



OUR TOWN

SERVING THE VILLAGES OF BALTIC, HANOVER, AND VERSAILLES

IN THE BEAUTIFUL SHETUCKET RIVER VALLEY

Information & News for August 2015

SINKING HOLES FOR CANCER

The Hanover Congregational Church is inviting everyone to join our fight against cancer. "Sinking Holes For Cancer" is a miniature golf tournament benefiting the Dana-Farber Cancer Institute and The Jimmy Fund. The event will be held at Odetah Camping Resort on Sunday, August 16th 3-8 p.m. This tournament is open to the public and includes: 18 holes of mini golf, beverage, hotdog or hamburger. Prizes will be awarded to lowest scores. Live entertainment: "Smart Play". Tickets are \$10.00 per person.

For more information contact
Jen Benson [860-822-9977](tel:860-822-9977) or
Kendra Schnip [860-608-3820](tel:860-608-3820).
Location: Odetah Camping Resort
38 Bozrah Street Extension
Bozrah, CT 06334

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The SCCRRA's tub grinder has completed grinding the brush it is ready for your equipment to pick up fresh mulch.



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED TO COLLATE THE OUR TOWN, SEE BELOW FOR DETAILS.

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, August 29 for the September issue, we will meet at the Town Hall at 10 am. Contact Elizabeth for details. If interested in volunteering email [Elizabeth @ Spragueourtownnewsletter@gmail.com](mailto:Elizabeth@Spragueourtownnewsletter@gmail.com)

From the Desk of the First Selectman

The Town is settling into the hazy, humid days of August. If you are looking to beat the heat and still exercise, take an opportunity to stroll around the reservoir in the early morning. It is nice to be outside walking, it is great exercise. Please remember to take any trash you bring into this area out with you. It leaves the area pretty for the next person to enjoy!

The Town has put out a bid to reconstruct Sunrise and Grandview. And yes finally we are planning to reconstruct these roads starting in August.

We will be roadside mowing for the rest of the summer right on into the fall; we will be cleaning around guide rail and in front of the walls along the roads. We have completed striping the roads and redoing crosswalks and stop bars for your safety.

If you have a few free moments stop by the River Park for either an outside movie (every other Friday) or a concert (every Saturday). As always please keep an eye out for children and let them enjoy the outside activities and play safely.

If you are looking for an inside air conditioned activity the Sprague Library has many summer programs that encourage reading. Please stop by and enjoy an afternoon of an imagination vacation (and stay cool at the same time).

As always thanks for your support!

Cathy Osten
First Selectman

Open Positions as of 8/1/2015

Zoning Board of Appeals Two alternate members	Recreation Committee Unlimited numbers allowed
Inland Wetlands One alternate member	Baltic Mills Committee Unlimited numbers allowed
Water & Sewer Two regular members	Conservation Commission One alternate member
Regional Tourism Board One appointment	



**ADVENTURE IS WAITING.
BUILD YOURS.**

A collage of four photographs showing scouts and leaders engaged in various outdoor activities. The top-left photo shows a scout holding a large fish while a leader looks on. The top-right photo shows a group of scouts hiking on a trail with a city skyline in the background. The bottom-left photo shows a group of scouts sitting around a campfire at night. The bottom-right photo shows a group of scouts gathered around a table, looking at a map or a project.The logo for Bea Scout, featuring a stylized blue cat head inside a yellow diamond shape with the words "BEA SCOUTS" and a small star below it.

BEASCOUT.ORG

Join Pack 19. Contact Pete Glaude for information at 860-608-3225 or by email pack19balticct@gmail.com.



Ride the Shetucket River

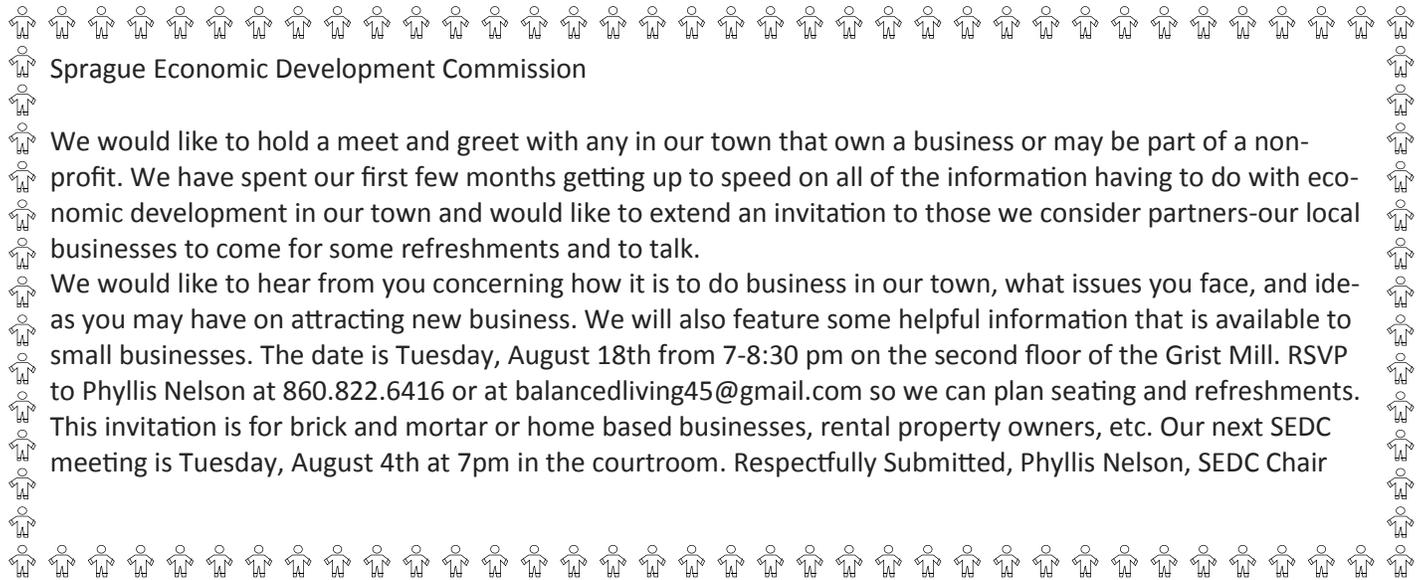
The Town of Sprague will resume the wildly popular Ride the Shetucket events for 2015. Once monthly during the warm weather season and depending on the natural water level of the river the Town of Sprague will provide a free shuttle between River Park and Scotland Dam. Participants can put in any time between 10:00 and 12:00. You can ride the river as many times as you wish during that time frame. The ride is 4 miles long and takes approximately 2 hours.

