

# OUR TOWN

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## Information & News for October 2012

Yard Sale!!  
TJ's Parking Lot  
**Saturday, October 6<sup>th</sup>**  
**9am- 4pm**  
No Early Birds



Call Pam for a table @ 860-822-9333



### Project Safe Halloween

Baltic Fire House

October 31, 2012 6pm-8pm

Costume parade will start at 6pm at the Sprague town hall and end up at the Fire House. Once at the fire house all parade participants will be allowed to enter the firehouse first to trick-or-treat for candy, play games, etc. Anyone who has not taken part in the costume parade **MUST** wait until all of the parade participants have entered the fire house.



### SCOUTING FOR FOOD

BSA Troop 19 would like to remind the residents of Sprague that we will be doing our annual Scouting for Food collection again this year. Plastic bags will be distributed to every house in Sprague on the morning of Saturday, October 27. Residents are asked to fill the bags with whatever non-perishable items they can spare during the week. On the following Saturday, November 3, please place the filled bags near the curb in front of your home, where we will pick them up after 9am.

Scouting for Food is the most important community service project undertaken by the troop each year. The need is even greater than normal this year, so it is more important than ever. The food we collect stays in Sprague where it helps to feed needy families, especially those with children. If you have any questions or forget to leave your bags by the curb, please contact Scoutmaster Stuart Woronecki at 860-334-2245. Thank you in advance for your help. We cannot do it without you!

**The Academy of the Holy Family** is privileged as a college prep boarding school to educate young women from all over the world. This past year we hosted boarding students from twelve states and six countries. The Academy of the Holy Family would love to have girls from Sprague in our school.

We are committed to a good education, both spiritual and academic. Understanding the high cost of living, we are able to offer Sprague residents a reduction in tuition.

Please contact us at 860-822-9272 if you are interested.



### From the Desk of the First Selectman

Thanks for being patient this summer while we worked our way through roadside mowing, sweeping and road repair. We continue to look for ways and yes we are still in the running for help to work on the bottom part of Pautipaug Hill Road, and all of Grandview and Sunrise Drive, I certainly appreciate your patience during this grant process.

Along with this process we are seeking letters which illuminate the need for these road repairs, please forward your letters to my office as further demonstration of the urgency of this repair!

We will soon be starting repairs to the Town Garage and the last of the repairs to the Grist Mill. In addition the bathrooms in the Town Hall will be undergoing renovations making them ADA accessible.

The recreation field structures are being repaired getting new roofs and replacing worn out fascia boards, redoing the bleachers and replacing lights in the softball field is also ongoing. If you like watching a good game of softball stop down and watch a rousing game and say thanks to Rich Schrader for organizing fall ball!

Please plan on stopping by the 3VFF on October 6<sup>th</sup>; we have many great events happening thanks to Craig Staggs and the recreation commission. Don't forget the little Miss and Master Sprague contest will be held at the River Park on October 5<sup>th</sup>, along with the last outside movie for the year. Please stop down and support our kids!

As always thanks for your support.

Cathy Osten  
First Selectman



## Sprague's Fall Cleanup on Saturday, October 20<sup>th</sup>

Celebrate Fall with fellow town members by **ADOPTING-A-ROAD** for trash cleanup and planting bulbs. Meet at the Grist Mill at 10 am to pick up trash bags and flower bulbs. A token gift will be available for participants.

Also, the Town of Sprague is offering a "**FREE DUMP DAY**" on October 20th at our Transfer Station from 8 am – 4 pm. Bring your ID showing Sprague residency to the Transfer Station on this day. Blue Bag usage will be waived for the day, please remember to recycle as that is an important part of our transfer station system.

### *Notes from the Editor: Elizabeth Calderon*

Deadline for Our Town submissions is the 15th of each month. Submissions will be no more than 200 words and may be e-mailed to [OurTown@ctsprague.org](mailto:OurTown@ctsprague.org). No series submissions 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. **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.

**Don't forget to Ride the Shetucket!!**

**October 20<sup>th</sup>**

NEW DATE

The Town of Sprague will provide a free shuttle between River Park and Scotland Dam. Water release is scheduled for 10:00 am on days of the event. Participants can put in any time between 10:00 and 12:00. You can ride the river as many times as water level allows. The ride is 4 miles long and takes approximately 2 hours. Paddlers need to have PFD's and a distress whistle.

