



# OUR TOWN

SERVING THE VILLAGES OF BALTIC, HANOVER, AND VERSAILLES  
IN THE BEAUTIFUL SHETUCKET RIVER VALLEY

November, 2010

**INFORMATION & NEWS**



## TURN CLOCKS BACK!

We "Fall back" at 2 a.m. on the first Sunday in November by setting our clocks back one hour and returning to Standard Time.

**Election Day is  
Tuesday, November  
2nd.  
Polls will be open  
6 a.m. to 8 p.m.**

## **Project Safe Halloween Sunday, October 31<sup>st</sup> at 6 p.m.**

**The celebration starts at 6 p.m. with a costume parade. Meet at Town Hall (Main Street.) Next, participants are escorted to the Fire House where there will be tables of candy, games, and prizes for the best costumes. Fun for everyone!**



**We are in great need of candy and volunteers!**

**Contact Reg Patchell at Cell: 860-917-5064**

E-mail: [reginaldpatchell@sbcglobal.net](mailto:reginaldpatchell@sbcglobal.net)

**Sponsored by the Baltic Fire Department**

The Baltic Fire  
Department Presents:

## **The Vial of Life: Keeping our Seniors Safe Program**

Thursday, October 28<sup>th</sup>  
at 11 a.m.  
at the Senior Center

Soup, sandwiches, &  
beverages will be provided.

For info. about this  
program, call Donna at  
860-334-5385.

Carol Dunn—Little River Studio & Gallery

**Photographer, Printmaker, Artist, Framer-- Located at 457 Main Street in Hanover**



Have you heard about Zentangle? I recently became a CZT (Certified Zentangle Teacher). You learn to make beautiful design work, step by step. Google Zentangle for lots of examples. Host a Girl's Night Out, or come to my studio for a class. Email me and I will send you all the details—cost per class is only \$35, which includes supplies. No skill needed!

[carol@caroldunnart.com](mailto:carol@caroldunnart.com), [www.caroldunnart.com](http://www.caroldunnart.com), 860-822-8412

# Sprague Community Center

“Serving the People of Sprague”

22 West Main Street, Baltic, CT 06330

860-882-6595

Email: [spraguecommunitycenter@gmail.com](mailto:spraguecommunitycenter@gmail.com)

It has been wonderful to see the various groups and organizations using the facilities at SCC. Every week we are receiving inquiries about the use of our facilities and the usage is increasing.

Two areas of possible up-coming activities are Yoga classes and Scrapbooking Workshops. If you are interested in participating in the free Yoga classes, at all levels, call 860-373-8111. If scrapbooking is your interest, please call 860-822-6242. These two events could begin this year if there is enough interest.

We will be holding our 1<sup>st</sup> Rummage Sale on November 13<sup>th</sup> from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. In addition to having Rummage Sale items, we will be collecting canned goods for the Thanksgiving Baskets.

Our monthly inter-faith Community Prayer Service will be on November 17<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m. This service is held every 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday in the sanctuary. These monthly inter-faith services are a special time set aside to have prayer and music for our community members of Sprague.

The day after Thanksgiving we will be co-sponsoring with the Sprague Senior Center a bus trip to the see the Christmas Festival of Lights at the National Shrine of Our Lady of La Salette in Attleboro, MA. The fee is \$20 per person and the motor coach will be departing at 1 p.m. from St. Mary's Church parking lot. The return time will be about 8 p.m. This is the 57<sup>th</sup> year of the Festival of Lights and the theme this year is “Believe in the Gift.” If interested, call or email the SCC or contact Buddy Meadows. Reservations must be made by November 8<sup>th</sup>.

Currently we have a special exhibit at the SCC by the children of Sprague. The exhibit, “Fall Fun and Origami Cranes” will be on display until December 1<sup>st</sup>. The drawings and the origami cranes were completed at the Annual Three Village Fall Festival on October 2<sup>nd</sup>. Come and see our children's artistic talents.

During this Thanksgiving season, our thoughts turn to our blessings and the things we are thankful for in our lives. Certainly, we continue to be grateful for the people of Sprague and having the opportunities we have had working and enjoying activities together at the SCC.

A special thank you to all for making us feel very welcome in Sprague. On behalf of the Sprague Community Center, I want to wish each one of you a blessed and happy Thanksgiving holiday.

