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

Information & News for April 2019

Newsletter Deadline:
There will be no late submissions accepted for the Our Town. As a reminder, the Our Town deadline is the 15th of every month. The newsletter will be collated on Saturday, April 28 for the May issue, we will meet at the Town Hall at 10 am. Contact Cristian for details. If interested in volunteering email Cristian @ Spragueourtownnewsletter@gmail.com

TIME TO WAKE UP THOSE GARDENS!
FREE MULCH IS AVAILABLE
AT THE TRANSFER STATION
YOUR BRUSH AND SCCRRRA’S TUB
GRINDER WORKING TOGETHER
ALLOW US TO PROVIDE THIS
PRODUCT TO YOU
AVAILABLE DURING REGULAR HOURS

Earth Day 2019
Saturday, April 20, 2019
Town Clean-Up
Meet in the Grist Mill Parking Lot
@ 10am for bags and gloves.
Stop back @1pm for pizza!

DON'T BE A LITTERBUG

FREE DUMP DAY
SATURDAY, April 20, 2019
ALL ACCEPTED ITEMS WILL BE ALLOWED
FREE OF CHARGE
REGULAR HOURS WILL BE FOLLOWED

Garden Club—At our March meeting, our guest speaker was Toni Leland, freelance writer, novelist and gardener. She presented a program on "Downsizing Your Garden" and "Safety in the Garden". She stated that a garden changes and so must the gardener. Does one hang on to a plant or let it go? She gave us many suggestions such as switching out from a mix of perennials, bulbs and annuals to almost all perennials. Less work and more enjoying!! Our next meeting will be April 3, 2019 at 6:30 p.m. at the Sprague Senior Center. We will be having our annual Plant Sale on May 18th and are busy making preparations. We welcome new members as always so stop by and visit.

RESIDENT STATE TROOPER’S OFFICE
TOWN OF SPRAGUE
The Sprague Resident Trooper’s Office is pleased to announce “Drug take back day” for the residents of Sprague. The Resident Trooper will be collecting outdated, unused, and unwanted prescription medication to be properly disposed of on Saturday, April 27th, at the town hall between the hours of 9:00Am and 1:00Pm. For further information please contact TFC. Brian Sumner at (860) 822-3000 x207.

Sprague Resident Trooper’s Office
1 Main St.
Baltic, Ct., 06330
(860) 822-3000 x207

STATE OF CONNECTICUT
DEPARTMENT OF EMERGENCY SERVICES AND PUBLIC PROTECTION

There is a mailbox placed up at the transfer station to be used for worn and torn Flags. Please place the flags there; when the mailbox is full the American Legion Post will remove them for proper flag disposal.
From the Desk of the First Selectman,

April crept in with a little bit of sun and some warmth eeking from the soil. Flowers are peeking through with a tiny bit of color to brighten our days. The clouds skip by on a clear blue sky, yes this is spring.

The public works crew continues to clear roadsides and push back brush. They have painted the plows in hopes we won’t need them again. The trailers are being readied to carry the mowers to cut the thick green grass growing in our parks and playgrounds. I am still hoping to have time to finish work on a trail up the river connecting Riverpark with Salt Rock Campground and some additional raised beds for the Community Garden. The rush of time!

The Town continues the work on providing the necessary paperwork to complete acceptance into TIER II. We have hosted two sub-committee meetings in March. We continue to provide information to see if we will qualify for aid through this mechanism. This process could take several months to finish.

We received a grant to replenish the school library from the Lord’s Foundation in the fabulous amount of $10,000. We also received a LOTCIP grant to complete the last run of sidewalks in Baltic in the amount of $400,000.

The Town’s Board of Finance has started the process of preparing next year’s budget, in the month of March they heard from the Board of Education, the Library, the Fire Department, the Resident Trooper and the Municipal side of the budget. The month of April is set aside for discussion and implementation of the budget. Please stop by to hear the proposals for the budget.

