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Information & News for May 2016

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## 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, May 28 for the June 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**

This last month has certainly been a surprise with more snow than we had all winter. I was thrilled that the dainty daffodil proved to be stronger than it appears, and of course thanks to all who planted them all around Town. The roadsides are dotted with a yellow dash of color, brightening our spirits while we wait for the real spring.

The budget is scheduled for a vote during May. Please check the Town's website for specifics. In addition a paper copy of the budget is available in the Town Clerk's office.

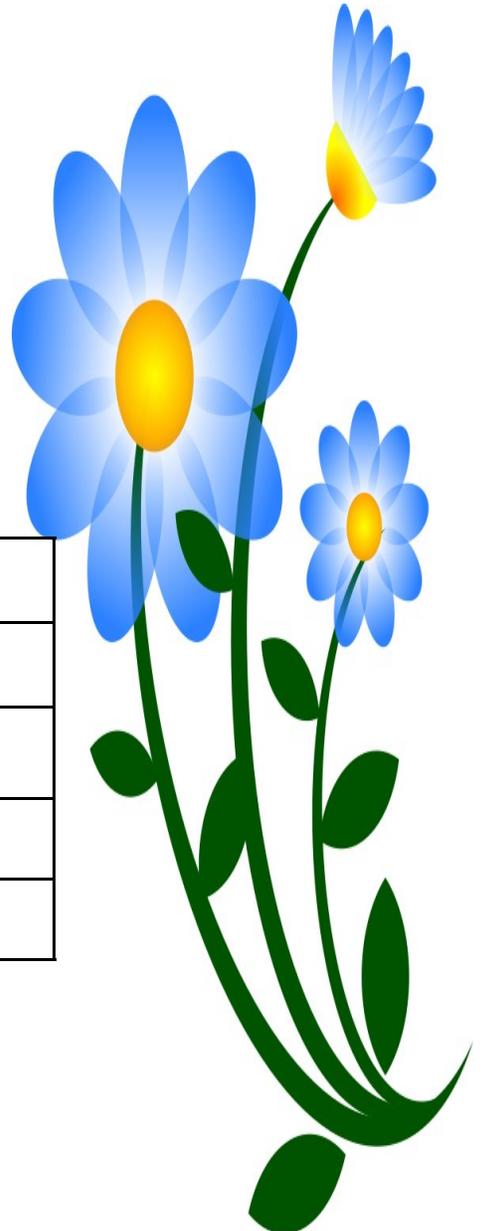
We had two great events in April. First, thanks to the SFC Little League for the great parade! We all enjoyed seeing the children ready to participate in a favorite American past time, baseball! Secondly, Sprague's varsity basketball team won the championship for 2016! Not only did they win the championship they won every game they played, that was 16 games won. Great job everyone!

The Town will be having our Memorial Day parade on Monday, May 30th, 2016 starting at 10am. We would love to see you all come out and join us and celebrate those who gave the ultimate sacrifice.

In addition many groups will be holding spring events this month. They include a plant sale put on by the garden club and a book sale put on by the library. I hope to see you all there!

As always thanks for your support!

Cathy Osten  
First Selectman



**Open Positions as of 5/1/2016**

<b>Zoning Board of Appeals</b> Two alternate members	<b>Recreation Committee</b> Unlimited numbers allowed
<b>Inland Wetlands</b> One alternate member	<b>Baltic Mills Committee</b> Unlimited numbers allowed
<b>Water &amp; Sewer</b> One regular member	<b>Conservation Commission</b> One alternate member
<b>Regional Tourism Board</b> One appointment	<b>Planning &amp; Zoning</b> One alternate member
<b>Sprague Housing Authority</b> Two members	

## Sprague Democratic Town Committee Update

Officers elected at the March meeting were: John Malone, Chair - Cathy Osten, Vice-Chair - Claire Glaude, Secretary and Jeannette Deschamps, Treasurer.

We elected delegates from our Town Committee and provided them with recommendations on endorsements for candidates for state and federal offices.

The Committee voted unanimously to endorse incumbent U.S. Representative (2nd District) Joe Courtney and Kate Donnelly running for 47th Assembly District State Rep., for the upcoming November 2016 Election.

We, again this year, will be providing two \$50 awards, one for a graduate from Sayles School and one for a graduate from St. Joseph's. These are given in the name of Mary M. Stefon, Former Sprague Town Clerk. We hope the recipients follow in her footsteps in dedication to our community.

