor vehicle, and personal property taxes. It is our goal to continue to be efficient in receiving and posting payments in a timely matter. As a reminder when coming in person to the Tax Office, bring the entire bill. We will use the necessary section for our records and return the original bill to you as a receipt. When mailing in your payment and requesting a receipt include the entire bill as instructed. Our office cannot assist with writing out a check for payment. Please note, we are not the Power of Attorney for any taxpayer and will not assist in this matter. If you are unable to prepare a check yourself, please obtain assistance from your designated Power of Attorney or ask your bank to issue a check.



The Tax Office is bound by the Connecticut General State Statutes (C.G.S.). Details can be found in Chapter 204, Section 12, "Local Levy and Collections of Taxes." Under the Statute towns in Connecticut operate under a Grand List each October 1st that is prepared by the Assessor's Office. Our mill rate is set by the Board of Finance after the approval of the Budget. The Town of East Granby operates on a fiscal year of July 1st to June 30th and has elected to split Real Estate taxes in two installments in July and January. Motor Vehicle and Personal Property taxes are paid in one installment in July. Supplemental Motor Vehicle taxes are prorated with payment due on January 1st. These bills are mailed the end of December. With each tax period there is a 30-day grace period. For example, payments due July 1st are to be paid or postmarked by August 1st and payments due January 1st are to be paid or postmarked by February 1st. When the first of a month falls on a weekend, taxes become due on the first Monday of the month. Tax bills

are mailed at the end of June and if you have not received your tax bill by the first week of July contact our office or visit the website at www.eastgranbyct.org. Click on the tab "I want to..." and select "look up property tax." Failure to receive a bill does not excuse the obligation of tax due: Connecticut General Statute 12-130. Taxes not paid by the grace period will result in interest being charged at a rate of 1.5% to the original due date per C.G.S 12-145. For example, a tax bill due July 1st with 30-day grace is to be paid or postmarked by August 1st. Taxes paid after August 1st were charged 3% (1.5% per month to the original due date of July 1st).

Forms of payment accepted in our office are bank check, cash, and money order and you have the ability to use a debit or credit card at the counter. Please note the service fee to use a debit or credit card will remain. This is a convenience fee charge by the vendor that processes the cards. The question has been asked why the charge when no fee is charged at the grocery store, gas stations, dining, and retail transactions? The answer to this is that those establishments are businesses that absorb the cost as a business expense. Municipal government runs on a budget and other taxpayers are not going to pay for another taxpayer who elects to use the card for paying taxes. If a taxpayer elects to use this convenience, the cost is absorbed by the taxpayer, not the Town of East Granby.

As a reminder, when a motor vehicle has been destroyed or sold, to avoid waiting in our office please bring the information to our Assessor's Office. They will assist you with this transaction. The Tax Office cannot adjust your bill.

Collection Enforcement

Real Estate:

1. Mail Delinquent Tax Collectors Demand Notice in August after first installment and again in February after second installment.
2. Notice of Intent to Lien Real Estate (C.G.S. 12-175) mailed in April.
3. Lien Real Estate yearly (C.G.S. 12-173) filed with Town Clerks office May 1
4. An account three years in arrears or balance due is \$5,000 or failure to continue consistent monthly payment plan account turned over to Town Attorney for legal action. Legal action is foreclosure of tax lien (C.G.S 12-161) or tax sale (C.G.S 12-157)

Personal Property:

1. Mail Delinquent Tax Collectors Delinquent Notice in August.
2. File UCC-1 Lien with Secretary of State (received Declaration List from Assessor's filing (C.G.S. 12-195g).
3. Contact Farmington Valley Health District for restaurants past due in taxes of one year or more to contact FVHD to revoke license or permit per (C.G.S. 12-146a) for nonpayment of taxes.
4. Turn delinquent accounts over to Collection Agency with additional fees (C.G.S. 12-166)

Motor Vehicles:

1. Mail Delinquent Tax Collectors Delinquent Notice in August.
2. Mail Delinquent Tax Collectors Delinquent Notice in February for Supplemental Motor Vehicle taxes.
3. Report delinquents to Department of Motor Vehicle (C.G.S. 14-33) with electronic put on feed in mid-August and mid-February.
4. Revoke registration privileges for NSF checks not made good (Public Act 78-348) with a Flag on DMV CIVLS.
5. Turn delinquent accounts over to Collection Agency with additional fees (C.G.S. 12-166)
6. DMV Clearance granted when delinquent taxes are paid by bank check, cash, or money orders.(C.G.S 12-146)
7. Releases are not to be given for one vehicle only all vehicles registered in taxpayers name are to be paid to receive release (C.G.S. 14-33a).

In addition, under (C.G.S. 12-162) Alias Tax Warrant the Tax Collector can execute a warrant at the taxpayer's financial institutions for outstanding taxes or give the State Marshal information to collect on behalf of the Tax Office. The Tax Collector can execute wage garnishment (C.G.S. 52-367 in addition under C.G.S. 12-146b "Withholding of municipal payments for Businesses for failure to pay property taxes.")

Monthly Payment Plans

If you are unable to pay taxes in full, contact our office and establish a consistent monthly payment plan to fulfill your tax obligations. Although we cannot waive the interest, adhering to a plan will result in less interest paid. Note that all taxes will have to be paid in full before you can receive a DMV clearance.

Second installment real estate and supplement motor vehicle taxes are due January 1, 2017. Tax bills for supplement motor vehicles will be mailed the last week in December. The real estate bill was mailed in June. Payments made on February 1, 2017 or postmarked by the USPS are considered on time. Payments after February 1st are late and will be charge 1.5% interest from the original due date of January 1st, or 3.00% as regulated by C.G.S. 12-146 "Interest will not be waived." The office is open Monday through Thursday from 8:00 AM to 12:00 PM and 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM and on Friday from 8:00 AM to 1:00 PM.

Registrars Prepare for Election Day

The East Granby Registrars are busy getting ready for the November 8th election to be held at the Senior/Community Center located at 20 Center Street from 6:00 AM to 8:00 PM. There will be local, state, and federal offices on the ballot. Locally Carol Carrara, Republican, and Judith Geldhouser, Democrat, will be running for Registrar of Voters. Zettie Shookus will be retiring later this year. Tami Zawistowski and Mike Malloy are running for a seat in the House of



Representatives for the 61st District, and of course we have the Presidential Race.

On October 4th the Registrars will complete the preliminary list between the hours of 9:00 AM and 12:00 noon. At this session (and on any day except Election Day) the registrars remove electors from the registry who have died, or confirmed in writing they have moved out of town, or become disenfranchised.

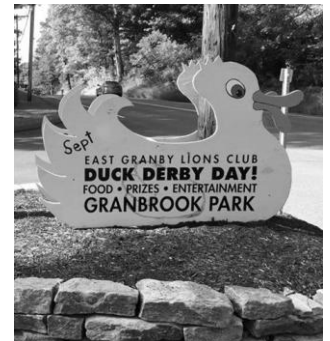
Please remember that mail-in applications for registration must be received in the Registrar's Office by November 1st. There will be a special in-person registration session on November 1st from 9:00 AM to 8:00 PM at the Senior/Community Center. There will also be Election Day registration. Please try to register early, as Election Day will be very busy.

Lions Rubber Duck Derby Results

It was a great day at Granbrook Park for the Lions' Duck Derby! After a torrential rain shower cooled things off, the conditions were perfect by race time. The ducks showed all their fans in attendance the results of their strenuous training regimen by swimming the course in record time—about 15 minutes!

The excitement started building as the crowd began the countdown and then watched the spectacular sight of 1000 rubber ducks being released off the bike bridge and begin their long plunge into the treacherous waters of Salmon Brook. It didn't take long for the ducks to get their bearings and start swimming in the right direction. Then they put on their afterburners and impressed the crowd standing all along the course with their swimming prowess. Most importantly, all the ducks finished the race without incurring any injuries.

Many of the people who had adopted the nine winning ducks were in attendance, including Pat Chatey, whose duck (#0879) was the runner-up. Pat accepted her prize of \$250 from East



Granby First Selectman, Jim Hayden.



2nd Place Winner Pat Chatey is presented with her prize by Jim Hayden, First Selectman

Jack Haller watched his duck (#0287) come in 3rd Place and collected his \$100. Other winners will be contacted, including the \$500 Grand Prize winner who had adopted duck #0531. Other winning ducks were: 4th Place, #0270; 5th Place, #0011; 6th Place, #0890; 7th

Place, #0550; 8th Place, #0443; and 9th Place, #0887.

The Rubber Ducks are already looking forward to next year's race. But first, they are going to take a few weeks off and, rumor has it, might be going to Disney World, where all champions go.

The East Granby Lions Club would like to thank all the volunteers who helped make this event so much fun, and especially thank all the good people who adopted ducks and helped fund the many worthy Lions projects and scholarships. See you next year at the Derby!



East Granby Cub Scouts Pack 70 Annual Food Shelf Drive & Bottle and Can Drive October 29th @ 9am

Please leave food donations as well as bottles and cans near the curb by 9am Oct. 29th. East Granby Cub Scouts will pick them up; donations will be brought to the Congregational Church to be sorted by the food pantry volunteers and Boy Scouts. Note: Please make sure to check that items are not expired before donating them. On behalf of the Cub Scouts and Food Pantry, thank you for your help!

