

Goshen Town Topics Fall 2023

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From the First Selectman

As Goshen residents we live through many snow and ice storms over the years. Seven years ago, we experienced a heat wave that lasted all summer, trust me I remember clearly. After 43 years of living in Goshen, I don't believe we've ever experienced rain storms like we had this summer. I can only remember the stories of the flood of 1955 in Waterbury. Now we have had flooding of 2023 here in Goshen and some towns of the Northwest Corner, I've seen firsthand how the power of water, that can wash out roads and bridges and some resident's homes over at Woodridge and Hall Meadow Road. How we had to rescue beef cattle on Route 272 and help get them back to the owners. The flood waters washed away barns, out buildings and chicken coops down river on Hall Meadow, and many driveways here in town which was absolutely devastating to the owners and our residents. We had flood damage on East and West sides of North Goshen Road, East Street North, Hageman-Shean Road, Gray Lane. Just to let our residents know, we have one of the best Public Works crews around hands down, they worked day and night to make sure these damaged roads were repaired for our residents and travelers passing through Goshen. During and after the storm, I had worked with the Governor's office, our Senator and State Representative along with FEMA for federal funding for the repairs. Hopefully the POTUS declares a Federal Disaster Declaration for the area. Then Federal funds will be available to us for all these costly repairs.

We have a new Emergency Management Director, Shilo Garceau who took on the responsibilities with open arms and a new Deputy Emergency Management Director, Gary Stango Sr. He will work along with Shilo and Deputy EMD James O'Leary with all emergencies in Town. Shilo brings 31 years as a EMT for our Goshen Fire Company and an educator, Gary Sr. brings 40 years as a WPD Lt. and EMS in Hartford. I am proud to say we are in good hands as a community.

From Memorial Day to October, we have an influx of homeowners and weekenders that come to Goshen for the summer months. We must recycle as a community to keep tipping cost down. Tipping fees for this July were over \$16,760.84 that's up \$3,675.84 from last July \$13,085.00. As residents you must be more responsible, tell your neighbors to recycle, compost & scrap!!!

We had a great neighborhood watch meeting over at Camp Coch. It was good to see about sixty to seventy concerned residents attended the meeting, put on by my office, the State Police and retired police officers Toby Geiger and Gary Stango Sr. for input. Please lock your doors and don't give anyone reason to break in to your cars. We ordered the crime watch signs, so when the signs come in, I will announce it at a Selectmen's meeting. Again, watch for nuisance bears, be pro-active, put your trash out the morning of pickup.

Best Regards,

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Town Meetings at a Glance Public is encouraged to attend meetings Unless otherwise noted all meetings are in the Town Hall Conference Room

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To access Board of Educations meeting go to: https://rsd6.ss3.sharpschool.com/board_of_education

To access Boards & Commissions public zoom meeting links go to: Goshenct.gov , under News click on Public access for Virtual Town Meetings

Location Legend:	
Fire house	FH
Town Hall	TH



How to sign up for Notifications from Town Boards and Commissions at www.goshenct.gov:

- 1. Click on SUBSCRIBE TO E-ALERTS.
- 2. Enter your **Email Address**. And then again to confirm it is correct.
- 3. Click on any news, announcements alerts and notifications you would like to receive from any of the Town boards and commissions.
 - a. Town News and Announcements are found under News and Announcements Update.
- 4. Scroll to the bottom of the page.
- 5. Click the box for "I am not a robot"
- 6. Click Subscribe Me.

Once you're signed up you will then receive all notifications from those boards and commissions you have asked to be notified from by the email you have entered.

LEGAL NOTICE

Town of Goshen Assessor's Office Personal Property Declarations

All persons conducting business in the Town of Goshen are required to return to the Assessor's Office, on or before November 1, 2023, a complete and accurate Declaration of all tangible personal property used in the conduct of their business as of the first day of October 2023.