The Sprague DTC encourages residents to register to vote. Registered democrats interested in serving on Town boards or joining the DTC should contact me Claire Glaude at 860-822-9111.

Please visit the Sprague DTC website @ [SpragueDemocrats.org](http://SpragueDemocrats.org) for updated information.

Claire Glaude, DTC Secretary



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

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**BALTIC FIRE DEPARTMENT**

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Regular monthly meeting was held on Tuesday, April 12. We discussed various aspects of the Holly Jolly Bazaar and will probably be making a few minor changes to our kitchen menu. Also, we reviewed our financial report for the year and it was successful. This is due in great part to the support we receive from vendors and customers who patronize our bazaar and for which we are very grateful. We will not be marching in the annual Memorial Day Parade on Monday, May 30, but we will be at the firehouse to assist with serving of refreshments after the parade. We have had to change the date of our June meeting – it will be held on Tuesday, June 7, at 7:00 pm at the firehouse. This is a week earlier than usual. The Fire Department has advised us of preliminary plans for their 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration taking place in June of 2017. We will be very happy to assist them with this. Please remember that anyone interested in joining the Auxiliary is welcome. We are always looking for new members and new ideas for fundraising. You need not be a Sprague resident or have a spouse or family member in the Fire Department to join the Auxiliary as a regular member. We have recently added Junior Members – young women between the ages of 16 and 18 who have a parent or guardian in the fire department or auxiliary.

Sincerely,

*Jeannette Deschamps*

Jeannette Deschamps,

Secretary



**April 5, 2016 American Legion Post 85 Minutes**

The meeting opened at 7:00 p.m. 15 members were in attendance. There were no minutes from March to read. The Financial Officer/Adjutant reported that there was \$261.15 in the checking account and \$3,252.34 in the Memorial Fund. He also stated that 46 of the 47 members had paid dues to date. Two additional veterans were recognized for joining the Post. Jack Malone, USN and Michael Mish, USA (both Vietnam era vets) were welcomed. The Memorial Committee estimates \$60,000 is the price for the price for the next statue. A barbeque chicken dinner is planned for April 15, 2016 from 5:00 to 7:00 pm at the Sprague Rod and Gun Club. Tickets are \$7.50 and \$5.00 for adults and children respectively. The committee informed the Post that The Memorial Day Parade is May 30th. The Poker Run committee stated the Run is scheduled for July 17<sup>th</sup>. There will be more information to follow after the first committee meeting on April 6<sup>th</sup>. The meeting closed at 7:35 p.m. with a salute to the colors and a prayer. The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 3rd at the Sprague Rod and Gun Club.

Respectfully submitted,  
Tom Coletti  
Post 85 Adjutant

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Doing Spring cleaning? Don't throw that old stuff out, see if it's anything the Museum would like.

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

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Check us out on Facebook!

You can email us at [historicalsociety@ctsprague.org](mailto:historicalsociety@ctsprague.org)  
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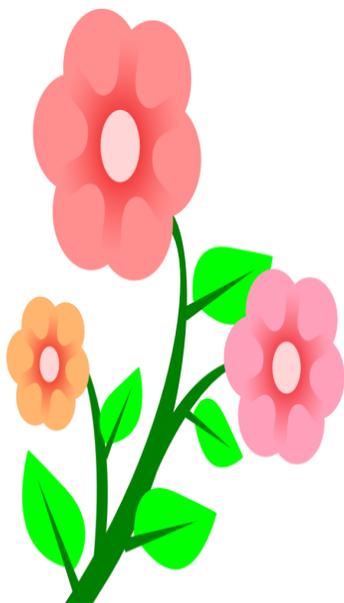
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5pm

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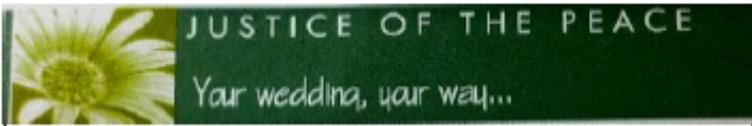
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Join us for a special Mother's Day meal Sunday May 8<sup>th</sup>!

Parent Teacher Organization

Sayles School

Why come to a PTO meeting?

With you, we can make a positive contribution to our children's school.

We sponsor events such as breakfast with Santa, school programs, school fundraisers, and Teacher appreciation day.