Brenda J. O'Keefe,  
Outreach Coordinator

## ***From the Desk of the First Selectman***

These last few years as First Selectman have been busy, wonderful, and challenging. As previously discussed, Sprague has faced serious issues with more in front of us... but we have done just that faced them. I attend many of the town boards and commissions meetings, as well as continue to meet with our local businesses to see where we as a town can help them grow and prosper. It is only by each and every one of us working together with a clear eye and active participation that Sprague will continue to move forward.

I have, since you first elected me, also served the State of Connecticut, Department of Correction in a full time position as a Lieutenant at Bergin Correctional Institution, after 21 years of service I retired on September 1st, 2010. I also served as the Union President for the Correction Supervisors' Council since its inception in 2001 from this I retired on June 1st, 2010. And lastly on September 24th, 2010 I retired from serving proudly and respectfully as the President of CSEA SEIU Local 2001 where I represented workers and their families from state, municipal and private sectors for a total of 22,000 active and retired folks.

It is an honor and a privilege for me to work for the people of Sprague, of Connecticut and of this country as I did when I was in the service from 1974-1978 in the US Army, as a Chinese Mandarin Linguist, attaining the rank of sergeant.

I would like to take a moment to reflect on our accomplishments and project some future plans:

We have completely reworked Fifth Avenue, Wendy Drive #1 and #2, Parkwood Road, Pinecrest Lane, Park Drive, Hazelwood Drive, Mission Street, Spruce Street, Main Street-Hanover, and Bay Street this is a total of 3 miles of road, it included drainage work, guide-rail replacement, catch basin repair and culvert repair. We chip sealed (to extend the life of the road) Baltic Hanover Road, Main Street-Hanover, Salt Rock Road, Westminister Road, Spruce Street, Mission Street, Pearl Street, Fullertown Road, Wall Street, Marian Street, Rose Street, and Cross Street this is a total of 7 miles of road. We completed some of the necessary drainage repair to Hanover Versailles Road. We will be done soon with small drainage projects on Potash Hill Road, Main Street-Hanover, Brookside Avenue and flood damage repair to Hanover Versailles Road, Riverside Drive, and Inland Road. This was done with your support...thank you.

We have on deck for our next year's road projects pending approval by the Board of Finance...School Hill Road, Upper High Street (utilizing grant money-already received), Pautipaug Hill Road (the bottom ½ a mile) (awaiting a grant award), Dows Lane (donated by the Mohegan Tribe) LaCroix Road and bridge (utilizing grant money-already received) and 6 small roads (Cydylo Drive, Fortin Drive, Birchwood Terrace, Whitehall Drive, Kendall Road and Franklin Road). The capital plan for roads has Pautipaug Hill Road being repaired over the next 4 years; we will weave in Sunrise Drive, Grandview Drive, Inland Road, Riverside Drive and Waldo Road during that time. And when we can the village of Baltic roads will also be done.

In the area of open space, one where I take great pride we preserved 280 acres of the former Mukluk property with the help of a land acquisition grant...just yesterday we received another land acquisition grant to help preserve 230 acres of the Watson farm. Over the next year we will research other funding sources to complete this purchase...and the Last Green Valley will remain green for our children and grandchildren to enjoy. Please take a moment to walk the trails over bridges built by several scouts working their way toward Eagle Scout status. This was done with your support...thank you.

I know you remember the day we came close to running out of water...well we have completed (utilizing a combination of grant monies, water and sewer and town resources) a stabilization of our water system. We put on line two dormant wells, added in a new well, and then took off line a damaged well. We then repaired and upgraded for current use both well houses. We repaired leaking hydrants (you have heard we will be removing old unnecessary hydrants) and have in line upgrading 2 ½ miles of water lines. This was done with your support...thank you.

## ***From the Desk of the First Selectman Continued...***

We also have 350 acres of open space around our reservoir that had 2 aging dams badly in need of repair. The southwest dam nears completion (utilizing a combination of grant monies, and water and sewer resources) and we have started the process for the repair of the east dam through application for funding, engineering plans, and permitting processes. This was done again with your support...thank you.

On the wastewater side, we have upgraded pump stations 3 and 4 over this summer utilizing water and sewer and town resources. We just last week received a STEAP grant to help in upgrades to pump stations 1 and 2, we have preliminary approval from USDA on additional funding for these needed upgrades. Neither pump station 1 or 2 is OSHA compliant in addition repairs are difficult as the parts are hard to find and repairmen having knowledge of these outdated stations are also increasingly difficult to find also. Again this work is only accomplished with your support.