As always thanks for your support
Cathy

Open Positions as of 4/1/2019

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2019 Municipal Election’s – Coming up FAST……..

We are excited to talk with you about any of the following seats available in the upcoming November 5, 2019 Sprague municipal elections. Board of Selectman, Board of Finance, Board of Education, Tax Collector, Town Clerk and other offices available to be filled. We can be reached through email: spraguetc.ct@gmail.com

Thank you for your interest in us all working together to make Sprague, yes....... Great Again.....!!!

Respectfully,
Michael Meadows
Sprague RTC Chairman
860.389.4020

Homeowner Tax Relief Program
DEADLINE MAY 15, 2019

Applications for the Homeowner Tax Relief Program will be accepted until May 15, 2019. This program is for residents who are 65 or older as of December 31, 2018 or rated totally disabled by Social Security, own and reside in their home, and meet the income requirements of married $43,900 or single $36,000. Applicants must supply proof of all 2018 income to the Assessor’s office including the Social Security statement 1099 and a copy of your Federal Income Tax Return (if filed).

Please call the Assessor’s office at 860-822-3000 ext. 222 for an appointment to ensure someone is available to assist in completing your application. Assessor’s hours are normally Wednesdays from 9:30 am to 5:30 pm.

Additional Veteran’s Exemption

Applications are being accepted for the Additional Veteran’s Exemption. This program is for persons receiving the regular veterans exemption and have a 2018 income of $43,900 married or $36,000 single (including social security) or $18,000 single and $21,000 married (excluding social security) for 100% V.A. determined Disabled Veterans. Income proofs must be supplied. Applications are filed biennially with the assessor. The filing deadline for the Additional Veteran’s Exemption is Oct. 1, 2019.

For more information on these programs, please contact the Assessor’s office.
Sprague Democratic Town Committee Update
The Democratic Town Committee met on March 7th. Reports given from members that are on boards and commissions, also those in elected positions. Cathy Osten gave an overview of her State Senate position.

The DTC is still seeking candidates to run for town elected positions this November. Interested persons should take note that the DTC seeks qualified candidates to run for office regardless of their party affiliation, if any. The DTC’s nominating sub-committee is currently reviewing positions to be filled. If you are interested in running for elected office, and would like more information, please call Richard Waterman at 860-822-8932 or Claire Glaude at 860-822-9111 as soon as possible. If you are interested in getting involved, but are not interested in any of the elected positions for this coming election cycle, or if you are only interested in positions that are filled by appointment rather than election, we can help you with that.

Claire Glaude
DTC Secretary

BALTIC FIRE DEPARTMENT LADIES AUXILIARY
March 4, 2019
P.O. BOX 591
BALTIC, CT 06330-0591

Members will meet on Tuesday, April 9 at the firehouse at 7 p.m. for our first meeting of 2019.

We look forward to getting together and beginning our plans for the new year’s activities.

At that time, we will also welcome new member, Danielle Uterstaedt, to the group.

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 as a regular member. We have recently added Junior Members – young women between the ages of 16 and 18 who have a parent or guardian in the fire department or auxiliary.

Sincerely,

Jeannette Deschamps,
Secretary

Branching Out….Notes from the Tree Warden

Now that Spring is here it won’t be long before the trees will start to bud and produce their leaves. I am anxious to see if all of the ash trees in town will “leaf out” this year. I have only seen a few ashes that have died recently – the most obvious indication is that there are numerous woodpecker holes throughout the trunks. Some ash trees have also dropped brittle limbs. The next indication that ash trees in town are in trouble will be that the crowns of the otherwise healthy looking trees will start to turn yellow in mid summer. This is a sign that the Emerald Ash Borer larvae are burrowing under the bark and cutting off the sap supply to nurture the tops of the trees. I expect to see this happening all through Sprague by next summer. I try to conduct periodic “windshield” surveys in town but may not eyeball every single tree. If you believe you have an ash tree in distress please let me know so I can check it out.