Business assets include but are not limited to: manufacturing and industrial machinery and equipment; office fixtures, furniture, equipment and supplies; farm machinery and tools; mechanics tools; tools and equipment of your trade; electronic data processing equipment; cables and conduits; construction equipment and leased equipment.

All unregistered motor vehicles or motor vehicles registered out of state that are garaged in Goshen are taxable and must be declared, whether they are a business asset or a personal asset.

Any business or individual required to file a declaration may obtain the proper form from the Goshen Assessor's Office. Declarations will be mailed out in September. Failure to receive a form by mail does not excuse a property owner from filing.

Dated at Goshen, Connecticut, this 28th day of August, 2023.

By: Lucy Hussman, Assessor

ASSESSOR'S OFFICE PRESS RELEASE

For any questions regarding programs administered by the Assessor's Office, please call 860-491-2115 x 230 or email: <u>taxassessor@goshenct.gov</u> The office hours are Tuesday and Wednesday 9:00 to 12:00 and 1:00 to 4:00

PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTIONS AVAILABLE IN GOSHEN

Veterans Exemption: To be eligible for this exemption, the veteran must have served during a period of war as specified in State Statute 27-103, have an honorable discharge and must file with the Town Clerk in the town of residence by September 30th a *Certificate of Release or Discharge from Active Duty* (DD-214). It is only necessary to file once for this exemption. Active duty military personnel are also eligible for this exemption and must file a letter stating active duty status by September 30th each year.

Goshen residents meeting the Basic Veteran's Exemption in accordance with State Statute 12-81(19) may be eligible for an additional assessment exemption if they meet certain income limits. Applications are available from the Assessor's Office and must be filed by October 1st. Once a veteran has been approved for this additional exemption, an application must be submitted every other year.

Disabled Veterans Exemption: To be eligible for this exemption, submit a copy of your Veteran's Disability Rating statement from the Veteran's Administration. Disabled veterans that have established their eligibility for this exemption are no longer required to file annually unless there is a change in the percentage of disability.

Active Duty Vehicle Exemption: A Goshen resident who is a member of the armed forces of the United States (including the reserves or Connecticut National Guard) on the October 1 assessment date may be eligible for the total exemption of one motor vehicle which is registered to or leased by the service person. Application is to be filed no later than December 31st following the property tax due date. Annual filing is required.

Handicapped Equipped Motor Vehicles: A local-option exemption is available for a specially equipped motor vehicle owned by a person with disabilities or owned by the parent or guardian of a person with disabilities.

Exemption for Blindness: To receive a \$3,000 assessment exemption, certification of blindness must be obtained from the State of Connecticut, Board of Education and Services for the Blind. This certificate must be dated and filed with the Assessor by October 1st. It is only necessary to file once for this exemption.

Exemption for Totally Disabled: To receive a \$1,000 assessment exemption, proof of permanent total disability from the Social Security Administration and a signed Form D-1 Application must be submitted to the Assessor by October 1st. It is only necessary to file once for this exemption.

Any qualifying exemptions will be applied to the following July tax bill. GOSHEN SPECIAL USE ASSESSMENTS

PA 490 Farm, Forest and Open Space: Owners wishing to classify land as farm, forest or open space should contact the Assessor's Office for details and applications. All applications must be filed with the Assessor's Office between September 1st and October 31st.