In the area of public safety we have the ATV we purchased (utilizing grant monies) which allowed our resident trooper to patrol both private and public lands. We instituted a bike patrol which was helpful in tamping down nuisance crime in the villages. We also will have installed before mid November a new communication system tying in all town vehicles, allowing for base stations at the school, sewer plant, the fire department, the town garage and the town hall. This was done with your support...thank you.

Our Town buildings are being made as energy efficient as possible this is not only being environmentally responsible but it has the additional benefit of saving town monies. We have put in energy efficient windows, doors, lights and a new boiler (utilizing grant monies and town resources). We will be placing solar panels on the town hall roof which will cut our costs for electricity for the town hall in half (utilizing grant monies and town resources). And we have joined and accepted the Connecticut Clean Energy Fund's challenge to cities and towns, to obtain at least 20 percent of the electricity for all municipal facilities from clean renewable energy sources. Points are earned from local resident sign-ups to CTCleanEnergyOptions, local clean energy installations and purchases of Green-e certified Renewable Energy Certificates by a local customer. For a detailed explanation, please refer to the CCEF website.

We have also upgraded Fire equipment, Public Works vehicles, and become more responsible towards citizens with disabilities in our Senior Center, Town Hall, and Grist Mill.

We have updated policies, handbooks, and ordinances. We have regulations in place encouraging business development. In that line I sponsored a twelve million dollar federal grant application which will upgrade the freight rail line from Lisbon through Windham. This is also intended to encourage manufacturing development along this line.

We accomplished this and much more without raising taxes through hard work by you and I. This action took foresight and planning I am pleased to work with such enthusiastic partners to see our town move forward is heartening. I can not say it enough that this is done only with your support, I thank the volunteers who serve on boards and commissions, the elected officials who continue to work toward improving service for you and the town employees who come in ready to work to make the Town a great place to live in.

Cathy  
First Selectman

## Sprague Republican Town Committee Update

Greetings from the Sprague RTC!

As the time flies by this fall, we turn our attention to the upcoming election cycle. We have an unprecedented chance to clear the slate and elect common sense legislators, on both the local and national levels. Please come out and vote on Election Day!

The Sprague RTC supports the following candidates:

Christopher Coutu  
Sean Sullivan  
Linda McMahon  
Janet Peckinpaugh  
Martha Dean  
Tom Foley  
Mark Boughton  
Jerry Farrell Jr.  
Jeff Wright  
Jack Orchulli

In local news, we are still waiting answers for unanswered questions about the Watkins property. Why is it that we are using town appropriated funds to back a grant we have not been guaranteed, to buy a chunk of property we will have to patrol and maintain, of which 15 acres and a home are cut off and remain the property of the current owners? I don't know about you but I don't think it's fair that we pay off their state lien, and they get the most valuable part of the property. Some of this land is in Franklin. If they don't want it, why would we? There is already so little use of the open space we have, why do we want to take more potential tax dollars off the rolls, and open more space we have to pay to maintain? These and many other questions have been asked, and we have been given the run around. Isn't it time questions start getting answered?

Dave Zamoider  
Sprague RTC Chair

### **Baltic Fire Department Christmas Fund Raiser**

**Now taking orders for the holidays!**

***Kissing Balls, Assorted Sizes of Wreaths from 12" to 84 "***

***Cedar, Balsam & Pine varieties.***

***Grave Pillows and Grave Blankets***

***Please pick up an order form at the Town Hall or Fire Dept. or***



## Scouting for Food Drive on October 30th

Cub Scout Pack 19 will be distributing food bags for our annual food drive on October 30<sup>th</sup>, Saturday. The bags will be picked up on November, 6<sup>th</sup>, Saturday, starting at 9 a.m. We ask that you place the bags with non perishable food items, on your front steps, where it is visible from the road, by 9 a.m.

In the event that you do not receive a bag and you would like to donate, you can place the food in any type bag and place it on your front steps.

Again, this year, all food collected will be kept at the Town of Sprague Food Bank, for use by any citizen of Sprague. If you need food supplies, just contact anyone at the town hall and give them a list of food needed. Last year's food drive was our largest ever. Many thanks to Amgraph and Federal Paper.