The progression of the Emerald Ash Borer and potential for all of the ash trees dying is one of the reasons for conducting a harvest at the Baltic Reservoir Open Space. As all of the pines mature and beautify the area, more and more people are utilizing the grounds – walking, fishing, running and biking. The forest at the reservoir has a large percentage of ash trees throughout the property. Many of them are within striking distance of the road around the water. During a recent walk of the north side of the property I counted nearly 200 ash trees. These will all become a hazard to the safety of everyone that enjoys using the property. Removing the ash while they are still healthy and valuable is more responsible than waiting for them to die and become a hazard.

I mentioned last month that a public hearing will be held in April regarding the potential harvesting of the Reservoir property. That date is still to be determined. I can tell you that a certified forester will be at the hearing to answer questions about the harvesting process.

And still on the subject of the Baltic Reservoir – I expect to be planting seedlings again. For those who need long range planning, save the 4th of May for getting dirty. I’m hoping that the 200 seedlings will fill in the last section around the Reservoir. Do you think 5700 seedlings and trees are enough? Now if we could just get rid of all the grapevines, raspberries and bittersweet that choke all the pines!!!

Dave Gustafson~Sprague Tree Warden
American Legion Post #85, Meeting minutes for March 5, 2019:

VCDR called the meeting to order at 7:05 P.M., there were five officers and six regular members present. The Pledge of Allegiance led by the VCDR, who also led the members in the opening prayer.

FO read the Minutes of the February 5, 2019 meeting, minutes were accepted as read.

Financial Report by FO, currently there is a total of $167.40 in the checking account and $5,443.00 in the Memorial Fund leaving a balance of $1,891.29 to be raised for the purchase of the Memorial Statue, report accepted by members. FO also reported that Eversource may award a grant in the amount of $1,500.00 to Post #85 for the purchase of the Memorial Statue as part of their Community Outreach.

ADJ reported that there are 42 members on the roster of Post #85, 39 members have paid, 3 members are in arrears. Report accepted.

CDR discussed upcoming proposed date for the spaghetti and meatball dinner, and set a tentative date of Friday, April 26, 2019 at the Sprague Rod and Gun Club, serving from 4:30 P.M. – 6:30 P.M. Members felt that the Black and Green Tee shirts should be sold at a reduced rate to deplete the inventory of older shirts. Raffle items will be also offered at the Dinner.

Poker Run 2019 planning meeting scheduled for Tuesday, March 12, 2019 to be held at the Sprague Rod & Gun Club, at 7:00 P.M. All American Legion members are encouraged to attend. Member Joseph Lussier remarked that American Legion membership participation in the Poker Run and other fund raising activities would be welcomed as various groups assisting in the Run have remarked on lack of Legion member’s participation.

JVCR offered a name to be placed on a list of possible Grand Parade Marshall Nominees for the 2019 Memorial Day Parade.

VCR led the Salute to the Colors and the closing prayer, meeting adjourned at 7:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted:
Andre Trudelle, Financial Officer Post #85

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EARTH MARKET

YARD SALE, CRAFT, LOCAL PRODUCTS

THIS YEARS THEME: “INSECTS, WHY THEY MATTER”
DRAGONFLIES, GRASSHOPPERS HAVE BEEN ON EARTH BEFORE DINOSAURS.

CALLING ARTISTS YOUNG AND OLD, CRAFT AN INSECT, BRING TO RIVERPARK TO BE DISPLAYED AND PRIZES TO BE AWARDED.