Parks & Recreation News Update

The Commission would like to publicly thank East Granby residents Steve White (All Seasons Roofing) and Bill Grabinsky (a local contractor) for donating their time and labor to install the new metal roofs on the picnic pavilion and snack shack shed at Granbrook Park. These new roofs should last a very long time and it was a huge savings for the Town. If you haven't seen them yet, please take a ride down. They look awesome!

We also want to send a big shout out to all the volunteers who made this year's Last Blast of Summer Concert a big success, including our local Lions Club for always handling the food vendor trailer, the Ambulance Association crew for selling popcorn, and volunteers Bobby and Cindy for the ice cream sales. Fifty dollars was donated to the East Granby Volunteer Fire Department from the sale of the ice cream. A great time was had by all—hope to see you all next year!

YSB Provides Opening Assembly Speaker

The East Granby Youth Service Bureau (YSB) was pleased to bring Chris Poulos to the Middle School and High School for opening assemblies on September 9th. Chris is an award-winning bicycle stunt rider and nationally recognized motivational and educational speaker. He won the 1991 Bicycle Stunt World Championships in Denmark at age 20, and also won the 1990 and 1991 National Bicycle Stunt Championships in the United States.



Chris is known for "mesmerizing his audience with incredible bicycle stunts, while simultaneously engaging them on topics such as bullying, cyberbullying, perseverance, self-discipline, respect, teamwork, mental health, and more." The East Granby YSB arranged for him to speak at Granbrook Camp this summer where he captivated campers and counselors alike with his signature combination of athletic ability and personal encouragement.

At the assemblies on September 9th Chris again held the students' attention with his intricate stunts and positive messages. Overheard from one 6th grader, "That was amazing when you jumped them!" referring to the courageous Ms. Klucznik and Ms. Provencher who volunteered to lay down on the stage so Chris could launch over them on his bicycle.

The Youth Service Bureau is grateful to Principal Bavaro-Grande and Principal Peling for their support in arranging these events and looks forward to future opportunities to partner with East Granby schools.

Nursery School Welcomes New Teachers

The East Granby Congregational Church Nursery School is very pleased to announce our new Director/Teacher, Emily Chatey. Emily is a life-long resident of East Granby and also attended EGCCNS as a child! She has



worked and taught in the Early Childhood field for over ten years. We are also very pleased to announce our new Teacher, Lee LaRochelle. Lee is a resident of Suffield and recently taught at a preschool in that town for five years.

We still have a few openings in our 3 year old and 4 year old programs. We have several time and days of the week options. To learn about our unique program and curriculum and for more information please contact Emily Chatey at (860) 653-3913.

Commission on Aging Assistance Available

The East Granby "Good Samaritan" Program has lots of volunteers eager to help their neighbors in town. The problem seems to be that people who need the help are not stepping up and asking for it. If you have a need and are looking for help or if you know someone who could use help, contact Senior Services or Social Services to be matched up with our volunteers. Details of this program and the volunteer form can be found at the town website (www.eastgranbyct.org), under Boards and Commissions, Commission on Aging (COA). Join in and make our program a success.

The Commission on Aging (COA) has created a Facebook group: "East Granby Seniors Place" has been established with the hope that it can be a site to share information with the seniors of East Granby and improve communication within the town. Go to www.facebook.com and join the group.

The Commission meets on the first Tuesday of each month at 6:30 PM in the Senior/Community Center. Come attend a meeting and feel free to make your wishes known. The Commission currently has two openings for Alternates. If you have an interest or for more information, contact Rich Galluccio, Chairman at (860) 658-0603, or Kelly Jacobs, Senior Services Director at (860) 413-3334.

East Granby Social Services

Fall Office Hours

Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays 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

The Social Services Department would like to take a moment to thank all of those residents who helped us successfully complete our 2016 back to school program. We were able to provide 29 backpacks to students in need in our community. In addition to our backpacks filled with school supplies and gift cards, we were able to distribute 20 Payless Shoe gift cards provided through our connection with the Salvation Army. We appreciate all of the support and willingness to help out especially during the last few weeks of summer.

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 on Saturday, October 15th from 11:30 AM to 1:30 PM.



The cost is \$15 for pre-registration or \$18 at the door. Pre-registration is strongly encouraged. The registration form can be found on the East Granby Social Services website. Contact Social Services at (860) 413-3328 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 Cemetery Association

Summer is a great time to take a leisurely walk through the Center Cemetery (1722) in the center of East Granby. Viewing the gravestones might cause you to wonder who might be interested in America's early gravestones. You might think that no one at all has a serious interest in early gravestones! Well, that is a misconception, according to author Jessie Lie Farber who writes, "Historians, anthropologists, and students of American social culture were using the stones as a primary, hands-on resource in their research. Art historians and amateur sleuths were identifying carvers. Geologists were studying the stone materials (and the effect of pollution and acid rain on their stability). Organizations and individuals were documenting the stones. Conservators were being engaged to restore burial grounds. Old books about the stones were being read and new ones written. School children were making trips to local graveyards. Boy Scouts and other youth organizations were organizing burial ground clean-ups. Print makers and photographers were discovering the stones and making collections of rubbings and photographs that were finding their way into exhibitions and museum collections. Genealogists were studying family markers. Church and historical societies were checking the stones in local yards against their records. Old cemetery associations were being organized."

Indeed, many individuals and organizations have spent countless hours in our own Center Cemetery—studying and researching, verifying and documenting headstones, volunteering in fall and spring clean-ups, restoring, repairing and preserving this very important part of history.

The East Granby Cemetery Association is made up of a small group of volunteers who are responsible for the maintenance and preservation of the cemetery. We welcome new members and only meet about five times a year in the East Granby Library. If you have questions about the Cemetery Association, please call John Rusnock, President, at (860) 653-2194. If you would like to make a donation toward the upkeep of the cemetery, please make checks payable to "East Granby Cemetery Association" and send to Carol Mathis (Secretary), 61 Cider Mill Hts., North Granby, CT 06060. Your support is greatly appreciated.

East Granby Historical Society News

"The Gargoyles & Grotesques of Yale University" by Matt Duman will be presented on Monday October 3rd at 7:30 PM in the East Granby Senior/Community Center. In his lecture, Matt Duman highlights an extensive selection of gargoyles and



grotesques found throughout the gothic buildings of Yale University's campus in New Haven, Connecticut. Using original photographs from his book, *An Education in the*

Grotesque: The Gargoyles of Yale University, Matt explores the artistic, historic, architectural, and even humorous significance of these decorative sculptures and their role in communicating the identity of Yale as a place of learning and enlightenment. This free program is open to the public and will begin following a 7:00 PM business meeting. Refreshments will be served.

In addition, the East Granby Historical Society Barn/Museum will be open on Saturday, October 8th from 12:00 noon to 3:00 PM—stop by for a visit!

News from the East Granby Land Trust

Fall Hike

Please join us for a four to five mile hike along the Metacomet Trail from Suffield to East Granby for beautiful autumn vistas along the ridge on Saturday, October 15th from 9:00 AM to 12:00 noon. Meet at 8:45 AM at the East Granby Senior/Community Center to carpool to the trailhead. Wear long pants and bring water to drink.



Annual Meeting

EGLT's annual meeting will be held on Thursday, November 10th at 7:00 PM at the East Granby Public Library. Our guest speaker will be Brian Kleinman of Riverside Reptiles from 7:00 to 8:00 PM followed by our business meeting.

Please check our website, www.eglt.org, or East Granby Land Trust on Facebook for additional details and updates. If you have any questions about programs or work parties please e-mail programs@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.

Windsor Locks Adult Education Offers Swim Classes

Windsor Locks Adult Education would like to correct a mistake in our current Fall 2016 brochure. We will be offering Water Exercise and Adult Swim Lessons this semester, with the addition of the Stroke Correction Workshop as well. If you are interested in registering, you can download a copy of the brochure or just a registration form from our website, www.windsorlocksadulted.org.

- The Swim Stroke Workshop (Course M-28) had the wrong dates listed. The class will run on Tuesday and Thursday nights from 7:00 to 8:00 PM, beginning October 4th.
- The Adult Swim Lessons (Course M-29) will run on Mondays beginning October 3rd from 7:00 to 8:00 PM. The cost is \$48 per person for an 8-week class.
- The Water Exercise class (Course W-30) will run on Wednesdays beginning October 5th from 7:00 to 8:00 PM. The cost is \$48 per person for an 8-week class.

These classes are available to anyone who lives or works in East Granby. Please feel free to contact us at adulted@wlps.org or (860) 292-5712 if you have any questions.

