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Fall 2018

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- **THERE IS A \$10.00 PER ENTRY REGISTRATION FEE.**
- **YOU MAY ENTER MORE THAN ONE FLOAT.**
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- **FLOATS ARE ALLOWED TO BE EQUIPPED WITH MUSIC.**
- **FLOAT HEIGHT LIMITED TO 12 FEET.**
- **THERE WILL BE A REVIEWING STAND AT TOWN HALL.**
- **JUDGES WILL AWARD PLAQUES TO TOP FLOATS IN EACH CATEGORY.**
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Coming Events

A Patriotic Salute

November 4th
Richard H. Smith Town Hall Auditorium
3:00pm
(See Page 10)

Jams For Cans

Saturday November 10, 2018
Deep River Ambulance Hall
5:30 - 10:30pm
(See Page 5)

Veteran's Day Parade

Sunday, November 11, 2018
1:00pm
(See Page 10)

Stuff the Cruiser

Saturday, November 17th
Adams Hometown Market
10:00am - 2:00pm

Holiday Stroll

Saturday, December 8th
Main Street
5:00pm - 8:00pm



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News from the Selectman's Office

Introduction

When I selected the topic for this essay, I had no inkling of the complications I would encounter, or of the time and effort involved. In the process we have stretched the definition of "Deadline" beyond recognition. If there is a lesson to be learned, it is that change—or rather the effects of change—cannot be taken lightly.

"The pessimist complains about the wind;
The optimist expects it will change;
The realist adjusts his sails."

William Arthur Ward, American writer

'Change' – Part I : Preface

William Arthur Ward (1921-1994) is best known as the prolific author of inspirational maxims. He couches his messages simply and gently, Ward's presentation allows us to credit ourselves with having discovered the moral, so cleverly hidden within. These brief, artfully composed life lessons propose the existence of a life unfettered by the chains of pessimism, and the promise of a level of certainty that would obviate the need for optimism. Perhaps the true message of Ward's words is simply this: Paradise (realistically speaking) will continue to elude us, despite the promise of William Ward.

It was the word 'change' that first led me to choose Ward's homily as my introduction. His context differs from mine, but William Ward's essay offers a subtle lesson in civility. Rather than admonishing and shaming the weaker among us, Ward's clever use of the third person effectively places us on common ground. Inclusion, as opposed to punishment.

'Change' – Part II : Definitions

The online dictionary offers just two definitions, one used as a verb (to make or become different) one as a noun (an alteration or modification). The editors have been equally parsimonious in doling out synonyms: of the ten in their compilation, half begin with "re-:" "re-build, re-construct, re-fashion, re-make, re-style". Then there are "adapt, convert, make over, modify and transform."

The word itself seems unalterably basic, seemingly immune from interpretation and so devoid of nuance that it is most easily defined in terms of itself. As illustration, I offer the following dialogue, in which you play the aptly-named YOU. I have been assigned the role of the bumbling WE:

YOU (demandingly): "Define the word 'change!'"

WE (totally flummoxed): "Change? Well.....you know,

CHANGE."

YOU (pressing harder): "Can't you do better than that?"

WE (stuttering): "Aw, sh-sh-shucks."

YOU (the tone of your voice now one of encouragement): "Come on, you can get this."

WE (humiliated, barely able to speak:) kayoed, our self-image on the canvas, approaching the count of ten. Then, suddenly, as though from nowhere, the answer, with a triumphant cry, WE blurt: "Eureka! WE have it!" "Change' means 'different,'" "Like when something is not the same," we assert breathlessly.

'Change' – Part III : No More Dilly-Dallying

Taunted by my computer's screen saver, benumbed by the endless procession of too-gorgeous-to-be-true photographs that slide temptingly across the screen, I await the flash of inspiration that will energize my hands and, at long last, send my fingers flying across the keyboard. Then, having barely managed to skirt the periphery of my intended theme, on the verge of admitting my utter failure to communicate...at just that moment, the softest of zephyrs brushed my cheek. Then, in the faintest of whispers, I heard, "remember, the realist adjusts the sails." My Muse, in the form of William Arthur Ward, had arrived.

'Change' – Part IV : Reflections

The change of seasons never ceases to offer insight into our inescapable closeness to Nature. The transition from spring to summer, even when accompanied by unseasonable weather, symbolizes growth and progress in so many different ways. Seeds grow into plants, chicks soon become birds, and students of every age move to the next level of their education.

This spring I was fortunate to attend three graduations, to observe three groups, widely separated in age, yet remarkably similar in the pride their accomplishments engendered. At each ceremony I found myself swept up in the moment, in the joy shared by all—children and parents, friends, aunts and uncles, cousins—a gathering of families brought together to form an impromptu, overarching Family.

First up was the Elementary School DARE graduation. The combined efforts of DRES Principal Christian Strickland, Resident Trooper Dawn Taylor and Trooper Kate Cummings are committed to keeping the content relevant by updating a program that teaches our young students to

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recognize the frighteningly real dangers drugs present, and the serious ramifications of drug abuse. They also address the temptations posed by the internet, the futility of lives governed by violence and the life-altering effects of bullying.

We are all aware of these and other issues that confront our nation. Deep River is no exception, but I remain convinced that education is the first step toward stemming the tide, and confident that through our continuing efforts we may hope to reverse the trend. It was gratifying to see all three sixth grade classes proudly accept their DARE certificates and pledge to stay on the path to responsible adulthood.

Next came the DRES graduation, a ceremony that filled our Town Hall Auditorium with well-wishers. While the ceremony itself was fittingly formal, the rehearsal time was more fun for me. I was able to see the students off camera, so to speak, relaxed as they waited their turn to go upstairs to practice. What a great group of kids moving on to John Winthrop.

The graduation season culminated at Valley, on a gorgeous, sunny afternoon, an absolutely perfect setting. As the (former) students delivered their addresses, I marveled at the sophistication of these youngsters (how to describe them? No longer children, yet not fully mature—young adults will have to suffice). Were we so gifted at their age? Or, turned around, has this generation had time enough to play, time enough to be kids? Then, setting aside my urge to philosophize, I joined the throng as we applauded our students. As we did all those many years ago, they will move forward and aim toward realizing their ambitions. They have had as good a start as we could offer. Most will leave us, for a while, at least. We anticipate their return, filled with the wisdom gained as they confronted the World, prepared to rejoin their Town, and, as have their parents, press forward. Congratulations! Bon Chance!

'Change' – Part V: The Implications

Is change positive? Is change negative? Some folk encourage and welcome change. Others view change negatively, an unwelcome challenge to daily routines or a jarring alteration to their otherwise stable and familiar surroundings. But for all of us, change is inevitable. We live in a community that enjoys the majesty of the Connecticut River, the primal beauty of Cockaponset State Forest, Canfield Woods and other conservation retreats, the peace of our churches and the unabashedly small-town excitement generated when we celebrate the Muster and Family Day.

All are so familiar that we may not notice year-to-year dif-

ferences—most of them slight. If our inclination is to keep track of such things, we may notice the addition of a shed here, a swimming pool there. Or friends from a subdivision across town express their angst as the last undeveloped lot begins to sprout a new house. Instead of Nature's unkempt greenery, they'll see the geometric patterns that denote Man's presence. On the plus side, in an older neighborhood, the new owners of a long-neglected antique are lovingly restoring their new-found treasure. Yes, change is all around us, on a daily basis. The same is true of our Downtown. I have become accustomed to our Main Street, so much so that I sometimes forget that it was not always as picturesque as it is now. Here some change is acceptable. We expect a flourishing retail center to cater to the trends of the period.

'Change' – Part VI (a): Incremental

If only we had installed stop-action cameras wherever we felt a need to document changes. Set the shutter to click once a week, wait a year, then watch the 52-frame movie. Or wait five years, or ten, or.....We would be surprised—perhaps amazed—at the myriad minor modifications during a single year. Wishful thinking, I'm afraid. We'll make do as we have, adding postcards to our album and begging for access to photographic libraries—any records that help tell Deep River's story.

'Change' – Part VII (b): Dramatic

In 1957, the grandly christened Deep River Plaza (known locally simply as The Shopping Center) unalterably changed the face of Downtown. In all likelihood it saved Deep River. At the expense of a few 18th and 19th Century homes and outbuildings, the modern marvel served as the anchor for the retail blocks to the north, and thus ensured that Main Street would continue to flourish.

But not forever. By the late 1980s the end had come to the once-respected chain of First National Stores. Our FINAST, the entire strip mall, had long since lost its luster, and Main Street's shopkeepers had come upon hard times. Deep River was in dire need of another savior.

Witnesses to the evolution initiated by the arrival of Adams will recall the excitement of the time. Adams, as the FINAST of three decades earlier had done, saved Main Street—again. But this time there was more. The transformation had attracted outside interest. While Adams had been almost universally welcomed, the prospect of a boxy pharmacy in the center of town was viewed by many with a jaundiced eye. And Cumberland Farms' proposal raised the level from objection to vocal opposition. We debated.

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Could we absorb the newly-generated traffic, or would we suffer from gridlock? Could we convince corporate architects to modify their standard designs so that downtown would not be overwhelmed? These questions, and many, many more, were studied and researched. Answers (sometimes conflicting) were found. But the greatest unknown—at the root of the community's disagreements—were our differing philosophies. Would we lose our “sense of place?” We will reserve that discussion—and an attempt to define “sense of place”—for future issues of the News.

‘Change’ – Part VIII:

Sixty years ago, the block between River to Essex Streets was cleared to make way for Deep River Plaza. How did we react? Were we outraged by the destruction of historic buildings? Or was the prospect of a modern, mid-town retail center, with an endless span of paved off-street parking, just what we needed? We weren't here. If you were, we hope you'll help us add to our knowledge of recent history.

to be continued... ... meanwhile...

“Stasis”

We change direction now, to consider an aspect that has remained the same—our vibrant Downtown. Not so very long ago every small town supported its own Main Street. But then, midway through the 20th Century, freed by the automobile, we discovered the wonders of retail regionalization. Shopping malls were in; Mom and Pop quickly became passé. The reasons we were spared could certainly be the subject of a Masters Thesis, perhaps a Doctorate.