May Agenda Items Include:

PTO Officer Voting

Family Reading Night Planning

Field Day Planning

LET'S MEET on Tuesday, May 3rd at 6 PM in the Sayles School Media Center.

For More Information, email us at saylesschoolpto@gmail.com.

Like us on Facebook, Sayles Elementary School Parent Teacher Organization.



Sayles School Invention Convention

Do you get tired of wearing heels all day? Do you have difficulty erasing things written up high on a white board? If you face these and other puzzling problems, talk to some of the inventors at Sayles School.

Students gathered for the 4th annual "Sayles School Invention Convention" on Wednesday, April 6th. The students followed the "Connecticut Invention Convention" protocol and began a problem-solving process that resulted in real-life inventions. The students stood in front of their display boards, and armed with an invention log, answered a variety of questions from Superintendent Dr. Judy Benson-Clarke, Superintendent, Principal Mrs. Jean Wierzbinski, and guest judge, Mrs. Mary Fitzgerald, President of Acme Wire in Mystic. The students clearly articulated the problems and solutions that resulted in the inventions.

First grader, Aiden Walton, inventor of the "Emergency Buddy" and fourth graders, Katelyn Nowakowski, inventor of "Heel On Heel Off", and Eva Patnoad, inventor of "Teacher's Pet" will head up to Storrs for the state competition on April 30th.

**Honor Roll**  
**TRIMESTER 1**

**High Honor Roll – 7th Grade**  
Jenna Henk  
Alexandra Richardson

Kennedy Jakan  
Michael Sims  
Laura Dougan  
Erin Jedele  
Hunter Jencks  
Sidney Meneses  
Lauren Topalis

**Honor Roll – 7th Grade**

Jada Barboza  
Katherine Crowley  
Ryan Donahue  
Cora Hawkins  
Nathan Bastien  
Mason Jackson  
Lily Lacy  
Sydney Phillips

**Honor Roll – 8th Grade**

Jonathan Cook  
Matthew Dziadul  
Madison Gifford  
Lavery Hill  
Nicholas Miller  
Aria Mueller  
Riley Burzycki  
Amber Discola  
Derek Harvey  
Makayla Jackson  
Zachary Larkham  
Kristine Staggs

**High Honor Roll – 8th Grade**  
Madelyn Allen  
Saige Gwynn



On Friday, April 1st and Saturday, April 2nd, seventeen students from Sayles School competed at the 33rd Annual Future Problem Solving Program of Connecticut State Conference. On Friday night, the students completed a two hour booklet that tasked students with creating solutions for global workforce problems such as, long work hours, lack of free time for employees and high stress jobs. On Saturday, students worked for five hours to create a skit, using a list of limited materials that demonstrated their solution. In groups of four or five, students acted out their solutions which they had created to global workforce problems such as in-person interviews to prevent hacking and futuristic stress balls that absorbs employees stress.

Sidney Meneses, Saige Gwynn, Jonathan Cook and Kaleb Carrion won the state championship in the middle division for their skit, which highlighted the downfalls of hacking and the benefits of real life interviews, rather than relying on technology. Also participating in Future Problem Solvers were: Maddy Allen, Riley Burzycki, Laura Dougan, Derek Harvey, Cora Hawkins, Lavery Hill, Jenna Henk, Kennedy Jakan, Erin Jedele, Hunter Jencks, Michael Sims, Nick Miller and Lauren Topalis.

# S.P.A.R.C.

SPRAGUE PARK & RECREATION COMMITTEE

## SUMMER RECREATION PROGRAM

WHEN: Monday, JULY 4- Thursday, JULY 28

MONDAY– THURSDAYS

9AM-2PM

WHERE: Saint Michael's Gym

COST: \$80 PER CHILD (TOWN RESIDENTS-FAMILY CAP \$160)

\$100 PER CHILD (NON-RESIDENTS- FAMILY CAP \$200)

### **SPORTS, GAMES & CRAFTS**

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PUT SUNSCREEN ON YOUR CHILD BEFORE THEY COME AS WE MAY BE OUTDOORS

ALL MEDICAL FORMS AND REGISTRATIONS AND PAYMENT MUST BE TURNED IN BY June 29, 2016

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SPRAGUE PARK & RECREATION COMMITTEE

## SUMMER RECREATION PROGRAM

WHEN: MONDAY- THURSDAY

JULY 4 - JULY 28

9AM-2PM

WHERE: St Michael's Center

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Child's Name \_\_\_\_\_ AGE \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number (Home): \_\_\_\_\_ (Cell): \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Emergency Contact 1: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Emergency Contact 2: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell \_\_\_\_\_