Capitol Roundup

Rep. Tami Zawistowski, 61st District

It's been a busy Capitol news cycle since I last wrote here, with a judge's ruling on the state's complex methods of providing local education funding generating the most discussion. Eleven years ago, a coalition of parents, students, teachers, and municipal officials filed suit over what it considered educational deficiencies in Bridgeport, East Hartford, Danbury, New Britain, New London, and Windham. In recent weeks, a Superior Court judge has issued a far-reaching ruling ordering the legislature to tackle not only the funding issue, but also topics such as special education, the relationship between teacher evaluations and compensation, and setting objective standards for elementary and secondary education. The judge gave the legislature a 180-day deadline to do it. While the Attorney General's office is reviewing the ruling as well as the potential for an appeal, the judge's decision certainly sets the stage for a difficult discussion at a time when state budget troubles have already posed financial challenges to local school districts throughout Connecticut.

Protecting the district's interests in education-related issues is an important part of a state representative's role, and I always look forward to spending time with students interested in how state government affects their future. I'll have that chance this month when I meet with Seymour School fourth graders first at their school and then during their trip to the Capitol, and when I meet with members of East Granby's Youth Action Council early next month. While the state budget is a complex topic, our young people should understand how a growing list of challenges could affect their future in this state.

The state's budget roller coaster continues to hurt Connecticut's economy and job market. Separate reports issued recently concluded that fewer than half of employers would make job-creating investments here, and that residents are continuing to consider moving to other states as costs rise and low wage jobs become more prevalent. The governor's Labor Commissioner, Scott Jackson, recently indicated the state's 5.8% unemployment rate is much closer to 12% and that many of the jobs that have been created were in lower-paying fields.

Considering these subjects, it's clear the legislature has much work to do. While I am optimistic that our state can once again have a vibrant economy, we cannot afford to wait much longer to make the necessary changes to reverse our current course.

Last month, I wrote about how the state's budget deficits have affected Old New-Gate Prison and Copper Mine. It will remain closed until staffing resources become available, but I'm happy to announce that I was able to organize a group, including members of our historical society and others, along with state officials, to create an "Old New-Gate Open House Day" to offer a chance to view site restoration and offer a glimpse of this landmark's potential once reopened. The free event will be held October 22nd from 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM. Additional details, including a tentative schedule, are included in this issue of *Let's Talk Turkey*. You can also visit repzawistowski.com for a schedule of events.

News from the Democrats

The Democrats held their annual Pasta Dinner/ Awards Ceremony on September 16th. The awards are handed out to honor some of the many unsung heroes whose efforts go into making East Granby a better place to live and a more vibrant community. State Representative candidate Mike Malloy handed out several community service awards on behalf of the town committee. A full list of recipients will be in the next *Let's Talk Turkey*.

With the election fast approaching, the East Granby Democratic Town Committee has been looking toward November 8th with increasing focus. They advocate a return to policies that will support middle class families and the hard-working folks of East Granby. Our two local candidates, Annie Hornish for State Senate and Mike Malloy for State Representative, are receiving overwhelmingly positive support as they campaign.

We need two strong and respected voices advocating for our interests in Hartford. Annie has been making the rounds of the large 7th Senate District on her familiar bicycle. Her two wheeled travels take her from Somers to Granby! Annie's impressive energy and intellect bodes well for the residents of our town. Annie won East Granby both times she ran as a State Representative. Mike has been the strongest advocate for good education and proper town maintenance in East Granby for over ten years, both prior to and as a member of the Board of Finance. He is an optimist and believes Connecticut needs to regain its vision for future growth and improvement. We need them both fighting for East Granby in Hartford!

Join us for our final pre-election DTC meeting, Thursday October 20th at 7:30 PM in the Senior/Community Center. And if you need yard signs to show your enthusiasm for this year's Democratic candidates, please e-mail TheEastGranbyDemocrats@gmail.com.

East Granby Republicans

This year marks the anniversary of a significant event in Connecticut history. Twenty five years ago, the Connecticut legislature enacted the state income tax. State spending has increased more than 70% faster than inflation since. We were promised that spending would be kept under control by adopting a constitutional spending cap. This cap has never been fully implemented. Indeed, our state's Attorney General has stated that this law is currently not in force. We were told that the income tax would stabilize tax receipts. Despite the largest two state tax increases within the last five years, Connecticut's budget deficit is expected to exceed several billion dollars in the next two budget years.

Vote for our Republican candidates, who support lower spending and less regulation while maintaining support services for our neediest citizens. If you would like to assist in the Republican campaign, please contact Lee Sandora at (860) 798-4916 or e-mail him at lsandoraeg@gmail.com.

We urge all citizens to exercise their privilege to vote on Election Day, Tuesday, November 8th at the Senior/Community center from 6:00 AM to 8:00 PM. If you are unsure that you are registered to vote, please call the Registrar of Voters at (860) 653-0097 or the Town Clerk at (860) 653-6528. If you think you may be out of town on November 8th, absentee ballots can be obtained from the Town Clerk's Office on October 7th. Contact them by phone at (860) 653-6528.

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 are in the works 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 East Granby 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, U.S. Congressional, and Connecticut State legislative elections will be on Tuesday, November 8th, at the Senior/Community Center, 6:00 AM to 8:00 PM. Don't forget to make sure that you're registered well in advance to vote! If unsure, or for information about obtaining an absentee ballot if you can't vote in person, contact either the Republican or Democrat Registrar of Voters at (860) 653-0097, or the Town Clerk at (860) 653-6528.

Lastly, a matter of great import to East Granby property owners is the revision of East Granby's ten year Plan of Conservation and Development (POCD), now in draft and discussion phase before the Planning & Zoning Commission. Property owners in town should be aware that the early draft of the POCD, since revised, was based in part on a Biological Diversity/Wildlands project by non-governmental organizations (NGO) and advocacy groups that placed almost the entire town, including privately owned property, in conservation areas, with the stated intention to acquire private property, including by eminent domain. The NGO's Biodiversity Map of conservation areas, and this incursion into the sovereignty of our town and our

private property rights, is inconsistent with Connecticut and Federal designations of protected areas. More information on this subject can be obtained via e-mail inquiry to info.cteg@cox.net.

The Planning & Zoning Commission held a public hearing on the draft POCD on September 13th. After that hearing, further changes will have been made to the draft POCD, and the revised draft POCD will have been reposted on the town website for further comments prior to adoption.

If you want your voice to be heard on matters of the town budget, municipal governance, POCD, or other issues, go to Board meetings and public hearings and show Board and Commission members that you're watching and will hold them accountable. Vote in the referendums, municipal elections, and at town meetings—every vote counts, literally! In East Granby, referendums, elections, and town meeting votes are often decided by margins in the low single digits. 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 will be on Monday, October 17th. 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.

Soccer Under the Lights!

AT EAST GRANBY HIGH SCHOOL

East Granby Crusaders

vs. Bolton Bulldogs

Friday, October 21st (Rain date October 22nd)

Boys play @ 6 pm • Girls play @ 8 pm

FOOD * BEVERAGES * RAFFLE

Gates open @5:30 pm

Admission: Adults \$5 • Students/Children/Seniors \$3

Proudly sponsored by the EGHS Booster Club

Did you know that you can help earn money for the elementary schools' Allgrove/Seymour PTO and not spend any extra money?

Geissler's generously gives back 5% of sales receipts submitted. Drop off receipts less than 6 months old and more than \$35 at the Post Office, Library, Senior/Community Center or send them in to school with a student. Please submit the whole receipt.

Clip **Box Tops for Education!** They can be found on all sorts of food labels, boxes, and bags. These can also be dropped at the Post Office, Library, Senior/Community Center or sent in to school with a student.

Stop & Shop donates money based on total sales to registered cards from October 7, 2016 to March 16, 2017. Register your card now!

Go to www.stopandshop.com and click on MY STOP & SHOP and look for the A+ link. All you need is your 13 digit Stop & Shop card number and the first 3 letters of your last name.

Price Chopper and **ShopRite** also have school rewards.

For Price Chopper, go to www.pricechopper.com and click on Savings, then Tools for Schools. Allgrove's school code is 56405 and Seymour's is 56406.

The point earning period runs from July 24, 2016 to March 25, 2017, please register your AdvantEdge Card today! *For ShopRite*, go to shopriteforeducation.com and click PricePlus Card registration. Allgrove's school code is 50193 and Seymour's is 50195. Thank you for your support!

Love burgers? **Red Robin** has a rewards program called Burgers for Better Schools. Just sign up for the Red Robin Royalty Program at royalty.redrobin.com then select "Burgers for Better Schools" and then select the schools, either Allgrove or Seymour. Present your royalty card at the time of payment and 1% will be donated!

All together, these 'no cost fundraisers' earned an amazing amount of money last year for the Allgrove/Seymour PTO. The money helped to fund field trips, music and art programs, and in-school presentations.

Many thanks to everyone in the community who supports the Allgrove/Seymour PTO!





Food Pantry and Thrift Shop Fall Update

Thoughts of apple cider, pumpkin patches and tailgating are now front and center as we finish the month of September. Please join us on **October 15th** for **Empty Bowls**, our biggest fund raiser of the season. Special thanks to our friends and partners, *Expressions Pottery* and the *Women's Club of East Granby* who help make this a success each year. Cheers to Fall!