To illuminate the essential role of our entrepreneurs, we present the first in a continuing series of vignettes. In addition to featuring our merchants, we'll introduce you to our less well known industrial component, those firms that inhabit our business parks. You will be surprised at the number of high tech, but often low key enterprises who call Deep River home.

To ensure equality of mention, we will present our subjects in alphabetical order. All, that is, but this introductory entry. In honor of Celebrations' 36th anniversary, we have selected Linda Oakes' and her creation for this issue's entry.

Celebrations opened on September 1, 1982, in the space now occupied by Deep River Pizza. The imaginative displays that showcased her inventorial talents contributed a note of sophistication to the somewhat dowdy Main Street of that era. Linda preferred not to advertise, but to allow potential customers to discover the shop on their own. And so they did, to the extent that, after a scant three years in

business, she was out of space.

Meanwhile, across the street, the Dog House Restaurant was also ready to expand. They moved half a block south (Pizzeria Da Vinci's home since 2005), and Celebrations moved right in. The shop has not moved since, but the roster of personnel has grown. Linda's husband, Ray has been on the staff from the outset (he prefers behind-the-scene chores). Daughters Ali, Stacia and Jenny joined in as soon as they were tall enough to see over the counter. Today, the grandchildren have hired on, the third generation taking their assigned places.

Main Street has caught up with Celebrations. We remain Deep River. Not so much the blue collar town of the 19th and 20th Centuries, but aware of the legacy of the industrialists who prepared our way. We may admit to a soupcon of frills, perhaps a modicum of sophistication, imbued, perhaps by former city dwellers, happily enjoying our more relaxed lifestyle.

We're all familiar with Main Street, but our commercial and industrial businesses? Not so much, although they, too, have expanded. We know that our industrial parks are there, but they are largely unexplored territory. Of particular note, our Business Incubators, the first such municipal program in Connecticut. They have nurtured many successes, some quite spectacular. IPC, Colanar, and Interpro are examples of this successful environment and the changes that have resulted. We will introduce these and many others, in future issues of the News.

The more things change the more they stay the same

We are sad to announce the following changes in town personnel, but happy for each individual and wish them only success in their future endeavors:

Lisa Bibbiani, who has occupied the Tax Collector's office over the past ten years has decided to move on to greener pastures. We are grateful to Lisa for her efforts for the Town, and hopeful that while she is no longer working in the Town Hall, her commitment to our community will continue. Lisa's departure was abrupt, and her efforts to help with the transition are appreciated. We would be remiss if we didn't acknowledge the generosity of our neighboring towns of Chester, by allowing for their current tax collector and our past assistant tax collector Madeline Meyer together with East Haddam's assistant tax collector, Tracy Thompson, both of whom helped us keep the office open until the Board of Selectmen was able to appoint Kate Cryder as our new Tax Collector. Many of you will have met

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Kate around town, and if not, will have the opportunity to meet her at her office in the Town Hall.

Our very own Paul Koritkowski has decided to retire, his last day being June 30. While Paul will no longer be directing traffic and holding court at the transfer station his replacement is a familiar face, Ken Hebert will be there, probably serenading us during his slow times (as if he had any).

And, much to the dismay of seemingly everyone, Adams has made the decision to move Jeff Pringle to their Portland store. Over the years Jeff has become more than just the manager of the store, he has become a part of our community, a friend and brother. I believe that it is through his efforts that Adams Super Food Store became our neighborhood market. Our efforts to convince Adams management that we feel very strongly that the decision was not correct have been met with corporate explanations, excuses really. I think it safe to say that my reaction to the news of Jeff's departure is shared across the community, as demonstrated when Jonathan and I stopped in to wish Jeff a farewell and our 15 - 20 minute conversation was continually broken into by others wishing to do the same. During our conversation in an effort to reassure us, Jeff explained that his replacement, Bill Maffeo, was at one time Jeff's mentor at Adam's. I had the pleasure of meeting the "New Guy," the other day, and Bill understands the shoes he has to fill. I am sure that Deep River will make him feel at home.

"Change is the law of life. And those who look only to the past or present are certain to miss the future."

John F. Kennedy

Angus McDonald
1st Selectman

Jonathan Kastner
Selectman's Assistant



A Benefit Concert for Deep River Food Pantry

Saturday November 10, 2018
5:30 PM to 10:30 PM

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Board and Commission Vacancies

If you are a registered voter and are interested in serving on a Board or Commission, please contact the Selectmen's Office at 860-526-6020. Currently there are vacancies on the following Boards:

Community Health Committee	term to expire 12-01-2018
Community Health Committee	term to expire 12-01-2019
Design Advisory Board	term to expire 12-01-2019
Energy / Sustainability Committee	term to be determined
Energy / Sustainability Committee	term to be determined
Parks & Recreation Commission	term to expire 12-01-2020
Planning & Zoning Commission (alternate)	term to expire 12-01-2019
Town Hall Auditorium Management Committee	term to expire 12-01-2018
Town Hall Auditorium Management Committee	term to expire 12-01-2018
Water Pollution Control Authority	term to expire 12-01-2020

Regional Agencies

Agent for the Elderly
CATV Advisory Council District V
Long Island Sound Council

New Trade Name Filings

Tracy Reichel	Tracy's Makeup Closet	03/06/2018
Jeffrey Merriam & Jill Merriam Dulitsky	JJ Anytime Fitness	03/21/2018
Tanya Lynn Copeland	TLC Craftworks	04/24/2018
SMH Deep River, LLC	Deep River Marina	06/06/2018
Petro, Inc.	Harmony Home Concierge	06/12/2018
Geoffrey W. Wilkes	Avalon Farms of New England LLC	06/15/2018
Mount Saint John, Inc.	Connecticut Transition Academy at Deep River	07/12/2018
James P. Gordon, Jr.	Bydand Point Financial Group	07/17/2018
JJ Anytime Fitness LLC	Anytime Fitness Deep River	07/26/2018
Kimberly Bartolotta	Kundalini Classics	08/08/2018
Medical Aesthetic Nurse Practitioners, LLC	Polished Med Spa	08/16/2018

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Welcome New Residents & Property Owners

Hector & Marcia Gonzalez	52 Glen Grove Road	02/05/2018
Joshua Moretti	58 Cedar Lake Road	02/08/2018
Joshua & Amanda Kallen	126 Essex Street	02/08/2018
Diane Gruenberg	92 Main Street, Unit 408	02/08/2018
Nancy Streeter	120 Warsaw Street	02/12/2018
Twice 138, LLC	138 River Street	02/16/2018
Kan & Linda Tanabe	40 Shailer Pond Road	02/23/2018
Susan Peterson	57 Rosemont Drive	02/23/2018
Carol Blanchard	391 Main Street, Unit 606	02/26/2018
Timothy & Kim Lee	20 Hemlock Drive	02/26/2018
Jared Twomey	166 Cedar Lake Road	03/01/2018
Andrea Oberlander & Susan Kessler	92 Main Street, Unit 208	03/05/2018
Trevor & Tasha Collins	41 Essex Street	04/02/2018
Scott Allen, Jr. & Brigid Sullivan	8 Whittlesey Brook Road	04/05/2018
Samuel Plazak & Lanaya Nelson	11 Union Street	04/13/2018
Joseph & Kelly Piagentini	109 Kelsey Hill Road	04/16/2018
Grace Joan DeFilippo	66 High Street	04/26/2018
Gilda Frances DiPerla	10 Tower Hill Lake Road	04/26/2018
Charles Schillberg	92 Main Street, Unit 411	04/26/2018
Bruce Elfstrom	92 Main Street, Unit 204	04/27/2018
Henry Lane	7 Prospect Street	04/27/2018
Mark & Joy Sponauer	120 Bushy Hill Road	04/30/2018
Richardson & Elizabeth Hendee	335 River Road	05/01/2018
Leah Desario	391 Main Street, Unit 203	05/01/2018
Sara, Andrew S. & Andrew R. Katsanis	391 Main Street, Unit 205	05/07/2018
Jonathan C. Knox	57 Main Street	05/10/2018
John Dealba & Ivan Perron	125 Kirtland Street	05/10/2018
Craig & Susan McKnight	381 River Road	05/14/2018
Tijae Silva & Joseph Pelletier	308 West Elm Street	05/16/2018
Anthony, Jr. & Lee Ann Kornacki	92 Main Street, Unit 103	05/23/2018
Matthew H. Johnson	357 Main Street	05/30/2018
Jonathan Reilly	288 River Road	06/11/2018
Matthew R. Herman	23 Belmont Avenue	06/12/2018
Christopher R. Reedich	30 Sylvan Terrace	06/28/2018
Joseph Boroski	15 Maritone Lane	06/29/2018
Richard P. Campbell	26 Fairview Avenue	07/02/2018
Thomas & Diana Feiner	36 Melody Ridge Road	07/02/2018
Conal & Emily Anne Sampson	1 Mitchell Lane	07/02/2018
Kimberly Shea	92 Main Street, Unit 106	07/02/2018
Jessica Schreck & Nicholas Rioux	45 Kirtland Street	07/03/2018
Cari Kruzel-Boxwell & Wesley Boxwell	138 West Bridge Street	07/09/2018
Bassam Awwa	114 River Road	07/17/2018
Kelly Schulz	328 Main Street	07/18/2018
Thomas & Kerstin Lindner	26 Elm Street	07/30/2018
Angela & John Tressel	73 Falls Landing	07/31/2018
Christopher & Virginia Brestelli	585 Winthrop Road	07/31/2018
Scott & Sara Conner	189 River Road	08/02/2018
Richard J. Resnick & Molly E. Flueckiger	92 Main Street, Unit 206	08/06/2018
Anita L. Darin	94 Lords Lane	08/20/2018
Robert & Elizabeth Cutrofello	73 Long Hill Road	08/23/2018