Since Ride the Shetucket is weather sensitive even, check the Town website on the Thursday prior to the event for any cancellation postings.

[www.ctsprague.org](http://www.ctsprague.org)



***3 Village Fall Festival***

**Friday Oct 5<sup>th</sup>: River Park 6:30pm**

6:30pm - Little Mr./Miss Sprague at the River Park.

7:30 - Outdoor movie starts at the River Park: "The Avengers"

**Saturday Oct 6<sup>th</sup> : Babe Blanchette Softball Field 10am-4pm**

10am - skateboard/bmx/scooter competition

Peter Rogers Karate	Unique Cuisine	Bingo
Addicted to Dance	Henna tattoos	Carnival Games
Games 2 U	balloon animals	Obstacle Course
Cubscouts	face painting	Blow up Animal land
Girl Scouts	Marylou & friends	Local bands
RTC & DTC	Avon	
Sayles PTO		
Garden Club		

Any question contact Craig Staggs 860-822-1339.

# SPRAGUE PUBLIC LIBRARY



*The Friends of Sprague Public Library would like to thank everyone who came to our second annual Wine & Cheese Social. We hope you had as much fun as we did! This event is a wonderful opportunity to dress up a little, share some drinks and appetizers, and most of all visit with so many of the terrific people who live in our community.*

*We would like to thank the great people who helped us with this event:*

- The Sprague Garden Club and Lefrancois Florals & Gifts.*
- Mr. Shawn Bittman for the delicious appetizers.*
- Catherine Osten and our town crew for their help with tables, tents, lighting, signage, and support.*

*The monies raised for the past two years through this event have paid for most of the new bookcases in the library, and enable the library to continue to grow into an excellent resource for the people of our town.*

*Once again thank you all so much!!!!!!*

Sprague Public Library, 76 Main St., Baltic, CT 06330  
Phone: (860) 822-3012 Website: <http://spraguepublic.library.googlepages.com/home>  
Staff: Christine Kolar- Director; Kristin Elliott, Jamie Sweet, Karen Sabrowski

## Our Town Volunteers

Are you looking for a way to get more involved in the community or have community service hours that you need to complete? The Sprague Our Town is assembled on the last Saturday of every month starting at 10am in the Court Room of the Town Hall and we are *always* looking for extra help! We have snacks and welcome anyone who wants to come lend a hand, even it is just for an hour!



If interested please e-mail Elizabeth at [ourtown@ctsprague.org](mailto:ourtown@ctsprague.org).

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~SPRAGUE COMMUNITY CENTER NEWS~

Sprague Community Center is busy beginning to plan the 2012-2013 year's events:

- "Food Friday" food distribution program every Friday from 2:00- 3:00 p.m.
- During the school year we may be having an after school ARTS program again at Sayles School
- October, November & December: Pecan Fundraiser.
- November: Thanksgiving Baskets for those in need.
- December: "Christmas Giving Tree" cooperatively with Sayles School and the Sprague Public Library.
- "Breakfast with Santa: (Date to be announced in the next Our Town publication).
- Possible Air Hockey Night if there is an interest;
- March 2013: St. Patrick's Dinner with Irish music.

We always have the "Streak-Less" cloths available at SCC for \$3.00. They are amazing and many people have been extremely happy with the results when washing their windows, TVs and computer screens, etc. If you would like to purchase some, please call 860-822-6595.

SCC will continue to be available for private events, such as bridal & baby showers, birthday parties etc. If interested please call 860-822-6595. If you haven't seen our SCC facility, drop in and check it out!

Enjoy the beautiful colors of fall!