Food Pantry

860.413.3328

- In need of the following items:
jelly, peanut butter, cereal, tuna,
pasta, pasta sauce, hearty soups,
canned fruit and vegetables,
coffee and laundry detergent.
- Food donations may be
dropped off at East Granby
Senior/Community Center, East
Granby Public Library and the East
Granby Congregational Church.
- Monetary donations can be
mailed to Friend to Friend
Food Pantry, P.O. Box 631,
East Granby, CT 06026

Thrift Shop

32 Spoonville Road
860.651.1659
860.413.3328 (after hours)

Hours:

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

We have turned over our summer
merchandise and have begun
stocking the shop with great fall
and winter items.

Come browse for your holiday
needs including festive wear,
decorations and serving pieces.

We need volunteers to help at
the Thrift Shop, just volunteering
for one shift a month helps us out
tremendously, please email us at
friendtofriendthriftshop@gmail.com

Events

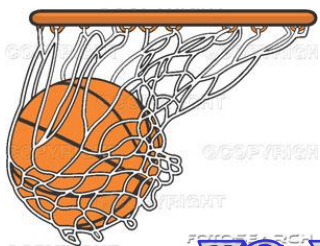


Empty Bowls
Saturday, October 15th

11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.

East Granby Senior/Community Center

For registration info contact
Alicia Van Neil at 860.413.3328 or
aliciav@egtownhall.com



TRYOUTS EAST GRANBY TRAVEL BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION

**October 4th, 5th and 6th
Open to girls and boys in 5th-8th Grade.
Please bring your own ball.**

This is an extremely competitive league, which requires a major time commitment. Practices are typically 2 times per week, with 1 to 3 games scheduled every weekend (except Christmas & New Years) from November to the first weekend in March. Tryouts will be held the evenings of October 4th, 5th and 6th. You must attend at least one session (it is recommended you attend both sessions). The tryouts will be open to a parent/guardian, but we would like to limit that to one per candidate. We ask that you remain quiet so as not to distract the candidates. Players will be ranked on various skills including speed, dribbling, passing, shooting, defense and attitude. Teams will be limited to 10-12 players. Please bring a water bottle and your own ball if possible. A registration form MUST be completed to participate. Registration forms will be available at Seymour School, East Granby Middle School and on Ed-Line. **There is no fee to tryout.**

Note: The Park & Rec Department also has a basketball program that begins in December. Contact Nancy Lawton (653-7660) for more information.

Tryout Registration Form MUST be completed to participate

Girl's Tryouts October 4th and 5th

Girls 5/6th Grade	Girls 7/8th Grade
Tues 6:00pm – 7:30pm Old HS Gym	Tues 7:30pm – 9:00pm Old HS Gym
Wed 6:00pm – 7:30pm New HS Gym	Wed 7:30pm – 9:00pm New HS Gym

Boy's Tryouts October 4th and 6th

Boys 5/6th Grade	Boys 7/8th Grade
Tues 6:00pm – 7:30pm New HS Gym	Tues - 7:30pm – 9:00pm New HS Gym
Thurs 6:00pm – 7:30pm Old HS Gym	Thurs-7:30pm – 9:00pm Old HS Gym

For more information please contact Kelly Jacobs (860) 653-1274 or emcmkc@cox.net

A Message from the East Granby Assessor's Office

REGISTRATION OF MOTOR VEHICLES

Recently, it has been brought to the attention of the Assessor's Office that many residents are in possession of motor vehicles registered in other towns or states, but housed in East Granby. The Assessor's Office is requesting all residents to be certain they have properly registered their vehicles with the State of Connecticut. Many of the offenders are persons who have relocated into Connecticut but have neglected to register their vehicles in Connecticut. In accordance with CT General Statutes, an owner has 60 days following the establishment of residence in this state to register vehicles. A more than 60 day resident of Connecticut who operates a motor vehicle he or she owns with a marker plate from another state shall be fined \$1,000.



Some residents mistakenly believe that because they also own property in another state, they have the option to register their vehicles in that state, and are thus not subject to Connecticut property taxes for those motor vehicles. Others are using leased or company owned vehicles housed locally yet registered elsewhere. Connecticut statutes also address these vehicles by stating that any motor vehicle which, in the normal course of operation, most frequently leaves from and returns to, or remains in one or more points within the state, shall be subject to property taxes in this state whether registered here or not.

Due to computer issues at the Department of Motor Vehicles, there have been, and continue to be, problems with vehicle registrations which affect tax bills. Vehicles being sent to the wrong towns or to no towns at all for tax purposes are some examples. These problems have also caused persons to be stopped by the police for operating an unregistered vehicle even though it is registered, and have prevented persons from registering vehicles as well.

If you did not receive a tax bill from East Granby for a vehicle you owned on October 1, 2015, please contact the Assessor's Office so they can assist you in resolving this omission and prevent other problems which may occur because of it

If you have any questions, please call the Assessor's Office at 860-653-2852.

HIGH MILEAGE VEHICLES

Anyone with a high mileage vehicle on the October 1, 2016 Grand List in East Granby must present that vehicle to the Assessor's Office for inspection no later than October 14, 2016 during regular office hours to determine if any adjustment in value is allowed according to the NADA motor vehicle guide. Office hours are Monday through Thursday 8am to 12pm, 1pm to 4pm; and Friday 8am to 1pm. The East Granby Assessor's office will no longer make adjustments for vehicles with high mileage during July tax time.

VETERANS

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

East Granby Assessor's Office (continued)

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

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

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

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

TOWN SPONSORED FREE REMOVAL OF JUNK OR ABANDONED CARS

The Town of East Granby, in cooperation with Mark's Auto Parts, is offering a 30 day period during the month of October 2016 during which Town residents may surrender a junk or abandoned vehicle on their or vans $\frac{3}{4}$ ton or smaller. Licensed automobile facilities do not qualify for this offer.

To participate, residents must register with the Town. Forms are available at the Assessor's Office Monday through Thursday 8am-12pm, 1pm-4pm; or Friday 8am-1pm. You can call them at 860-653-2852 if you have any questions.

PERSONAL PROPERTY DECLARATIONS

All owners of taxable business personal property are required to file declarations of such property with the Assessor of the Town where the property is located on the October 1, 2016 assessment date. This declaration is due to the Assessor's Office by November 1, 2016. Failure to declare will result in a 25% penalty. .

Items to be declared include: non-registered motor vehicles, snowmobiles, and trailers; horses and ponies not used in farming; business furniture and fixtures; farming machinery and tools; mechanics tools; electronic data processing equipment; and leased equipment and machinery. All in-home businesses must declare personal property. Real estate and registered motor vehicles are not included in these declarations.

Declaration forms are available at the Assessor's Office in Town Hall.

PUBLIC ACT 490

Any person who owns excess land, and who has not already done so, may apply to the Assessor for possible designation of that land as farm, forest, or open space September 1, 2016 to October 31, 2016. Such a designation would result in that land being valued based upon its use rather than its market value. However, the land must meet specific requirements to be so designated. Contact the Assessor's Office for more information and an application if your land is eligible.

EAST GRANBY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

— 2016-17 Programs —

All programs are held at the Senior/Community Center and begin at approximately 7:30PM following the 7:00PM business meeting

Monday, October 3, 2016

Presented by Matt Duman

“The Gargoyles & Grotesques of Yale University”

Explore the artistic, historic, architectural and often humorous significance of these decorative sculptures lurking around Yale University’s Gothic buildings.

Monday, November 14, 2016

Presented by Patti Philippon

“Time’s a-Ticking”

Join the Director of the American Clock & Watch Museum for a fascinating trip back in time to learn about clock-making in Connecticut, once the clock capital of the United States.

Monday, January 30, 2017

Presented by Brett Loman

“Play Ball!”

East Granby resident and collector of vintage baseball equipment will bring items from his extensive collection, discuss the history of the game and the importance of CT and New England equipment manufacturers.

Monday, April 3, 2017

Presented by Robert J. Belletzkie

“Rails, Trails & Ruins: The Iron Horse in the Granbys 1850-2016”

Central New England Railway’s Springfield Branch brought East Granby’s first direct rail service in 1901. Learn about the depot locations, the infamous Battle of Montague Farm and the hidden ruins that still exist.

Monday, May 22, 2017

Presented by Barry Moran

“It’s Magic!”

A fun, family-oriented show featuring good old-fashioned illusions by a professional conjuror.

New Members Welcome!
To join or renew, please use this form.