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Marriages

Julian A. Friedland & Cheryl L. Tollefson	04/10/2018
Erik B. Halvorsen & Alexia L. Blize	04/20/2018
Patrick J. Mellon & Mindy A. Gold	04/28/2018
Stephen J. Fedorko & Stephanie M. Hawley	05/05/2018
Christopher M. Hall & Kayla R. Thibeault	05/18/2018
Bryan Constantine & Nicole M. Daigle	05/19/2018
Kyle J. Kelsey & Elizabeth A. Gronbach	05/19/2018
Paul G. Allen & Melanie D. Magetteri	05/20/2018
Brent T. Patenge & Erin F. Guzowski	05/26/2018
Anna E. Giordano & Jennifer E. Langan	06/01/2018
Jeffrey W. Fluet & Brittany M. Liebenthal	06/08/2018
Frank E. Larson, III & Randa C. Netsch	06/09/2018
Peter J. Rynkowski & Heather M. Reznik	06/15/2018
Stephen J. Sapienza & Jacquelyn N. Smith	06/15/2018
Douglas H. Ball & Jennifer M. Connell	06/21/2018
Glenn E. Mayrose & Tracy A. Depascale	06/22/2018
Anthony J. Guidarelli & Emma M. Leeds	06/23/2018
Jeffrey T. Rizzo & Jonathan Garcia	06/29/2018
James T. King, III & Ashley B. Sjolund	06/30/2018
Austin W. Wolgemuth & Katherine A. Fritzeen	07/01/2018
Nicholas A. Shkutzko & Amy L. Babek	07/07/2018
Erik M. Sperl & Francesca M. Grasso	07/13/2018
Justin R. Sajda & Emily J. Sharoh	07/15/2018
Michael E. Goltzman & Lindsay A. Robbins	07/28/2018
Devon L. Neal & Chloe E. Zanardi	07/28/2018
Joshua R. Mislick & Jennifer N. Saglio	07/28/2018
Joshua G. Knowlton & Chelbi A. Wade	08/03/2018
Nathan A. Martin & Maria A. Marchese	08/03/2018
Evan G. Schmidt & Joanna M. Silverstein	08/04/2018
Ryan R. Barrows & Emily R. Rebecki	08/10/2018
Alexander C. Groski & Aimee M. Schuchmann	08/11/2018
Brian J. Zupan & Ashley C. Weaver	08/18/2018
Thomas W. Daniels & Jennifer N. McDonald	08/25/2018

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Passings

George M. Molesky, Jr.	10 Prospect Street	02/24/2018
Audrey C. Taber	85 Bokum Road	03/04/2018
Tracey R. McCarthy	66 Spring Street	03/09/2018
Rachel Eden Peperni	47 Hemlock Drive	03/12/2018
Todd R. Kruszewski	40 River Street	03/16/2018
Barbara Rankin	52 Long Hill Road	04/24/2018
Teresa A. LaMark	391 Main Street, #504	04/26/2018
Lillian M. Pandiani	371 West Elm Street	05/23/2018
Robert C. Rankin	52 Long Hill Road	05/27/2018
Larry M. Weise	51 Whittlesey Brook Road	06/02/2018
Stella H. Synfelt aka Faulkner	281 Cedar Swamp Road	06/11/2018
Gertrude D. Field	61 Cedar Swamp Road	06/24/2018
John J. Smart	10 Prospect Street	06/27/2018
Dorothy Dickinson	42 Hemlock Drive	07/22/2018

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Assessor's Office

Important News and Application Deadlines:

Additional Veteran's Exemption - The filing period for this program runs from February 1, 2018 through October 1, 2018. To qualify for the Additional Veteran's Exemption, state mandated income requirements must be met.

If you own property and are totally disabled and/or blind, you are entitled to an exemption. To receive this exemption, criteria must be met and an application completed on the prescribed form needs to be filed with our office by October 1, 2018 for the 2018 Grand List.

Income requirements and additional information can be found on the website at www.deepriverct.us or call the Assessor's office at 860-526-6029. Please contact our office to schedule an appointment if you wish to apply for any of the above programs or if you have any questions regarding the requirements.

Active Members of the U.S. Armed Forces - Any active member of the United States Armed Forces Discharge papers (DD214) must file with the Town Clerk's office on or before October 1, 2018. Those veterans who have already recorded their DD214 do not need to file again.

Farm or Forest Use Program - New applications are available for property owners claiming land as Farming or Forest use. The forms need to be filed with the Assessor before October 31, 2018. A working income bearing farm is necessary to be considered for the Farm Program. To be considered for the Forestry Program, a minimum of 25 acres, not including the home site, is required and property owners must have a certificate from the Forestry Department dated on or before October 1, 2018. Please stop in the Assessor's Office to receive guidelines and applications for both programs.

Town of Deep River Business Owners

Trade Name Certificates - According to the Connecticut General State Statutes under section 35-1, no person or persons shall conduct or transact business under any name other than the real name of

the person or persons conducting business in the Town of Deep River unless a Trade Name Certificate has been filed in the office of the Town Clerk.

Business Personal Property Declarations - Personal Property Declarations were mailed on September 21, 2018, to all existing accounts. Notice is hereby given to all persons liable to pay Personal Property taxes in the Town of Deep River that they must return to the Assessor's office, on or before the first day of November 2018, their personal property list (declaration). Failure to declare will force the Assessor to apply an arbitrary assessment and a 25% penalty.

Personal property declaration should include all furniture, fixtures, equipment and machinery of all commercial and industrial businesses; unregistered motor vehicles, snowmobiles, farm machinery and horses. Manufacturing Machinery Exemption Applications must also be filed at this time. Anyone not receiving a personal property declaration should contact the Assessor's office. Even though a declaration was not received, it does not preclude you from filing. If you are a resident business in the Town of Deep River it is your responsibility according to Connecticut State Statutes to file one.

If you have received a personal property declaration and will not be conducting any business in Deep River as of October 1, 2018 you must complete the Affidavit on the front page of the declaration and return it to the Assessor's office prior to November 1, 2018. This signed affidavit is mandatory as proof to allow the Assessor to remove you from the 2018 Grand List. If the documentation is not received, the Assessor must estimate the assessment and apply a 25% penalty.

Reporting Address Changes

Please report your address change to EITHER the Assessor's or Tax Collector's Office for real estate and personal property accounts.

It is important that our records are updated with the most current address to insure that you are receiving all proper notifications. Please note that address changes for registered motor vehicles must be changed with DMV.

Assessor's Office, cont.

Do you no longer own a Motor Vehicle?

Two forms of proof are required to remove or prorate a vehicle if you have not transferred the plates:

The first form of proof is a plate receipt from the Department of Motor Vehicle (DMV) indicating that the registration has been cancelled, lost or stolen.

The second form of proof must contain information pertaining to how the vehicle was disposed of.

All documentation must be dated and include the vehicle's identification number (VIN). Acceptable forms of proof are also available at the Assessor's Office or on the website.

Please Note: If you transferred your registration to another vehicle, you do not need to do anything. As long as you transfer the plate you will receive a credit for the removed vehicle when you are assessed for the new vehicle.

All information can also be found on our website in the Assessor's Section at www.deepriverct.us

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The 2018 summer sailing season has been quite frustrating with a lot of very light wind requiring the utmost in sailing patience. When the temperature is in the nineties, the gnats are flying, and your boat just sits in the middle of the pond, Mother Nature becomes the winner. It's very convenient to have a canoe or kayak on hand.

Finally, fall has arrived and with it comes the best sailing conditions of the year and the most sailors on the pond. It also is the season where we hold our Fall Racing series—a very popular event. There are a total of 8 weeks of racing. Participants in the series get to choose their four best weeks of sailing and the points earned go toward their final score. For every day one sails, a bonus participation point is awarded. This has proven to be a great way to get lots of boats on the pond.

Winter sailing does occur on a much smaller scale if two conditions are met. First, there can be no ice on the pond. Secondly, the temperature has to be in excess of 38 degrees. Yes, there really are people who will sail any time of the year!

The Dry Pants Model Yacht Club is one of the leading model sailing clubs in the USA. The type of boat we race is the CR-914—a one design 36" class. Our members compete all over the country and we are proud to have had two National Champions.

We welcome new members. We are happy to help develop your sailing skills. For information about the DPMYC, check out our website: www.DPMYC.com or call Jim Godsmann@ 860-767-5052.

Jim Godsmann

Deep River Elementary School PTO

The DRES PTO Needs Your Support!

Over the years, the DRES PTO has purchased: classroom air-conditioners, musical instruments, court yard picnic tables, and provide funds to cover transportation expenses for field trips, science assemblies and other educational items. This year, we are working to raise money for more field trips, STEM Day and Day of the Arts live performances and to replace some of the library furniture.

There are many ways for you to help:

Monetary donations are tax deductible and can be sent directly to the school (payable to DRES PTO). We will provide a donation receipt letter with the PTO's tax exempt ID number for your records. Direct donations go straight to PTO initiatives and are greatly appreciated!

Adams IGA Community Rewards Program - When you shop at Adams with your Adams Rewards card, the DRES PTO will earn money through the Community Rewards program.

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4. Under "Community Rewards" choose DEEP RIVER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL-PTO

A+ School Rewards Program - Shop at Stop & Shop and earn cash for DRES when you use your rewards card! The PTO has added the Stop & Shop Reward Program to our fundraising. Visit stopandshop.com and select SIGN IN at the top right to log into your online account. Once logged in, select MY ACCOUNT => MANAGE MY ACCOUNT => REWARDS & SAVINGS and choose Deep River Elementary School.

AmazonSmile - Please remember when you shop using AmazonSmile, 0.5% will be donated to DRES PTO. The AmazonSmile Foundation is a private 501(c)(3) foundation created by Amazon to administer the AmazonSmile program. If you shop on [http://smile](http://smile.amazon.com/).

amazon.com/ and choose Deep River Elementary School PTO Inc as your charity, then 0.5% of the price of your AmazonSmile purchases is donated to DRES PTO.

Box Tops For Education - Box Tops offers three easy ways to earn cash for our school through everyday activities such as buying groceries, shopping online and purchasing books. One of the easiest ways you can help is to sign up to support DRES at www.btfe.com. You will learn about new and easy ways to help our school earn the extra cash it needs. Please clip the Box Tops from your groceries and turn them into the school.

