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Local Distillery Exhibits True Essence of Connecticut Quality

By: Theodora Antar

Waypoint Spirits, a local craft distillery in Bloomfield, CT is the perfect destination for fun, food, and outstanding drinks! With the holidays right around the corner, many people are always looking for something fun and new to do with family and friends who may be in town. It is also important to many people to shop local and support small local businesses throughout the state.

Waypoint is a great local destination that has a little bit of something to offer for everyone. From their specialty drinks to their outstanding appetizers, they never disappoint!

Currently, Waypoint is the only distillery in the state that allows guests to sit down and enjoy cocktails while also viewing their production facility. You can enjoy their perfectly crafted cocktails and light food while seeing where they make the product.

They also serve many liquor stores and restaurants throughout the state.

The distillery, which was originally opened in 2015, was re-started by owners Joe, Eriks, and Tony in 2020 with a dream to provide the best quality local spirits to its customers. The distillery was created in the pursuit of true craft spirits that capture the true essence of Connecticut. Everything is meticulously crafted on site and made with only the best ingredients.

Waypoint also encompasses many aspects of CT, and even their logo is a tribute to former CT hockey team The Hartford Whalers.

They encourage guests to “find their Waypoint” which they explain is a state of mind on life’s journey with many destinations (Waypoints) along the way.

“Only a handful of distilleries call CT home and we really wanted to introduce customers to the true essence of CT quality.” Owner Joe Tine explained.

He went on to note that “There are so many big brands in the market and our goal is to let people taste local spirits to raise the bar on expectations. Our hope is that folks buy/try local brands to taste the difference.”

Currently, Waypoint vodkas and Waypoint gins are being sold in stores all over the state, and they are working on a molasses-based rum which will be coming soon.

In addition, they also offer canned cocktails which include their vodka mint lemonade and vodka iced tea lemonades. The canned cocktails are also available in stores, as well.

Waypoint offers a convenient store locator tool on their website which lists all participating retailers and restaurants that carry Waypoint products.

They currently are located in almost 200



Pictured above is the taproom at Waypoint Spirits. Pictured below are some of the delicious food options that they have to offer.



locations throughout the state and growing. Ask your server if they carry Waypoint next time that you go out!

One of the things that truly makes Waypoint unique is their remarkable taproom.

The taproom was designed with complete attention to detail, and provides a welcoming, hospitable atmosphere for guests to enjoy.

Tine explained that “The goal of our large and beautiful taproom is to provide a distillery experience along with the best cocktails using our spirits. We specialize in seasonal cocktails along with perfectly paired appetizers.”

Everything that is served is made with care and crafted to perfection, giving guests an experience that they will never forget.

It’s a great place to catch up with old friends or to host your next large event. The specialty spirits offered in the taproom are continuously updated, as well.

The Wintonbury Select is the taproom only line of spirits.

The Wintonbury Select spirits are hand crafted in small batches, making it a must to try them before they run out.

There are also some great seasonal distillery only products which are not available in stores.

Currently, the flavors being offered in the taproom are Apple Pie Vodka, Pumpkin Rum, Coffee Liqueur, Bourbon, Cardamom Gin, and Citrus Vodka. Candy-Cane Vodka is also coming soon, just in time for the Holidays!

Find your Waypoint this holiday season



and keep a little piece of CT in your liquor cabinet. The taproom is the perfect spot to come for a tour and to stay for the cocktails! The drink menu for Waypoint is available on their website and can be viewed online from any device.

In addition, all upcoming taproom events and special offerings can also be found by visiting their website www.drinkwaypoint.com or by scanning the QR code below.

Remember the significance of supporting local businesses and to shop locally this holiday season! Waypoint also offers gift certificates available for purchase, as well.



Pictured are some of the amazing specialty cocktails offered at Waypoint.

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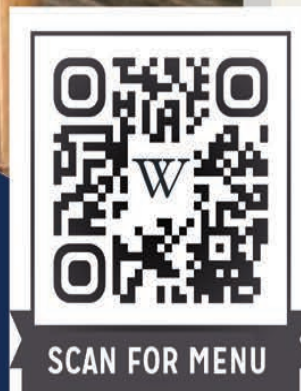


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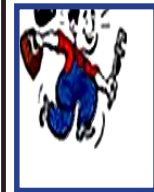
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Fire Calls

October 27th–November 21st.

10-27-21.....Power lines down- Greystone Road
10-27-21.....Power lines down – South Eagle Street
10-27-21.....Power lines down – Harwinton Avenue
10-27-21.....Power lines down – Carter Road
10-27-21.....Power lines down – Carter Road
10-27-21.....Gas leak – Eagle Street
10-28-21.....Smoke investigation – Canal Street
10-28-21.....Mutual Aid to Bristol – Structure fire – Fall Mountain Road
10-29-21.....Gas leak – North Riverside Avenue
10-29-21.....Vehicle accident – Town Line Road
10-30-21.....Vehicle accident – Main Street
10-30-21.....Fire alarm activation – Main Street
10-31-21.....Vehicle accident – North Riverside Avenue
11-01-21.....Dispatched and cancelled en route – Lynn Avenue
11-06-21.....Structure fire – Wilton Road
11-08-21.....Unauthorized burning – North Street
11-08-21.....Assist Plymouth Police Department – Provide equipment – Main Street
11-08-21.....CO activation – Sawmill Road
11-09-21.....Power lines down – South Street
11-10-21.....Assist Plymouth EMS – Lift assist – Main Street
11-12-21.....Power lines down – Scott Road
11-12-21.....Power lines down – South Street
11-12-21.....Mutual Aid to Thomaston – Gas leak – High Street
11-13-21.....Power lines down – North Harwinton Avenue
11-13-21.....Power lines down – Sylvan Avenue
11-14-21.....Vehicle accident – South Street
11-14-21.....Fire alarm activation – School Street
11-15-21.....Assist Plymouth EMS – Preston Road
11-17-21.....Vehicle accident – Main Street
11-18-21.....Structure fire – West Park Road
11-20-21.....Vehicle accident – Main Street
11-21-21.....Unauthorized burning – Todd Hollow Road
Submitted by Chief Mark H. Sekorski

What to Do if You Have a Chimney Fire

If you realize a chimney fire is occurring, follow these steps:

Get everyone out of the house, including yourself.

Call the fire department.