We would like to thank everyone who has participated in this event in the past, and welcome new supporters this year. If by chance we miss your bag, you can drop it off at the Town Hall during the week or call 860-822-6235 and I will arrange for pick up.

Again, thanks for your support!  
Harry A. Segerstrom Sr.  
Troop 19



## **Message from the Sprague Water & Sewer Authority**

The Sprague Water & Sewer Authority will be flushing hydrants during the week of November 15<sup>th</sup> through the 19<sup>th</sup>. Water pressure may be reduced slightly and a little discoloration of water may occur during this procedure. The Authority regrets any problems this may cause but the hydrants must be flushed periodically to maintain quality water and to insure hydrants are operable in case of emergency. Questions, please call 860-822-3005.

Thank you,  
Todd Hastings,  
Superintendent



## **Boy Scout Auction Saturday, December 4<sup>th</sup>**

**Baltic Fire Department  
5:30 PM Viewing  
6:30 PM Start**

**Refreshments & more!**

**For more info., contact  
Harry Segerstrom Sr. at  
860-822-6235**

## Sprague Democratic Town Committee Update

At its October meeting, SDTC voted to support Project Safe Halloween with a donation. The committee discussed supporting Democratic candidates in the upcoming election on Tuesday, November 2<sup>nd</sup> approving two slate ads for the next issue of Our Town and a mailing to the residents of Sprague, Canterbury and Scotland in support of the Democratic candidate for state representative Cathy Osten.

Cathy Osten, who currently serves as the First Selectman of Sprague reassured committee members that should she be elected as state representative she will continue in her elected position as First Selectman. The committee was pleased that she will continue to serve our town in her current capacity.

Cathy Osten is one of twelve Democratic candidates seeking election on November 2<sup>nd</sup>. The candidates for Governor Dan Malloy former Mayor of Stamford and for Lt Governor Nancy Wyman currently serving as State Comptroller bring a great deal of experience and innovative ideas to the Governor's office. Other candidates for statewide office include Denise Nappier seeking another term as Treasurer, Kevin Lembo for State Comptroller, George Jepsen for Attorney General and Denise Merrill for Secretary of State. Other than Denise Nappier these candidates are seeking the position for the first time, which is an exciting opportunity for new leadership. Congressman Joe Courtney who has worked hard for change in Eastern Connecticut is seeking his third term and Dick Blumenthal who has served as CT Attorney General for the past twenty years is running to succeed Senator Chris Dodd in the Senate. Kathy Guinan will be a worthy successor to our sitting Democratic probate judge Linda Salafia. Kathy Guinan has committed to work full time for the probate court and she brings twenty years of probate experience to the job. Last but not least Kathleen Boushee our very efficient Registrar of Voters is seeking another term.

To vote in the election on November 2<sup>nd</sup>, you must be registered to vote. Mail in registrations had to be postmarked October 19<sup>th</sup>. The last day you can register in person is Tuesday, October 26<sup>th</sup> at Town Hall. Absentee ballots, which are available from the Town Clerk, are due back to Town Hall by the close of the polls on November 2<sup>nd</sup>. The Registrar of Voters can be contacted at Town Hall on Tuesday mornings or the Sprague Town Clerk is available Monday through Thursday.

Voting is Tuesday, November 2<sup>nd</sup> from 6 a.m. to 8 p.m. at the Baltic Fire House. For more information about the candidates who are running in the year's election please see the SDTC ads in this issue of Our Town.

If you have any questions about the election or wish to learn more about the Sprague DTC, contact Susan Zimmerman at [susanpzimmerman@sbcglobal.net](mailto:susanpzimmerman@sbcglobal.net) or 860-334-1102.

Susan Zimmerman  
Chair, Sprague DTC



## **Baltic Fire Department Ladies Auxiliary**

A regular meeting of the Auxiliary was held on Tuesday, October 12, at the firehouse.

Our main topic of discussion was the Holly Jolly Bazaar which will be held on Saturday, November 27, 2010 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. We have a wide variety of vendors coming to our event. This variety includes floral arrangements, handmade jewelry, lighted glass creations, handmade doll clothes, cookbooks, jars with baking mixes, and fleece blankets and hats, to name a few. Stop in to do some early Christmas shopping and join us for lunch!