Name(s): _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ email: _____

Membership type: Single \$15 _____ Family \$25 _____ Life \$225 (single or family) _____

Please return form with check payable to:

East Granby Historical Society
PO Box 188 – East Granby, CT 06026

For more information, call Nancy Moody at 860-653-2866 or email moodynancy@att.net



Old New-Gate Prison Open House Day

Saturday, October 22nd - 10AM to 4PM

Tentative Schedule*

- 9:45 Admission opens at Viets Tavern - register for door prizes
- 10:00 Flag raising, musket and cannon firing
- 10:15 Opening remarks
- 10:30 Theresa Mansfield's Kitchen - cooking demonstration by interpreter portraying New-Gate's first woman prisoner
- 10:30 Author Deborah Child discusses her book about forger and New-Gate Prisoner Richard Brunton
- 11:30 CT Historical Society's New-Gate artifact collections, presented by Ilene Frank
- 12:00 Escaped prisoner musket fire
- 12:30 Former State Archaeologist Nick Bellantoni discusses the prisoner cemetery
- 1:30 Archaeology of New-Gate by Sarah Sportman, professional archaeologist with the firm Archaeological and Historical Services
- 2:00 Theresa Mansfield's Kitchen - repeat of 10:30 presentation
- 2:30 Author Deborah Child - repeat of 1:30 presentation
- 3:50 Closing ceremony and flag lowering

Ongoing throughout the day:

Prison yard tours, scavenger hunts (with prizes), early New-Gate postcard display, Viets Tavern tours, video tours of mine (mine closed due to hibernating bats), bat display, East Granby Historical Society's New-Gate Stage Coach, guardhouse restoration display, musical entertainment, historical interpreter interactions

**Free and Open to the Public - Refreshments Available
To be held Rain or Shine**

***Program and schedule updates will be available on the
East Granby Historical Society facebook page @eghistorical**

For more info contact Tami Zawistowski: tami.zawistowski@housegop.ct.gov or 860-240-8700,
or Nancy Moody: moodynancy@att.net or 860-653-2866

East Granby Youth Service Bureau

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, suicide ideation, self-harm, depression, and anxiety. All services are professional and confidential.

Fall Programs

GO! Girls Only is a group designed to foster confidence and assertiveness while having fun indoors and out, and to encourage girls to try new things in a safe and accepting atmosphere. The group is for 5th and 6th grade girls, and will meet Monday afternoons from 4:30 to 6:30 at Holcomb Farm, 113 Simsbury Road, Granby, CT. The cost is \$25 for an 8 week session, and it begins October 3. Please contact Sue Lawshe (suel@egtownhall) or AnneMarie Cox (ahcox@granby-ct.gov) to register.

GO! Guys Only is a group whose goals are to improve communication skills, develop problem solving skills, learn effective conflict resolution techniques, develop positive relationships with boys from different schools and grades, and have fun! The group is outdoor based and includes hiking, biking, games, and exploration in and around East Granby and Granby. It is open to boys in grades 5 and 6, and meets Friday evenings from 6:00 to 7:30 PM at Holcomb Farm, 113 Simsbury Road, Granby, CT. Cost is \$25 for an 8 week session. Please contact Sue Lawshe (suel@egtownhall) or AnneMarie Cox (ahcox@granby-ct.gov) to register.

EAST GRANBY COMMISSION ON YOUTH SERVICES

DEADLY FENTANYL

THE TIME TO TALK WITH OUR YOUTH ABOUT DRUGS IS NOW

Youth growing up in today's society who experiment with any street drug chance an escalating risk for a fatal encounter. News of overdoses and drug seizures in Connecticut confirm that the deadly drug, Fentanyl, has infiltrated our state. In Connecticut, Fentanyl has been identified in batches of heroin and cocaine where it is utilized by dealers as a cutting agent leading to the untimely deaths of users. Of additional concern and the subject of a recent U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) intelligence brief, is the fact that Fentanyl has infiltrated the counterfeit pill market across the country.

In May 2016, the U.S. Attorney's Office and federal law enforcement officers announced a record seizure of Fentanyl making its way through central Connecticut. Michael Ferguson, the head of the New England Division of the DEA, warned that ***an amount of Fentanyl the size of a few grains of sand can kill*** a person. He added **"there are no second chances with Fentanyl."** Data released by the Chief State Medical Examiner in Connecticut confirms that the alarming surge in overdose deaths in 2016 is being fueled by Fentanyl.

Fentanyl is a potent, synthetic, opioid that causes respiratory depression and doesn't wait for first responders armed with Narcan. Fentanyl is 30-50 times more potent than heroin. Fentanyl's approved medical uses include anesthesia, breakthrough cancer pain, and chronic pain management. Clandestinely produced analogues are primarily being sourced in China, and are infiltrating the illegal drug market through Mexican drug trafficking cartels.

Last year, the East Granby Commission on Youth Services hosted a community program, "Drug Threats." Wayne Kowal from the Statewide Narcotics Task Force spoke to parents and children about the dangers of the most commonly used and abused illegal drugs seen in our locality: heroin, ecstasy/molly (MDMA), and synthetic marijuana. We learned the path to opioid dependence can begin as early as middle school with youth experimenting with narcotics found within medicine cabinets in their own households.

In these times, we must have frank conversations with our youth that start early. Education begins in families. Experimenting with illegal drugs in today's society kills youth. Talk with your children, and properly discard of/lock up prescription narcotics in your household to prevent access.

Watch for upcoming drug prevention programming brought to you by your Youth Services Bureau. Find information about drug treatment programs by calling the Youth Services Bureau at (860) 653-7800.

THE COMMISSION ON YOUTH SERVICES SUPPORTS INCREASED AWARENESS AND ADVOCACY EFFORTS FOR THE PREVENTION AND TREATMENT FOR THE CONNECTICUT OPIOID EPIDEMIC



About Resilience Grows Here:

RGH is a veteran's mental health initiative centered around a community garden that creates an environment that builds and supports relationships between veterans and families, while building resilience in men and boys. Our mission is to *"create a community that fosters the health and resilience of veterans across their lifespan."* The aim of the program is to draw veterans out of themselves, to take pride in a project and to see the impact that it has on the broader community – focusing on what is possible instead of impossible.

Resilience Grows Here offers a unique opportunity to work with veterans, servicemen and young men to openly discuss their experiences and challenges. By creating a safe and non-threatening environment we want to encourage men and boys to share their feelings and to create a situation where they can help each other and inform community strategies that better serve their needs. Conversations with military personnel, families and veterans have been used to develop community-based programs, services and a long-term plan for sustainability.

Any questions, comments or suggestions please contact:

Justine Ginsberg, Farmington Valley Health Department, JGinsberg@fvhd.org

Jack Haller, EG Veteran, jack_haller@msn.com

Susan Samuel, cssamuel@cox.net

<http://resiliencegrowsheer.weebly.com>

<https://www.facebook.com/resiliencegrowsheer/>

East Granby Public Schools – Your Schools in the News - September 2016

The 2016 – 2017 school year is off to a great start. Administrators, faculty and staff warmly welcomed students back to school. Parents attended open house programs in each school where they had opportunities to meet teachers and hear about the educational program. The Interscholastic Athletic program is also underway, under the directorship of teacher, Joel Ziff. A very enthusiastic coaching staff is in place and students are excited about the opportunities ahead.

Student performance data from the Spring 2016 administration of Connecticut standardized tests show that students in the East Granby Public Schools are continuing to work hard and to benefit from the rigorous academic program in our schools. The results of the CMT Science test given to students in grades 5, 8, and 10, showed that East Granby students are in the top 50% of elementary and middle schools and top in the DRG. High school grade 10 students who took the CAPT Science placed #9 in the state and #1 in the DRG. In the SAT test given to students in grade 11, results showed that East Granby students performed well above the state average, placing #1 in the DRG in English/Language Arts and #13 in mathematics. These results are commendable in light of the fact that the CT version of the SAT was new to all students and aligned to CT Core Standards. Students in grades 3 – 8 took the Smarter Balanced Assessments (SBAC) and also demonstrated high performance levels. At all tested grades, students' performance improved over the previous year. Of particular note, 82% of students in Grades 3 and 83% of students in grade 5 scored at or above the goal level - well above the states' established performance levels for ELA. At several grade levels, students outperformed their peers in the DRG. Grade 6 students were #1 in mathematics in the DRG. Grades 7 and 8 were at 5th and 7th place respectively. A more detailed report will be shared at the October 24, 2016 Board of Education meeting.

These performance results confirm that East Granby students are meaningfully engaged in the learning program and are poised to take on more opportunities for rigorous work. That being said, we are – **on to the next degree and certificate program.....**

East Granby High School and Asnuntuck Community College have expanded their partnership and launched the first Certificate and Fifth Year Associate in Science Degree Program in Business at East Granby High School.

Asnuntuck Community Colleges' Academic Dean, Mr. Michael Stefanowicz, and Superintendent of Schools, Dr. Christine Mahoney, initiated talks in the Fall of last school year. Early this year, Julie Cotnoir of ACC joined the discussions and worked collaboratively with Dr. Christine Mahoney and East Granby's Director of Curriculum, Stella Ross, to identify the key components of the program of study. The discussions continued and expanded to include East Granby High School Counselors, Kathleen Phelan and Emma Durao, and Principal, David Peling. East Granby students will be able to register for courses beginning this Fall.

Program Description

East Granby High School provides a variety of opportunities for students to meet and exceed graduation requirements. In partnership with Asnuntuck Community College, we are offering interested students a Certificate and Fifth-Year Associates in Science Degree Program in Business.

The East Granby business community has been a partner since the inception of our Fifth Year Program in Advanced Manufacturing. Members of the Advisory Board have a sincere interest in helping to prepare our students for 21st century careers in Advanced Manufacturing – and now, Business. We will reach out to other members of the East Granby business community to establish an expanded alliance with East Granby High School's Business department. Business related careers offer opportunities for growth and advancement, and require high levels of skill even at entry levels. Credentials from this Certificate and Fifth Year Associates in Science degree program will be a tremendous asset to our graduates. Both the Certificate and the Associates in Science degree in business will be transferable to Colleges and Universities in and outside the state of Connecticut.