DATE: APRIL 27, 2019

TIME: 8:30 AM – 12:30 PM
LOCATION: SPRAGUE RIVER PARK
RT97 (NORTH MAIN ST, BALTIC CT)
(IN CASE OF RAIN @ GRISTMILL, ACROSS FROM SPRAGUE TOWN HALL)

Also Hike starting at River park at 9:00am

$10.00 donation for: Yard Sale ___ Craft ___ Local Products ___
Name ___________________________ Tel: ___________________________
Address _______________________________________________________

Please make checks payable to “Town of Sprague” Mail to: Sprague Town Hall
attn.: EarthMarket, 1 Main St, POBox 677, Baltic Ct 06330

MORE INFO: DON 860 772 6050, EDGEOFFOCCUM@GMAIL.COM SPONSORED BY SPRAGUE CONSERVATION COMMISSION
HANOVER CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH
CHICKEN BARBECUE
SATURDAY APRIL 27, 2019
4:30-6:30 P.M.
HANOVER PARISH HOUSE
MAIN STREET, HANOVER
ADULTS-$10.00/CHILD-$5.00
TAKE-OUTS AVAILABLE
FOR MORE INFO:
860-822-9977/860-822-6771

FOR SALE
Cards for All Occasions
Created by the Sprague Seniors Craft Group
Available for purchase – $1.00 each
Monday through Thursday in the Senior Center
Birthday, Sympathy, Thank You, Holiday, Note Cards, etc.
Unique one of a kind cards!

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SPRAGUE MEMORIAL DAY PARADE
NOTICE

Please join us in recognizing the Town of Sprague’s veterans who have served our country at our 2019 Memorial Day Parade. The American Legion Post 85, the Baltic Fire Department and the Town of Sprague are sponsoring the parade which will be held on Monday, May 27 at 10:00 am.

The parade will start at the former Baltic Mill lot and the Nutmeg Wire Parking lot (Rt. 97) and will travel west on Rt. 97, turning onto Main Street, making a left turn onto River Street and exiting onto Main Street at the end of River Street. The parade will then make a right turn and head North on Main Street ending at the War Memorial Park.

Let us honor our Veterans that have contributed greatly to our community and our country. Hope to see you there.

Opening Fishing Day is
Saturday April 13th!
Resident Inland Fishing - $28
Resident Marine Waters Fishing - $28
Resident All Waters Fishing - $32
Resident Senior Citizen (65 and older) - Free
(requires annual renewal)
Licenses are available at the Town Clerk’s Office.
Cash or Checks will be accepted.
Please let me know if you have any questions.
Jennifer M. Synnett, Town Clerk
822-3000 ext 220

Board of Education

The Sprague Board of Education would like to publicly acknowledge and thank the entire Sayles School Staff for the financial sacrifice they committed to during the 2018-2019 fiscal year. The two furlough days that the staff will be taking on May 24th and May 28th have saved the town of Sprague $34,000. We are eternally grateful for your care and commitment to all of the children of Sprague.

Sayles School
Kindergarten Orientation
Thursday, April 25th Sayles School Library Media Center
Morning Info Session: 9-10:30 (Optional bus ride @ 10:15)
Afternoon Info Session 1-2:30 (Optional bus ride @ 1:15)

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<td>Parents will have an information session with Principal Schoman, Kindergarten Teachers Barber and O’Leary, and Sayles School Support Staff. Registration packets will also be available!</td>
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Sayles School
Honor Roll
TRIMESTER 2

High Honor Roll – 7th Grade
Abigail Myers
Katelynn Nowakowski
Kaden Pieniozek
Aurora Talbot

High Honor Roll – 8th Grade
Nora Crowley
Emma Discola
Kaylee Gray
Morgan Manning
Quest Negron-Ceron
Daniel Sims

Honor Roll – 7th Grade
Skylar Anglin-Taylor
Dominic Bothur
Bella Hartung
Isabella Koopman
Ryan Marden
Dave Patel
Melainey Tackling

Honor Roll – 8th Grade
Brendan Bezanson
Haylee Bronson
Julia Feinglass
Mackenzie Gifford
Isabella Rodriguez
Alexis Stamper
Weekly Drop-in Programs (no registration required)

TUESDAYS at 10:30am AND WEDNESDAYS at 12:15pm

It’s never too soon to bring your youngster to the library! Join us for age-appropriate stories, early literacy activities, and social time. Prefer a mid-day program before naptime? Bring your lunch on Wednesday to enjoy with friends! (same program both days)

WEDNESDAYS at 12:00pm – Crochet & Knitters’ Club Want to learn or like to knit? Join our skien-ful group. It won’t take long to get you hooked! Help is always available.