If you can do so without risk to yourself, these additional steps may help save your home. Remember, however, that homes are replaceable, but lives are not.

Close the glass doors on the fireplace.

Close the air inlets on the wood stove. Once the chimney fire is over, call a professional chimney sweep to inspect your chimney for damage. Chimney fire damage and repair normally is covered by homeowner insurance policies. Until next month be safe!

Source: Chimney Safety Institute of America Inc.
Submitted by Captain Tony Orsini, Terryville Fire Department Health & Safety Officer

Cooking Safely

Many families gather in the kitchen to spend time together, but it can be one of the most hazardous rooms in the house if you don't practice safe cooking behaviors. Cooking equipment, most often a range stove top, is the leading cause of reported home fires and home fire injuries in the United States. Cooking equipment is also the leading cause of unreported fires and associated injuries. It is a recipe for serious injury or even death to wear loose clothing (especially hanging sleeves), to walk away from a cooking pot on the stove, or to leave flammable materials, such as potholders or paper towels, around the stove. Whether you are cooking the family holiday dinner or a snack for the children, practicing safe cooking behaviors will help keep you and your family safe.

The following are some safety practices recommended by the

Terryville Fire Department: Watch What You Heat

The leading cause of fires in the kitchen is unattended cooking.

Stay in the kitchen when you are frying, grilling, or broiling food. If you leave the kitchen for even a short period of time, turn off the stove.

If you are simmering, baking, roasting, or boiling food, check it regularly, remain in the home while food is cooking, and use a timer to remind you that you are cooking.

Stay alert! To prevent cooking fires, you have to be alert. You will not be if you are sleepy, have been drinking alcohol, or have taken medicine that makes you drowsy.

Keep Things That Can Catch Fire and Heat Sources Apart

Keep anything that can catch fire – potholders, oven mitts, wood utensils, paper or plastic bags, food packaging, towels, or curtains – away from your stove top.

Keep the stove top, burners, and oven clean.

Wear short, close-fitting or tightly rolled sleeves when cooking. Loose clothing can dangle onto stove burners and catch fire if it comes into contact with a gas or electric burner.

Use equipment for Intended Purposes Only

Cook only with equipment designed and intended for cooking, and heat your home only with equipment designed and intended for heating. There is additional danger of fire, injury, or death if equipment is used for a purpose for which it was not intended.

Protect Children from Scalds and Burns

Young children are at high risk of being burned by hot food and liquids. Keep children away from cooking areas by enforcing a “kid-free zone” of 3 feet around the stove.

Keep young children at least 3 feet away from any place where hot food or drink is being prepared or carried. Keep hot foods and liquids away from table and counter edges.

When children are present, use the stove's back burners whenever possible.

Never hold a child while cooking, drinking, or carrying hot foods or liquids.

Teach children that hot things burn.

When children are old enough, teach them to cook safely. Supervise them closely.

Prevent Scalds and Burns

To prevent spills due to overturn of cooking utensils or appliances containing hot food or liquids, use the back burner whenever possible and/or turn pot handles away from the stove's edge. All appliance cords need to be kept coiled and away from counter edges.

Use oven mitts or potholders when moving hot food from ovens, microwave ovens, or stove tops. Never use wet oven mitts or potholders as they can cause scald burns.

Replace old or worn oven mitts.

Treat a burn right away, putting it in cool water. Cool the burn for 3 to 5 minutes. If the burn is bigger than your fist or if you have any questions about how to treat it, seek medical attention immediately.

Install and Use Microwave Ovens Safely

Place or install the microwave oven at a safe height, within easy reach of all users. The face of the person using the microwave oven should always be higher than the front of the microwave oven door. This is to prevent hot food or liquid from spilling onto a user's face or body from above and to prevent the microwave oven itself from falling onto a user.

Never use aluminum foil or metal objects in a microwave oven. They can cause a fire or damage the oven.

Heat food only in containers or dishes that are safe for microwave use.

Open heated food containers slowly away from the face to avoid steam burns. Hot steam escaping from the container or food can cause burns.

Foods heat unevenly in microwave ovens. Stir and test before eating.

How and When to Fight Cooking Fires
 When in doubt, just get out. When you leave, close the door behind you to help contain the fire.

Call the fire department – dial 9-1-1 after you leave.

If you do try to fight the fire, be sure others are already getting out and you have a clear path to the exit.

Always keep an oven mitt and a lid nearby when you are cooking. If a small grease fire starts in a pan, smother the flames by carefully sliding the lid over the pan (make sure you are wearing an oven mitt). Turn off the burner.

Do not move the pan. To keep the fire from restarting, leave the lid on until the pan is completely cool.

In case of an oven fire, turn off the heat and keep the door closed to prevent the flames from burning you or your clothing.

If you have a fire in your microwave oven, turn it off immediately and keep the door closed. Never open the door until the fire is completely out. Unplug the appliance if you can safely reach the outlet.

After a fire, both ovens and microwaves should be checked and/or serviced before using again.

Nuisance Smoke Alarms

If a smoke alarm sounds during normal cooking, press the pause button if the smoke alarm has one. Open the door or window or fan the area with a towel to get the air moving. Do not disable the smoke alarm or take out the batteries.

You may have to move the smoke alarm farther away from the kitchen. Always follow the manufacturer's instructions for determining the proper location of smoke alarms.

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Always follow the manufacturer's instructions for determining the proper location of smoke alarms.

Treat every smoke alarm activation as a likely fire and react quickly and safely to the alarm.

This fire safety information is provided by the U.S. Fire Administration.

Submitted by Captain Tony Orsini, Terryville Fire Department Health & Safety Officer

Candle Safety

The U.S. Fire Administration and the Terryville Fire Department are urging the public to keep safety in mind when using candles. According to the U.S. Fire Administration, candles cause an estimated 15,600 fires in residential structures, 150 deaths, 1,270 injuries, and \$539 million in estimated direct property damage each year.

Some candle fire statistics

Over half (55%) of home candle fires start because a candle is too close to some combustible material.

More candle fires (38%) begin in the bedroom than in any other room.

Falling asleep is a factor in 12% of home candle fires and 26% of the associated deaths.

Half of all civilian candle fire deaths occur between midnight and 6 a.m.

December is the peak month for candle fires; Christmas is the peak day.

Young children and older adults have the highest death risk from candle fires.