Interested high school students will follow the East Granby High School required course/program of studies (math, science, social studies, English, physical education/health, applied or fine arts) in order to meet local and state mandated graduation requirements. Selected required articulated courses in mathematics and business are eligible for dual credit, offering the students both high school and college credit (it is highly recommended that students maintain a B- or better average). Additionally, Advanced Placement (AP) courses and certain elective course offerings (courses in Art, Social Studies, Science, or Business departments) also provide students with additional college credits.

During their 11th & 12th grade years, students spend part of their day at Asnuntuck Community College in the College Connection Program earning additional credits and taking courses in the Business major pathway - Accounting, Marketing Management and Law in the business environment.

Students who successfully complete at least two articulated or AP courses in each of their junior and senior years, will earn 12 ACC credits (through the dual enrollment program). Additionally, students may spend several hours per day during and beyond their junior and senior years at ACC in advanced business classes, earning another 18 credits, for a total of 30 college credits.

The Fifth+ Year

Following 12th grade, students who have earned 30 credits would spend a Fifth Year including an optional summer semester at Asnuntuck Community College's business department, completing academic coursework and private sector-sponsored field study and internships. Certificates in Business Administration require a total of 24 credits (a minimum of 6 credits completed at ACC).

Specifically, during the Fifth+ Year, students would attend Asnuntuck Community College for their final semesters (*September-December, January-May, and/or May-August*), earning additional credits each semester. The second and/or third semesters could include an internship one or two days weekly in a business environment. At the end of the Fifth+ Year, students would have earned both the high school diploma and the Associates in Science degree.

Benefits to Participants

Through a combination of high school classes and pathway courses, students will be able to attain an Associates in Science degree or Certificate with a minimal financial commitment. Graduates will be able

to transition to well-paying, challenging jobs in the business sector that offer opportunities for growth and advancement.

How Does The Fifth-Year Program Benefit East Granby Public Schools, Students, and Families?

The program presents a tremendous opportunity for East Granby students to access and complete course work at higher education institutions and gain credentials that will give them a competitive edge as they seek to enter the work world or pursue further studies. In addition we will realize the following:

- Revitalized curriculum, with new and articulated courses across several departments
- Students earn credits applicable to college/university programs
- Authentic learning opportunities to develop and hone 21st century skills in the field of Business
- Asnuntuck Community College will offer two courses each year, per student
- New and additional opportunities for students to accumulate college credits
- Optional summer experiential learning program
- Early opportunities for students to be college-, career- and citizen-ready
- Career Certificates and/or Associate in Science Degrees will be awarded in a short period of time
- Acceptance in Connecticut State University System or University of Connecticut if all requirements are fulfilled
- Certificate and Associates in Science Degree credits accepted at any College or University
- Excellent post-graduate employment opportunities for participating students who earn the distinguishing credentials

In the East Granby Public Schools, we are confident that this program and other similar opportunities will help us to continue to increase the rigor and relevance of the educational program offered in our schools. Our graduates will emerge college and career ready after engaging in the comprehensive educational program in the East Granby Public Schools.

In related news, Dr. Christine Mahoney and School Counselor, Emma Durao, have been invited by the President of Asnuntuck Community College to serve on a Task Force established by 2016 legislation to examine and make recommendations related to increasing opportunities for middle and high school students to participate in programs of study and receive training in manufacturing. In addition, Dr. Mahoney has been invited to participate in a national institute with other school district innovators.

Our efforts to establish and maintain viable programs in the East Granby Public Schools have not gone unnoticed. Without doubt, students and families will benefit tremendously from the opportunities that are available. We are purposefully preparing our students to lead successful lives and contribute to the growth of the economy, and to society as a whole. The accomplishment of our district goals would not be possible without your continued support. Our collaborative efforts continue to make the schools and the broader East Granby community a great place to live and learn. Thank you to all who have contributed to our efforts.

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

Superintendent of Schools



Winter Wonderland

Sponsored by
The Women's Club of East Granby



Saturday, December 3, 2016

(snow date: December 17, 2016)

At the East Granby Senior/Community Center

East Granby residents with children birth to 12 years of age, please join us for this wonderful community tradition!
Enjoy making crafts, refreshments and visiting with Santa and Mrs. Claus.

Each child receives a special gift! Don't forget to visit our Holiday Cookie Shop!

Early Bird Registration by Mail!

Winter Wonderland has limited seating (80 children per session). Register by mail with payment now to secure your reservation! After November 12th we will take registrations by email on a first come first serve basis. The deadline for registration is November 19st.

Please complete the registration below and return it with a check made payable to WCEG. A confirmation email will be sent upon receipt of registration.

Parent/Guardian Name: _____

Phone number: _____

Email: _____

Child's Name: _____ age: _____ gender: _____

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Child's Name: _____ age: _____ gender: _____

Please check which session you would like to attend:

_____ Session I 9:00 am - 10:30 am

_____ Session II 11:00 am - 12:30 pm

Admission \$6 per child



Mail to: WCEG, P.O. Box 30, East Granby, CT 06026

Email: WCEGWW@gmail.com

Website: womensclubeg.org

East Granby Fire Marshal's Office Safety Tips

Fire Prevention Week 2016 October 9 - 15

Each year during Fire Prevention Week, the National Fire Protection Association provides a fire prevention theme to educate communities. This year the theme is **"Don't wait, check the date. Replace smoke alarms every ten years."** Ironically, I include the same information each time I put these safety tips articles together. In the fall of 2015 the East Granby Fire Marshal's Office, the East Granby Fire Department, and the East Granby Social Service Department launched a smoke detector and battery replacement program for our residents. This program provides for free detector replacement for battery-operated detectors as well as free battery replacement. When a representative from the fire marshal's office comes to your residence, we will check the date on your detector to ensure that it is within the ten-year life span, replace the detector if needed, and test it to ensure that it is in working condition. To take advantage of this program please 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

Roughly three out of five fire deaths happen in homes with no smoke alarms or inoperable smoke alarms. Smoke detectors are a key part of home fire escape plans. When there is a fire, smoke spreads fast. Working smoke alarms give you an early warning so you can get outside quickly. Test all of your smoke alarms once each month to ensure that they are working and change the batteries twice per year (daylight savings time is a good reminder for this). If you are hard of hearing or deaf, special alarms have been designed including strobe lights and other means of alerting occupants. Smoke detectors only have a ten-year life span and need to be changed to ensure proper operation of them. Many detectors now come with a ten-year sealed battery so that you have notice when the maximum life has been reached.

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. I encourage residents to occasionally visit the website to review any recalls.

CREE Recalls LED T8 Lamps Due to Burn Hazard (Including Lamps Provided During Previous Recall)

This recall involves CREE LED T8 Replacement Lamps, including lamps that were provided as free replacements for a previous recall in June 2015 and new lamps sold since the recall. These lamps are used indoors to replace traditional two-pin T8 fluorescent tubes. The white lamps have a cylindrical shape and measure 48 inches long. "CREE," "BT848 Series Lamp," the product number and a four digit date code are printed on the lamp or on a white label affixed to the lamp. Please see the manufacturer's website for complete listing of affected lamps and contact information <http://www.cree.com/Support/Recalls/T8-R-> Recall CREE can also be reached at (888) 338-7883.

These lamps were sold at Home Depot and through Amazon and also include those provided as replacements under previous recall.

Whirlpool Recalls Microwaves Due to Fire Hazard

This recall involves Whirlpool brand microwave hood combinations. The microwave ovens were sold in stainless steel, black, and white. Model numbers and serial numbers are located on the inside of the unit, above the oven cavity on the left hand side. A complete list of the model and serial numbers affected can be found at <http://repair.whirlpoolcorp.com> Whirlpool can also be contacted at (800) 990-6254.

Whirlpool has received five reports of incidents, including one home fire, two fires involving the surrounding cabinets, one report of smoke, and one report of a burning odor. Consumers should immediately stop using the recalled microwaves, unplug the units and contact Whirlpool for a free replacement product.

We offer superior quality wild bird feed, which is competitively priced with inferior brands found in most stores. 100% of all profits go to help fund Lions charities and local organizations.

Only sale of the year!



EAST GRANBY LIONS CHARITIES PRESENTS

Lions Bird Seed

Savings Day

your source for

Quality Seed at Low Prices!