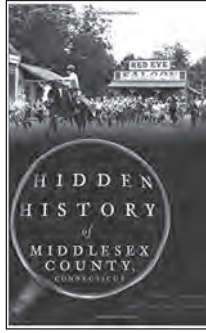
Recycling Program - This program is FREE and provides a convenient location for collecting laser & inkjet printer cartridges, used cell phones, iPods, laptops, digital cameras, GPS devices and media (CDs, DVDs/Blu-rays, video games) while raising funds for DRES. You can drop off your items in the collection bin outside the DRES main office whenever it is convenient for you.

PTO membership is open to all parents and guardians of all DRES students and DRES staff. All are welcome to attend PTO meetings to find out more about our activities. If you are interested volunteering or if you have any suggestions for new activities, please email us at drespto@gmail.com or drop a note in the PTO mailbox in the DRES teachers' lounge. We will be updating the DRES PTO Facebook page regularly. Please check there for more information about DRES PTO activities in the future. Thank you for your support!

The mission of the Deep River Elementary School (DRES PTO) is to support excellence in education by promoting closer ties and communication among parents, faculty, administration, and the Board of Education. Our goal is to provide curriculum and social enrichment activities for all DRES students as well as support to the administration, faculty, and staff throughout the academic year.

Deep River Historical Society

We are co-sponsoring a program with the Deep River Library called "Hidden Histories of Middlesex County" featuring the local authors Robert and Kathleen Hubbard. Date is Tuesday, Oct. 9, 7:00pm at the Carriage House. They will present slides and discuss their research, which included not only Deep River but the other 14 towns of Middlesex County. Lots to be learned about our area.



November 11, 2018 will mark the 100th anniversary of Armistice Day and 100 years of men and women answering the call to serve their country. We would like to reflect on Richard W. Ibell who lived in our town on Elm Street. Richard enlisted in 1914 and arrived in France in July of 1918. Shortly after his arrival there, the camp was bombarded and his tent was shelled. He contracted pneumonia and died on October 24, 1918 just 18 days before the armistice was signed. The Deep River American Legion Post #61 was established in 1919 and named after Richard W. Ibell. Later, Clarence W. Jacobson's name was added to the name of the Legion Post. He enlisted in the National Guard in 1917 and served as a private involved in action in France. He was killed in action on July 22, 1918. Lost but not forgotten, these are just two of the many who served their country and lost their lives protecting the freedom we enjoy today. Photo is of Richard W. Ibell. Photo unavailable of Clarence W. Jacobson at this time.



Please come and honor them and others when we hold a Patriotic Salute at the Richard H. Smith Town Hall on November 4th at 3:00 pm. This program is co-sponsored with the Historical Societies of Chester, Deep River and Essex. This will be a video and musical program featuring the Corinthian Jazz Band and is free to the public. Light refreshments will be served

In preparation for the program we are asking veterans, of any of the wars, and/or their families to submit a photograph in uniform to be incorporated into this program. Digital images can be sent to our curator Rhonda Forristall at rcforristall@gmail.com or call Rhonda at 860-526-5086 to arrange a time to drop off your photos. All photos will be returned.

We also look forward to seeing you when you come out on Sunday, November 11th at 1:00 pm to honor all our veterans at the Tri-Town Veterans Day Parade held in Deep River.

The Stone House will be open for extended seasonal hours for "Feast on History", Nov. 23 & 24 from 10-2. This allows a post Thanksgiving visit possible for family activities.

Plans are already being discussed on the Sixth Annual Festival of Trees in early December. As in the past, several organizations and businesses sponsored their trees in both the Carriage and Stone House. More details will be published at a later date on the specifics.



We have been working with a professional museum consultant, Brenda Milkofsky, on our goals and design for a new look in our largest display room upstairs in the Munson Room at the Stone House. This is a work in progress and will take time, energy, volunteer support, and additional finances to complete. The displays will be refreshed with a new appearance and more interactive.

The Deep River Library has passed along to the Stone House, the microfiche of the past issues of the Deep River New Era publications. This equipment is available by appointment for viewing and research. Contact Rhonda Forristall for appointment. This was done several years ago with the help from a grant.

The rental of the Carriage House has continued to help with our finances, as it gets recognized as a great place to hold your function at a reasonable cost. The Carriage House has heat, air-conditioning and now provides Wi-Fi also. Keep us in mind for any future use you may be involved with. All the details can be seen on our website www.deepriverhistoricalsociety.org

As always, we welcome and encourage new members to learn more about the history that surrounds them. Donating to our membership, or separately in the form of contributions, will help us achieve and maintain our goals for the year and future. More information is available on our website. You will also see our postings on both Facebook pages for the Society and Deep River Diaries. Any questions you can e-mail us at: info@deepriverhistoricalsociety.org or contact us on our phone number 860-526-1449 or visit our website: www.deepriverhistoricalsociety.org

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You can have your water tested at any state certified laboratory to test drinking water. Make sure the private lab is certified to test drinking water for the contaminants you are requesting. If you collect the samples yourself, ask the laboratory for sample instructions and follow them carefully. Always keep a record of all your water test results for reference. The list of CT approved drinking water laboratories is available at: <https://portal.ct.gov/DPH/Drinking-Water/DWS/Certified-Testing-Laboratories>. The laboratories can recommend the best possible testing parameters based on your current situation. At the very least existing wells should test for the basic indicators that are required when a new well is constructed. This would include: Total Coliform Bacteria, Nitrate-Nitrogen, pH, Odor, Chloride, Hardness, Apparent Color, Sulfate, Turbidity, Iron and Manganese.

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The Deep River Junior Ancient Fife and Drum Corps participated in a Statewide advertisement campaign with other Ct. Junior Corps.

In order to promote interest in joining a Junior Fife and Drum Corps, the remaining Ct. Junior Corps have come together to advertise their respective Corps. With so many different activities offered to children, it has become increasingly difficult to keep a Corps on the street and performing.

Deep River Juniors is extremely fortunate to have three of the best instructors available. Jason Mali- music teacher by trade, is fife instructor, Terry Malcarne former Ct. State Champion, is snare instructor and Aaron Beard- former North Eastern Champion is the bass instructor.

DRJA has a rich history dating back to it's origins in 1955. To name but a few highlights, the Corps has performed ; Texas State Fair, Royal Albert Hall, London, Boston Pops at Symphony Hall in Boston, Tanglewood and in a PBS special with John Denver, all under direction of the amazing conductor John Williams, London's Millennium parade, Central Methodist Hall, London, Arts and Ideas, the New Haven Symphony and they performed at Lincoln Center during their summer outdoor concert series as well as numerous parades and performances throughout the northeast.

Instruction in music from the Revolutionary era to present is taught, along with military bearing (marching skills.) Any children 8 yrs.-21 yrs., interested in joining this wonderful Deep River tradition, is welcome to show up 6:30 , any Thursday night practice, at DRES, visit WWW.drja.org or by calling 860-526-5434.

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Deep River Congregational Church

You are invited to join us for worship on Sundays at 8:30 or 10:00 a.m. The 8:30 service offers a more intimate time to gather to worship and praise God, while the 10:00 service is a Traditional Service, with Choir and Children's Sermon in addition to the weekly sermon. Sunday School meets during 10:00 worship. Communion is celebrated on the first Sunday of each month.

Also, on the third Wednesday of each month, there will be a Service of Peace and Healing at 7:00 p.m.

The Summer of 2018 was a busy one for our congregation.

- The annual children's summer program, Summer Faith Adventures, was held at the end of June. This year's theme was SHIPWRECKED: RESCUED BY JESUS. The program was led by Sybil Higgins, Director of Christian Education.
- This year's Youth Mission Trip, July 21 – 28 took our young people to Tarboro, NC. The group of 27 people, led by Chelsea Chiappa, our Director of Youth & Family Ministry worked as a team to help rebuild homes destroyed by Hurricane Matthew.
- In early August, 27 men of the church traveled to Harriman Outdoor Center/Harriman, NY for their annual Retreat/Hiking Weekend.
- On August 17 & 18th, we held our annual Flea Market and Rummage Sale. Fortunately, we only had a small rain shower early on and had a very productive and successful day. The spirit of fellowship of our church family and friends made it a very special day.
- On Sunday, September 9th, we returned to our normal worship schedule, with two services: one at 8:30 a.m. and the second at 10:00 a.m. It was the first day of Sunday School (10:00 service) and as a special "kick-off" event, our Welcome Back Carnival was held immediately following the church service.

You are invited to attend any or all of our upcoming church events:

The month of December is an especially busy time for our congregation and offers many opportunities for members of the community to join us as we celebrate the Christmas season. Begin the month by attending

our 52nd annual "Ye Olde English Christmas Faire" weekend. To order tickets for the Dessert by Candlelight or Festival of Music Concert, call (526-5045) or stop in at the church office, which is open Monday – Friday, 9:00 – 2:00.

- Friday, November 30th ~ Dessert by Candlelight ~ Two Seatings: 6:00 & 7:30 p.m. Enjoy our gourmet desserts & coffee/tea ~ \$5.00
- Saturday, December 1st ~ Ye Olde English Christmas Faire, 8:30 a.m.-2:00 p.m. Stroll among decorated booths with unique gifts and baskets filled with surprises; home baked pies, cakes and sweets; knitted and crocheted items; toys & games for the children; and of course photos with Santa. Stop by the Country Kitchen and take home seafood bisque, chili or a fresh-made loaf of bread. Be sure to visit the Reindeer Restaurant for a light lunch or snack.
- Sunday, December 2nd ~ Festival of Christmas Music, 3:00 p.m. featuring Pianist, Bill Groth followed by a reception hosted by Adult Fellowship. Tickets: \$10.00, Children under 6: Free

Other December services and events:

- Sunday, December 9th ~ Las Posadas Parade, 1:00 p.m. Deep River Congregational Church will sponsor a Christmas Procession down the Main Street of town. It will be led by Mary and Joseph and their donkey in the style of the 400-year-old Mexican tradition. Meet at the Deep River Public Library to begin.
- Sunday, December 23rd ~ Festival of Music Worship Service, 10:00 a.m. Our church's Senior and Junior Choirs and our Chancel Handbell Choirs will present the gift of a Service of Music for Christmas. The church will be decorated with poinsettias given in memory and celebration of loved ones. A special coffee hour will be held after worship in Fellowship Hall.
- Monday, December 24th ~ Christmas Eve Pageant, 5:30 p.m. On Christmas Eve for over 70 years, young people from the Deep River Congregational Church have performed the nativity pageant, "Thy Light Is Come." Costumed shepherds, angels, and wise men have sung carols and told the Christmas story as envisioned by the late Rev. Walter Euston, former minister of the church.
- Monday, December 24th ~ Candlelight Commu-

Deep River Congregational Church

nion Service, 11:00 p.m. During the service we share in Communion in the front of the church. The celebration closes as we light individual candles and sing "Silent Night" together.