Dates for 2015 are: August 29th, September 26th, and October 10th.

Since Ride the Shetucket is dependent on the natural water level, check the Town website prior to the event for any cancellation postings. Paddlers need to have PFD's and a distress whistle. www.ctsprague.org

For more information contact Lou Dzialo 860-822-6043

SEE YOU THERE



Sprague Economic Development Commission

We would like to hold a meet and greet with any in our town that own a business or may be part of a non-profit. We have spent our first few months getting up to speed on all of the information having to do with economic development in our town and would like to extend an invitation to those we consider partners-our local businesses to come for some refreshments and to talk.

We would like to hear from you concerning how it is to do business in our town, what issues you face, and ideas you may have on attracting new business. We will also feature some helpful information that is available to small businesses. The date is Tuesday, August 18th from 7-8:30 pm on the second floor of the Grist Mill. RSVP to Phyllis Nelson at 860.822.6416 or at balancedliving45@gmail.com so we can plan seating and refreshments. This invitation is for brick and mortar or home based businesses, rental property owners, etc. Our next SEDC meeting is Tuesday, August 4th at 7pm in the courtroom. Respectfully Submitted, Phyllis Nelson, SEDC Chair



Grace Fellowship Church
OF BALTIC

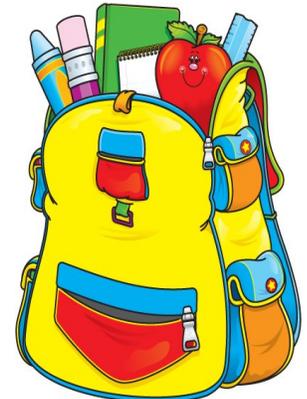
Sunday
10 am
5 pm

Come as you are.
All are welcome.

Jesus said "Come to me, all who are weary and burdened and I will give you rest."

Pastor John Gilmartin
860-208-1027

118 W. Main St
Rt. 207
Beaver Brook Mill
Baltic, CT



Congratulations Sayles School Class of 2015 Graduates.

Ivan Gabriel Abarca
Savanna Marie Adams
Adam Dennison Allen
Jack Henry Allen
Shonaugh-Lynn Beers
Cameron James Belton
Katlyn Renee Benoit
Hailey Elisabeth Bill
Brooke Marguerite Boisclair
Liam Randall Bothur
Cameron Scott Crespo
Jasmine Doris Dziekan
Amber Lynn Engle
Zachary Arnold Ewen
Aujiana Lei Fletcher
Adam Christopher Forster
Marcus Callahan Gada
Noah Michael Green
Jason Howard Hall, Jr.
Chaz Alan Harrelle
Trevor Montgomery Hoelc
Quintin Bradley James
Athina Katsanai
Austin Michael Leep
Clover Ann Leep
Joseph Mathew Lisee
Ryan Michael Mardin
Hector Andres Martinez Gonzalez
Joshua Edward McConnell
Daylen James Miner
Alexandria Leslie Mueller
Luke George Piegari
Hayleigh Morgan Phillips
Noah Patrick Richardson
Shaun Raymond Rivera
Ciaran Blaze Runyan
Mackenzie Lynn Shrewsbury
Stephen Stanley Sims
Jesse Renee Soctomah
Vanessa Jeanne Taylor
Kaylee Marie Vazquez
Shauna Nicole Waldron