The risk of a fatal candle fire appears higher when candles are used for light. Tragic and Preventable Candle Fires

Three sleeping boys died when a candle left burning in the living room ignited nearby combustibles.

A man and his three children died in a fire when wax from an unattended candle dripped on curtains, igniting them.

Eleven members of a family died in a fire when a lighted candle ignited a mattress.

Two children died in a fire when a lighted candle rolled under the Christmas tree.

A mother and young baby died when a burning candle used for religious observances ignited cabinetry.

Fact: The majority of candle fires result from human error and negligence.

Candle Fire Safety Tips

Avoid using lighted candles.

If you do use candles, ensure they are in sturdy metal, glass, or ceramic holders and placed where they cannot be easily knocked down.

Keep candles out of reach of children and pets.

Set a good example by using matches, lighters, and fire carefully.

Children should never be allowed to play with matches, lighters or candles.

Never put candles on a Christmas tree.

Never leave the house with candles burning.

Extinguish candles after use.

Establish a fire-safe home, especially a safe sleeping environment.

And NEVER leave burning candles unattended.

Consider using LED Tea Lights
Have a safe holiday and winter season!

Source: National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) – Candles Fires

Submitted by Tony Orsini, Terryville Fire Department Health and Safety Officer

Library News

The Library is now open on Saturdays from 10am - 5pm!

*The Library continues to be open for walk-in service. No appointment necessary.

Curbside pickup will continue for those who prefer it. Masks or face coverings are required throughout your visit, regardless of vaccination status.*

Holiday Hours

The Library will be closed Friday, December 24th, and Saturday December 25th for the Christmas Holiday. We will be open Friday, December 31st from 10AM-2PM, and closed Saturday, January 1st, 2022.

Autumn Blackwood Joins Children's Department!



Join us in welcoming Autumn Blackwood, our new Children's Assistant! Autumn adores arts and crafts of all kinds, and is looking forward to bringing this excitement to the Children's Department through programs and activities.

They're an avid book reader and would love to hear what your favorite stories are - she'll welcome all recommendations!

When she's not at the library, you can find her crocheting, listening to K-Pop, doing various other crafts, or hanging out with her wife and pet bunny, Marshmallow.

Artist of the Month:

Judy Giguere - Chinese Watercolors

Upstairs Display Case - Jean Wozniak

Let us know if you have a collection you would like to have displayed!

Library Services

Our collections and events are just the beginning of what we have to offer. Whether you're the parent of a small child, a business owner, a job seeker, a student, or simply out and about in the community, we're here to help.

Knitalong Group Tuesdays at 6:30pm

Bring along a project in progress, projects to share or questions to ask. Newbie knitters welcome.

This is not meant to be an instructional class, but there will be people there willing to help.

See you then!

Advanced Coloring Group

Generally meets the second Thursday of the month for coloring and conversation.

The group will meet earlier this month due to upcoming holidays.

Computers and Equipment

The Library has internet computers with office software, wifi access, printers, digital scanners, a copy machine, a fax machine, and more available for use.

Tiny Book Workshop

Tuesday, December 28 at 6:30pm
Ages 8-12

Join Ms. Autumn for a tiny book crafting workshop! Each participant will be able to make at least 2 mini books to take home—complete with blank pages inside.

Snowball Slime

Thursday December 30 at 2:30pm

Thursday, December 30 at 6:30pm
Ages 5 and up

Join us to make snowball slime to take home.

Registration is required. There are two timeslots available.

Sign up for one of the two, not both.

Fiction, Movies, Music and More

The Library offers print books, DVDs, music CDs and Books on CD, magazines, early learning tablets and read-a-long picture books, themed book kits for children as well as a wide variety of digital resources including streaming and downloadable e-books, e-audiobooks, movies and television series.

Plymouth Room

These include the standard histories of the Town such as Francis Atwater's History of the Town of Plymouth, Connecticut; general county and state histories; neighboring town histories; specialized works about specific topics such as the Tories of Chippeny Hill, Connecticut; books authored by Plymouth residents; Civil War regimental histories; and a host of others.

There are also many pamphlets, clippings, and other physical items in the Terryville/Plymouth Room's vertical file and a collection of Terryville High School yearbooks from the 1920's to the present. Just ask at the Circulation Desk, and they will direct you to the Terryville/Plymouth Room.

Storytime

Wednesdays in December at 10:30am

Ages birth to 6 with a caregiver.

Join us for stories, songs and a craft to take home.

Registration is required.

Building Block Club

Thursday, December 23 from 4-7:30pm

Ages 4-12 with a caregiver

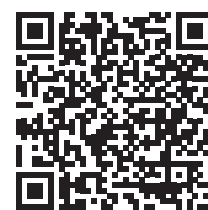
Building Block Club is back inside the library!

Drop in between 4pm and 7:30pm and build something with our large collection of blocks.

You will then have the opportunity to display your creation for others to see.

No registration is necessary.

Visit our Virtual Children's Department by scanning the QR code below!



Librarian Services

Contact a Librarian to ask a question, request a book from another library, find out more about genealogy, job seeking, research assistance and state or local resources.

Study Areas

Areas of the Library are designated for quiet or small group study.

Mobile Printing Solution – Princh!

We have installed Princh, a new mobile printing solution at our library. With Princh it's now possible to print from any mobile device, laptop or the library's PCs. It also allows you to pay for your print jobs in advance, so you no longer have to wait in line. Please visit our website for more information.

CreationStation Makerspace Programming

Dec. 28 @ 6:30 Cricut Design Space for Beginners

This introductory workshop will get you more comfortable with Cricut Design Space - the software tool that controls the Cricut Maker and Joy.

This is a hands-on class.



School News

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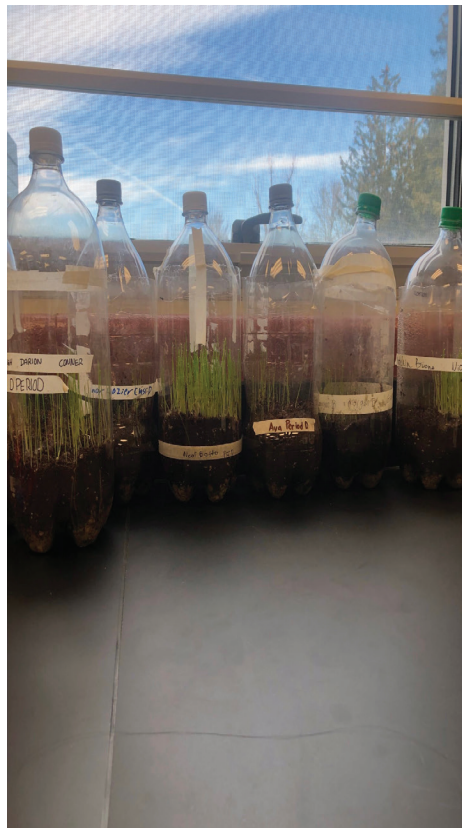


THS Biology Students Start Long-Term Bottle Ecosystem Projects.