- Sunday, December 30th ~ Family Worship Service with a special Christmas story by Rev. Timothy Haut, 10:00 a.m. (no 8:30 service)

Please check our church website, www.deeprivercc.org for more information about our church. You may also contact the church office at 860-526-5045 or email: office.drcc@snet.net.



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Deep River Public Library



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his rocking juggling act, learned what lives in rock walls with DPNC, and got crafty in the Children's Garden, just to name a few! And best of all...the children and teens in our reading program read more than 1000 books! We thank our sponsors, Dough on Main, Deep River Pizza, Main Street Sweet Shoppe, Toys Ahoy, Quassy Amusement Park, the Hartford Yard Goats and the Friends of the Deep River Public Library.



Looking ahead to the fall, I hope you'll pop onto the Deep River Public Library and view our calendar powered by EventKeeper. You can set reminders for yourself, tell a friend about a program or register (if required) directly from the site.

Miss Elaine is planning some fun fall events! In addition to our popular Baby Bounce (birth to 24 months) and Fun Friday (preschool) programs, parents should be on the look out for ABC Amigos and Miss Martha from the Community Music School, as well as a chance to play our Candy Land floor game or a Pirate Escape Room! See our website for registration and age requirements. We'll also be offering school-age programs, such as the ongoing Brick Bunch on select Thursday afternoons and a hip-hop class! And this winter we will rock our way to 2019 with an interactive DJ party!

Plans are in the works for a few upcoming craft programs that are especially geared toward teen and tween kids.

Want to be in the know? Get on the Children's Department email list! Request to be added by emailing: drplchildrensdept@gmail.com



Fountain Hill Cemetery

We have made progress on several of our projected goals. The chapel is now completed and ready for use. It is a warm or air conditioned, sheltered alternative to grave side services. Top Notch Electrical installed three lamp posts along the chapel sidewalk allowing for evening services in the chapel. Great progress was made on improving our roads. This is another project that will see continued work in 2019. Tree maintenance is another ongoing project. Our beautiful trees are very old and in need of expert care. Workers will be back in the fall.

In May we welcomed students from Valley Regional High School, who as part of their Community Service Day helped to place new flags on the graves of 675 veterans, straightened veteran's service markers and cleaned up the grounds. Getting ready for Memorial Day is a big undertaking for our limited staff and having the students help to honor our veterans is a big help to Fountain Hill Cemetery.

This past summer has been the busiest on record for the cemetery. The full time crews of Rich Forristall, President and Bryan Kollmer, Superintendent have been assisted by seasonal help Brennan Joy, Mike Raymond and Aiden Bahner. The excessive rainfall was beneficial to the grass which is green and lush. However Bryan, Mike and Brennan worked hard to keep up with the rapidly growing grass. We have also focused on maintenance work, caring for the monuments, raising sunken stones and straightening others beginning in

the Lower Vista sections. With time they will work their way through the entire cemetery. The shrubs in this section have also been given their annual trim.

We will be opening a fund-raising campaign to bring a fountain back to Fountain Hill Cemetery. We plan on putting a fountain into the pond near the front entrance. This project will cost about eight thousand dollars which includes the electrical work and the fountain itself. Anyone wishing to contribute can contact Rich Forristall at 860-526-5086.

The chapel is available for services. Please call Mark Lowrey to book your event, 860-526-4259.

Plots are available by calling Rich Forristall at 860-526-5086.

Please join us for our Fall Walk led by Rev. Tim Haut on October 27, 2018 beginning at the chapel.



Left to right Bryan Kollmer, Brennan Joy, Mike Raymond, Rich Forristall and Aiden Bahner



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The Deep River Fire Department respectfully requests that all residents keep their driveways free of overhanging branches and large bushes for easy access. When responding to a call, fire apparatus and ambulances need the space to negotiate the premises. It is also essential to have house numbers clearly visible and marked on the mailbox or house. There have been instances where the numbers were not visible which hampered the emergency response time.

The 5th Annual DRFD Antique Automotive Extravaganza was held at Devitt Field on September 9th. The Department would like to thank everyone who attended and participated in this successful event.



This 1927 Ford was nominated as "Best in Show" for the 2018 car show, by popular vote of attendees.

DRFD is always interested in new members to help continue our voluntary status. Young adults (14 years and over), senior division, grant writers, computer specialists and volunteers to help the auxiliary are all welcome. The ability to serve a community is an honor, sometimes hard work, very fulfilling and always a challenge.

Interested individuals can stop by fire headquarters on Union Street any Wednesday night at 6:30pm. For additional information visit: deepriverfd.com.

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Deep River Parks and Recreation

Fall & Winter programs and events include the annual 5K and fireworks, pickleball, Halloween Trunk or Treat event, the 5th & 6th grade theater program, the start of winter basketball and the holiday stroll.

The 24th annual 5K run was rebranded this year as the 'Deep River Fife and Drum 5K Run' to celebrate the fact that the Deep River Muster is the oldest in the country. The P & R staff registering participants wore three point hats and the Deep River Junior Ancients played at three locations throughout the race. A small replica canon was fired off as the starting 'gun'. Over 100 participants turned out to enjoy the new look of the race and to enjoy the lovely weather. Congratulations to all the runners/walkers who finished the course. Mary Withington who finished in 0:21:32.4 had the best overall time by a female runner, while Christopher Foster had the best overall time in the male division with a time of 0:19:43.4. Best overall winners this year took home an engraved pewter beer stein as well as a three pointed hat. For the 1 mile run, the top male finisher in the >16 year old division was Quinn Baruth with a time of 07:50.1 and top female was Karen Senn with a time of 0:10:10.2. The two top finishers in the <16 year old division, were Jackson Dursing at 08:22.0 and Laura Farray at 09:14.4. All results can be found by following the link on the town web site or by going to <https://aratrace.com/deep-river-fife-and-drum-5k>. Thank you to all who supported this annual race; the race helps to kick off the Deep River Merchants Association's Family Day. The race was timed by RatRace timing and participants enjoy the feature of being able to print their individual race times directly from two kiosks located at the field within minutes of the completion of the race. We would like to thank our race sponsors as without their support we could not bring this great event to the community year after year. Following is a list of our generous sponsors: Platinum Level – Eye Doctors, Gorilla Graphics and Sean Scott Masonry, All Waste, and LCN, Competence in Beauty Co. Gold Level – Adams Food Store, C.P. Burdick & Son, Inc., Colanar, Deep River Marina, Mather & Pitts Insurance and Olsen's Sanitation Company; Silver Level – Access Storage, Atlantic Building Supply, Atwood's Auto Appearance, Celebrations, Deep River Farms, Deep River Jewelry Design, Deep River Garden Club, Deep River Pizza, Face Arts Music, Hally Jo's Corner Restaurant,

JP's Barber Shop, MPower, Morrissey Engineering, Salon 154, Signs & Digital Graphix, Squared Circle Studio, LLC., Razz Salon, Riverview Lodge, The Lace Factory and Top Notch Electrical. Special thanks to Chris' Dog House, Pizzeria DaVinci and Dough on Main for their generous donations as well. Parks and Recreation would like to thank the Deep River Police and Resident State Trooper as well as the Deep River Junior Ancients.

To close out family day, Parks and Recreation was again proud to sponsor the spectacular fireworks display at Plattwood Park which is made possible by generous donations from Haynes Materials and Whelen Engineering. Due to the limited parking allowed along Route 80 (parking was allowed on the Plattwood Park side in front of the park) and Woodland Road and the 'no' parking along Bahr Road, the Town offered shuttle buses from John Winthrop Middle School to Plattwood Park to help alleviate parking constraints at the Park. Thank you to all who came down to Plattwood for this family day tradition and enjoyed visiting with neighbors, friends and family. The Deep River/Chester Lions Club generously sponsored the DJ for the evening; DJ Mike Prodoti returned to entertain the crowd from 6:00 pm-9:45 pm. The Lions Club was on site selling hot dogs and hamburgers fresh off the grill! Parks and Recreation once again sold snacks, beverages and glow sticks from the snack shack.

Pickleball has come to Deep River! This fast growing sport has become very popular along the shoreline so after some community input, Parks and Recreation is excited to announce our new pickleball program. The program is currently running on Wednesday evenings, from 6:30-8:15 pm, at the Deep River Elementary School's gymnasium. Players are invited to drop in, sign in and pay a \$3.00 fee for the evening. Players will rotate through based on the order that they had signed in. All players over 40 years of age are invited to participate. Pickleball started on Wednesday, September 26 and will end in early spring 2019. The program will not be held when the school is closed.

The annual Halloween event was held on Saturday, October 27th at Devitt Field. Due to the positive response, Parks and Recreation held a 'trunk or treat'

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evening. Not familiar with what a trunk or treat event is? Well, it is where individuals decorate the trunks of their vehicles for the holiday and have treats to give out to all the costumed children. It's trick or treating out of the trunks of cars! The cars were prearranged and required to stay on site for the duration of the event. There was a DJ, costume parade, games, balloons and treats. Look in the Winter issue of the Deep River News for pictures and a list of the winners of the best decorated trunk as well as in three categories for the costume parade.