SAYLES SCHOOL Class of 2015- Awards

1. **Democratic Town Committee – Mary M. Stefon Award**
To a student who demonstrates civic and academic responsibility through community service in the school, town, or larger community and an interest in social studies and current events.
Marcus Gada
 2. **Sayles P.T.O. Award**
Science
Art (in memory of Frido Urbinati)
**Stephen Sims
Jack Allen**
 3. **Republican Town Committee Award**
To a student who has shown an interest in government and the Constitution
Brooke Boisclair
 4. **Sprague Teachers' League Awards**
Italian
Mathematics
Language Arts
Art – June Clyde Preston & Medville H. Colbath Memorial
**Aujiana Fletcher
Stephen Sims
Jasmine Dziekan
Amber Engle**
 5. **Sprague Public Library Award**
Interest in Reading
Savanna Adams & Hailey Bill
 6. **Sprague Historical Society Award**
Outstanding in History
Jack Allen
 7. **Sprague Board of Education Award**
Most improved in any one area
Liam Bothur
 8. **Sayles School - Sarah Jeannette Raymond Memorial Award**
To a student who has shown the most concern and consideration for others.
Katlyn Benoit
 9. **Sprague Garden Club Award**
To two students who have shown the most improvement throughout the year and/or have an interest in science and/or agriculture.
**Clover Leep
Ciaran Runyan**
 10. **Sayles School – Helen Champean Memorial Award**
To a student who has shown excellence in the area of music
Jasmine Dziekan
 11. **Sayles School – Peter David Stabach Memorial Award**
To a deserving student interested in pursuing a vocational-technical career.
Aujiana Fletcher
 12. **Sprague Future Nurse Award**
To a student who has exhibited compassion toward his/her peers, showing an aptitude and interest in science; and has the desire to become a member of the nursing profession.
Shauna Waldron
 13. **Tyrus Henry Gaudrean Memorial Award**
Creative Writing
Ciaran Runyan
 14. **Sayles School – Eric Joseph Lukowski Memorial Award**
To a student who has shown an admirable demonstration of good sportsmanship.
Mackenzie Shrewsbury
 15. **Sayles School – JoAnn Matthews Memorial Award**
To a student who has demonstrated excellence in computer applications and the use of technology tools.
Marcus Gada
 16. **Sayles School – Deborah Allen Madsen Memorial Award**
To a student who exhibited the greatest perseverance.
Austin Leep
 17. **Sayles School – Medville H. Colbath Memorial Award**
Art
Hailey Bill
 18. **Sayles School – Mark Crumb Memorial Award**
To two students who demonstrate underlying enthusiasm and passion for music.
**Mackenzie Shrewsbury
Stephen Sims**
 19. **Sayles School Junior High Teachers' Math Award**
Outstanding in Mathematics
Joseph Lisee
 20. **Sayles School – Past Junior High Team Civics Award in Memory of Mr. Crumb**
To a student who demonstrates a strong interest in and knowledge of civic issues and events.
Stephen Sims
 21. **Secretary of State August P. LaFrance Memorial Award**
To a student who has exhibited an exceptional work ethic and strong commitment to his/her education and future.
**Amber Engle
Jack Allen**
 22. **Superintendent's Student Recognition Award**
To two students who have consistently demonstrated exceptional qualities pertinent to the development of successful young men and women
**Jasmine Dziekan
Stephen Sims**
- Italian Scholarships**
**Amber Engle
Marcus Gada**



**OUR TOWN
BUSINESS PAGE:**



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p. 860.822.0818 - f. 860.822.1979

www.SpitaleInsurance.com - Erin@SpitaleInsurance.com

107 Rt 32 • Suite 3 • Franklin, CT 06254

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



Mukluk 4.5 Mile Road Race Franklin, CT
To benefit The Sprague Land Preserve

“To help preserve open space in the Shetucket River Valley, once gone...it’s gone forever.”

Date: Sunday, August 30, 2015

Time: 11:00 am, same day event registration starts at 10 am

Place: Giddens Park, Franklin, CT

Award Categories: Age groups: Top 3 men, top 3 females: 13-19, 20’s,30’s,40’s,50’s,60’s,70+

Pre-registration entry fee: \$15

Register on line at: <http://www.lightboxreg.com/mukluk-45-mile-road-race>

For more information contact: donaldboushee@sbcglobal.net

Mail-in registration:

Entrants: First Last: Age: Sex: M F

Age group: CIRCLE ONE: 13-19 20’s 30’s 40’s 50’s 60’s 70+

Street Address or P.O. Box:

City: **State:** **Zip Code:** **Phone:**

Email Address:

Make checks payable to, and send to: Friends of the Shetucket River Valley, 1 Main St., Baltic, CT 06330



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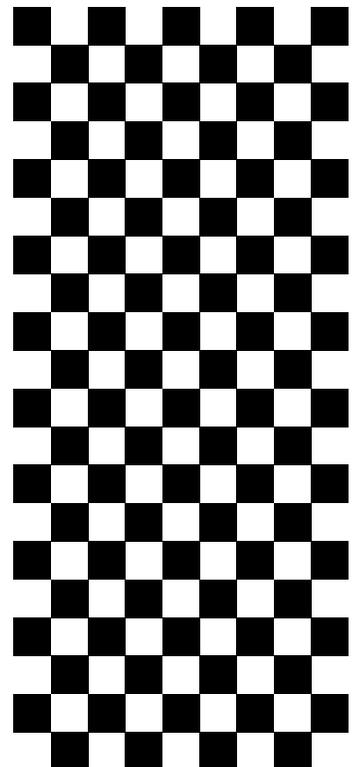
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1A Rachel Drive (off of Stockhouse Rd)
Bozrah, CT



Shetucket River Pleasure Trail Ride

A Benefit for The Friends of the Shetucket River Valley

Sponsored by: the Town of Sprague & the Sprague Conservation Commission

October 17, 2015 (rain date Oct. 24)

10 – 20 miles NEHT/NEATO affiliated miles

Ride is on dirt roads, single-track trails, fields and some hills. Trails follow the Shetucket River, through Sprague Land Preserve, Konow Fish Camp and other private lands.

Pre-entry \$25.00 Post entry \$30

Benefit ride to assist the Friends of the Shetucket River Valley in preserving trails along the Shetucket River. Open land is disappearing fast but our trails and woods can be preserved.

**“Please come and ride these beautiful trails and
save them for our future”**



Ride managers: Loree Osowski and Gail Miller

Parking at Konow Camp grounds; Baltic, CT, 06330
New & improved entrance to Konow's parking area!
Ride or hike or just attend and have lunch.

Sign in 9:00 am-11:00 am Riders must be back by 5:00 pm
Lunch (12-2:00) is available for \$10.00
hot dog/hamburger, chips, baked beans, drink, apple, cookie

Raffle prizes will be drawn at 1:00

Tickets for the raffle prizes are \$1.00 each or \$5.00 for 6 tickets.

Please remove all manure and hay from your area.

Directions:

From 395 heading North:

Take exit 81W; merge onto CT 2W/ 32N; take exit 25 turn rt onto 32 North: right turn onto Baltic Rd.; Left on 207W; turn rt onto Pautipaug Hill Rd; follow signs to ride headquarters.