Orders must be received by

Saturday, October 15, 2016

Pick-up 9:00 am - 12 noon

Saturday, October 22, 2016

ORDER FORM

Qty.	Description / Size	Price Each	Total
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WILD BIRD FOOD BLENDS

	Classic Wild Bird Food (40 lb)	26.30	
	Classic Wild Bird Food (20 lb)	13.60	
	Ultimate Wild Bird Food (40 lb)	31.60	
	Ultimate Wild Bird Food (20 lb)	16.30	
	Patio/Deck (No Waste) Blend (20 lb)	26.40	

SUNFLOWER SEEDS

	Black Oil Sunflower Seed (40 lb)	27.50	
	Black Oil Sunflower Seed (25 lb)	17.70	
	Stripe Sunflower Seed (40 lb)	37.20	
	Stripe Sunflower Seed (25 lb)	24.90	
	Sunflower Chips (25 lb)	33.40	

SPECIALITY PRODUCTS

	Thistle (Nyjer) Seed (50 lb)	74.90	
	Thistle (Nyjer) Seed (25 lb)	37.80	
	White Millet (25 lb)	13.70	
	Safflower Seed (50 lb)	44.90	
	Safflower Seed (25 lb)	22.90	
	Medium Cracked Corn (50 lb)	23.50	
	Medium Cracked Corn (25 lb)	12.10	
	Whole Corn Kernels (50 lb)	23.20	
	Peanut Hearts (25 lb)	29.90	
	Cardinal Delight (20 lb)	19.10	
	Woodpecker Mix (20 lb)	25.60	
	Outdoor Finch Mix (20 lb)	23.50	
	Suet Seed Cake (11 oz)	1.40	
	HOME DELIVERY (East Granby Only)	6.00	

ORDER TOTAL =

PHONE _____

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

TOWN/ZIP _____

E-MAIL _____

Send Check with Payment To: East Granby Lions Charities, P.O. Box 288, East Granby, CT 06026

PICK-UP LOCATION:

Recreation Building, East Granby Farms, North Main Street, East Granby
(One mile north of the intersection of Rts. 20 and 187)

Send order form with check to:

East Granby Lions Charities, PO Box 288, East Granby, CT 06026

EAST GRANBY SENIOR CENTER



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.

Transportation to the Windsor Caring Connection (Windsor's Adult Day Health Center) will now be provided on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Please call (860) 547-0251 for more information.

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.

BLOOD PRESSURE CLINIC – PROVIDED BY THE FARMINGTON VALLEY VNA

MONDAYS~ OCTOBER 3RD, NOVEMBER 14TH AND DECEMBER 5TH 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.

*****Flu Clinic*** – Provided by the Farmington Valley VNA**

Monday October 17th 3:30PM-5:30PM at the East Granby Senior Center. **Appointments can be made by calling (860) 653-5514.**

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!

SHOPPING TRIPS:

- **SEPTEMBER 26TH, OCTOBER 31ST, NOVEMBER 28TH – MRS. MURPHY'S & OCEAN STATE JOB LOT**
- **OCTOBER 3RD - ENFIELD**
- **OCTOBER 17TH, NOVEMBER 21ST - WALMART**
- **OCTOBER 24TH – CHRISTMAS TREE SHOP**
- **NOVEMBER 7TH –TARGET, PETCO, DOLLAR STORE**
- **NOVEMBER 14TH – HOME GOODS/REIN'S**

****AARP DRIVER SAFETY COURSE****

Completion of this course may result in a savings on your car insurance! **Thursday November 10, 2016 8:45am-1:00pm** at the East Granby Town Hall meeting room. Cost is \$15 for AARP members and \$20 for non-members. Call (860) 413-3334 by November 3rd to reserve your seat.

SENIOR CENTER TRIPS AND PROGRAMS

FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 30TH – THE BIG E – WEST SPRINGFIELD, MA – Come and enjoy a day at New England's Great State Fair. It's the largest agricultural event on the eastern seaboard and the fifth largest fair in the nation! Take a stroll along the Avenue of the States featuring exhibits and vendors that best exemplify the heritage, food and traditions of each state; Take a look at the livestock and other farm animals; Stop in to the Better Living Center to visit the many vendors and of course enjoy the large variety of delicious foods. It's sure to be a fun-filled day! Depart the senior center at 9:30am. We will leave at 2:00pm to return home. Cost for admission is \$12. Reservation and payment due by September 16th.

FRIDAY OCTOBER 21ST—Essex Steam Train and Riverboat—Essex, CT— Join us for a wonderful day of beautiful New England foliage and scenery! The fun begins with a 3-course lunch aboard a 1920's Pullman Diner Car. We will then travel aboard the train along the Lower Connecticut River Valley while we finish our lunch. Next, we will board the Becky Thatcher Riverboat for a cruise on the Connecticut River- bursting with lush scenery and historic sites such as the Gillette Castle. We will finish our journey riding in Coach Passenger Cars aboard the train back to the historic Essex Station. **Depart the senior center at 10:15am. Cost is \$49.95 and includes lunch. Reservation and payment due by October 6th.**

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 28TH—Lunch Bunch—Tuckers— Southwick, MA— Sit back and relax as chef Michael Anderson and his staff prepare a delightful lunch. Make your selection from a wonderful variety of delicious seasonal and regular menu items. There is something for everyone to enjoy! **Depart the Senior Center at 11:30 AM. Reserve your spot by October 21st.**

FRIDAY NOVEMBER 4TH—This Business of Fighting: A Human Face on World War II—Enjoy a delicious Thanksgiving lunch followed by a wonderful presentation by storyteller & historian, Arnie Pritchard. A few years ago Arnie Pritchard inherited the World War II army footlocker of his father, Anton (Tony) Pritchard. It turned out to contain hundreds of letters and other family papers from Tony's service in the Army and in the United Nations' refugee program in postwar Europe. From these letters Arnie has created a story. "This Business of Fighting", focused on Tony's time in the front lines in Europe. It portrays a young man dealing with everything from raw fear to his role as a leader to his exposure to a world both wider and more brutal than he had known. Tony wonders how he will respond to his first combat, describes crawling through the freezing woods of the Ardennes under enemy fire, and sees crowds of escaping forced laborers wandering the roads of Germany as the Nazi regime was collapsing. Questions and discussion will follow the story. Arnie Pritchard has a Ph.D. in history from Yale, and has been telling stories for about twenty years. He lives in New Haven, Connecticut. **12:00pm at the East Granby Senior Center. Cost of lunch and program is \$14.00 (Free for Veterans). Reservation and payment due by October 27th.**

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



Town Wide Read

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
Sept. 26th at 6:30pm

Seedfolks
by Paul Fleischman

Books available for \$5

East Granby Public Library

What is nutrient dense food?
How do you measure it?
Where do you find it?
How do you grow it?

The Institute of Sustainable Nutrition
(TIOSN.com) Presents:

Nigel Palmer (TIOSN Staff) will present these complex topics in an understandable framework. He will demonstrate how to measure plant nutrient density and lay the foundation for sustainable garden practices.

Wed., October 26th,
6:30 - 8:30 PM

Sign-up requested.
Please call the library
860-653-3002

East Granby Public Library
East Granby, CT
Admission FREE

Afternoon at the Movies

Wednesdays at 1:00pm

September 28th

"Genius"

PG13, 104min

October 5th

"Infinity"

PG13, 108min

October 12th

"The Meddler"

PG13, 103min

October 19th

"On Golden Pond"

PG, 10

YA author Kenzie will be here to sign copies of her new book!

Thurs., Oct. 20th

7pm to 8pm

Talk About Writing

w/Caragh O'Brien

Young Adult author

Thursday, Sept. 29th
at 7-8 p.m.

This program is suitable for all ages with an interest in writing.



Pizza & Movie Night

for middle/high school students

NEW **Jungle Book**

Monday, Oct. 3rd, at 6pm

Halloween
Story Time & Parade!

Monday, October 24th

At 5:30 - 6:30.

Fun Happenings in the Children's Room

Story Time

1 to 2 yr olds on Tues. at 10:30
3 to 4 yr olds Wed. at 10:30-11:15
classes begin Sept. 13th & 14th

Bedtime Storytime

with Ms. Levesque
Wednesday, Oct. 5th at 6:30 p.m.

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)	10/4
Conservation 7:30 (TH).....	10/5
Board of Education (AS)	9/26, 10/11, 10/24
Economic Development 7:30 (TH)	9/26, 10/24
Elementary School Committee	As Needed
Board of Finance 7:30	10/18
Parks & Recreation 7:30 (EGF).....	10/6
Planning & Zoning 7:00 (TH).....	10/11
Board of Selectmen 6:30 (TH).....	9/28, 10/12, 10/26
Zoning Board of Appeals 7:30 (TH).....	10/4
Youth Services Bureau 6:30 (EGF)	10/17

The above meeting dates and times are subject to change.

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

Guidelines for Submitting Articles

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

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EAST GRANBY PARKS & RECREATION

Fall & Winter Catalogue

September 2016



REGISTRATION

All registrations and payment for programs must be received in advance. No phone registration. Payment for programs must accompany registration form. Please make your checks payable to East Granby Parks & Recreation. A \$25.00 fine is charged for returned checks.



**CHECK OUT OUR WEBSITE
FOR ALL THE LATEST
PROGRAMS—EASY
SIGNUP!!**

www.eastgranby rec.com

Refunds

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

Cancellation Policy

School activities have priority over the Parks & Recreation activities. When school is canceled, due to inclement weather, all recreation activities held in the schools will be cancelled. Regarding programs other than those held in public schools, a decision to cancel the program will be made by 4:00 pm, Monday to Friday, OR one hour prior to the start of the program on Saturday and Sunday. Cancellations will be announced on the following radio and TV stations: WTIC-1080, WFSB-TV3, WVIT-TV30 or call 860-653-7660 for a recorded announcement.