THS Bio students started their long-term bottle ecosystem projects on December 14th, 2021.

They plan to add pill bugs (consumers) and earthworms (decomposers).

Students will monitor their ecosystems, documenting the changes they observe.



ETJMS Student of the Month winners for November

Congratulations to the winners of Student of the Month for ETJMS!



From Left to Right is Valerie Poulin (gr8), Samantha Sidoti (gr7), Rylee Fournier (gr7), Alexandria Vallee (gr6)

The winners of the November Student of the Month are Valerie Poulin, Samantha Sidoti, Rylee Fournier, and Alexandria Vallee. Keep up the good work!

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Plymouth Housing Authority Legal Notice

HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE TOWN OF PLYMOUTH REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL AMENDMENT TO LEGAL NOTICE OF INVITATION TO BID

Re-bid for Renovations and ADA Upgrades for Gosinski Park

The Housing Authority of the Town of Plymouth is publicly updating the dates in the Request for Proposal (RFP) previously advertised on November 14, 2021. Other than the schedule of dates changes, there are NO other changes to the RFP Invitation to Bid. All addenda issued for the project to date can be reviewed on the Advanced Reprographics Plan Room. All addenda issued will be sent to contractors registered on the Advanced Reprographics Plan holder's list.

Visit <http://www.advancedplanroom.com>, select "Public Jobs" and select "ADA Upgrades and Renovations for Gosinski Park Re-bid" or call 860-410-1020 to access the plan room. The Housing Authority of the Town of Plymouth will receive completed, signed, and sealed bids no later than **2:00pm on Friday, January 7, 2022** at the office of the Housing Authority of the Town of Plymouth located at 43 Ronald Rd. – Gosinski Park Unit 31, Terryville, Ct. 06786. Said bids will be publicly opened and read aloud at the office of the Housing Authority of the Town of Plymouth immediately thereafter at 2:00 pm on January 7, 2022. An additional walkthrough will be held on **Wednesday, December 15, 2021 at 2:00 pm** of the property at 43 Ronald Rd.- Gosinski Park Unit 31, Terryville, Ct. 06786. This walkthrough will be mandatory for all contractors that did not attend the walkthrough on November 19, 2021, and optional for those contractors that attended the November walkthrough. Face masks and social distance rules will apply to all visitors and a maximum of two (2) representatives will be allowed for each contractor to view the conditions. No interpretation of the meaning of the plans, specifications or other pre-bid documents will be made to any bidder orally. Every Request for Interpretation (RFI) should be in writing addressed to Erin Benken, ebenken@qamarch.com. To be given consideration, RFI's must be received by **5:00pm, Monday, December 20, 2021**. The Housing Authority of the Town of Plymouth reserves the right to accept or reject, in whole or in part, any or all bids; to waive any diminutive informality or to accept any bid deemed in the best interests of the Housing Authority.

AN AFFIRMATIVE ACTION/EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER, MBE's, WBE's, and SBE's and Section 3 Designated Enterprises ARE ENCOURAGED TO APPLY.

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Joseph T. Kilduff, Mayor, Town of Plymouth
Vinnie J. Klimas, Chairperson, Housing Authority of the Town of Plymouth

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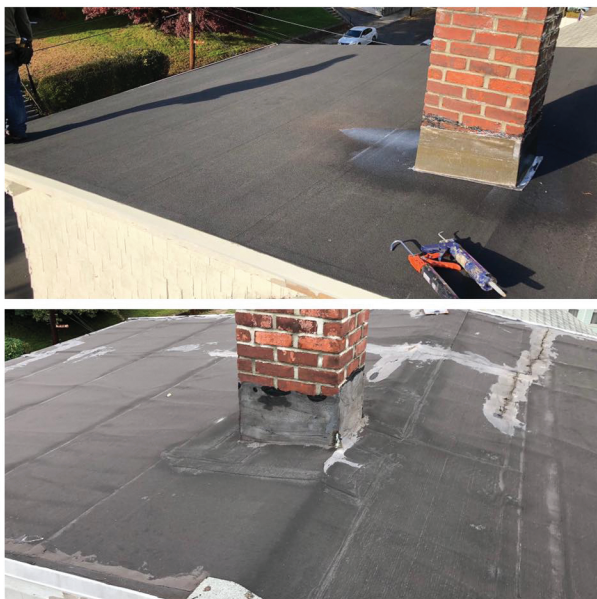
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Local News

TOWN OF PLYMOUTH REBOOTS REVOLVING HOUSING REHABILITATION LOAN PROGRAM

Mayor Joe Kilduff announced that the Town of Plymouth has “rebooted” the town’s dormant “Revolving Housing Rehabilitation Program” for eligible low and moderate income individuals and families living in Plymouth. Funded by the Ct. Dept. of Housing, HUD Small Cities Community Development Block Grant from earlier CDBG funds for housing repairs and renovations. As of 11/1/2021 there are approximately \$350,000 funds available which can vary from time-to-time.

Homeowners in “critical need” of repairs and renovations may include, but are not limited to:

- Repairs or Replacements entailing: windows, roofs, furnaces, doors, plumbing, driveways, electrical, home conditions that create a dangerous health or safety conditions, correcting Building Code violations, removal of lead or asbestos or other hazardous conditions.
 - Energy Conservation projects making homes more energy efficient.
 - ADA repairs for the physically and other challenges.

Luxury items like recreational pools may not be included.

Grants/loans may be attached to the deed and paid back when the house is sold. Or paid back on a low interest loan.

Loans up to \$30,000 will be awarded on a first-come first-served basis. There are various types of loans/grants that include but not limited to:

- Deferred Loans or Grants: where the individual will pay back the Town when they sell their home.
- Deferred Loans or Grants for those 62 years of age and older and persons who have disabilities.
- Below Market-rate Low interest Loans for a 15 year or shorter period of time to pay back the loan.