Sincerely,

Brenda J. Keefe, Outreach Coordinator



Academy of the Holy Family Student Highlight

*Bella Gauthier was a member of National Honor Society and Student Council, holding leadership positions. Bella excels in music and is a member of the A.H.F. Concert Choir and Select Choir. She has represented the Academy through her participation in the Eastern Regional Music Festival and the Quinnebaug Valley Music Festival. Bella has illustrated her talent for dancing and acting through her roles in various Fall musicals.*

*Bella performance was not only outstanding academically and in the arts, she was also very involved in extracurricular activities (Pro-Life Club, Teens in Action, the Environmental Club, the Yearbook staff, and has served as the Class President). In addition, she has played on the basketball team and was the Captain of JV Basketball for 2 years.*

*Bella is generous in giving of her time to her community and to others in need; volunteering 250 hours of community service to her school, community, church and dance studio over the past four years.*

*Her openness to new opportunities has enabled her to gain many skills and reach out to others. Bella is a self-starter and a determined person. She has a bright future awaiting her. She will be attending U-Conn at Avery Point.*



**PROJECT SAFE HALLOWEEN  
DONATIONS NEEDED!!**

We are in need of monetary donations or candy (sealed in the original bag(s) with the donor's name & address written on it). The money that is donated will allow us to purchase more candy. We are looking to our community to help make this year's Halloween a safe and fun night for all of the children

You can drop off any sealed bag of candy at the Sprague Town Hall at the Town Clerk's office OR Mondays from 10:00 - 12:00 pm and from 6:00-9:00 pm at the Baltic Fire Engine Company # 1, 22 Bushnell Hollow Rd, Balte. We can only accept candy donations clearly marked with your name & address, so please use permanent marker or write on a piece of duct tape taped to the bag.

If you are making a monetary donation PLEASE do so with a check made out as follows: "Baltic Fire Department Safe Halloween" OR write it to the Baltic Fire Department and in the memo area PLEASE write "Safe Halloween". Mail the checks to the Baltic VFD, PO Box 314, Baltic, CT. 06330

Reg Patchell ~ Chairman Safe Halloween  
[regpatchell@comcast.net](mailto:regpatchell@comcast.net) (860)917-5064

## **TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE**

### **JUSTICES OF THE PEACE**

Any unaffiliated or minor party voter who would like to become a Justice of the Peace may apply to the Town Clerk, in writing by November 1<sup>st</sup>. In Sprague, up to ten unaffiliated Justices of the Peace may be appointed. If more than ten applications are received, the Town Clerk must conduct a lottery at a ceremony open to the public.

The four-year term for Justices of the Peace will be from January 7, 2013 through January 2, 2017. Unaffiliated and minor party voters who miss the Nov. 1 deadline may not apply again until 2016.

No one who is or has been a registered Democrat or Republican on or after May 1, 2012, may apply for one of these appointive justice of the peace slots.

For the suggested form or questions, please call me.

Claire B. Glaude, Town Clerk

860-822-3000 Ext. 220



### **ABSENTEE BALLOTS**

On or after October 9th, absentee ballots will be available for the November 6th election. Please call or stop into the town Clerk's Office (822-3000 Ext. 220) to request an application or for more information.

### **Sayles School PTO**

The Sayles School PTO held it's first meeting on Sept. 4th at 6:00pm in the Sayles School media center. With the new school year underway, topics of discussion involved school assemblies as well as potential fundraising opportunities. Currently, there are three assemblies scheduled, these include: storyteller Len Cabral, the Hampsted Players presenting "Treasure Island", and the Earth Dome by Mobil Ed. Children in the Sayles School community received fundraising packets on September 14th, please support your school. Another fundraising initiative is the year-long Mustang pin sale. Gold (\$20) and Silver (\$10) pins Will be available for purchase and all proceeds support the PTO activities. The PTO will be present at the annual Three Village Festival, hope to see you there. Please check out the Sayles School PTO website <http://saylesschoolpto.yolasite.com/> for more information on upcoming events and ways you can support our efforts.

### **Sprague Garden Club**

Celebrating our 20th year as a club

**Wednesday, October 3, 6:00 p.m.**

**Sprague Senior Center, 1 Main Street, Baltic**

Good Night My Garden a presentation by popular Connecticut gardener, author and lecturer Colleen Plimpton. More information about Colleen Plimpton may be found at: [www.colleenplimpton.com](http://www.colleenplimpton.com). Area garden clubs and everyone interested are invited to attend as our guests.

Please let us know if you plan to attend. (860)822-6520.

Jan Settje, Secretary

### **Sprague Democratic Town Committee Update**

At our September meeting, the DTC met and discussed the upcoming month's events.

We continue to work towards the November Election, if you want to volunteer your time during this election season please call either Clair or I.