From 395 heading South:

Take exit 83; turn left onto 97; left onto 207; rt onto Pautipaug Hill Rd; follow signs to ride headquarters.

Shetucket River Pleasure Trail Ride

Print, fill out and mail with your check or
you may go here to register and pay with pay pal: www.shetucket.org

Name _____ Phone _____
Street _____ Town _____ State _____ Zip _____
Horse's Name _____ Coggins# _____ will be checked at secretary's table
Breed _____ Adult/Junior _____
Rider NEHT # _____ Horse# _____ Coggins and rabies certificates required
Email: _____

Mail to: Loree Osowski; 211 Pautipaug Hill Rd.; Baltic, CT 06330 Make checks payable to: **FoSRV**

Pre-entry: \$25.00 **Pre-entry consists of a completed entry form, payment and signature by Oct 10**
First 20 pre-entries receive a free t-shirt

Post entry: \$30.00

Junior (rider 18 and under) \$15.00

Raffle tickets are \$1.00 each OR 6 for \$5.00

Amount Enclosed: _____

Refund Policy: Rider must contact the Ride Manager seven (7) days prior to the ride notifying the Manager they will not be attending in order to have their pre-entry check returned to them. Refunds will be given after the cut-off date in the event of a medical emergency provided that Event management is notified prior to the start of the ride. No refunds will be made after the cut-off date for non-medical reasons. Refunds will be given if the event is canceled for any reason

Waiver of Liability -Under Connecticut law, each person engaged in recreations equestrian activities shall assume the risk and legal responsibility for any injury to his person or property arising out of the hazards inherent in equestrian sports.

****For safety reasons we strongly recommend a red ribbon in the tail of horses that kick, a green ribbon in the tail of a green horse or rider and a yellow ribbon in the tail of a stallion. ASTM/SEI approved helmets strongly suggested; required for riders under 18 years.**

THE OWNERS OF **Sprague Land Preserve, or Konow's Property/Fishing Camp, Seymour Adelman and the State of CT** WILL NOT BE RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY LOSS, DAMAGE OR INJURY TO RIDER OR SPECTATOR.

Signature of this form consents agreement to these conditions. A representative who is of age must sign the entry blank and who, by such signature, individually accepts responsibility and risk as stated above.

Please be advised that photos may be taken at this event for use in Yankee Pedlar and Equine Journal magazine. Please indicate below if you do not consent to have your picture published in this manner.

Signature _____ Date _____

Signature of Parent/Guardian of minor child _____

Emergency # _____

Allergies/Medical Issues _____

Mail entries to: Loree Osowski, 211 Pautipaug Hill Rd; Baltic, CT 06330.

Email Loree: todd_loree@comcast.net (H) 860-822-1989 (C) 860-208-2344

or Gail: rhgs@comcast.net 860-949-1078

SAYLES SCHOOL

PRESCHOOL PROGRAM

25 Scotland Road
Baltic, CT 06330
860-822-8264 Phone 860-822-8667 Fax

July 1, 2015

To the Residents of Sprague:

The School Readiness Preschool Program at Sayles School is happy to forward to the residents of Sprague the results of the survey that were completed regarding the preschool program for the 2014-15 school year.

Thirty three surveys were distributed to families and 30 surveys were returned. The surveys were sent home from school with the students and returned to the classroom teachers.

The questions from the surveys and the responses of parents/guardians follow. We are extremely pleased with the responses received in this survey that indicate parents/guardians are very satisfied with the program. Although we have seen marked improvement in the following responses regarding question #4, "I talk with a teacher about my child at least once a week," there continues to be some confusion. The intent of the question is to ensure that there is weekly communication which does occur in the form of daily written notes that are sent home to parents/guardians.

Question 4 – "I talk with a teacher about my child at least once a week." There were 23 yes responses to this question, 6 "no" responses, and 1 "don't know". The National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC) recommends that parents transport their children to the program. Sprague transports the preschool students. This is beneficial to most families, although some parents prefer to bring their children to the program daily. Because of the transportation accommodation, not all parents come to the school and talk with the teachers daily. Teachers send home daily notes to families in the program. Emails are also encouraged for parents who prefer to communicate in this way. We stress the importance of good communication between staff and families.

We hope that if anyone has questions or comments regarding these survey results that they will contact the school at 860-822-8264 extension 109.

Sincerely,

Judy Benson-Clarke

Dr. Judy Benson-Clarke
Superintendent of Schools
and the Sayles School Readiness Team



Self-Assessment Family Survey for the Site Visit

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PURPOSE	YES	NO	DK	INA	BLANK
naeyc Sprague Public Schools Preschool is conducting this Family Survey as part of its self-assessment for accreditation by the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC). Family perspectives are essential to the NAEYC Accreditation process. To achieve and maintain accreditation, programs must provide opportunities for families to participate in the Self-Assessment and the program improvement process. Programs must provide all enrolled families the opportunity to respond confidentially and anonymously to this survey; for example, no names, identifying information, or coding may be used. At least half of all enrolled families must return the survey for the results to be considered valid. The program compiles the results and reports them to NAEYC. For more information about NAEYC Accreditation, please visit www.naeyc.org/accreditation .					
DIRECTIONS FOR FAMILIES COMPLETING THIS SURVEY For each statement, choose "Yes" or "No" or "DK" ("don't know"). If the statement does not apply to your program, choose "NA" ("not applicable") if "NA" is provided as an option for that statement. Please choose only one response per statement, and do not write in responses that are not offered as an option. Please return this survey by this date: Survey Results, 2014-2015					
SELF-ASSESSMENT FAMILY SURVEY					
1. I have a good relationship with my child's teacher and other staff.	30				
2. The teacher takes good care of my child, helps my child learn to get along with others, and is a good teacher.	30				
3. The teacher often shares information about things happening in the program and wants to know about things my child is doing at home.	30				
4. I talk with a teacher about my child at least once a week (or every day if my child is a baby).	23	6	1		
5. I have received information at enrollment and/or throughout the year about the program and my child's classroom, including information about:					
a. Program mission and philosophy	28			2	
b. Rules and expectations	30				
c. Procedures for drop-off and pickup and handling emergencies	29	1			
5. I receive this information in a language that I understand.	28	1		1	
7. The teacher asks about things that are important to our family and uses this information to help my child grow and learn.	28		2		
8. For families who speak a language other than English at home: The teacher and I discuss the language used to teach my child.	4		1	23	2
9. I am invited to take part in classroom activities and events.	29	1			1
10. When I disagree with how a teacher works with my child, I feel comfortable letting the teacher know and working together to find a solution that works for both of us.	30				