Low and moderate individuals and families must prove ownership, prove income, and meet the income guidelines as listed below:

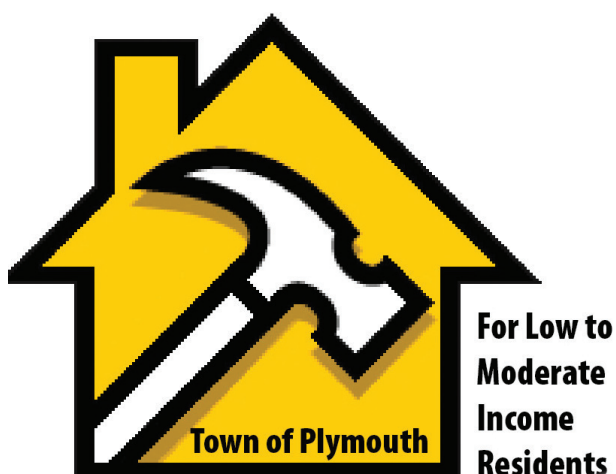
Income Limit	1 Person	2 Persons	3 Persons	4 Persons	5 Persons	6 Persons	7 Persons
Extremely Low	\$21,600	\$24,700	\$27,800	\$30,850	\$33,350	\$35,800	\$40,120
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Moderate	\$55,950	\$63,950	\$71,950	\$79,900	\$86,300	\$92,700	\$99,100

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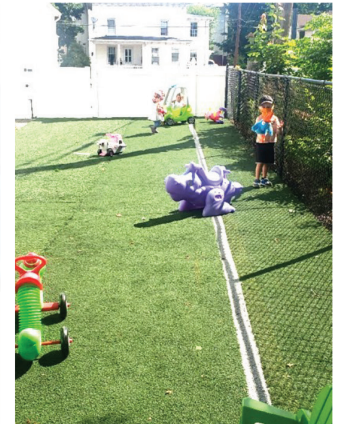
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Obituaries

Dolores "Laurie" G. (Zetarski) Marconis
1947-2021



Dolores "Laurie" G. (Zetarski) Marconis of Terryville passed away peacefully at home surrounded by her family on November 29, 2021.

Laurie was born on August 3, 1939, in Hartford, CT. She was the daughter of the late Lawrence "Steg" and Blanche (Bechard) Zetarski. She grew up in Bristol before getting married to the late Gerald Marconis and raising their family in Terryville.

She enjoyed her career at the Terryville Public Library for 39 years, where she made many lifelong friends and was a "dedicated employee that always went the extra mile and gave more than she took." She was a member of the Connecticut Library Association and the Friends of the Terryville Library, retiring in June of 2019. Laurie was a loving, devoted mother, grandmother, and friend to all. She had a warm welcoming nature and was the heart and soul of her family. She was always there to listen, help in any way she could and continuously put others before herself. Her sense of humor, famous one liners and contagious laugh brought joy and smiles to everyone around her. Family was everything to Laurie and she is and always will be everything to them.

She is survived by her children, Scott Marconis of Terryville, Keith Marconis and his wife, Julie of Terryville, and Lisa Stevens and her fiancé, Tim Calder of Barkhamsted; her brother Kenneth Zetarski and his wife, Diane of Bristol; her grandchildren Jaime, Kevin and Kelsey Marconis, Amanda, John, and Haley Stevens; and her great-granddaughters, Juliana and Mia. She also leaves several nieces and a nephew.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held Friday, December 3, 2021, at 10:00 AM at the Immaculate Conception Church, 170 Main Street, Terryville. Anyone wishing to attend the Mass please go directly to the church. Burial will follow at St. Mary's Cemetery, Terryville. Relatives and friends may call at the Scott Funeral Home, 169 Main Street, Terryville Thursday evening from 6:00 to 8:00 PM.

Laurie's family would like to express their sincerest gratitude for the tender loving care provided to her by their private duty aides and the staff of Visiting Nurse and Hospice of Litchfield County.

In the spirit of Laurie's passion for spreading the joy of reading and helping others, the family is asking that memorial donations be made to the Friends of the Terryville Library, 238 Main Street, Terryville.



Francisca Pinto
1937-2021



Francisca Pinto, 84, of Terryville passed away Friday December 3, 2021 at Bristol Hospital.

Francisca was born August 21, 1937 in Yabucoa, Puerto Rico, daughter of the late Abelardo Pinto Abreu and Josphine Solis Arroyo. Prior to her retirement she was employed by Specialty Packaging of Waterbury for 20 plus years. Francisca was a very loving mother, grandmother and aunt that gave her all to her family. Her favorite hobbies were gardening, cooking and watching TV. Her joys were her seeing children. Growing up she had various jobs as farming, she ran her own food truck and watching her grandkids. She is survived by her son, Milton J. Carrion and his wife Naomi of Terryville; her daughters Mayra Carrion of Waterbury, and Maria D. Carrion Pinto of Terryville; her siblings, Magdelana, Victor, Julia, Elvira and Roman, her bonus kids, Jennifer Bruno, Antonio Olivero, Cristian Shappy and Alessandro Solla, many grandchildren, great grandchildren, nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by her son, Eugenio Carrion Jr, her daughter, Maribel Carrion and her siblings, Antonio, Angelo, Saturnino, Josephine and Lydia.

The family would like to thank Bristol Hospital Home Care and also Gladys for all their support. Funeral services will be held Thursday 10AM from the Scott Funeral Home, 169 Main St., Terryville to St. Joseph Church, Bristol for a Mass of Christian Burial at 11:00. Entombment will follow at Holy Family Mausoleum, Bristol. Relatives and friends may call at the funeral home Wednesday from 6 - 8 PM.

William M. Hermann
1941-2021



William M. Hermann, 80, of Terryville, passed away on November 15, 2021 at Bristol Hospital. Bill was born in 1941 to the late Leroy and Anna (Stankevich) Hermann. He started his community service many years ago by serving his country in the United States Marine Corps. Bill made his life and career in the Bristol area and retired as an engineer from Buss Fuses and served as a proud member of Terryville Volunteer Fire Department for more than four decades. He loved being with his family and friends, fishing, traveling, being outdoors, and being involved in any kind of community event, especially if snacks were served. Bill was not only active with the Terryville Volunteer FD, he was also involved in the American Legion Plymouth Post 20, the Terryville Fish and Game Club, he was a Boy Scout leader for many years, and a member of the Faith Baptist Church in Southington. He will be remembered as a food enthusiast, a corny joke teller, a collector of nuts and bolts, and someone who had a mischievous glint in his eye and an easy smile on his face.