Again, we have endorsed candidates in all races for the November elections—they are Chris Murphy for Senate, Joe Courtney for Congress, Catherine Osten for State Senate, and Brian Sear for State Representative.

We continue to encourage people who are interested in volunteering on boards and commissions to submit an application located on the new Town website ([www.ctsprague.org](http://www.ctsprague.org)) and in the Town Clerk's office. There are openings for the Office Justice of the Peace, again please let us know if you are interested.

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

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

Catherine Osten ~ DTC Chair

## Branching Out.....Notes from the Tree Warden



### **THE EMERALD ASH BORER (EAB) IS IN CONNECTICUT!**

The EAB is now the most destructive insect in North America. It is in 16 states and Canada and has been found in 10 species of Ash trees. Numerous EABs have been found in traps in Prospect and Naugatuck and we found their larvae in several trees in our 5 site visits during training.

As a result of discovering the insect in Prospect, there is now a State and Federal quarantine for all of New Haven County. Movement of any wood – firewood, logs or Ash nursery stock requires a DEEP or Federal permit. A voluntary ‘permit’ system is in effect for rest of the State. The “In-State Firewood Transportation Self Issued Certificate of Origin” is a form to track where firewood is being moved from and where it is going. Copies of this form will be available at Town Hall for anyone moving firewood or wood that will be used as firewood. Again, this is a voluntary, self-certifying document to show any State agent where ‘your’ firewood came from.

It is very difficult to detect this insect. The initial symptoms resemble several diseases that also affect the Ash tree, such as yellow ash. Yellowing of leaves, early leaf drop and bare limbs are some visual symptoms. The presence of the beetle can only be confirmed by physical inspection of each tree. And there are a LOT MORE ash trees around than ‘you’ may think!

If there is any ‘good’ thing about this insect it is that it is very particular about where it lives and eats. Unlike the Asian Longhorn Beetle, which prefers maple trees but will eat numerous species, the Emerald Ash Borer has only been found in ash trees.

The most reliable current extermination method is removal of infected trees and chipping all the wood to smaller than 1”x1” in two dimensions. Ash trees not yet infested can be injected with a pesticide as a short-term prevention, but this is a very expensive procedure.

Let’s hope the experts can contain this destructive pest to New Haven County. More information can be found online at: [www.CT.GOV/DEEP/EAB](http://www.CT.GOV/DEEP/EAB)

Dave Gustafson~Sprague Tree Warden

P.S. “Someone” called me last month regarding Dutch Elm Disease; unfortunately, I could not understand the recorded message and the phone number was erased from my phone. Please contact me again regarding prevention.

### **SPRAGUE COMMUNITY CENTER**

*Bible Study  
starting at Sprague  
Community Center  
@ 11:00am each  
Saturday. All are  
welcome.*



### **Feral Cat Colonies by Denise Dembinski**

Feral cats are the offspring of domestic cats and result when pregnant cats or litters of newly born kittens are abandoned. As feral cats have a minimum of interaction with humans they are elusive and fearful. Un-spayed or un-neutered the cats reproduce uncontrolled, creating feral cat colonies. According to the *Feral Cat Coalition*, one pair of breeding cats can have two or more litters per year, potentially producing **420,000 offspring** over a seven-year period.

Statewide, thousands of dollars (largely from taxpayers) is spent by animal control agencies and shelters for cat-related expenses. Many people feed these stray cats, giving them a steady food source allowing them to focus on breeding.

The Animal Welfare Federation of CT recommends the Trap-Neuter-Return (TNR) strategy. TRN, according to AWFCT, “...is widely recognized as the most humane and effective strategy for reducing feral cat populations. TNR is a full management plan in which feral cats are humanely trapped and transported to a veterinary clinic where they are vaccinated and sterilized. After surgery, the cats recuperate for a couple of days and then are returned to their colony habitat to live out their natural lives.”

For more information, or to become a volunteer, please contact The Animal Welfare Federation of CT ([www.awfct.org](http://www.awfct.org)).