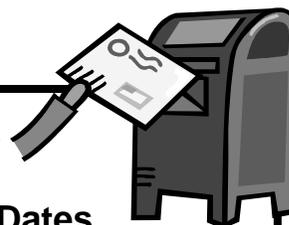
We have a few tables available, so if you are interested, call and leave your name and address, and phone number. My number is 860-822-8331.

Our next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, November 9, 2010 at 7 pm at the fire house.

Please remember that anyone interested in joining the Auxiliary is welcome. We are always looking for new members and new ideas for fundraising. You need not be a Sprague resident or have a spouse or family member in the Fire Department to join the Auxiliary.

Jeannette Deschamps, Secretary

# Greetings from the Hanover Post Office



## 2010 International & Military Mail Christmas Mailing Dates

To ensure delivery of holiday cards/packages by December 25 to military APO/FPO/DPO and international addresses overseas, we suggest that mail be entered by the recommended mailing dates listed below.

Don't forget you can print postage, labels, and Customs forms online 24/7 using Click-N-Ship<sup>®</sup> service at [www.usps.com/clicknship](http://www.usps.com/clicknship).

Remember, all mail addressed to military and diplomatic post offices overseas is subject to certain conditions or restrictions regarding content, preparation, and handling. APO/FPO addresses generally require Customs forms. To see a table of active APO/FPO/DPO ZIP Codes<sup>™</sup> and associated mailing restrictions, go to <http://pe.usps.com> and click *Postal Bulletins*.

EMMS is available to selected military and diplomatic post offices. Check with your local Post Office<sup>™</sup> to determine if this service is available to your APO/FPO/DPO of address.

APO/FPO/DPO Mail Addressed to	Express Mail <sup>®</sup> Military Service (EMMS) <sup>1</sup>	First-Class Mail <sup>®</sup> Letters/Cards	Priority Mail <sup>®</sup>	Parcel Airlift Mail (PAL) <sup>2</sup>	Space Available Mail (SAM) <sup>3</sup>	Parcel Post <sup>®</sup>
APO/FPO/DPO AE ZIPs 090-092	Dec 18	Dec 10	Dec 10	Dec 3	Nov 26	Nov 12
APO/FPO/DPO AE ZIP 093	N/A	Dec 4	Dec 4	Dec 1	Nov 20	Nov 12
APO/FPO/DPO AE ZIPs 094-098	Dec 18	Dec 10	Dec 10	Dec 3	Nov 26	Nov 12
APO/FPO/DPO AA ZIPs 340	Dec 18	Dec 10	Dec 10	Dec 3	Nov 26	Nov 12
APO/FPO/DPO AP ZIPs 962-966	Dec 18	Dec 10	Dec 10	Dec 3	Nov 26	Nov 12

PAL is a service that provides air transportation for parcels on a space-available basis. It is available for Parcel Post items not exceeding 30 pounds in weight or 60 inches in length and girth combined. The applicable PAL fee must be paid in addition to the regular surface rate of postage for each addressed piece sent by PAL service.<sup>3</sup>

SAM parcels are paid at Parcel Post postage rate of postage with maximum weight and size limits of 15 pounds and 60 inches in length and girth combined. SAM parcels are first transported domestically by surface and then to overseas destinations by air on a space-available basis.

International Mail Addressed to	Global Express Guaranteed <sup>®</sup> (GXG <sup>®</sup> ) <sup>1</sup>	Express Mail International <sup>®</sup> (EMS) <sup>2</sup>	Priority Mail International <sup>®</sup> (PMI) <sup>3</sup>	First-Class Mail International <sup>™</sup>
Africa	Dec 17	Dec 11	Dec 3	Dec 3
Asia/Pacific Rim	Dec 17	Dec 16	Dec 10	Dec 10
Australia/New Zealand	Dec 17	Dec 16	Dec 10	Dec 10
Canada	Dec 21	Dec 17	Dec 13	Dec 10
Caribbean	Dec 20	Dec 16	Dec 13	Dec 10
Central & South America	Dec 20	Dec 11	Dec 3	Dec 3
Mexico	Dec 21	Dec 16	Dec 10	Dec 10
Europe	Dec 20	Dec 16	Dec 13	Dec 10
Middle East	Dec 17	Dec 16	Dec 13	Dec 10

GXG is available to over 190 countries via an alliance with Federal Express. Go to <http://pe.usps.com>, and click International Rates and Fees, then Country Listing. You can also see the March/April 2007 issue of MailPro at [www.usps.com/mailpro](http://www.usps.com/mailpro). Some restrictions apply. Free shipping supplies are available.