RECREATION OFFICE HOURS

Monday thru
Thursday
8:00AM — 4:00PM
860-653-7660

Fall & Winter Bus Trips

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



New York City on Your Own

Saturday, October 8th—Join us for a day in New York City on your own.

Depart East Granby Farms at 7:30AM and leaving the city at 7:00PM. There is plenty of time to do some shopping, see a show, or visit some of the great museums the city has to offer. Limited seats! **Cost:** \$40.00



Holiday Season in New York City On Your Own

Saturday, December 3rd—Join us for a day in New York City—decorated in holiday splendor.

Depart East Granby Farms at 7:30AM and leaving the city at 7:00PM. There is plenty of time to do some shopping, see a show or visit some of the great museums the city has to offer. Limited seats! **Cost:** \$40.00

Fall & Winter Bus Trips continued . . .



The **UCONN Hockey team** will face Maine as part of Frozen Fenway on January 14, 2017. The Huskies will take on the Black Bears as Boston brings some of the most accomplished and talented collegiate teams in the country to compete at

Fenway Park. Game time—4:00 PM Ticket cost \$79.00 and includes bus transportation.

ANNUAL EVENTS

Halloween Party

Date: **Friday, October 28th**

Time: 6:00 – 7:15 PM

Games, Cider & Donuts!

7:15 – 8:15 PM **SPOOKTACULAR Science Show**

Where: East Granby Middle School Gym

Ages: Preschool – Grade 6

Cost: **PLEASE BRING A CAN GOOD!**

The Lions Club will be collecting can goods for the food pantry and used eyeglasses.

The East Granby Lions, East Granby Youth Services and East Granby Parks & Recreation sponsor this annual party. Be sure to wear your costume!!



6th Annual Jacky Welsh Memorial Tree Lighting

Date: **Friday, December 2nd**

Time: 6:00 PM

Where: East Granby Town Hall

Join us for this very special event. Cinderella & Ariel will be visiting to help light the tree.

PRE-SCHOOL PROGRAM

Introduction to Horseback Riding Ages 3 and up

Session 1 – **Tuesdays**, Sept. 27th, Oct 4th, 11th

Session 2 - **Tuesdays**, Jan. 17th, 24th, 31st

Time: 4:30 – 5:30PM

Where: End of Hunt Training Center

Location: 1360 Hill St. Suffield, Ct.

Cost: \$90.00 per session

This program is for new or beginner rider. An approved safety riding helmet will be provided. Participants must wear jeans or riding pants and shoes with low heels.



JumpingClay Craft Classes

Refer to Youth listing for information!

Indoor Playground

Date: **6 Mondays**, begins Jan. 9, (no 1/16, 2/20)

Time: 10:00 AM—11:30 PM

Where: East Granby Farms Recreation Center

Ages: 0—5 with parent or caretaker

Drop-in Cost: Free

The indoor playground is a great place during those cold winter months with lots of room to run and play on our riding, pushing and climbing toys. Parents must supervise their children.

Make Your Own Gingerbread House

Date: **Monday, December 5th**

Time: 10:00 - 11:00 AM

Where: East Granby Farms Recreation Center

Ages: 2 – 5 with a parent/caretaker for the 2 & 3 years old

Cost: \$10.00

Join us in making your very own gingerbread (graham cracker) house.

Decorate Holiday Cookies

Date: **Monday, December 12th**

Time: 10:00 - 11:00 AM

Where: East Granby Recreation Center

Ages: 2 – 5 with a parent/caretaker for the 2 & 3 years old

Cost: \$10.00 Children will be bringing home a plate of sugar cookies that they have decorated.

YOUTH PROGRAMS



Registration online at www.eastgranbyrec.com or in person begins **October 5th**. Full payment must be made at time of registration. Space is limited!!

Last day to register is **November 10th** or when program is filled. Grades: 4th grade and up. Program is for 5 Mondays, beginning on Jan. 9th

Introduction to Horseback Riding

Refer to Pre –School listing for information!

What's Cooking Junior Chef?



Cooking is a life skill and incorporates health & nutrition as well as math, literacy, culture & creativity. Work together & create delicious meals easily replicated at home. Grades: 5 thru 8.

Date: Wednesdays-October 5—November 9

Where: East Granby Recreation Center

Time: 4:00 PM—6:00 PM

Cost: \$140.00 Instructor: Alicia Newton-Nutritionist



"Boy, Am I Stuffed" JumpingClay Crafts

Ages 3—5—Wednesday, November 9th
10-10:30 AM—Cost is \$8.00.

Ages 5—12—Monday, November 14th
2:30-3:30 PM—Cost is \$12.00.

Join the popular Jumping Clay USA Crafters at the East Granby Farms Recreation Center. It's almost Turkey time and now you can create your own wonderful clay turkey using JumpingClay. Learn about basic shapes and color mixing and take home your creation the same day! 100% safe, air-drying polymer clay, non-toxic and mess free!

Drop-In Co-Ed Basketball

Grades 9--12 Thursdays ending November 17th

Grades 6—8 Mondays ending Oct. 24th

Time: 7:00 – 9:00PM

Where: East Granby High School Gym

Cost: \$2.00 a night which is paid at the door

This program is for East Granby residents and/or students only.



Youth Basketball 3rd – 8th Grade

Games will be on Saturdays with a practice during the week. Practices will begin early December and the first game will be Saturday, January 7th. 3rd & 4th graders will be playing teams from Granby. 5th & 6th graders will be playing against Granby, and other towns. 7th & 8th graders will play local towns-- playing times will vary. Participants must list any practice night conflicts at the time of registration. Parent coaches needed. Separate teams for girls and boys. Registration deadline is Friday, November 11th. Program runs for 9 consecutive Saturdays. Cost: \$65.00

1st & 2nd Grade Basketball

Program begins on Saturday, January 7th and will run for nine consecutive Saturdays. Participants will meet Saturday mornings at the Middle School gym. Playing times will vary. Parent coaches are needed. Registration deadline is Friday, November 11th. Cost: \$55.00

Mini Hoop – Kindergarten

This is an instructional, co-ed program teaching the fundamentals of basketball, using a variety of fun activities designed to develop basketball skills. Nine consecutive Saturday mornings 9:00 am -10:00am, beginning January 7th at East Granby Farms Recreation Center. Registration deadline is Friday, November 11th. Cost: \$55.00



Jumping Clay Ornament Workshop

Ages 3 – 5 – Wednesday, Dec. 14th
10:00 – 10:30 AM – Cost is \$8.00

Ages 5 – 12 Tuesday, December 13th
2:30 – 3:30 PM – Cost is \$12.00

Where: East Granby Farms Rec Center

Let's celebrate the holidays with making an ornament with JumpingClay's trained instructors. The project will be taken home the same day. Beginners welcome!

Adult Activities

Men's Recreational Basketball

Dates: **Wednesdays, Begins October 12th**
Time: 7:00 - 9:00PM
Where: East Granby High School Gym
Players must be over age 18 and HS graduate
Cost: \$3.00 per/person per evening
Participants must wear white-soled gym shoes.
No basketball during school vacation or non-school days. Limited enrollment!

Country Heat Workout for Adults & Teens

Date: **6 Wednesdays** – Nov. 2nd – Dec. 14th, no class on 11/23
Time: 7:00 – 9:00PM
What to bring: mat, water, small towel
Where: East Granby Farms
Cost: \$48 for the session or \$10 Drop-in
Instructor: Sheryl Sheridan, Certified instructor
Step right in to this easy-to-follow, completely exhilarating, country dance- inspired workout! 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, and laughing you'll forget your burning calories.



High School through Adults

CORE

Date: **6 Mondays** – Nov. 7th – Dec. 12th
Time: 6:00 – 7:00PM
Where: East Granby Farms Recreation Center
Cost: \$40.00 for 6 week program or \$10.00 per week walk-in (cash only) Punch Cards - \$70 for 10 classes.
Punch cards can be used for Zumba Core & Zumba
Instructor: Caitlin Sullivan, Certified Instructor
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. Bring a Yoga mat!



High School through Adults

Date: **6 Thursdays** – Nov. 10th – Dec. 22nd
Time: 6:00 – 7:00PM
Where: East Granby Farms Recreation Center
Cost: \$40.00 for 6 week program or \$10.00 per week cash walk-in, Punch cards \$70/ 10 classes
Punch Cards can be used for Zumba & Zumba Core
Instructor: Renee Klucznik, Certified instructor
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!



Date: **6 Tuesdays** – Nov. 1st – Dec. 6th
Time: 7:00 – 8:00PM
What to bring: mat, water, small towel
Where: East Granby Recreation Center
Cost: \$48 session or \$10.00 cash walk-in
Instructor: Sheryl Sheridan, Certified instructor
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. There are no weights or jumps. You use your body weight. It is low impact, high intensity, empowering, and set to uplifting music.



➔ **REGISTER NOW FOR ALL YOU FAVORITES!**
Sign up at www.eastgranbyrec.com