Self-Assessment Family Survey for the Site Visit

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SELF-ASSESSMENT FAMILY SURVEY Continued	YES	NO	DK	INA	BLANK
11. I am comfortable with what my child is learning and how my child's progress is measured. I have the opportunity to discuss what is learned and how it is measured.	30				
12. I know how the program makes sure that information about my child and his or her program is kept confidential.	29	1			
13. I receive written reports about my child at least twice a year.	30				
14. I am told about my child's progress in language I understand and in ways that are respectful to me and my family.	30				
15. The teacher and program work with me to meet my child's individual or special needs and help me get other resources within the community when needed.	23			7	
16. The program helps me get to know other families in the program and encourages us to support each other.	27		1		2
17. I am always welcome at the program and am invited to participate by helping to plan events, being involved in decisions about the program, and taking on leadership roles.	29		1		
18. I am provided a translator when needed.	1		1	27	1
19. The program staff helps me learn about community events and resources that can help my child and family.	28		2		
20. The program gives me information to help my child make a smooth transition to kindergarten or first grade.	22	1	2	5	
21. When program evaluations are completed, I receive information about the findings.	29				1
22. I generally feel respected by the program staff and that my contributions are valued.	30				
23. For families with babies only: The program supports breastfeeding by providing space, storing milk, instructing staff on handling procedures, etc.	1			26	3
24. For families with babies or children with special nutritional needs: Staff work with me to meet my child's nutritional needs and document for me what my child eats each day.	1			26	3

Thank you for completing this survey!

If you are interested in more information about what to look for in a NAEYC Accredited program, resources and articles for families, please visit family.naeyc.org.

**Shetucket Village Is Accepting Applications
 8 Wall Street – Baltic, CT
 Must be 62 years of age and/or Disabled
 No Pets Allowed; No Section 8 Housing
 If you would like an application sent to you,
 please call 860-822-1512**



**VERSAILLES CHURCH
 4 CHURCH STREET
 VERSAILLES, CT
 (ACROSS FROM OCCUM DAM)**
 Taizé Worship Service (pronounced "teh-ZAY) is a 30 minute long ecumenical meditative candle-lit service that centers around music, prayer, and silence, to quiet the mind, open the heart and feed the soul... time of quiet and solitude in the presence of God. A few words sung over and over again reinforce the meditative quality of prayer. Come join us. All are welcome here. Sit on pews or pillows on floor. Come as you are.

**TAIZE WORSHIP
 SERVICE
 (1st Sunday of EVERY
 Month)
 SUNDAY, Aug 2,
 2015
 6:00 pm**

**Town of Sprague
 Housing Authority – Shetucket Village
 Maintenance Person Needed**

Duties include maintenance responsibilities for complex and resident units, basic landscaping, snow removal, maintenance logs, and tenant interactions. Minimum of at least 20hrs per month at \$14.00 per hour. 2-3 years maintenance experience preferred. Applications can be picked up and dropped off at Sprague Town Hall, Town Clerk’s office. Interviews will occur accordingly.

<p>NOTE FROM EDITOR: I AM LOOKING TO ADD THIS MISCELLANEOUS CATEGORY EVERY MONTH AS A HALF PAGE... ENTRIES LIMITED TO “1 LINE” FOR SALE, FOR SWAP, YARD SALES, HELP WANTED, HELP NEEDED, ETC. DEADLINE IS STILL THE 15TH OF EVERY MONTH. Email submissions to: spragueourtownnews-letter@gmail.com</p>	<p align="center"><u><i>Miscellaneous:</i></u></p> <p>Snare Drum Kit \$75 obo/Clarinet \$200 obo</p> <p>Living room, couch chair & ottoman. Yellow with blue designs. (very country cottage looking) \$100 OBO</p> <p>Call (860)204-6286</p> <p align="center">*****</p> <p align="center">August 8 & 9th Yard Sale 160 Main St. Baltic (New in Box Partylite Products, Misc household items, misc furniture, bikes, books...etc) Storage items</p> <p align="center">*****</p>
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Three Villages Fall Festival

Saturday, October 3, 2015

(Rain Date Sunday, October 4th)

11am to 5pm



Craft and Vendor Application

The Three Villages Fall Festival is held annually on the first Saturday of October at the Babe Blanchette Park on Main Street in Baltic, CT. Our committee is striving to grow this event into a highly anticipated and well attended activity for our community. In doing so, we have added many new attractions and events that draw attendees not only from Sprague, but surrounding communities as well. Our committee is inviting local artisans and vendors to display at our festival free of charge! We will request a \$20 deposit to secure commitment to our event. The deposit will be fully refundable at the close of the event provided that the vendor arrives on time and stays for the duration. An approved application entitles the artisan/vendor to a 10X10 space. Each applicant is responsible for bringing their own tents, chairs and tables. If electricity is needed please specify in this application. A \$10 fee will be applied and you must supply your own power cords. Space is limited so please submit your application as soon as possible. If you have any questions, please contact Heather Hawkins at 860-514-0589 or Craig Staggs at 860-710-5063.