Registration for the Parks and Recreation's winter basketball league is now open. Registration forms are now available online. Practices will begin in mid to late November. The Recreation league is open to all Deep River Residents in grades K-6 and all tri-town youth in grades 7-12. The divisions are grades K-1, grades 2-3, grades 4-6, grades 7-8, grades 9-12. Practices are held once a week with games on either Friday evening or Saturdays. The season runs from early January to early March. We are in need of volunteer coaches so if you are interested, please fill out the coaching form available on the web site. All coaches should be trained in First Aid/CPR and if accepted must complete a coaches training clinic which will be scheduled for early November. Fees for the program vary by age, so please refer to the registration form.

Parks and Recreation will again be offering our popular theater enrichment program. The program is open to all children in grades 5th & 6th. This 12-week program will begin in November with twice weekly rehearsals and continue through January 2019. The performance will be staged at the Deep River Town Hall Auditorium on February 2- 3, 2019. Additional rehearsals will be added as needed. The cost of the program is \$85.00 and includes a professional quality DVD of the performance. This year's production will be "Tut Tut"; a story of King Tut, looking behind his golden mask at his early years and his difficult regency. Registration materials will be out in early October with try outs scheduled for mid-October. Check the registration form for the specific dates. Adult volunteers are also needed, so if you have any special talents or just want to help behind the scenes please indicate that on the parent form.

Due to low enrollment, we were forced to cancel many of our bus trip offerings. Our last trip of the year however, is a super exciting one- NFL football! It's already half full, so don't delay. Catch the New England Patriots as they take on the New York Jets at Met Life Stadium in New Jersey on Sunday, November 25, 2018. Cost is \$185.00 per person which includes transportation by coach bus, driver gratuity, a ticket to the game, and two grilled items (hotdogs, hamburgers or cheeseburgers) cooked as we tail gate outside the stadium. Seats are located in the lower end zone, section 124. Sign up online at <https://deepriver.recdesk.com/Community/Member/Login>.

Due to the lack of interest in bus trips, looking ahead to 2019, the Commission is considering whether or not to cancel the bus trip program. Please let us know your thoughts on P & R not offering any trips in 2019. Or if you have any bus trip ideas or would like to be on the planning committee, please call the P & R office.

Parks and Recreation has some big plans for the holiday stroll this year! We will still have Santa arriving by fire truck, the tree lighting and caroling but this year we are adding a fire performer and are working hard to add another huge component. We are trying to organize a vehicle light parade! The tentative route would have the decorated vehicles leaving DRES, heading south on High Street, right on Essex Street, right on Main Street and right on High leading the vehicles back to the school. We are seeking help, so anyone who would like to participate in the planning process or the night of the event, please call the Parks and Rec off. The stroll is Saturday, December 8th. We invite cars, trucks, tractors-you name it- to deck themselves out with lights and seasonal decorations and participate in a parade down Main Street! The parade will commence at 5:00 pm. with prizes awarded in 3 categories. More details to follow as the date draws so check the town website. Plan to participate and stroll through downtown and shop local for your holiday needs.

While we are excited for the arrival of fall, we want to reflect back on all of the fun that we had in late spring and in the summer!

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In early May, we held the annual fishing derby at Plattwood Park. Children ages 5-15 cast a line in hopes of hauling in a prized catch. This year our winners were:

Over All Winner - Elliott Paradis -16 1/2"

Ages 5-8

1. Alyssa J. 15 3/4"
2. Dakota C. 15 1/2"
3. Dylan J. 12 1/4"

Ages 9-11

1. Chris 15 3/4" (2.25 lb.)
2. Aiden 15 3/4" (2.0 lb.)
3. Tucker N. 12 1/2"

Ages 12-15

- Paige L. 16 "
- Jack W. 15 1/2"
- Race G. 15 1/4"



Later in May, on the 23rd, in case you missed it, an official dedication ceremony was held to honor our former First Selectman, Dick Smith "Smitty", by naming the Little League field at Plattwood Park after him. The "Richard H. Smith Field" was unveiled and not soon after the ceremony was completed, a Little League game was under way lighting up the new scoreboard for the first time. The Commission voted unanimously to name the field after Dick because he had a vision for the park years ago and he worked tirelessly to bring that vision to fruition. Although he passed away in March 2016, prior to the field being completed, it was about 90% done. His love of kids, the future of the town he believed, lead the Commission to this easy decision; to name the ball field after the man who was the face of Deep River for so many years.



June brought the annual carnival with awesome food trucks and we listened to some amazing bands and ate some great food at the "Sounds of Summer" concerts series. More than 100 local youth attended the P&R youth summer camp and many folks turned out to enjoy our free movies at the beach at Plattwood Park. We had our ball fields full with local youth and with men's softball. The muster came to Devitt field, and we sponsored yoga classes at Plattwood. We continued to host the Dry Pants Model Yacht Club that sail their remote control boats on Plattwood Pond for all to enjoy. A new addition that we welcomed in late May, was the Essex Automobile Club who continues to bring a classic car show to Plattwood Park on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of the month.

The summer concert series "The Sounds of Summer-Music and a Meal" ran for 9 weeks and consisted of a wonderful line up with bands covering all genres of music. We welcomed the music of Blues on the Rocks, Shore Grass, Meadow Brothers, Dan Stevens, Washboard Slim & The Blue lights, Leaf Jumpers, Java Groove, String of Pearls and All Funk'd Up. Again, we were able to offer concert goers free music with the opportunity to purchase delicious food from our area restaurants. Thank you to The Academy of Mount Saint John, Deep River Pizza, The Ivory Restaurant, Pizzeria Davinci, The Lace Factory and Dough on Main who provided their food specialties at our weekly Thursday evening series.

The Parks and Recreation's summer youth camp was again sold out every week! We continue to offer a fun filled, exciting, organized, quality program for children entering 1st grade through those entering 7th grade for eight and one half weeks! We began the camp the Wednesday after school let out, June 20th and continued through August 17th. Field trips this year were to "Rockin' Jump" Trampoline Park in East Haven, Bushy Hill Nature Center, Northford Ice Rink, a Yard Goats baseball game, Harvey's Beach in Old Saybrook and

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the Beardsley Zoo. We also traveled to Nomad Entertainment in South Windsor where the campers played laser tag, rock climbed, rode bumper cars, and so much more. The last week of camp, the camp went to Old Saybrook mini golf where they also enjoyed lunch and ice cream overlooking LI sound. The awesome staff consists of two camp directors (Director-Sam Jones and Assistant Director-Hanna Partyka), 10 full time counselors, (Caroline Baldwin, Riley Bauer, Kim Berardis, Izzy Bowden, Cade Ensinger, Cole Ensinger, Cameron Johnson, Liza Jones, Jonathan Lacoske and Dana Lutz), two alternate counselors (Maddie Costello and Connor Douglas) and a group of hard working counselors-in-training (CIT). The CIT's are not paid positions but are an invaluable part of the camp staff. The CIT's for 2018 were: Jake Castellano, Alena Crosby, JT Dickson, Gavin Filacchione, Race Greenawalt, Sierra Innamorato, Michael Marino, Alexis Massey, Katie Morrissey, Vivian Paradis, Cede Penno, Ava Schmelzer, Zach Schultz, Jack Whittaker and Chris Wilson. Paige Lee, served as a junior CIT and logged the most volunteer hours at 223! Together the CITs worked some 1824 hours! We are grateful for the positive contributions made by all of the staff. Thank you also to the DRES custodial staff for all of their assistance this summer.

Although small in number, the movies at the beach series continues to draw a loyal crowd. In the fall 2017 newsletter, we requested feedback from Deep River residents on whether or not we should continue with this summer offering. The people that responded spoke in favor of continuing this program, so it was offered. The movies, shown on four consecutive Friday evenings in July and August are free and are carefully chosen to be family friendly. This summer all new releases were offered with the hopes of drawing more people to the park. 'Jumanji', 'Coco', 'Paddington 2' and 'A Wrinkle in Time' were shown. As we look ahead to 2019, we are once again pondering whether to continue this program as with the low turnout week to week, the money might be better spent in a new program.

On July 1, 2018, the Parks and Recreation Commission instituted new rules and policies at the town's parks; perhaps you have seen the new signage too?

At Plattwood Park, the rule with the most impact, seems to be that daily passes are no longer sold at the gate house. Non-residents must purchase a season pass at the Town Clerk's office during regular business hours. Only vehicles displaying a current Deep River park sticker and non-residents displaying a season pass are allowed into the park. A few of the other park rules are:

- No animals are allowed in the park at any time.
- Fishing is only allowed in designated areas.
- Smoking is not allowed on the beach.
- No glass bottles are allowed in the park.
- Safety equipment is required when using the skateboard park.
- Please help us keep the parks clean, by picking up your litter and ash and disposing of it properly.

A complete listing of all of the park rules is available for your reference on the town's website.

At the Town Landing the biggest change is that a \$30.00 launch fee was established for non-residents. The fee is collected at the gate and does not guarantee the vehicle a parking spot at the landing. All other rules remain the same, such as;

- Pets must be kept on a leash at all times
- Smoking is allowed in designated areas only
- Cars park to the left, trailers to the right
- No littering
- No overnight parking without a parking pass obtained from the Town Clerk's Office

This is not a complete list; that list, rules for the Town Landing, can also be found on the town's website.

We are very pleased to have been the recipient of two wonderful Eagle Scout projects. Two young men in the community, Ryan Douglas and Michael Berardis, decided that their Eagle Scouts Projects would benefit the Town of Deep River. Ryan Douglas, built a new gate house for the Town Landing which was completed and installed in early July. It is approximately 4' x 7' x 7' and was built to be moved so that when the cold weather strikes, you might see it being transported by the town crew to its winter home, the town garage. It was well used this summer and fall by the gate guard stationed there. Michael Berardis, built 4 Adirondack style benches that were installed on cement pads at the Town Landing. The benches face the water and replace

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old, worn out ones that were there for many years. Also, Michael built 4 plank style benches which have been installed around the fitness trail at Plattwood Park along the back side of the little league field. We are very grateful for these wonderful new additions to these parks. Thank you Ryan and Michael.