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**Sprague Historical Society is offering a 2013 birthday and anniversary calendar.**

We want to include your family's big dates! They'll want to be part of this historical calendar. Fill out the form below with the names and dates of people you'd like to see in the calendar. **Birthdays and anniversaries - \$1.00 each; Calendar- \$5.00 each.** Send this form and your donation to: "Sprague Historical Society" P.O. Box 162- Baltic, CT 06330. SHS will use the money to preserve Sprague's history. This calendar is part of that history. Calendars will be available for pick up at Town hall in December. You'll be notified when they're ready. Please help the Sprague Historical Society. Place your calendar order today.

Person ordering:	B (OR) A	Date	Name(s)
Phone:			
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Calendars @ \$5.00 ea			
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## Dream Big...Read!

### Sprague Public Library Summer Reading Program

The summer reading program concluded with the annual Ice Cream Sundae Party on Wednesday, August 8 behind the library. The goal for each child was to read (or be read to) and report on at least 8 reading level-appropriate books over the course of the summer. Thirty three children successfully met the reading goal to complete the program.

**Our Top Reader was Khloe-Nikole Hampton. She read 84 books!**

Thanks to West Main Street Norwich Dairy Queen and the Ejchorszt family for donating the ice cream and the Sprague Garden Club for donating books for each child to keep.

Congratulations to all of our readers and we hope to see you again next summer!

Sydney Bloom	Mason Matthews
Makenzi Chartier	Triston Matthews
Bridget Crowley	Amiya May
James Crowley	AnnMarie Mulkey
Joseph Crowley	Johnathan Mulkey
Katie Crowley	Marytherese Mulkey
Nora Crowley	Cole Patnoad
Chris Dubicki	Eva Patnoad
Savannah Dubicki	Hayley Perry
Khloe-Nikole Hampton	Aria Laura Rain
Chloe Herrick	Carl Richard
Tessa Hospod	Daimon Skidgel
Zosia Hospod	Jaeden Spitalo
Aidan Lewis	Ryan Strohl
Alexis Lewis	Shawn Strohl
Austin Lewis	Kayla Suchomel
	Michael Suchomel

## Word of the Month

***consideration*** [kuhn-sid-uh-rey-shuhn] *noun*

1. the act of considering; careful thought; meditation; deliberation: *I will give your project full consideration.*
2. something that is or is to be kept in mind in making a decision, evaluating facts, etc.: *Age was an important consideration in the decision.*
3. thoughtful or sympathetic regard or respect; thoughtfulness for others: *They showed no consideration for his feelings.*

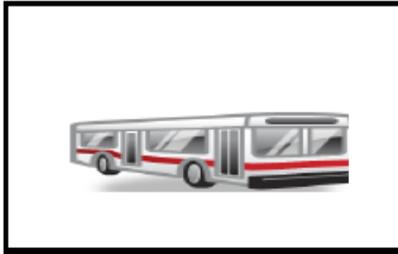
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<b>BUS SCHEDULE FROM SPRAGUE TO OCCUM</b>			
<b>Points of Departure to Occum</b>	<b>Time</b>		
Shetucket Village	7:45am	9:45am	11:45am
Playground Brookside & High Street	7:48am	9:48am	11:48am
TJ's Parking Lot	7:50am	9:50am	11:50am
Arrive Occum- SEAT Connection Site Red McKeon Park, Hooper St. & Rte. 97	8:10am	10:10am	12:10am
<b>Points of Departure to Sprague</b>			
<b>Time</b>			
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.

**VNA East**  
 34 LEDGEBROOK DRIVE, MANSFIELD CENTER, CT 06250  
 PH: 860-456-7288      FAX: 860-456-4267

**Health Screenings & Flu/Pneumonia Clinics**

VNA East will hold the following clinics:

**Blood Pressure Screenings:**

Tues	Oct	16	Lebanon Senior Center	12:30 – 1:30 pm
Wed	Oct	17	Scotland Town Hall	12:30 – 1:00 pm
Tues	Oct	23	Franklin Senior Center	10:30 – 11:30 am
Tues	Oct	23	Sprague Town Hall	11:45 – 12:45 pm

**Flu/Pneumonia Clinic** – Flu Vaccine Cost: \$30 Flumist Cost: \$35. Insurances accepted: Medicare B, Anthem, Aetna, ConnectiCare.  
 Pneumonia Vaccine Cost: \$50. Insurances accepted: Medicare B or Anthem.  
 Clinics will be held at the following locations:

Wed	Oct	3	Scotland Fire House, Scotland	4:00 – 5:30 pm
Wed	Oct	10	Franklin Senior Center, Franklin	10:00 – 11:30 am
Wed	Oct	10	Sprague Town Hall, Baltic	12:30 – 2:00 pm
Wed	Oct	10	Sayles Elementary School, Baltic	3:00 – 5:00 pm
Thurs	Oct	11	Lebanon Senior Center, Lebanon	9:00 – 10:30 am

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 Lindsey D'Amato, MPH, RD.