(Please Print)

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____

Type of Craft or Product:

Electricity Needed? YES or NO

If yes, please submit the \$10 Fee with your application and deposit.

Once the application has been approved a confirmation will be sent and the Artisan/Vendor agrees to display for the event's entirety. Set up begins as early as 9am, but all vehicles must be moved no later than 10am. In the event of inclement weather, the Three Villages Fall Festival will be scheduled for Sunday, October 4th.

Signature of Artisan/Vendor _____

Please mail application to the attention of Heather Hawkins, P.O. Box 336, Baltic, CT 06330

RIVER PARK MUSIC NIGHTS



SPONSORED BY THE MOHEGAN SUN

Come Join Us For A Relaxing Night By The
Beautiful Shetucket River for Family Fun
Saturday Nights 6:00pm - 8:30pm

August 1st Straight Ahead

August 8th Silver Hammer

August 15th Beer & Chili with music by Gary and The Pineapples

August 22nd The PoundHounds

August 29th Gypsy TimeSurf

September 5th Stone Creek

September 12th Glenn Hansen Orchestra

September 19th Wine and Cheese with music by WAITING FOR
CONFIRMATION



SAVE THE DATE:

Town of Sprague Parks and Recreation Department

Three Villages Fall Festival

Saturday, October 3, 2015

(Rain Date Sunday, October 4th)

11am to 5pm

Sprague Democratic Town Committee August Update

We have met and are planning for the upcoming municipal elections. We will be announcing our candidates in the September Our Town issue. The committee meeting scheduled will be too late to include our endorsements in this edition.

Kathleen Boushee, Democratic Registrar of Voters has decided to move on to other job opportunities as well as experiencing increased family responsibilities. She has served the Town as Registrar for nearly 20 years with grace. She experienced the form of voting change from lever voting machines to computerized tabulators. Her knowledge of the system will be hard to replace, her kindness and non-partisanship will be remembered always. Thank you Kathleen for all you have done for Sprague!

The Democratic Registrar of Voters is a position to be filled by the Democratic Town Committee.

The Sprague DTC continues to encourage residents to register to vote. Registered Democrats interested in serving on Town Boards or joining the DTC should contact me at accpglaude@netscape.net or call 860-822-9111.

Please visit the Sprague DTC website at SpragueDemocrats.org for updated information.

Claire Glaude, DTC Secretary

The Members of the Baltic Fire Engine Company # 1 recently purchased a Lucas 2 chest compression system. The total price which the Baltic Volunteer Fire department paid for the Lucas 2 was \$18,000.00. This purchase was paid for by the Baltic Fire Engine Company # 1 with the funds from their Ambulance Billing Account, thus using NO tax dollars or having to request or accept any funds from the town. The purchase of the Lucas 2 will better enable the members to provide the upmost quality CPR compressions to all patients who have suffered from a medical emergency in which CPR needs to be performed. The Members of the Baltic Volunteer Fire Department accepted delivery of their new Lucas 2 chest compression system on June 29, 2015. On that same day members of the department attended a training session on the Lucas 2 which was given by the Lucas representative. The Lucas 2 was immediately placed into service once the training session was completed. The Lucas 2 will assist the Baltic Fire members in providing the quality care needed during all CPR events. Information taken from the Lucas 2 informational web site "A study provides the highest level of evidence that sudden cardiac arrest patients can be effectively treated using LUCAS mechanical chest compressions. The LUCAS chest compression system provides several additional benefits to resuscitation care:

- Frees rescuers to provide other life-saving therapies without the limitations or difficulties of manual cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR)
- Standardizes the quality of chest compressions adhering to the European Resuscitation Council and American Heart Association Guidelines for CPR depth, rate and recoil
- Allows for effective CPR during patient transportation, while improving rescuer safety
- Can provide life-sustaining circulation in the catheterization laboratory during procedures to reopen blocked arteries"

Leslie L. Shull, Chief



Friends of the Shetucket River Valley

The Friends of the Shetucket River Valley (FoSRV), is currently assisting efforts by the Town of Sprague to acquire ownership of 111 acres of forested upland known as the Robinson Property. This parcel abuts the existing Sprague Land Preserve, which in turn borders the Shetucket River.

The Robinson Property is a mixture of evergreens and deciduous hardwoods, with fern and berry covered hillsides. It complements the existing Preserve, and supplements the ecological value within this region by increasing the size of protected land with the Shetucket River Valley watershed.

The Town of Sprague is currently in the process of submitting an application to the Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection for an Open Space and Watershed Land Acquisition Grant. The award from this grant is based upon a percentage of the appraised value of the property and will help to defray its \$289,000 purchase price. The remainder of this money must be raised through private contributions and other available funding sources.

Working with the Sprague Conservation Commission, FoSRV will play a major role in helping to raise the money required to complete this acquisition. FoSRV urgently needs your assistance with this critically important effort. Please consider becoming a member and contribute toward reaching our goal. ***No donation is too small.***

YES! I want to be a member of the Friends of the Shetucket River Valley.

***Individual \$25 Family \$45 Mountain Laurel \$100 Hemlock: \$250
White Pine: \$500 Blue Spruce \$1,000 Mike DuBois (our resident beaver) \$10,000***

Name (s): _____

Address: _____

Town, State, Zip _____

Phone Number: _____ Email: _____

Preferred method of contact: _____

Enclosed is my membership dues check for \$ _____.