HELP WANTED: The Commission needs volunteers! Help us bring these existing programs and events and maybe some new exciting programs and events to the residents of Deep River. Please consider joining us. You do not have to make a huge commitment. You can choose how much or how little time you give. So if we do something you love, help us keep it going or help us make it grow bigger and better. Or maybe you have an idea for a new program or event, come join us and let's make it happen! Parks & Recreation has a wish list that includes metal shelving units for Plattwood Park and Devitt Field. We are also looking for a replacement oven range for Devitt Field snack shack. So if you are remodeling a kitchen, and are replacing your working stove, please consider giving us a call. Do you have gently used games or art supplies that you are no longer using? The summer camp program would love to utilize them. Don't forget about our "Little Free Library" at the gate house at Plattwood Park. This is a global "nonprofit organization that inspires a love of reading, builds community, and sparks creativity by fostering neighborhood book exchanges around the world." Generously donated by the Olsen family of Deep River, the library has been installed at the park for all to enjoy. Take a book and leave a book for others to read. Our library is rated 'family' which means you will find books that will appeal to all ages.



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Hedy's Health Tips

In Chinese medicine, fall is the season of the lungs and large intestine. The flavor is pungent and the colors are white or silver. This season is about moving from the expansive nature of summer toward the more internal seasons of autumn and fall. Our bodies have been quite busy with lots of activities, making it a relief when the cooler weather and shorter days create an inward movement of energy and thoughts. It is a good idea to finish projects that were started during the spring and summer, allowing you to relax and enjoy the fruits of your labor. Cleaning out closets and donating items is a wonderful activity to freshen up your home.

Lung energy is about letting go, clearness of thought, organization, and appropriate actions. We could be more mindful about letting go of any thoughts that no longer serve our higher self, in order to make room for new possibilities of growth. When the energy is clear we can be well organized, let little things go, feel self-confidence and enjoy life fully. When the energy is blocked, or stagnant we may feel a sense of grief and sadness. At times, self-righteous behavior might lead to overreacting, criticism, or bickering. There might be a tendency to hold onto people, experiences, or problems long after the grieving process.

It is okay to grieve, however long held suffering is toxic to the lungs and large intestine. This lack of release may lead to allergies, IBS, skin problems, asthma, and shortness of breath, sinus issues, chronic constipation, and many other common ailments. This season is about dryness. Moisturizing and eating a proper diet will help keep your body in balance.

Wonderful foods to add to your diet in this season include:

- Cabbage
- Onion
- Potato
- Brussels sprouts
- Radishes
- Fennel
- Celery
- Garlic
- Mustard greens
- Squashes and pumpkins
- Sweet potato
- Collard greens
- Cauliflower
- Pears
- Apples
- Warming spices (turmeric, cinnamon, cardamom, cloves, ginger, etc.)

Try to spend as much time outside as possible. It is important to breathe the colder air just as much as the warm air of the summer months. Enjoy introspection with self-love and letting go of any negative thoughts. Search for gratification internally and accept yourself as a perfect being while experiencing this wonderful season of bounty.

For more information on energetics of food, contact Hedy at The Whistle Stop Café at (860) 304-1917.



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Tri-Town Youth Services



Tri-Town Youth Services is Seeking Volunteers

Tri-Town Youth Services coordinates and provides services dedicated to promoting the positive growth and development of youth and families in Chester, Deep River and Essex. We envision a community where all youth are able to establish strong and positive relationships with family, school, peers, and the broader community- but it takes all of us to get there!

A recent survey of middle and high school youth found that only 30% feel that this community values its young people. This surprised us, because like many of you, we believe this is a wonderful place to raise our families. So this year, we will be talking with more youth to understand why and to identify ways to promote more youth engagement throughout the tri-town community. As we gear up for a new year, we invite you to join us in our work to support youth and families. Please consider volunteering with our agency. We have many volunteer opportunities:

Join the Board of Directors

There are currently openings on Tri-Town's Board. We are seeking parent representatives from each of the communities we serve: Chester, Deep River and Essex. Board service includes attendance at one monthly meeting; promoting our community surveys and educational events; and planning new fundraisers to help us thrive!

Become a Tri-Town Ambassador

We would love to have a small team of volunteers who are well-versed in Tri-Town's programs and services and who can represent the agency at public events, workshops and networking days. Some ambassadors may even like to host private parent night events to meet our staff, learn more about Tri-Town and discuss important topics like social media, substance use prevention or stress management.

Come to a Coalition Meeting

Did you know that 90% of people addicted to alcohol, nicotine or other drugs began using those substances be-

fore they were 18 years old? This sobering statistic comes from a comprehensive study of national data conducted by the Center on Addiction at Columbia University. It is so important for our community to understand that the experiences we have as children and teenagers have lasting effects on our brains and on our physical and emotional health throughout our lives. We invite any community members with a passion for helping people live their best lives, to come to a meeting of the Tri-Town Substance Abuse Prevention Coalition. We host monthly trainings and conversations for the public. Upcoming topics include: Prevention 101, Teen Alcohol Use and "The Power of Parents" with MADD. A calendar can be found at tri-townys.org.


Join the Mentoring Team

An overwhelming amount of research shows that the key to a young person's success, achievement and resiliency is the presence of at least one caring adult in their lives. More than anything, it is consistent, positive, supportive adult relationships that bring out the best in all of us. Tri-Town is assembling a team of people interested in starting a mentoring program in our area, and expanding our teen mentoring efforts. Join us for planning meetings, work alongside a consultant and help design something that will have a lasting impact on the kids growing up here.

Please contact Allison Abramson for more information about any of these volunteer opportunities. She can be reached at 860-526-3600 or Allison@ttysb.org.

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Economic Development Commission



A Note From The Economic Development Commission

Dear Deep River Business Owners,

We take great pleasure in announcing the reestablishment of the Economic Development Commission in Deep River. Our mission is to serve as advocates for local businesses, tourism and the citizens of Deep River (who are the principle stakeholders). We feel economic development is an activity that should involve everyone, throughout the town, including residents.

Our most immediate plans include helping all local businesses wherever and whenever we can. Of course, we wish to provide help for existing businesses and provide guidance for our businesses that wish to grow. We want to promote a transparent, business-friendly environment for sustainable and suitable economic development and will seek out and promote Deep River as a good location for new businesses, too.

To help every type of business, initially we will be revamping the EDC webpage (on the town's website) where businesses can access information regarding available facilities and business spaces in our town.

We want to participate with the business community... to listen to you... and find out what you need. What can we do to help your business be the best it can be? You are the source of ideas that we can use as a roadmap to make Deep River a better place to increase your business share. Help us... we have asked a few questions below, but please email and let us know what you think.

Please answer the questions below in regard to your Deep River business:

Respond to these questions by using this email address: edc@deepriverct.us

Include your name and the name of your business. Answers used solely for our commission's guidance.

1. Do you have industrial, commercial or office space available; or are you planning on expanding your

business soon and will need more space?

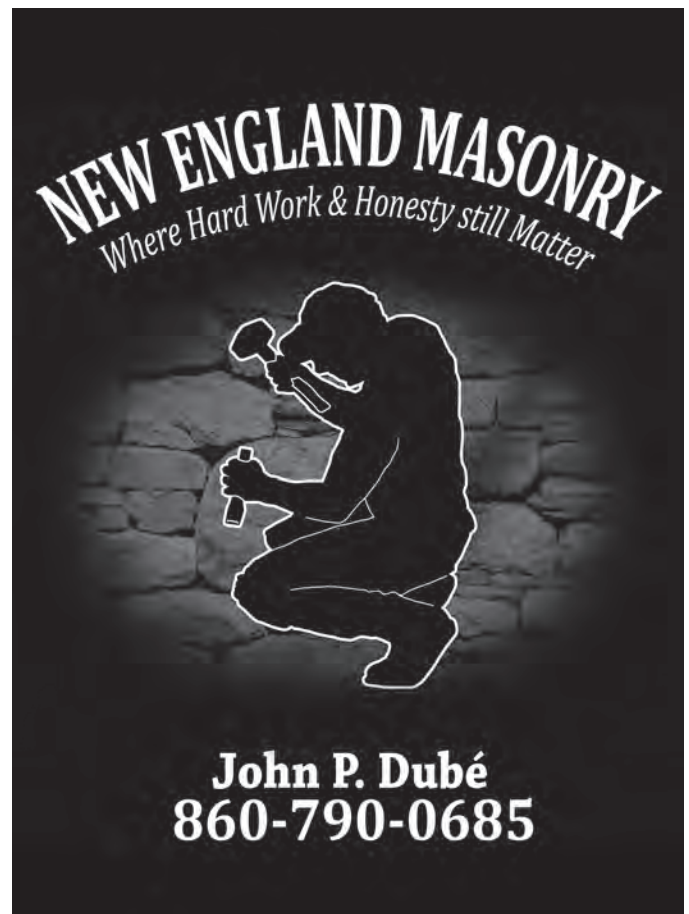
2. What one item would you improve, within the Town of Deep River, which would potentially benefit your business?
3. The EDC will strive to improve is Deep River's image outside of our immediate area. What key action would you suggest that would most improve our town's image and business environment?

Contact the EDC through the Town Hall, in person or by the email address above.

****Please send us your email address so we can contact you later with news, events, gatherings and so forth.**

Thank you! - The Members of the EDC

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Visiting Nurses of the Lower Valley

Visiting Nurses of the Lower Valley Named to Top 500 of the 2018 ABILITY HomeCare Elite

Visiting Nurses of the Lower Valley announced that it has been named to the Top 500 of the 2018 HomeCare Elite, a recognition of the top-performing home health agencies in the United States. For 13 years, HomeCare Elite has annually identified the top 25 percent of agencies and highlighted the top 100 and top 500 agencies overall.

The ranking is developed by ABILITY® Network, a leading information technology company helping providers and payers simplify the administrative and clinical complexities of healthcare. It is sponsored by DecisionHealth, publisher of Home Health Line and the Complete Home Health ICD-10-CM Diagnosis Coding Manual.