Bill is survived by his wife Edith Hermann of Terryville; his daughter Susan Marcuccio and her husband Pietro of Bristol; his son Eric Hermann and his wife Amy of Southington; his grandsons Joseph Guinazzo, Liam Hermann, and Luke Hermann; his great grandson Leon Guinazzo; and many nieces and nephews. Bill was always ready to help and found his true calling volunteering as a fireman. In lieu of flowers please give to your favorite local volunteer fire department.

Relatives and friends may call at the Scott Funeral Home 169 Main St., Terryville on Saturday, November 20th from 3 to 5 pm with a service to follow.

Raymond A. Pelletier
1938-2021



Raymond A. Pelletier, 83 of Terryville, passed away on November 17, 2021 at The Pines at Bristol.

Ray was born on July 30, 1938, in Waterbury, CT, son of the late Charles and Ida (Fournier) Pelletier. Ray was a veteran of the National Guard. Prior to his retirement, he was employed at United Technologies Corporation as a mechanical engineer. He was a member of the Immaculate Conception in Terryville. He was a member of the zoning board of appeals since 1966 in which time he also served as chairman. He was a volunteer at both the Thomaston Opera House and the Bushnell.

Ray is survived by his wife, Louise (Howell) Pelletier; his sons, Raymond E. Pelletier of Plymouth, and Phillip J. Pelletier of Terryville; his daughter Catherine L Pelletier of Terryville; his brother Gerard Pelletier of Thomaston; his grandchildren, Melissa Saunders and Luke Pelletier; three great grandchildren; and many foster children, including Stephanie Gray. Ray is predeceased by his brother Charles Pelletier.

Relatives and friends are invited to a celebration of life for Raymond at the Wood Acres Farm, 68 Griffin Rd., Terryville Sunday, November 28 from 1 to 4pm.



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Second, stressful situations lead to higher levels of cortisol in the body, a hormone that inhibits muscle repair and immune system function.

If you're always dealing with stressful situations, then you're constantly leaving your body open to physical injury.

You can prevent injuries with all sorts of physical means, but if you fail to address your mental and emotional health, you'll still be at a heightened risk. While you might not be able to prevent every stressful situation from ever happening,

you can control how you react when one does occur.

A few simple things you can do to prevent mental stress are to get enough sleep, maintain a healthy diet, and drink plenty of water.

If any of these basic stress inhibitors are absent from your daily routine, focus on incorporating them in to alleviate some of your stress.

That said, practicing simple breathing exercises or another form of meditation can also be helpful, especially if you're looking for a physical way to mentally unwind after a stressful day.

While learning about how much stress hurts you can be even more stressful, you can find some peace knowing that with a few simple changes to your routine, you can prevent your stress from causing physical injury.

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She also used to work there when it was owned by the previous owners for five years before he decided to sell. When the opportunity arose, she decided to go for it and purchased it at the age of 24.

Christine stated that "...all I knew was I loved it there working and the gatherings of people everyday. I wanted nothing more than for the store to continue to be a landmark for our town and people just like it has always been. So many generations have come through and so many friends are like family because of Sunrise."

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By Jay Dorso, Quality Senior Benefits

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Recipe of the Month

Italian Christmas Cookies



- Ingredients:**
- 2/3 c. granulated sugar
 - 1 stick unsalted butter, softened
 - 2 tsp. vanilla extract
 - 3/4 tsp. almond extract
 - 3 large eggs
 - 2 1/2 c. all-purpose flour, plus more for dusting
 - 2 tsp. baking powder
 - 3/4 tsp. salt

Directions

For the cookies: In the bowl of a stand mixer fitted with a paddle attachment, beat the sugar, butter, vanilla extract and almond extract on medium until smooth and fluffy, about 2 minutes. Add the eggs and beat until combined. (The batter will look separated.)

With the mixer on low, gradually add the flour, baking powder and salt. Beat until all of the dry ingredients are incorporated. Wrap the dough tightly in plastic wrap and chill for at least 1 hour or up to 4 hours. Preheat the oven to 350°F. Shape the dough into about 36, 1-inch balls (lightly dusting hands with flour, as needed) and place on 2 parchment-lined baking sheets, spacing each at least 1-inch apart. Or, if desired, roll each dough ball between your hands (lightly dusting in flour if needed) into a 4-inch long log and coil each piece into a mound.

Bake the cookies until set and very lightly browned on the bottom, 10 to 12 minutes. Transfer the cookies to a wire rack to cool completely, about 30 minutes.

For the glaze: In a medium bowl, whisk together the powdered sugar, milk and vanilla extract. Dip the top of each cookie in the glaze, allowing the excess to drip off and then sprinkle with the Jimmy sprinkles. Let the cookies stand until the glaze hardens, about 30 minutes.



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Church News

The First Congregational Church of Plymouth helped kick off the Christmas holiday season by hosting the Plymouth Tree Lighting on the Green, and we are continuing to celebrate the season not just through the 25th of December, but through our annual observance of Epiphany on Sunday, January 2. Epiphany, also known as Three Kings Day, is widely observed in many parts of the world with parades and family celebrations. At our church, we receive star gifts, which are paper stars with a word that represents each person's gift for the year to come. It's a nice way to welcome the year with a focus on gifts of the spirit.

Calendar of Events for the First Congregational Church at Christmas Season:

Sunday Worship at 10 AM, Coffee Hour following.

Dinner Church Wednesdays at 6 PM. Buffet dinner with communion. \$5 suggested donation/free for children.

Friday, December 17, 5-6 PM: "The Vine" Wine Tasting and Spirited Conversations. Our topic for December is "Gifts"

Sunday, December 19 at 6 PM: Blue Christmas Worship service for those who are grieving or just not feeling the holiday spirit.

Christmas Eve Candlelight Worship Service: Friday, December 24 at 10:30 PM.

Star Gifts Sunday: January 2, 10 AM

Worship services stream on our Facebook page each Sunday. Find out more information and sign up for our newsletter at our website, plymouthtchchurch.org.