## TVCCA SENIOR COMMUNITY CAFÉ OCTOBER 2012

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<p style="text-align: center;">1</p> <p>Chicken Marsala Rice Pilaf Green Beans Pears w/ mandarin oranges</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">2</p> <p>Cheese Manicotti Broccoli Carrots Peach Cup</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">3</p> <p>Hearty Pork Stew Roasted Potatoes Cajun Vegetable Medley Fresh Orange</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">4</p> <p>Lemon Butter Cod Macaroni &amp; Cheese Peanut &amp; Carrots Applesauce Cup</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">5</p> <p>Meat Loaf w/ Gravy Mashed Potatoes Bean Medley Orange Juice Chocolate Chip Cookie</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">8</p> <p><b>Columbus Day Holiday</b>  Senior Nutrition Program closed</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">9</p> <p>Stuffed Chicken w/ Broccoli &amp; Cheese Seasoned Rice Stewed Tomatoes Fresh Fruit</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">10</p> <p>Penne Pasta &amp; Meatballs Italian Vegetable Medley Pears Pears w/ mandarin oranges</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">11</p> <p>Cuban Pulled Pork w/ Bun Baked Beans Chuck Wagon Medley Orange Juice Danish <b>Ethnic Celebration</b></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">12</p> <p>Chicken Casserole w/ peppers &amp; onions Orzo Pilaf Normandy Vegetable Medley Pineapple Cup</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">15</p> <p>Salisbury Steak w/ Gravy Mashed Potatoes Broccoli Peach Cup</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">16</p> <p>Maple Mustard Glazed Ham Sweet Potatoes Green Beans Fruit Cocktail Cup</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">17</p> <p>Chicken Florentine Seasoned Rice Stewed Tomatoes Cranberry Juice Cupcake <b>Happy Birthday</b></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">18</p> <p>Beef Stroganoff Buttered Noodles Sliced Carrots Applesauce Cup</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">19</p> <p>Fish Sticks Macaroni &amp; Cheese Cajun Vegetable Medley Fresh Orange</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">22</p> <p>Chicken Parmesan Penne Pasta w/ marinara Italian Vegetable Medley Grape Juice Sugar Cookie</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">23</p> <p>Pot Roast w/ Gravy Roasted Potatoes Mixed Vegetables Pineapple Cup</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">24</p> <p>Lemon Butter Cod Scalloped Potatoes Broccoli Fruit Cocktail</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">25</p> <p>Savory Chicken Stew Mashed Sweet Potatoes Long Bean Medley Fresh Fruit</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">26</p> <p>Cheesburger Noodle Casserole Peanut Carrots Peach Cup</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">29</p> <p>Crispy Fish Cakes Macaroni &amp; Cheese Green Beans Fresh Orange</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">30</p> <p>Herb Braised Pork Loin Scalloped Potatoes Cajun Vegetable Medley Grape Juice Oatmeal Cookie</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">31</p> <p>Sloppy Joes w/ Bun Buttered Noodles Chuck Wagon Vegetable Medley Pears w/ mandarin oranges <b>Happy Halloween</b></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">31</p> <p></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">31</p> <p><i>1% milk and whole grain bread are served with each meal.</i> <b>Menu is subject to change without notice.</b></p>