EMS is available to over 190 countries with delivery in 3 to 5 average business days. Guaranteed, money-back service is available to Australia, China, Hong Kong, Japan, and Korea (Republic of South). Flat-rate shipping options and free packaging are available. Purchase postage online and receive an 8% discount.

PMI is available to over 190 countries with delivery in 6 to 10 average business days. Flat-rate shipping options and free packaging are available. Purchase postage online and receive a 5% discount. \*Average number of days may vary based upon origin and destination.

## American Legion Post 85 October 5, 2010 Meeting Minutes

Commander Dave Salemma opened the meeting at 7:15 p.m. Financial Officer Tom Coletti took the roll call and noted that there were 10 of the 42 members in attendance. The Financial Officer noted that an official quorum was present to carry on Post business. The Commander led the Pledge of Allegiance and the salute to the Colors. He then said a small prayer due to the absence of the Chaplain. The Commander then asked that the minutes of the September meeting be read by the Financial Officer. The minutes were accepted as read by the membership in attendance.

The Commander then opened up the floor to official business. The Financial Officer noted that two new veterans were in attendance. There was one notification for new member application from Mr. Linwood Lamb (USAF-Vietnam Era). He also noted one transfer was in process for Legionnaire Donald Bastien (USAF-Vietnam Era). Both men were introduced and made welcome by the Commander and Post members. The two members were officially registered in the Post at the end of the meeting. They increased the membership to 44 members. Welcome Lin and Donald.

There is still one application in the process at this time. The Financial Officer also noted the passing of PUFLL Legionnaire Andre Gladue (WWII Veteran) who had died in September. The Post members acknowledge the passing of one of their own and discussion followed. All present acknowledged and send their condolences to his family. The Post thanks him for his service to our country. He will be missed. The Financial Officer also noted that one member was recovering from surgery and is recuperating at the Norwich Convalescence Home. The Post members wished Legionnaire Edgar Daigneault a speedy recovery.

The Commander asked for committee reports. Jr. Vice Commander Tim Brodeur reported of the success of the Saturday, October 2, 2010 Tag Sale held at the T.J.'s Café parking lot. The Commander reported that \$595.50 was made on the fund raiser. The Post treasury is now at \$1,145.66.

Three topics were discussed under new business. Wreath making could be considered as a fund raiser for December. The topic was brought up by Tom Coletti and will be discussed at the November 3rd meeting. A 50/50 club was suggested by Don Bastien where profits would be used to purchase stuffed animals to be given out by the Post to needy charitable organizations. That idea will also be discussed at the November meeting. Tim Brodeur also asked that the Post members log on to the Internet to [www.post85.webs.com](http://www.post85.webs.com) and update or include any information they would care to share with the other Post members. Pictures of individuals or articles during service years were requested.

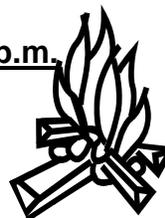
The Commander asked if there was any further new business. None was presented. The next meeting will be held Tuesday, November 2, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. at the Senior Center. All veterans are encouraged to attend. The meeting closed at 8:12 p.m. The Commander led the Post membership in the Pledge of Allegiance and a salute to the colors.

Respectfully submitted, Thomas Coletti, Financial Officer

### Versailles United Methodist Church

**October 30, 2010 - Harvest Bonfire Campfire @ 6 p.m.**  
**Music, crafts, hot chocolate, and cookies etc.**

**Come join us for a night of fun and fellowship!**



## **Energy Assistance Applications**

Energy Assistance applications will be taken by Ana Lassu. Please contact Buddy Meadows, Sprague Senior Center Coordinator/Municipal Agent for appointments at 860-822-3000, Ext. 203. Thank you, Buddy Meadows

## **Sacred Heart Educational Center**

*Get a jump on this school year  
with individualized tutoring.*

Monday – Friday from  
8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

All subjects are available.  
All ages are welcome!

For more information,  
call Sister Mercedes at 860-822-8241  
or email [information@  
SacredHeartLearning.org](mailto:information@SacredHeartLearning.org)

## **Sayles School Class of 2011 December 3<sup>rd</sup> Basket Bash Bonanza & Silent Auction**

We are soliciting various local businesses for donations of items or services to further the success of the Class of 2011.