### **Medical Information:**

Please list any allergies, medical conditions, concerns, and/or medication taken on a regular basis:

\_\_\_\_\_

Child's Physician: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Medical Insurance Co. \_\_\_\_\_ Policy Number \_\_\_\_\_

### **Camp Info:**

My child will be (circle one):

**Picked up by: (name) \_\_\_\_\_ -OR- Will walk home**

**\*\*Children must be picked up promptly at 2pm.**

**\*\*\*Any child that is disruptive to the program will be asked to leave.**

### **Reminders:**

⇒ AGES — ENROLLED IN K– 8TH FOR UPCOMING SCHOOL YEAR

⇒ (MUST BE POTTY TRAINED. NOT YET GRADUATED 8TH GRADE.)

⇒ BRING WATER BOTTLES & LUNCH

⇒ ALL CHILDREN MUST WEAR SNEAKERS

⇒ PUT SUNSCREEN ON YOUR CHILD BEFORE THEY COME AS WE WILL BE OUTDOORS

⇒ ALL WAIVER AND REGISTRATION FORMS AND CAMP PAYMENT MUST BE TURNED IN BY JUNE 29, 2016  
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⇒ **IF YOUR CHILD NEEDS AN INHALER OR TAKES MEDICINE THEY MUST BRING IT WITH THEM AND BE ABLE TO TAKE IT ON THEIR OWN**

# Ride the Shetucket River

The Town of Sprague in will resume the wildly popular Ride the Shetucket events for 2016. 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 2016 are: April 30<sup>th</sup>, May 28<sup>th</sup>, June 25<sup>th</sup>, July 30<sup>th</sup>, August 27<sup>th</sup>, September 24<sup>th</sup>, and lastly October 15<sup>th</sup> (possibly at night). 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](http://www.ctsprague.org). For more information contact Lou Dzialo 860-822-6043

**SEE YOU THERE**



Sprague Land Preserve

CONTAMINATED CLEAN UP RESTARTING

THE CLEAN UP has begun and will be completed during the summer of 2016. There will be intermittent tree cutting/removal plus a variety of other types of activity while the lead is being removed. This will limit access on cross roads through the contaminated area and limit parking at the cabin.

PLEASE BE PATIENT WHILE WE WORK TO IMPROVE THE LAND PRESERVE FOR YOUR FUTURE ENJOYMENT!

THANK YOU

CATHERINE OSTEN

FIRST SELECTMAN



# Ride the Shetucket River

The Town of Sprague will provide a free shuttle between River Park and Scotland Dam.

There will be **NO** water release scheduled thus we will only provide transport when the river is at a level that will naturally provide for easy travel. Participants

can put in any time between 10:00 and 12:00. You can ride the river as many times as time and the water level allows. The ride is 4 miles long and takes approximately 2 hours.

Dates for 2016 are: April 30th, May 28th, June 25th, July 30th, August 27th, September 24th, and lastly October 15th (possibly at night).

Since Ride the Shetucket is level sensitive, check the Town website prior to the event for any cancellation postings.

We will be planning for hikes up along the Shetucket, over the Scotland Dam then back down along the Shetucket on days when the river level is too low to kayak (or tube down).

Paddlers need to have PFD's and a distress whistle. [www.ctsprague.org](http://www.ctsprague.org)

## *FoSRV welcomes new members!*

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

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Date: _____
Check: _____

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

**Additional Veteran's Exemption**

Applications are being accepted for the Additional Veteran's Exemption. This program is for persons receiving the regular veterans exemption and have a 2015 income of \$42,900 married or \$35,200 single (including social security) or \$18,000 single and \$21,000 married (excluding social security) for 100% V.A. determined Disabled Veterans. Income proofs must be supplied. Applications are filed biennially with the assessor. **The filing deadline for the Additional Veteran's Exemption is Oct 1, 2016.** For more information, please contact the Assessor's office.