# October



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Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
	<p>1 Inland Wetlands 7pm, Town Hall</p> <p>Zoning Board of Appeals, 7pm Town Hall</p>	<p>2 American Legion 7pm, Rod &amp; Gun</p> <p>SFC Little League Brd Mtg, 7pm, Town Hall</p>	<p>3 Garden Club Mtg, Sprague Senior Center 6pm "Goodnight My Garden"</p> <p>P&amp;Z Comm. 7pm, Town Hall; Knights of Columbus 7pm Fire Hse; Brd of Ed, 7pm, Sayles</p>	4	<p>5 3 VILLAGE FALL FESTIVAL -starts@ River Park 6:30 -Little Mr./Miss Sprague</p> <p>7:30 Outdoor Movie "The Avengers"</p> <p>"Food Friday" food distribution- Sprague Comm. Center 2-3pm</p>	<p>6 Yard Sale @TJ's parking lot 9-4pm</p> <p>3 VILLAGE FALL FESTIVAL 10-4PM Babe Blanchette Fields</p> <p>10 am BMX/skateboard competition</p> <p>Bible Study-11am Sprague Comm. Center</p>
7	<p>8 Conservation Comm. Mtg., 7pm, Town Hall</p> <p>Columbus Day</p>	<p>9 Absentee Ballots available @ Town Clerks Office Library Bd Mtg 6:30pm, Grist Mill Housing Auth. 7pm Senior Center</p>	<p>10 Flu Clinic, Sprague Town Hall 12:30- 2pm Flu Clinic, Sayles School 3-5 pm</p> <p>Selectmen Mtg 5pm, Town Hall</p>	11	<p>12 "Food Friday" food distribution- Sprague Community Center 2-3pm</p>	<p>13 Bible Study-11am Sprague Comm. Center</p>
14	<p>15 Deadline for all OUR TOWN submissions</p> <p>Agriculture Comm., 7pm Town Hall</p>	16	<p>17 Water &amp; Sewer Auth., 4pm, Town Hall</p>	18	<p>19 "Food Friday" food distribution- Sprague Community Center 2-3pm</p>	<p>20 Sprague Fall Clean-up FREE DUMP DAY 8-4 pm</p> <p>RIDE THE SHETUCKET 10am Dam Release- Put in between 10-12pm</p> <p>Bible Study-SCC</p>
21	22	<p>23 Blood Pressure Screening- Sprague Town Hall 11:45-12:45pm Historical Soc. 6:30pm, G.M.</p>	24	<p>25 Reg. Animal Control Mtg 10:30 am Lebanon Town Hall Rec. Comm. 7pm, Town Hall</p>	<p>26 "Food Friday" food distribution- Sprague Community Center 2-3pm</p>	<p>27 Scout for Food bag distribution</p> <p>Bible Study-11am Sprague Comm. Center</p>
28	29	30	<p>31 Safe Halloween Parade starts @Town Hall 6pm Followed by Trick or Treat @Fire House ends 8pm</p>			<p>Bible Study-11am Sprague Comm. Center</p>

# Our Town

Your Sprague Newsletter

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Be Halloween Safe from Baltic Fire Dept.

Halloween is a fun, and spooky, time of year for kids.

Make trick-or-treating safe for your little monsters with a few easy safety tips

### Halloween Fire Safety Tips

When choosing a costume, stay away from billowing or long trailing fabric. If your child is wearing a mask, make sure the eye holes are large enough so they can see out.

Provide children with flashlights to carry for lighting or glow sticks as part of their costume.

Dried flowers, cornstalks and crepe paper are highly flammable. Keep these and other decorations well away from all open flames and heat sources, including light bulbs, and heaters.

It is safest to use a flashlight or battery-operated candle in a jack-o-lantern. If you use a real candle, use extreme caution. Make sure children are watched at all times when candles are lit. When lighting candles inside jack-o-lanterns use long, fireplace style matches or a utility lighter. Be sure to place lit pumpkins well away from anything that can burn and far enough out of way of trick-or-treaters, doorsteps, walkways and yards.

Remember to keep exits clear of decorations, so nothing blocks escape routes.

Tell children to stay away from open flames. Be sure they know how to stop, drop and roll if their clothing catches fire. (Have them practice, stopping immediately, dropping to the ground, covering their face with hands, and rolling over and over to put the flames out.)

Halloween parties at others' homes, have them look for ways out of the home and plan how they would get out in an emergency.



Have a spooky safe, Happy Halloween. See you at the costume parade, starting at the Sprague Town Hall at 6:00pm, Oct. 31, 2012.  
From your friends from the *Baltic Fire Engine Company #1*