TUESDAY, April 2nd at 4:00pm – Afternoon Delights: The Wonder Garden by Lauren Acampora. Join us for a delightful conversation of this month’s selection. Copies of the book now available at the library to check out!

SATURDAY, APRIL 6th from 9:00am – 12:00pm FREE SHRED-IT DAY Need some help with your Spring cleaning? Shred the word - Chelsea Groton Bank is sponsoring a Shred Event in our library parking lot. Bring up to three file size boxes of confidential, personal, and business documents for complimentary shredding.

APRIL VACATION WEEK

TUESDAY, APRIL 16th starting at 10:30am – Mary Poppins Return: Story & Family Movie
Join for a superscalifragilistic morning! Start with a quick story featuring the original Mary Poppins tale. Then stay for a special viewing of the new movie Mary Poppins Returns (2018/PG/2hr 10mins). Free popcorn provided, so bring a friend (and a comfy seat!).

THURSDAY, APRIL 18th at 3:00pm – FEATURED PROGRAM: MR. MAGIC! We’re excited to welcome back the amazing, spellbinding brilliance of Norwich’s own Mr. Magic! You won’t want to miss this spectacular show featuring “The Lit Candle Mystery” – a trick that is known by magician world-wide, but rarely attempted! This is a free family event; audience participation encouraged!

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 24th at 6:00pm – Non-fiction Book Club: Lady in Gold: The Extraordinary Tale of Gustav Klimt’s Masterpiece, Portrait of Adele Bloch-Bauer by Anne-Marie O’Connor. Enjoy reading non-fiction? Stop in for a copy of this month’s read and join us on the 24th for a lively chat.

SATURDAY, APRIL 27th at 11:00am – Kids Craft Saturday: Washer Necklaces/Lanyards
Drop in to design a unique washer necklace for yourself or a special someone. A great idea for Mother’s Day or to share with a friend! Suitable for boys & girls of all ages; registration helpful, but not required.
SPRAGUE SENIOR CENTER

Join us by stopping in or calling Buddy Meadows (Coordinator/Municipal Agent) at 860-822-3000, ext. 203. Buddy can also be reached by email: seniorcenter@ctsprague.org.

Requirement: age 55 and over

Might you be interested in one or all offered: health services, programs, trips, informational presentations, luncheons, and more?

Transportation is available to attend Senior Center lunches, shopping, and senior events as well as medical appointments.

Lunch is served at the Senior Center Monday, Tuesday & Thursday at 11:45 am. Make a lunch reservation by calling Denise Lance at 860-822-3000 ext. 210. On Monday & Tuesday you must be age 60.

TVCCA “Meals on Wheels” program delivers hot meals Monday through Friday. Call the TVCCA Senior Nutrition Program at 860-886-1720.

Chorus – visiting various places with an hour program

Library on premises – either just take a book or exchange for one

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Come in to see what the Center is all about and we encourage recommendations.

Sprague Housing Authority
Shetucket Village Accepting Applications
Requirements: Applicants must be 62 years of age and/or disabled
No Smoking; No Pets Allowed
Please call 860-822-1512 for applications to be sent

Sprague Historical Society
Presents

Terrence Delaney, Ph.D. — A talk on the History of Textile Mill Towns
"From the earliest history of New England, mills played a vital role in the community. In the 19th century, however, growth in manufacturing changed mills from small, local businesses to large-scale operations that defined the town."

April 12, 2019
6:30pm
Grist Mill
76 Main Street, Baltic, CT 06330
Open to the Public/Free Admission/Light Refreshments
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*Note: The menu items listed above are subject to change due to weather conditions or product availability. Please check the website for the most up-to-date menu.*
Sayles Elementary School PTO

Events
Check in Start Time: 8:30am
Start Time: 10:00am

Course
This color walk/run features a designated TIMED 5K course and a 1 mile UNTIMED fun run course. During the race, participants are doused with color at various color stations ending with one final color celebration at the finish line.