News and Events from Terryville Congregational Church

Dear Plymouth Residents & Friends: About ten years ago or so, several pastors from the Midwest got together and came up with four themes to help guide their parishioners through the Season of Advent & Christmas. Since that time, the movement has grown. The idea behind their themes is that - when we are not intentional, reflective, and prayerful - Advent and Christmas can get overtaken with a focus on material things, consumerism, commercialism, busyness, and to-do lists that in no way keep us centered on Christ. Therefore, these pastors named this movement The Advent Conspiracy. Let's all conspire to keep faith as the center of our lives and the center of this sacred season.

The four themes of the Advent Conspiracy are: 1) Give More (be generous with the whole of your being - your time, talent and treasure) , 2) Spend Less (giving doesn't have to mean material goods or lavish monetary items), 3) Worship Fully (keep a focus on worshipping and thanking God), and 4) Love All (remove judgments and reach out in love and concern for all people this Season).

I hope and pray that we all can remember what this Season is all about and draw closer in our relationship with God & with neighbor. Merry Christmas!

Events happening at Terryville Congregational Church in December:

--Worship & Sunday school every Sunday at 10am, followed by Coffee Hour & Fellowship

--Holy Communion Celebrated during worship on the 1st Sunday each month

--Christmas Eve Services: Friday, Dec. 24 at 3pm & 11pm

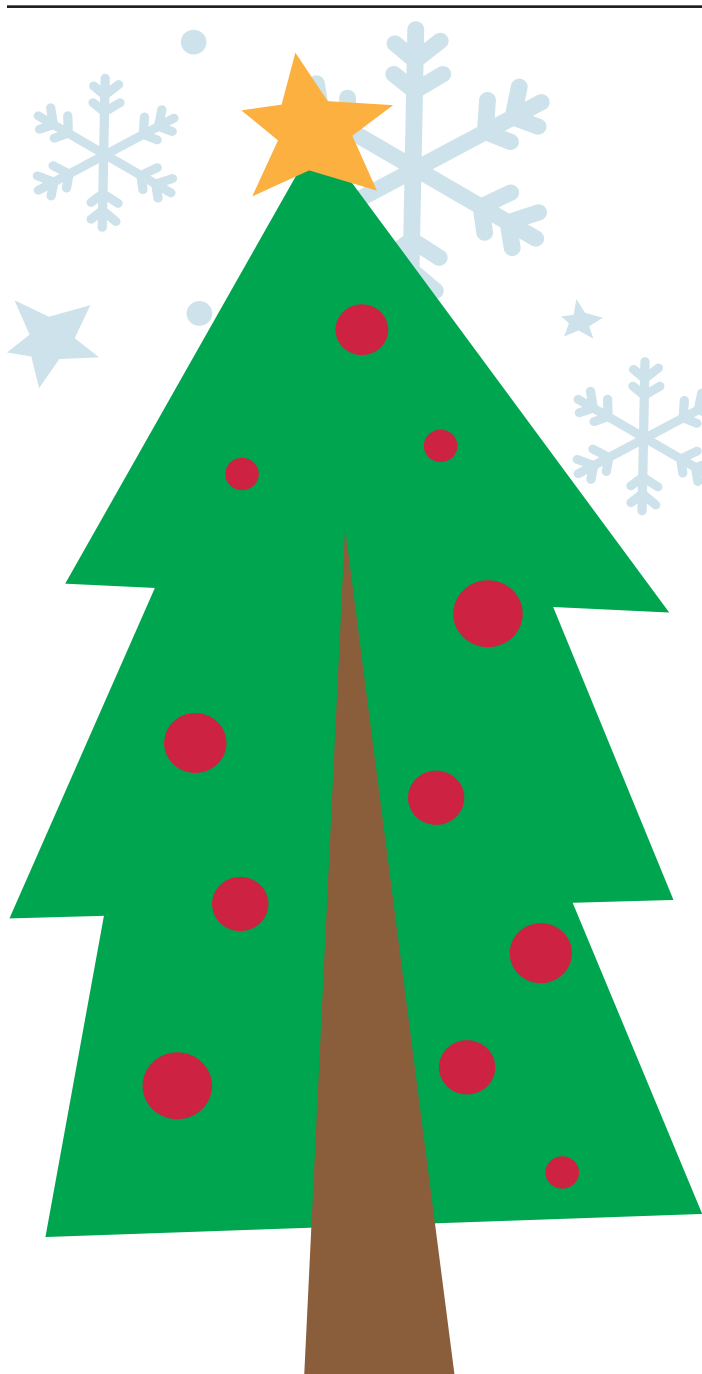
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News From First Baptist

We at First Baptist Church in Plymouth would like to invite you to join us in our celebration of Christmas. We will be hosting two special services to commemorate this season of joy. First, the children of FBC will be blessing us with a Christmas Pageant telling the story of our savior's birth on Sunday, December 19 at 10:00AM. It is the story told through the voices of children with intermixed caroling, as we reflect on the wonder God clothing Himself in humanity to redeem all of mankind. Then, on Christmas Eve, Friday, December 24 at 4:00PM; we will be hosting an "Early Bird" Candlelight Service to usher in the birth of our savior.

As always our ordinary Sunday Services are held every Sunday at 10:00AM at 4 North St. Plymouth - in the stone building across the Plymouth Green.

We hope to see you there. Many Regards, Pastor Mark Copeland.



Come to Church This Christmas

Christmas Eve Services 12/24/2021

Plymouth Congregational Church

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Terryville Congregational Church