I am enclosing \$ _____ as a contribution in addition to my membership dues.

I want to help with: ___secretarial work ___research ___soliciting new members ___Other (specify)

***Friends of the Shetucket River Valley
1 Main St.
Baltic, CT 06330***



News from the Sprague Senior Center, 1 Main Street, Baltic, CT

The Sprague Commission on Aging developed a Resource Guidebook for Sprague Senior Citizens.

The Resource Guidebook for Sprague Senior Citizens can be viewed at the Sprague Town Hall, the Sprague Public Library and the Sprague Senior Center.

This Resource Guidebook provides a comprehensive understanding of what programs are available and how to apply for them.

For questions and assistance, please call Buddy Meadows, Sprague Senior Center Coordinator/Municipal Agent for the Elderly at 860-822-3000, Ext. 203 between the hours of 10:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M. Monday through Thursday and Friday between the hours of 8:30 A.M. to 12:30 P.M.



Dog Licensing

June is Dog Licensing month. All dogs are required, by law, to be licensed by the time they are six months of age. An annual license is in effect for one year - July 1st through June 30th. When licensing your dog for the first time you must provide proof of an up-to-date rabies vaccination and a veterinary certificate if your dog is spayed or neutered.

Licensing fees are as follows:

Spayed or neutered dog: **\$8.00**

Non-spayed or non-neutered dogs: **\$19.00**

Guide dogs: FREE

Late fee: **\$1.00** per month starting July 1st

Please stop by the Town Hall Mon. - Thurs. 8 am - 4:30 pm, Wed. till 5:30 pm or mail your renewal.

Mailing a renewal:

- ✓ If during the past year your dog has been either spayed or neutered or a rabies vaccination was given by a vet, mail copies of these services with a check. The papers will be returned to you along with a new tag.
 - ✓ Enclose a self-addressed stamped envelope.
 - ✓ Mail to: Town Clerk, PO Box 162, Baltic, CT 06330

If you have any questions please call 860-822-3000, extension 220.

**Jennifer M. Synnett,
Town Clerk**

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The Sprague Historical Society is working on a new exhibit about Sprague Schools.

If anyone has programs, class pictures (or any pictures) from any of the schools in Sprague we would love to scan them, names of the people in the pictures would be a plus.

If anyone has any items or pictures you would like to donate, scan or lend it would be appreciated.

Please help us keep the History of Sprague alive!!

You can email us at historicalsociety@ctsprague.org

Write to us at 76 Main St. Baltic, CT 06330

Call us at 860-822-6867

Our hours:

Tues. 2:30 to 5:00

Thurs. 3:30 to 6:00

Wed. & Sat. 10:00 to 1:00



**OUTSIDE MOVIES
will be held at the
RIVER PARK
MOVIE STARTING @ DUSK**

August 7th Honey I Shrank the Kids

August 21st Tangled

September 4th Mrs. Doubtfire

September 18th Shrek

October 2nd Frozen

PROVIDED BY THE RECREATION COMMITTEE

LIBRARY NEWS!!

Join us at the library for summer reading! It is never too late to join in on a fun summer of reading. Call the library or stop in for information 860-822-3012.

Sprague is where the summer fun is!!!

Do you like home brewed beer? How about Chili? Add a couple of hot dogs and some popcorn, a comfortable chair and some live music and you have:

The Friends of Sprague Public Libraries Annual Beer Tasting & Chili Cookoff!!!

The library will also have its own beer again this year!

August 15th at 5:30-8:00PM at the Sprague River Park

The Beer Tasting and Chili Cook-off will be held on Saturday August 15th from 5:30 – 8:00PM at the Sprague River Park. There will be music, homebrewed beer, and chili. There will also be hot dogs and popcorn for \$1.00. Soft drinks will also be available.

******* Please stop in or call the library 860-822-3012 if you would like to enter your beer or chili. The deadline to enter is August 1st.**



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TVCCA's Senior Nutrition Program is supported by Senior Resources-Area Agency on Aging with Title III funds made available under the Older Americans Act. This menu meets 1/3 RDA and conforms to U.S. Dietary Guidelines. Certified by Lindsay D'Amato, MPH, RD.