We would greatly appreciate any and all donations towards our Basket Bash and Silent Auction on December 3<sup>rd</sup> from 5:30 – 7 p.m.

All profits will go to the Class of 2011 for graduation and end of year activities.

Please contact Michele Sharpe at 822-8264 ext. 121 for more info.



# St. Joseph School's Annual Holiday Auction & Basket Raffle

10 School Hill Road, Baltic, CT

Saturday, November 20th



Doors open at 4:30 p.m. & live auction begins at 6 p.m.



Disney Hopper Passes  
Area Restaurant Certificates  
Theme Baskets  
Auto Services  
Museum Memberships  
Quassy Amusement Park Passes  
& *much more!*



Delicious homemade foods and desserts will be sold.  
A great way to get some Christmas shopping done early!  
No admission fee!

For additional information, contact Judith Daly, Auction Chairperson at:  
860.822.1396 or [judithdaly@att.net](mailto:judithdaly@att.net)

## **Boy Scout Troop 19 Annual Auction on Saturday, December 4<sup>th</sup>**

Boy Scout Troop 19 will be holding their annual fundraising event on Saturday December 6<sup>th</sup> at the Baltic Fire Department. Viewing begins at 5:30 p.m. and the auction will start at 6:30 p.m. With this year's proceeds, we hope to complete funding of our enclosed trailer. For more information, contact Harry Segerstrom Sr. @ 860-822-6235. We wish to thank everyone in town for their continued support for scouting and our fundraising events.

Harry Segerstrom Sr.  
Troop #19

**THANK YOU**

## **Sprague Parks & Recreation Committee**

Our 3 Village Fall Festival was a successful event in large part to: Craig Staggs, Liz Calderon, the Town Crew, Cathy Osten, and the Teen Committee. Thank you!

Craig is down at the field at the crack of dawn making sure everyone gets situated without incident and Liz is organizing times and events, and helping pick up many needed items. A special thanks to Mike Smith for helping with the Kids Bike Race. The children look forward to this every year. Thank you to Kristin Elliott and Renee for planning the Little Ms. and Mr. Sprague event which is enjoyed by many! The Battle of the Bands was a big hit! This year's first place winner of the Battle of Baltic: "I Saw The Sky Burn."

We were fortunate to have Life Star, the State Police, and the vendors to help with the 3 Village Fall Festival's Success. Thanks to Chris and Dave from Crystal Rock. All pumpkins were generously donated by Vinny at Malerbas. If any volunteers were left out, I apologize, just give me a call and I will add to the next Our Town.

The Teen Committee does an excellent job volunteering each year, especially this year in monitoring the rides. Thank you to Selena Calderon, Shannon Foley, Avery Manfredi, Kyleigh Manfredi, and all members of the Teen Committee.

We are trying to get together a community kickball game going for Oct. 31st from 12 pm-2 pm. If interested please contact Noreen Foley at 860-822-1829, all ages welcome!

We are always looking for volunteers. If interested, please contact Noreen. Members meet on the first Thursday of the month. We do not meet during the winter months unless we have an event planned!

## VNA East

34 LEDGEBROOK DRIVE, MANSFIELD CENTER, CT 06250

PH: 456-7288

## November Health Screenings

VNA East will hold the following clinics:

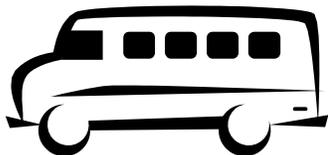
### Blood Pressure Screenings:

Wed	Nov	3	Andover Old Fire House	12:30-1:30
Wed	Nov	3	Willington Senior Center	1-2
Thur	Nov	4	Florence Lord Marlborough	11-12
Tues	Nov	9	Hebron Senior Center	10:30- 11:30
Wed	Nov	10	Chaplin Senior Center	9-10
Mon	Nov	15	Marlborough Senior Center	1:30-2:30
Tues	Nov	16	Lebanon Senior Center	12:30-1:30
Wed	Nov	17	Scotland Town Hall	12:30-1
Wed	Nov	17	Ashford Senior Center	1:30-3
Thur	Nov	18	Marlborough Town Hall	2-3
Fri	Nov	19	Columbia Beckish Senior Center	12:30-1:30
Tues	Nov	23	Franklin Senior Center	10:30- 11:30
Tues	Nov	23	Sprague Town Hall	11:45- 12:45