33 Main Street, Terryville, CT 06786

Services start at 3pm & 11p

First Baptist Church of Plymouth

2-4 North St, Plymouth, CT 06782

Candlelight Service start at 4

Local News



Monthly Musings

March of the Seasons by Jane M. Bailey

Since retirement, it's hard to keep track of what day it is. Okay, I confess, sometimes even what season it is. Is this Monday or Wednesday? Oh, it's snowing. Must be winter. Don't laugh. Just wait. Your turn will come. When my mother would say things like that, I'd laugh and say, "Mom, of course it's Tuesday, November 9th." She'd reply, "And exactly how am I supposed to know that?" In the wisdom of my youth I'd reply, "Well, everyone knows that." But what if they don't? When Mom went into Memory Care, I learned how wrong I was. Not everyone knows the difference between December 9 and July 9. In fact, all mom's friends in Memory Care were clueless about the calendar. This happened at a time I was teaching first grade. Boy did I know my calendar then! Every day we had "Calendar Time" to highlight in color the day of the week and draw pictures of what makes the day special. There were holiday stickers on you-know-those-days like Veteran's Day, Halloween, School Break, Valentine's Day and so on. Where does the day fit into the month? Where does the month fit into the season? Where does the season fit into the year. It's a tough curriculum in first grade! That was a long time ago. Now preschool children can teach me where today is on the calendar. One morning back then, I woke up with an ah-ha. Drum-roll please: Mom needs a calendar in her Memory Care room! Not just any calendar. A giant one. We need stickers...big ones! And decorations! It was time to make her Memory Care room into a first-grade classroom. I know. It sounds demeaning. But I'm there now. Not yet Memory Care, but certainly in need of retirement grounding. Guess what? I'm

proud of my calendar. And proud of my stickers on dates that let me know what day it is. Flag. Veteran's Day. Must be November. Yes, I see the turkey two weeks later. I better have the grown kids' holiday arrival days highlighted in red or they won't get dinner. Right now, it's a seasonal twilight zone. This is when it gets confusing. Frost-bitten mums keep watch over the pumpkin sitting on a turkey throne on my front porch. I'll be darned if I'm going to take in those down-trodden mums until fall season is officially over.



The trouble starts Thanksgiving morning when Santa arrives at 34th Street in his sleigh at the end of the Macy's parade. Wait! Is this the end of fall? Should I have my Christmas decorations up? What day is it? When is the new season? Does shopping season (aka Black Friday) constitute a new season? Maybe I should find some shopping decorations to hang before the Christmas decorations go up. God bless Amazon. My problem is solved. My porch is already decorated with those Amazon boxes that arrive almost daily. Now I can wait for the official start of winter to do my holiday decorating. No wonder Mom was confused. And does it really matter what day it is? It is whatever we say it is. So if you think it's July 9, but it's snowing, let it snow! Bring in those Fourth of July flags and hang the wreaths. Time marches to its own drummer.

Jane Bailey enjoys living in Litchfield and writing about matters of the heart. For more of her work, see JaneMBAiley.com, or her [Likin' Litchfield](http://www.Litchfield.bz) column at www.Litchfield.bz.

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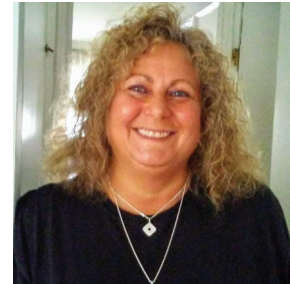
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Sharon's Monthly Local Restaurant Review



For December, the local restaurant of the month is **Marketplace Tavern** located at 7 North St., Litchfield, CT, 06759.

"This place is definitely worth the trip. I had a burger with truffle French fries on the outdoor patio. The burger was beyond delicious and the ambiance was fantastic. The building is the old Litchfield jail and former correctional facility with the capacity of 120 inmates. It's the town's oldest building (circa 1812). The scenery on the way was breathtaking. I would recommend that you make this a one day road trip. There are lots of quaint shops and a lot of history near this restaurant."



Sharon Ann Dest was born in Waterbury, CT. She is happily married to her husband Eddie, and has three children, two stepchildren, and two grandchildren. She is currently living in Naugatuck, CT. Sharon loves cooking. She is also a Google Local Guide with over 3.8 million views of her photos and over 160,000 views.

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Local News

Mayor Kilduff's Monthly Corner

First off, I would like to thank the citizens of Plymouth for expressing their confidence in me by electing me to serve as your mayor. Whether you voted for me or not, I give you my word that I will spend every day of my term trying to make Plymouth a better place. I would also like to thank Mayor Merchant for his service to our community and for all he did over his four terms as mayor. During my first few weeks, I've been meeting with chairs of our boards and commissions and department heads establishing good communication between them and my administration. I plan to continue doing this and touching base with each one of them into early 2022.

A special thanks to our Beautification Committee and Plymouth 225 for their collaboration on our tree lighting this year held on the Plymouth Green. It was a wonderful event that featured our elementary school students signing carols for the audience, Santa and Mrs. Claus arriving via a fire truck, horse and carriage rides and of course - a tree lighting! Thank you to the many organizations that donated to make this event happen and I can't wait to attend next year again!

The Route 6 project is scheduled to begin this spring. The State will be aligning N. Main Street and Agney Ave. I will provide more details as we get them. The Harwinton Avenue project will not be completed on-time. Unfortunately, I do not have an updated timeframe yet, but I will share that with you all as soon as we do. This winter, please remember if you have a fire hydrant on your property to clear the area around it after a snowstorm so our fire department can access it if needed.

As we begin the holiday season, I truly wish that you and your families have a joyous and peaceful season. Take some of the stress out of your life and always keep in mind what the season is all about.

Stay Safe and Merry Christmas!
Mayor Kilduff

The Roasted Bean to Celebrate Two Year Anniversary

The Roasted Bean in Bristol is approaching its two year anniversary! The popular coffee shop will mark their two year anniversary on January 10th, 2022. They have quickly become a staple in the community and a great local business!

The Roasted Bean first opened their doors on January 10th, 2020. Owners Doug and Danielle Lamothe both grew up in Bristol, CT, and take pride in owning a small local business that brings joy to customers each and every day.

Currently, The Roasted Bean is offering some special holiday drinks, as well! These are available for a limited time only and include flavors such as their eggnog latte and their roasted brulee latte.

In addition, The Roasted Bean is also offering a special on gift card purchases for the holidays. They are giving away a \$10 gift card with every \$50 gift card that is purchased.

The Roasted Bean is currently located at 934 Terryville Ave in Bristol, CT. They are excited to announce that they are also expanding very soon and will be moving into a bigger space.

The Roasted Bean has been very successful over the past couple of years and will begin the process of moving into a bigger and better location next door to where they currently are located. The move is scheduled to take place sometime in February of 2022.

Congratulations to The Roasted Bean on your upcoming anniversary!

2021 Annual Thanksgiving Dinner Was Huge Success at Gosinski Park



Pictured are Mayor Joe Kilduff, Housing Authority of the Town of Plymouth Board members: Cathy Mackiewicz, Joe Longo, Vinnie Klimas, Chairperson & Mike Agey, Resident Elected member. Staff: Hank Poulin, Jeff Semon, Janett Oliveiri, Executive director, not available for the picture.



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