TVCCA SENIOR CAFE AUGUST 2015

FRIDAY

THURSDAY

WEDNESDAY

TUESDAY

MONDAY

<p>3</p> <p>Baked Ziti w/ ground beef Broccoli & Carrots Fresh Fruit</p> 	<p>4</p> <p>Monti Cristo Ham, Turkey Sausage, American Cheese & French Toast Capri Vegetable Medley Orange Juice Chocolate Chip Cookie</p>	<p>5</p> <p>Lemon Garlic Chicken Roasted Potatoes Peas & Carrots Fruit Cocktail OR Ham Salad Platter</p>	<p>6</p> <p>Salisbury Steak Buttered Noodles Sliced Carrots Pears w/ mandarin oranges</p>	<p>7</p> <p>Ravioli w/ marinara Garlic Bread Wax Beans & Green Beans Applesauce Cup OR Turkey Cobb Salad</p>
<p>10</p> <p>Crispy Baked Chicken Rice Pilaf Stewed Tomatoes Cranberry Juice Sugar Cookie</p>	<p>11</p> <p>Sloppy Joes w/ bun Baked Beans Chuck Wagon Vegetables Fresh Fruit</p>	<p>12</p> <p>Apple Cider Braised Pork Loin Mashed Sweet Potatoes Green Beans Peach Cup OR Chicken Caesar Salad</p>	<p>13</p> <p>Baked Cod Italiano Curry & Garlic Rubbed Potatoes Capri Vegetable Medley Fruit Cocktail</p>	<p>14</p> <p>Tuscan Baked Chicken Seasoned Rice Broccoli and Carrots Pineapple Cup OR Tuna Salad Platter</p>
<p>17</p> <p>Mexican Baked Cod w/ corn salsa Mashed Potatoes Capri Vegetable Medley Applesauce Cup</p> <p>Ethnic Celebration</p>	<p>18</p> <p>Stuffed Shells w/ marinara Peas & Wax Beans Pears w/ mandarin oranges</p> 	<p>19</p> <p>Swedish Meatballs Buttered Noodles Sliced Carrots Fresh Orange OR Greek Salad</p>	<p>20</p> <p>Stuffed Chicken Cordon Blue Rice Pilaf Stewed Tomatoes Peach Cup</p> 	<p>21</p> <p>Pineapple Glazed Ham Mashed Sweet Potatoes Capri Vegetable Medley Apple Juice Danish OR Chicken Caesar Salad</p>
<p>24</p> <p>Beef Hot dog w/ bun Baked Beans Long Bean Medley Pears w/ mandarin oranges</p>	<p>25</p> <p>Meatloaf With Gravy Mashed Potatoes Mixed Vegetables Pineapple Cup</p>	<p>26</p> <p>Portuguese Chicken Seasoned Rice & Black Beans Chuck Wagon Vegetable Medley Grape Juice & Cupcake OR Turkey Cobb Salad Birthday Celebration</p>	<p>27</p> <p>Manicotti w/ marinara Garlic Bread Broccoli and Carrots Fruit Cocktail</p>	<p>28</p> <p>Meatball Grinder w/ sub roll & Mozzarella Cheese Italian Vegetable Medley Fresh Orange OR Ham Salad Platter</p>
<p>31</p> <p>Western Omelet Roasted Potatoes Chuck Wagon Veg Peach Cup</p>		<p>1% milk and whole grain bread are served with each meal. Menu is subject to change with out notice.</p>		<p>SALAD CHOICE MEAL Every Wednesday & Friday Suggested Donation for Salad Meals \$ 4.00</p> 



BUS SCHEDULE FROM SPRAGUE TO OCCUM

<u>Points of Departure to Occum</u>	<u>Time</u>		
Shetucket Village	7:45am	9:45am	11:45am
Playground	7:48am	9:48am	11:48am
Brookside & High Street			
TJ's Parking Lot	7:50am	9:50am	11:50am
Arrive Occum- SEAT Connection Site	8:10am	10:10am	12:10am
Red McKeon Park, Hooper St. & Rte. 97			
Points of Departure to Sprague			
	Time		
Red McKeon Park, Hooper St. & Rte. 97 (stop as needed for return trip)	8:15am	10:15am	12:15pm
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. **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.*

**The Salvation Army
Upper New London County Service Unit
Dennison Allen Town of Sprague Representative**



Spring has felt great. Yet there are still some who need help with oil or bills from Eversource [CL&P].

I want to thank all who have donated to the Salvation Army by donated checks to the Upper New London County Service Unit and sending them to 34 Riverside Dr., Baltic, CT 06330 during the past year. I would ask you to give as little or much as you can and you will be blessed as well as those we can help. More help is always needed. Think of it as having a garden with only a tomato plant in a box on your deck, those few tomatoes don't go very far.

There is food that is available at the Sprague Community Center 18 West Main St., Baltic. To get food you will need to bring ID and bags and sign in at 1 pm; food distribution starts at 3pm. This happens on each Friday.

There is a Food Pantry at the Town Hall call 860-822-3000 ext 223 or 220. There is a need for any food you can bring in to supplement the food the Boy Scout's had gotten donated.



August 2015

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
						<p>1 Rummage Sale St. Mary's Church 9 am – 2 pm Free Admission</p> <p>River Park Music Straight Ahead 6 pm – 8:30 pm</p>
2	<p>3 Inland Wetlands, 7 pm Town Hall</p> <p>Zoning Board of Appeals, 7 pm Town Hall</p>	<p>4 Economic Development Comm., 7 pm Town Hall</p>	<p>5 Knights of Columbus 7pm, Fire House</p> <p>P&Z Comm. 7 pm Town Hall</p>	6	<p>7 Rummage Sale St. Mary's Church 10 am – 5 pm Free Admission</p> <p>Outside Movie "Honey I Shrunk the Kids" 7 pm, River Park</p>	<p>8 Rummage Sale St. Mary's Church 9 am – 2 pm Free Admission</p> <p>River Park Music Silver Hammer 6 pm – 8:30 pm</p>
9	<p>10 Conservation Comm. Mtg., 7 pm, Town Hall</p>	<p>11 Library Bd. Mtg., 6:30 pm, Grist Mill</p>	<p>12 Board of Selectmen, 5 pm Town Hall</p>	<p>13 BOE, 7 pm Sayles School</p>	14	<p>15 Beer & Chili Cook- off at River Park with Gary & The Pineapples 6 pm – 8:30 pm</p>
16	17	18	<p>19 Water & Sewer Auth., 4 pm, Town Hall</p>	<p>20 Regional Animal Control Mtg. 10:30 am Sprague Town Hall</p> <p>Board of Finance 7 pm, Town Hall</p>	<p>21 Outside Movie "Tangled" 7 pm, River Park</p>	<p>22 River Park Music The PoundHounds 6 pm – 8:30 pm</p>
23	24	25	26	<p>27 Recreation Comm., 7 pm, Town Hall</p>	28	<p>29 Ride the Shetucket, 10am River Park</p> <p>Our Town Collated 10am Town Hall</p> <p>River Park Music Gypsy TimeSurf 6 pm – 8:30 pm</p>
<p>30 Mulduuk 4.5 Mile Road Race, 11am Giddens Park, Franklin</p>	31					



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