**Branching Out...**

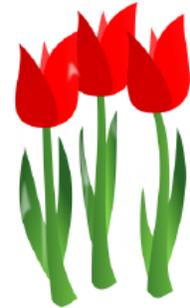
**Notes from the Tree Warden**

Spring has pretty much 'sprung', leaves are ready to 'pop', the daffodils that survived the recent freezes are blooming and once again there are trees to be planted. Any one walking around the Baltic Reservoir will notice that most of all the seedlings that have been planted over the last five years are thriving. The first seedlings that were planted by the cell tower road are now 12-15 feet tall. Most of the conservation pines planted at the north end (toward Baltic-Hanover Rd. entrance) have withstood the incessant onslaught of grape, bittersweet and random vines. I just received a shipment of 125 seedlings that will be planted in the 'last' section of the reservoir not replanted yet – the south end between the main dam and the short wall. I may, once again, need to solicit some assistance in getting these in the ground the beginning of May. We recently also received a truckload of 38 large ball-and-burlap pines from "our" nursery that were "almost" free. Hopefully these large blue spruce, white spruce and white pines will be able to get planted as border trees along the road to protect the seedlings behind them. All of the trees purchased last fall for the Preserve will be planted in May by the EPA as the lead reclamation project nears completion. There are 1200 hardwood seedlings, mountain laurel and a variety of ball-and-burlap trees that the EPA team will plant throughout the landscaped area to replace trees that were removed for the project. The project area should be 'park-like' when done. The Conservation Commission and I hope that many more of you will stroll through the Preserve and enjoy this remarkable piece of town property.

Dave Gustafson ~ Sprague Tree Warden



## LIBRARY NEWSLETTER FOR MAY 2016



### BASKET RAFFLE

THE FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY ARE HAVING  
A BASKET RAFFLE TO BENEFIT THE LIBRARY. THE  
BASKETS WILL BE ON DISPLAY IN THE LIBRARY  
UNTIL MAY 14<sup>TH</sup>. ON SATURDAY MAY 14<sup>TH</sup> THE  
BASKETS WILL BE ON DISPLAY IN FRONT OF THE  
LIBRARY. TICKETS ARE 3 FOR \$1.00 OR 20 FOR  
\$5.00. TICKETS WILL BE DRAWN ON MAY 14<sup>TH</sup> AT  
1:00PM.

YOU DO NOT HAVE TO BE PRESENT TO WIN, YOU  
WILL BE CALLED!

### BOOK SALE!

THE LIBRARY WILL ALSO HAVE A BOOK SALE OUTSIDE AT  
THE SAME TIME WEATHER PERMITTING. FILL A BAG FOR  
\$2.00 BAGS WILL BE SUPPLIED

### THE GARDEN CLUB PLANT SALE

WILL BE HELD ON SATURDAY MAY 14<sup>TH</sup> PLEASE  
COME OUT SUPPORT TWO VALUABLE RESOURCES IN  
OUR TOWN!!



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 MAY 2016

**MONDAY**

**TUESDAY**

**WEDNESDAY**

**THURSDAY**

**FRIDAY**

<p>2 Eggplant Roulottes Penne &amp; Marinara Scandinavian Blend Pears w/ mandarin oranges</p>	<p>3 Beef Stew Buttered Noodles Winter Vegetable Medley Fresh Orange</p>	<p>4 BBQ Chicken Thigh Baked Beans Mixed Vegetables Grape Juice Chocolate Chip Cookie</p>	<p>5 Cheese Manicotti w/ marinara Garlic Bread Wax Beans &amp; Green Beans Applesauce Cup</p>	<p>6 Pub Burger w/ bun Roasted Potatoes Long Bean Medley Peach Cup</p>
<p>9 Southwest Crusted Cod Rice Pilaf Corn Pepper Medley Applesauce Cup</p> 	<p>10 Cheese Omelet Hash Brown Potatoes Stewed Tomatoes Orange Juice Danish</p>	<p>11 Salisbury Steak w/ gravy Seasoned Rice Italian Vegetable Medley Fresh Fruit</p>	<p>12 Pineapple Glazed Ham Mashed Sweet Potatoes Green Beans Peach Cup</p>	<p>13 TVCCA Employee Day  Senior Nutrition Program Closed</p>
<p>16 Chicken Paprika Parsley Potatoes Winter Blend Cranberry Juice Sugar Cookie</p>	<p>17 Beef Hot dog w/ roll Baked Beans Coleslaw Applesauce Cup</p>	<p>18 Beef Stroganoff Buttered Noodles Chuck wagon vegetables Pineapple Cup</p>	<p>19 Chicken Curry w/ Rice casserole Snap Peas Diced Carrots Pears &amp; Mandarin Oranges <u>Ethnic Celebration</u></p>	<p>20 Meatloaf w/ gravy Scalloped Potatoes Green Beans &amp; Diced Tomatoes Fresh Fruit</p>
<p>23 Cheeseburger Noodle Peas Baby Carrots Fresh Orange</p>	<p>24 Green Pepper Casserole Cumin &amp; Garlic Rubbed Potatoes Capri Vegetable Medley Peach Cup</p>	<p>25 Lemon Garlic Chicken Rice Pilaf Stewed Tomatoes Fruit Cocktail</p>	<p>26 Crispy Cod Patty Macaroni &amp; Cheese Broccoli Pineapple Cup</p> 	<p>27 Breaded Pork Chop Mashed Potatoes Chuck Wagon Vegetable Medley Grape Juice Cupcake <u>Birthday Celebration</u></p>
<p>30  Memorial Day Senior Nutrition Program Closed</p>	<p>31 Stuffed Shells w/ marinara Garlic Bread Green Beans &amp; Wax Beans Applesauce Cup</p>		<p>1% milk and whole grain bread are served with each meal. Menu is subject to change with out notice.</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			
<u>Points of Departure to Sprague</u>	<u>Time</u>		
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](http://www.seatbus.com). **Winter Weather Schedule:** The bus will follow the school closure schedule during the winter. Watch early morning television on Channel 3, 8 or 30 for closures.*