"I would like to congratulate the team at Visiting Nurses of the Lower Valley and thank them for their commitment to providing consistently high-quality care," said Christine Lang, senior director for ABILITY Network. "During a time of increasing demands on home health professionals' time and attention, these caregivers and leaders have demonstrated that they have prioritized their patients and created a solid foundation for serving their communities and partnering with other healthcare providers."

Susan Maxwell, Executive Director of Visiting Nurses of the Lower Valley, credits collaboration of staff and their dedication to excellence with the agency's capability to achieve recognition as one of the HomeCare Elite.

"Congratulations to Visiting Nurses of the Lower Valley from all of the staff at DecisionHealth," said Marci Geipe, product manager at DecisionHealth. "Your leadership and staff have placed a premium on the patient care your agency provides, as showcased by your quality outcome scores. The entire community benefits from the compassion that your staff shows toward your patients, leading to cost savings for the entire healthcare system."

HomeCare Elite agencies are determined by an analysis of performance measures in quality outcomes, best practices implementation, patient experience (HHCAHPS), quality improvement and consistency, and financial health. In order to be considered, an agency must be Medicare-certified and have data for at least

three outcomes in Home Health Compare. Out of 8,898 agencies considered, 2,223 are recognized on the 2018 HomeCare Elite winners list overall. The entire list of 2018 HomeCare Elite agencies can be downloaded by visiting the ABILITY Network website at abilitynetwork.com/hce.

About Visiting Nurses of the Lower Valley

Consistent with their century-old tradition of high-quality care, the mission of the Visiting Nurses of the Lower Valley, Inc. (VNLV) is to provide comprehensive, personalized services that foster health, independence, dignity and comfort through home-based healing, education, and health-oriented community outreach initiatives. The Visiting Nurses of the Lower Valley, Inc. strives to enhance the health of the communities we serve through the application of public health measures and the provision of selective health services for purposes of preventing disease and disability, maintaining and restoring health, and minimizing the effects of illness and disability.

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Rotary Club of Deep River



Club leadership was inducted in June 2018. We welcome the new leadership of The Rotary Club of Deep River 2018-2019 Secretary Tim Haut, President Cristi Stroud, Vice-President Cathy Shanley and Treasurer Linda Rice

T'ai Chi

The Rotary Club of Deep River sponsored T'ai Chi again this past summer at the Deep River Landing. We are so grateful for the new instructor, our very own Hedy Watrous. Many thanks to everyone who attended each Tuesday and Thursday at 7am.

Family Day

On Family Day the Deep River Rotarians held tethered hot air balloon rides donated by RE/MAX Valley Shore. A steady flow of hot air balloon enthusiasts went up above Deep River Elementary School for a nice view. Rotarians dressed as Pirates and what a beautiful day we had. Thank you to all who came out to support us!

Oktoberfest

Rotary Club of Deep River held its 7th Annual Oktoberfest on September 29th at The Stone House. This is Rotary's main fundraiser of the year, supporting all our missions both near and far. We couldn't have pulled this off without our generous sponsors, who include: Essex Savings Bank, Shore Discount Liquors, Tents 4 Your Events, Sarette Builder, NEEC, Atria, Colanar, CWPM, CT Sign Service, LLC, Deep River Rent All, DaVinci Pizza, Deep River Pizza, Haynes Materials, Ivory Restaurant, Essex Hardware. This year we added a Silent Auction and plan on doing again next year as it was well received by all. Thank you to all who made this possible.

Exchange Student

Tri-Town Rotary Clubs have sponsored an exchange student from Thailand this year. He is currently attending Valley Regional and joining the Rotary Interact Club at Valley. In Thailand the city never sleeps so he has had to adjust to our towns being quiet at 8pm, quit an adjust indeed. He is

looking forward to visiting New York City and Boston. As the cold weather approaches he looks forward to seeing the snow fly for his first time. We are so grateful he is here.

Thanksgiving Collection

The Liberty Bank/Rotary Thanksgiving Collection kicked off October 5th. How it works: Liberty Bank kicks in an additional 25 cents for every dollar raised by Rotary. Rotary Club of Deep River donates the monies raised to the Deep River Food Pantry to support Thanksgiving so everyone in town has a bountiful feast on Thanksgiving Day. Several merchants have jars ready for you to donate.

Students of the Month



May 2018
Avery O'Rourke



June 2018
Emily Telensky

The club meets at the Ivory Restaurant every Tuesday at 12:15 and the 3rd Thursday is a 5pm meeting. Guests are always welcome. We are always seeking new members who enjoy fellowship and providing services to others locally and internationally. Visit our website at deepriverrotary.org to see where the 5pm meeting will be. For questions please email deepriverrotary@gmail.com.



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You can also view the meetings online at any time. Go to the Deep River web site (www.deepriverct.us) and on the homepage under "Quick Links" select "View meetings online." On the link you can select meetings by date.

Occasionally, other town meetings are also broadcast such as Special Town Meetings and Public Hearings.

Following the broadcasts, discs of the meetings are available in the Deep River Public Library.

Anyone interested in helping with the recording and broadcast of these meetings is welcome -- please contact Margo at 860-526-8933. A short training session at the Valley Shore Community Television studio in Westbrook is required to become familiar with the equipment used.

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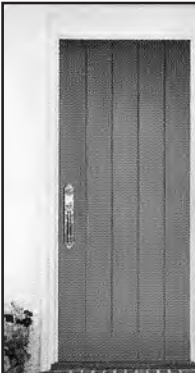


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Chairperson: Tanner Steeves

Community Health Committee

1st Tuesday of most months at 7:00 p.m.
Chairperson: Russell Marth

Deep River Elementary School Board of Education

3rd Thursday of each odd numbered month (except for July) at 7:30 p.m. at DRES. Joint meetings with other Region 4 boards during even-numbered months at JWMS
Chairperson: Paula Weglarz

Design Advisory Board

4th Thursday of each month (as needed) at 6:30 p.m.
Chairperson: Alan Paradis

Deep River Town Hall Auditorium Management Committee

3rd Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m.
Chairperson: Carol Jones

Board of Finance

4th Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m.
Chairperson: George Eckenroth

Board of Fire Commissioners

1st Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. at the Firehouse
Chairperson: Scott Bowden

Library Board of Trustees

2nd Monday of each month (except for July) at 7 p.m. at the library.
Chairperson: Linda Hall

Parks & Recreation Commission

2nd Wednesday of each month (except July) at 7:00 p.m.
Chairperson: Justin Waz

Planning & Zoning Commission

3rd Thursday of each month at 7:30 p.m.
Hearings may be scheduled separately.
Chairperson: Bruce Edgerton

Regional 4 Board of Education

1st Thursday of each month, except July and August.
Meetings are at 7:30 p.m. at John Winthrop Middle School.
Chairperson: Jennifer Clark

Board of Selectmen

2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month at 6:30 p.m.

Veterans Green Monument Committee

2nd Tuesday of even numbered months, 1:00 p.m.
Chairperson: Rich Nagot

Water Pollution Control Authority

1st Monday of each month.
Meetings are at 7:30 p.m. at the Treatment Plant.
Chairperson: Ted Mackenzie

Zoning Board of Appeals

3rd Tuesday of the month at 7:30 p.m.
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If a scheduled meeting falls on a legal holiday, check with board or commission for rescheduled date.

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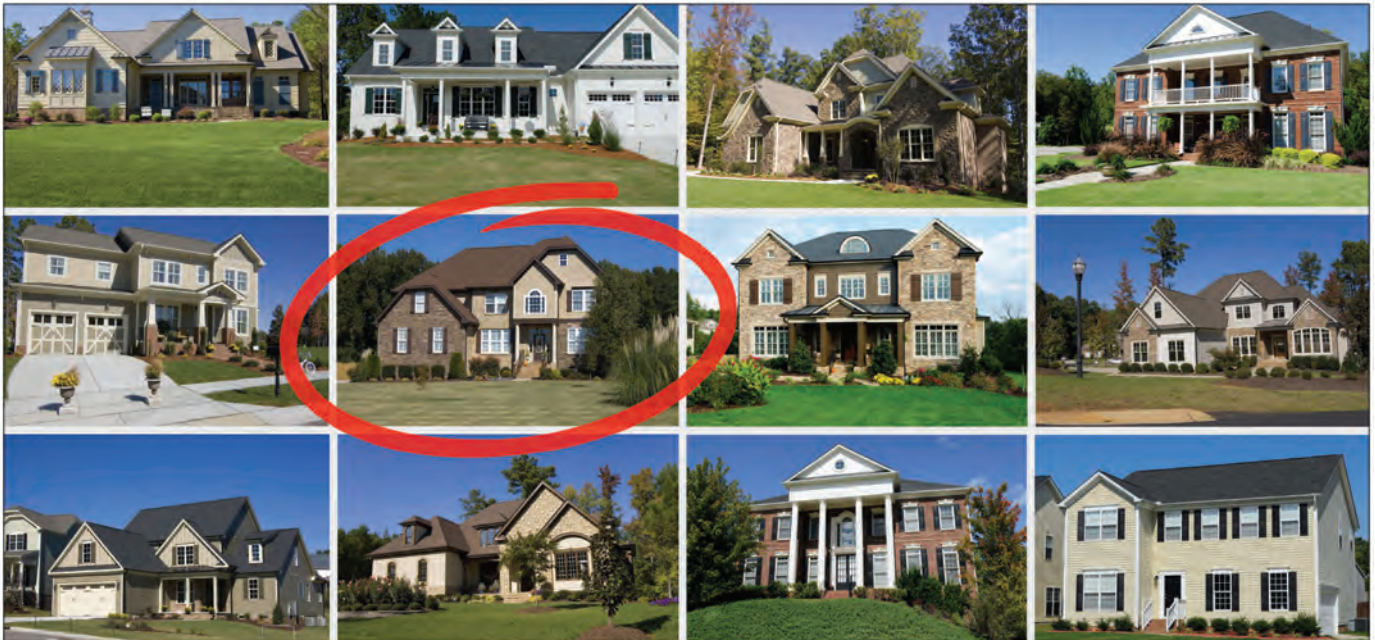
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