Registration
Visit secure.getactivefundraising.com to register and donate online! Please make checks to Sayles School PTO.

Early 5K Registration $20
Early 1 Mile Registration $15
Late Registration/ Day Of $25

The registration fee includes run/walk registration, individual color packet, race bib, and a Color Splash FUNDrun T-shirt!

*Promotional items only guaranteed if you sign up before 04/12/19

Sayles Elementary School PTO Fun Run/Walk Entry Form
Send to Sayles School PTO ATTN: Colleen Caulfield, 25 Scotland Road, Baltic, CT 06330

We are looking for volunteers to assist with the race. (check in, water/refreshment stations, color stations, etc.) If you’re interested in volunteering, please check here

Date: ______________________ Name: ______________________________
Address: __________________________________________________________
City: ______________________ State: ___________ Zip: _______________
Phone: _____________________ Sex: ______ Age: ______
Email: ______________________

Extra Color Packet: x $4 (payment due with registration / offer ends 04/12/19)
GAF Sunglasses: x $4 (payment due with registration / offer ends 04/12/19)

T-shirt Size: SELECT ONE

YOUTH Small Medium Large
ADULT Small Medium Large XL 2XL 3XL

Signature: ________________________________________________________

Full payment due by 04/12/19 to guarantee a race bib, color packet, and t-shirt!

Note: For the safety of all participants, strollers, skateboards, scooters, and skates of any kind are prohibited in this event. Waiver of Liability: In consideration of my entry being accepted, I waive any and all claims for myself, my administrators, and my heirs against all officials, sponsors, and organizations connected with the getactivefundraising Fun Run/Walk for injury or illness that may directly or indirectly result from my participation in this event. Please note color may stain, dress accordingly. I agree that Get Active Fundraising, LLC may use photographs of me taken at the event for any lawful purpose including publicity, illustration advertising, and web/social content. I attest that I have full knowledge of the risks involved in this event, and am physically fit and sufficiently trained to participate in this event.
Sprague Parks and Rec Commission Presents

Annual

Egg Hunt

Bring your basket and be ready to collect from the thousands of eggs spread across Sayles School grounds. Don’t be late! It only takes a few minutes for the eggs to disappear! Cub Scouts Pack 19 of Baltic will be organizing your donations of non-perishable food items or toiletries for our Community Food Bank. Drop off your donations and support their Pack with a purchase from their Bake Sale!

Where: Sayles School
When: April 20th, 2019
Breakfast: 9:00 – 10:45
Egg Hunt: 11:00

Arrive early to enjoy Breakfast with the Easter Bunny hosted by Sayles School PTO. Enjoy a breakfast and snap a photo with the bunny. Details can be viewed in the Digital Backpack on saylesschool.org.

For questions call Barbara 860-822-3000 x 201

Spaghetti Dinner

Fund Raiser for the female combat soldier statue addition to the Baltic Veterans Memorial Park

Co-Sponsored by American Legion
Post 85 and Sprague Rod & Gun Club

Friday, April 26, 2019 – 4:30 PM to 6:30 PM

$10.00 per person, tickets available at the door. $5.00 Children under 12 years of age.

Dinner held at Sprague Rod and Gun Club

Meal includes meatballs with sauce, mixed veggie, salad, garlic bread, dessert, and coffee.