The Salvation Army

Upper New London County Service Unit

Dennison Allen Town of Sprague Representative

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.

Spring is coming. Keep your fuel tanks full and keep food water etc. on hand in case of more bad weather.

Do you follow a budget? Money in money out and what to do with any money not needed this month? Maybe put in a saving account.

By the way have you sat down with your family and talked about where to go if you need to leave your home, so all can be accounted for?

Do you have 24 hour kit ready if you need it?

If you need food call Town Hall and speak to Colette thanks to Scouting for food there is food to help you.

May the Lord bless you with all the things you ask for and are needed for you and your family.



DOING THE MOST GOOD



# May 2016

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
1	2 Inland Wetlands 7 pm, Town Hall  Zoning Board of Appeals, 7 pm Town Hall	3 American Legion 7 pm, Rod & Gun	4 BOE, 7 pm Sayles School  Garden Club 6:30 pm, Town Hall  Knights of Columbus 7pm, Fire House  P&Z Comm. 7 pm, Town Hall	5	6	7
8    Mother's Day	9 Conservation Comm., 7 pm, Town Hall	10 Comm. on Aging, 1:30 pm, Town Hall  Economic Development Mtg 7 pm, Town Hall  Library Bd. Mtg. 6:30 pm, Grist Mill	11 Board of Selectmen, 5 pm, Town Hall	12	13 Deadline for all OUR TOWN Submissions	14 Garden Club Plant Sale, 9 am to 1 pm Sprague Town Hall  Versailles Church Bake Sale & Vendor Sale 4 Church Street 9 am to 2 pm
15	16	17	18 Water & Sewer Auth., 4 pm, Town Hall	19 Board of Finance 7 pm, Town Hall	20	21
22	23	24 Historical Society Meeting 6:30 pm, Grist Mill	25	26 Senior Smilers 1pm, Senior Ctr.  Reg. Animal Control Mtg 10:30am, Lisbon Town Hall  Recreation Comm., 8 pm, Town Hall	27	28 Collating of June Our Town 10 am Town Hall  Ride the Shetucket 10 am River Park
29	30 Memorial Day Parade 10 am  Memorial Day	31				



# Our Town

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## Note from the Editor: Elizabeth Calderon

The deadline for Our Town submissions (and corresponding payments for ads) is the **15th of each month**. Submissions will be no more than 200 words and must be e-mailed to **spragueourtownnewsletter@gmail.com**. No series will be accepted. Longer articles may be submitted and used based on room at the Editor's discretion. The focus of Our Town is community events, articles, commission notes and other items of town-wide interest. Annual budget considerations may affect page appropriations. Ads have no restriction on word limit and 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 12<sup>th</sup> month free. All payments for ads are made in the Town Clerk's Office at Town Hall.** Sprague~ Our Town is a free monthly publication of the Town of Sprague, serving the communities of Baltic, Hanover & Versailles. Primarily funded by the Town, support is also provided by paid advertisements. Opinions expressed in Sprague~ Our Town are not necessarily those of town officials or the community at large, but solely reflect those of the writer. Submissions may be edited for clarity and formatted as necessary. Libelous or obscene materials are not permitted.