A Note From The Registrar of Voters Office:

- In the November 7th Election Goshen voters will be voting for the following local offices: First Selectman, 2 Selectman Offices, Town Clerk, Town Treasurer, 2 Board of Finance, 1 Board Assessment Appeals, 3 Planning & Zoning, 1 Planning & Zoning Alternate, 2 Fire Commissioners, 1 Fire Commissioner Alternate, 4 Constables, 2 Library Board offices. Now is the time to get to know the Candidates!
- The November 7th Election will be held at Camp Cochipianee. Just a reminder, Goshen has become one district once again. We will all be voting in one district which means we will all be going in the same door and going out the other door.
- As always if you are not able to vote in person there is always the option of an Absentee Ballot. The Town Clerk has provided information for voting by Absentee Ballot, just refer to the goshenct.gov website.
- The last day for in person and mail-in registration cut-off in ALL towns is Tuesday October 31, 2023. Hours 9 a.m. – 8 p.m. (9-19b (d)) All mail-in voter registration applications must be received or post-marked by this date in order to be accepted. This is also the deadline to register to vote using the On-Line Voter Registration System. Those whose rights as to age, citizenship or residence mature after the above date may apply in the office on a daily basis until the closing of the limited session on November 6, 2023 or at such limited session.
- LIMITED REGISTRATION SESSION THE LAST WEEKDAY BEFORE ELECTION. Session of Registrars of Voters of ALL towns to admit those seeking to vote in election whose qualification as to age, citizenship or residence was attained since November 1st. Hours: 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. (9-17) NOVEMBER 6, 2023 (Monday)
- Election Day Registration will be available the day of Elections. The EDR polling place is located at the Town Hall.
- The Registrar of Voters are looking for people to work at the polling place. Schools will be closed. This is a great way for high school students (at least16 years old) or college students to make a little extra money and get some community service hours at the same time.
- As a reminder, if you are away at college, you may vote by absentee ballot.
- We have had several Questions from voters asking the same question. "If I am registered in a party, do I have to vote for just that parties' candidates?" The answer is no. In any election except a primary, a voter can choose to vote for any candidate regardless of party.

If you are not registered to vote, we encourage you to do so. Every vote counts to shape tomorrow. Please show support for Goshen and get out and Vote!

If you have any questions, or concerns please feel free to contact our office at 860-491-2308 ext. 236.

Thank you,

Nanci Howard and Dawn Wilkes

NOVEMBER 7, 2023 ELECTION ON OCTOBER 6, 2023 FROM THE <u>TOWN CLERK'S</u> OFFICE.

Who May Vote By Absentee Ballot

Any qualified registered voter unable to vote due to the following reasons:

physical disability

absence from town during all election hours

religious beliefs forbidding secular activity on election day

serving as an election official at a polling place other than your own

active service in the Armed Forces

sickness

How To Apply

Applications for Absentee Ballots can be obtained from the **<u>Town Clerk</u>**, or at the Secretary of the State's website.

Any qualified voter already out of town may have an application mailed to them. However, you **MUST** allow sufficient time for mailing and returning the <u>application</u> AND the <u>ballot</u>.

VOTING BY ABSENTEE BALLOT HAS PRIVACY PROTECTIONS SIMILAR TO VOTING BY MACHINE. YOUR NAME WILL NOT BE CONNECTED TO YOUR VOTE WHEN IT IS TALLIED!

Please call your <u>Town Clerk's Office</u> for information regarding deadlines for voting by Absentee Ballot and for emergency use of Absentee Ballots.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

The Public Works Department strives to help improve the appearance and maintenance of roads and town property. This could not be done without the hard work of the of public works staff.

NEW STONE WALL ORDINANCE

Town Ordinance Title 73, Ordinance Concerning Highway Boundary Stone Walls has been enacted. The ordinance is posted on the Town website ordinance page for review. A permit must be applied for at the Public Works Department (permit is also available for download on the Public Works page of the Town website) prior to performing any work on, the relocation of, or the removal of, a highway boundary wall lining Town or State roadways within the limits of Goshen. If you have any questions, or would like to apply for a permit please contact the Public Works Department at 860-491-6029 or by e-mail at publicworks@goshenct.gov.

CAPITAL AND ROAD IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS

This summer season Public Works has continued working on the road plan with the rebuilding of a section of West Hyerdale Dr. from Weldon Ct. to Sutton Ct; additionally we are rebuilding Sutton Ct., and paving additional sections of roads. Repairs and replacement of drainage systems are also being made in other locations in Town. High demand along with high prices have again for a second year made this a particular challenge. We will continue drainage projects on select roads into the fall.