**Adult Health Screenings:** including blood pressure, Cholesterol, HDL Cholesterol, blood glucose, earwax, and foot care. Blood pressure screening is free; other services have a nominal charge. Call 860-456-7288 for appointments, costs and information on other services. Clinics will be held at the following locations:

Thur	Nov	4	Hebron Senior Center	8:30-1pm
Mon	Nov	8	Willington Senior Center	1:30-3:30pm
Tues	Nov	16	Franklin Senior Center	8:30-11:30am
Tues	Nov	16	Sprague Senior Center	12-2:30pm
Wed	Nov	17	Chaplin Senior Center	11:30-1 pm
Thurs	Nov	18	Hebron Senior Center	8:30-1 pm

## SENIOR VAN SCHEDULE



**Lisbon Super Wal-Mart and Kohl's**  
Bi-weekly, Monday, 1 to 3 p.m.

**Norwich Big Y/Wal-Mart** by request.

**Norwich Stop 'n Shop Plaza**

Thursday, 1 to 3 p.m.

**Norwich Shop Rite**

Tuesday, 1 to 2:30 p.m.

**Willimantic Super Wal-Mart and  
Food Co-op** by request.

Medical appointments require a 48-hour notice.  
Please contact the Senior Center for availability  
before making your next appointment. (860)  
822 3000, ext 203.

## BUS SCHEDULE

**Shetucket Village:** 8:45 a.m., 9:45 a.m., 11:45 a.m.

**Playground Brookside and High Street:** 8:52 a.m., 9:52 a.m., 11:52 a.m.

**TJ's Parking Lot, Route 97 and Main Street:** 9 a.m., 10 a.m., and Noon

**Arrival in Occum** Corner of Hooper Street and Route 97, by Red McKeon Park: 9:10 a.m., 10:10 a.m., 12:10 p.m.

### Return

Stop as needed for return trip

Express Return: 3:15 p.m. to Senior Center

Service runs Monday through Thursday except holidays.  
(860) 822-3000, ext. 203. The Sprague to Occum Bus is a courtesy of the Town of Sprague and the Sprague Senior Center. For SEAT information, visit [www.seatbus.com](http://www.seatbus.com).

For more information, call Buddy Meadows,  
Sprague Senior Center Coordinator at 860-822-3000 x210

## **Salvation Army Upper New London Country Unit**

I ask you to look and see if there is some way you can give to the Salvation Army Upper New London County Unit. This money will help your neighbors here in Sprague. Please send your check (whatever you can spare) to Salvation Army Upper New London Country Unit, PO Box 304, Versailles, CT 06383

For those of you in need of food, please contact Collette Hoffman at the Town Hall or myself. May the Lord Bless you as you share with others,

*Dennison Allen,*

Sprague Service Unit Member

## **Sprague's 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration in 2011**

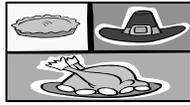
Interested in helping plan our  
town's 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary  
Celebration?

Please contact Buddy Meadows  
with ideas or for more  
information.  
860-822-3000 x 213

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# Our Town Calendar of Events

# November



	1	2 <b>ELECTION DAY - POLLS OPEN AT 6</b>  American Legion Post 85 Mtng 7 pm Senior Center	3	4	5	6 Stop by the Hanover Post Office Sat mornings for fresh scones!
7 Start preparing those holiday packages for shipping!	8 Have you signed up for the SCC bus Trip? Last day to sign up.	9 Baltic Ladies Aux. mtng 7 pm  Sprague Public Library BOD Mtng 6:45 pm	10	11	12	13 Sprague Community Center (SCC) Rummage Sale 9 – 1 pm
14	15	16	17 Community Prayer Service at 7 pm at the SCC	18	19	20 Saint Joseph School Basket Raffle and Auction, 4:30 pm
21 	22	23	24	25 	26	27 Baltic Fire Dept. Holly Jolly Bazaar 9-3 p.m.
28	29	30				
	<p><b><u>Plan for these upcoming December events</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sayles School Basket Bash and Bonanza ...December 3rd, 5:30 p.m.</li> <li>• Boy Scout Troop 19 Annual Auction Baltic Fire Dept ... December 4th</li> <li>• Sprague Community Center – Holiday Workshop: Making Seasonal Arts and Crafts, sharing seasonal music, and picture taking with Santa</li> </ul>					