(Other beverages available at bar & Meals are available for take-out)

Contact Andy Trudelle after 5:00 PM at 860-822-8991 for tickets or questions.
Ads must be pre-purchased at rates of: Business Card $21; Double Business Card $40; Half Page $70; Full Page $100. Purchase 11 months and receive the 12th month free. All payments for ads are made in the Town Clerk’s Office at Town Hall. All payments must be made prior to the submission deadline. All ads must be emailed to the editor by the 15th of the month @ Spragueourtownnewsletter@gmail.com

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HASTEDT BROS. LLC
ASPHALT PAVING
860.848.0545
Baltic CT

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Email: estimates@hastedtbrothers.com   Web: www.hastedtbrothers.com

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### BUS SCHEDULE FROM SPRAGUE TO OCCUM

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<th>Points of Departure to Occum</th>
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<td>Shetucket Village</td>
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<td>Playground Brookside &amp; High Street</td>
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<td>TJ’s Parking Lot</td>
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<td>Arrive Occum- SEAT Connection Site</td>
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<td>Red McKeon Park, Hooper St. &amp; Rte. 97</td>
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<td>Red McKeon Park, Hooper St. &amp; Rte. 97 (stop as needed for return trip)</td>
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Express Return to Senior Center 2:15pm

Times are approximate and may vary several minutes earlier or later. Service runs Monday through Thursday except for holidays. For more information call Buddy Meadows, Sprague Senior Center Coordinator at 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 schedule visit [www.seatbus.com](http://www.seatbus.com). **Winter Weather Schedule:** The bus will follow the school closure schedule during the winter. Watch early morning television on Channel 3, 8 or 30 for closures.

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**Ride the Shetucket River**

Ride the Shetucket returns for another season in May. A major change carried over from last year is the addition of another shuttle day. Because of the unpredictability of water levels, shuttle service is now available the last **TWO** Saturdays of each month May through September. If you plan to attend, do the following: Check the Town website [www.ctsprague.org](http://www.ctsprague.org) the Thursday before for the most recent trip up-dates. On Saturday, sign-in at River Park, Baltic between 9:00am and noon. Shuttle runs on demand from 10:00am until all registered participants are off the river. There is no charge for shuttle service.

There will be NO water release scheduled thus we will only provide transport when the river is at a level that will naturally provide for easy travel. The ride is 4 miles long and takes approximately 2 hours.

**Dates for 2019 are:** May 18, May 25, June 22, June 29, July 20, July 27, August 24, August 31, September 21, September 28.

Paddlers need to have PFD’s and a distress whistle.

For additional information call Lou Dzialo at 860-237-0544
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<td>1 Inland Wetlands 7 pm, Town Hall</td>
<td>2 American Legion 7 pm, Sprague Rod &amp; Gun Club</td>
<td>3 Garden Club 6:30 pm, Senior Ctr Knights of Columbus 7 pm, Fire House P&amp;Z Comm. 7 pm Town Hall</td>
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<td>5 Free Shred-It Day 9 am to 12 pm Sprague Library Parking Lot</td>
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<td>8 Conserv. &amp; Agric. Comm. Mtg 6 pm, Town Hall</td>
<td>9 Library Bd. Mtg 6:30 pm, Grist Mill</td>
<td>10 Board of Selectmen 5:00 pm, Town Hall BOE, 6 pm Sayles School</td>
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<td>12 History of Textile Mill Towns by Terrence Delaney, PHD 6:30 pm Grist Mill</td>
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<td>14</td>
<td>15</td>
<td>Deadline for all OUR TOWN submissions</td>
<td>16 Tax Day</td>
<td>17 Water &amp; Sewer Authority, 4 pm, Town Hall</td>
<td>18 Board of Finance 7 pm, Town Hall Recreation Comm. 8 pm, Town Hall</td>
<td>19 Good Friday</td>
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<td>21</td>
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<td>Historical Society Mtg, 6:30 pm, Museum</td>
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<td>24 Senior Smilers Mtg 1 pm, Senior Ctr.</td>
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<td>26 Spaghetti Dinner American Legion 4:30pm to 6:30pm Rod &amp; Gun Club</td>
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<td>Color Splash Fun Run Check in: 8:30am Start Time: 10am Sayles School</td>
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<td>27 Earth Market 8:30am – 12:30pm River Park Our Town Collating, 10 am Town Hall Chicken Barbecue 4:30pm to 6:30pm Hanover Parish House</td>
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Note from the Editor: Elizabeth Calderon

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