Town staff repairing storm damage from July 9^{th,} E. Street North

DRIVEWAY ORDINANCE AND PIPE MAINTENANCE

Title 18, the Town of Goshen Driveway Ordinance Concerning the Construction of Driveways, including temporary access driveways on Town roadways. The ordinance also covers the maintenance of driveways. A permit must be applied for at the office of Public Works prior to the start of construction of a new driveway, or the repaving, regrading or drainage improvements being performed to an existing driveway, if any of the proposed work is to take place in the Town right-of-way. A cash bond will need to be

posted by the property owner or contractor performing the work. The bond amount will be calculated at the time of application based upon the probable cost of the work to be performed in the right-of-way. There is no permit fee for a driveway application. Please see Ordinance Title 18 for more information or contact Public Works at 860-491-6029 or by email at <u>publicworks@goshenct.gov</u> with questions or to apply for a permit.

Additionally, the ordinance requires that property owners with a cross pipe under their driveway or other drainage system, to maintain it in a functional condition. Please perform the inspection and cleaning out and of your drainage pipes to allow for the free flow of water part of your fall property cleanup. Thank you for your cooperation in this important matter.

UPCOMING MAINTENANCE AND PROJECTS

The Public Works Department will be regrading the dirt roads in the coming months to ready them for winter. Additionally leaves will be blown from the roadside ditches to keep them clear to allow for the flow of water after the ground freezes. Please <u>do not</u> <u>deposit leaves or any other materials in the roadside ditches as the Town does not pick up leaves</u>. The ditches need to remain clear to effectively drain water away from roads and properties. Brush and vegetation clearing from Town owned right-of-ways is an ongoing project. This work is performed to keep clear sightlines along roads and to keep vegetation with accumulated snow loads from hanging into roadways, creating a hazard to motorists. Additionally, the department has started the tasks associated with mechanically readying our fleet of trucks and heavy equipment for the upcoming winter season.

FALL/ WINTER SEASON SAFETY

Although the Public Works Department is careful about their surroundings while plowing and treating the roads, please be aware when you are in proximity of these working vehicles, especially due to their limited rear-view vision. Rear view blind spots can extend back 100'on a truck. Please give us sufficient room to work and assume the driver does not see you! We all thank you for your cooperation on this important matter of safety. <u>Additionally, please make every effort to keep your trash and recycling</u> totes off of the edge of the roadways for the safety of roadway users.

WINTER SAND FOR RESIDENTS

Starting in November, winter sand is available to Goshen residents only, and in small quantities. It will be located at the Public Works garage next to the red barn at 38 Torrington Road. Be noticed the sand pile is monitored.

MAILBOX DAMAGE

The Public Works Department is not responsible for damage to mailboxes unless one of our vehicles directly inflicts damage to the mailbox. <u>Should snow or debris damage</u> the mailbox as a result of plowing, the Public Works Department is not responsible for replacement or repair.

Re: Sequence of Events for Construction of Dwelling, Addition, Pool or Accessory Building in the Town of Goshen

It's winter and many residents are planning summer projects. Please be advised that dwellings, additions, barns, garages, decks and **EVEN "COVER-IT TYPE SHEDS" ALL REQUIRE ZONING PERMITS.** The Zoning Regulations, Town Ordinances and Land Use applications are all available online at <u>www.goshenct.gov</u>. For your convenience, the Town of Goshen has adopted online permitting for the submittal of land use permit applications. Paper applications will no longer be accepted. To use the PermitLink online permitting program, you must first create a login account. Once your login account is created, you can use it for all land use and building permit-related applications you may wish to submit.

Here is a summary of the various steps involved for obtaining the required approvals:

- 1. For a new house have a soil scientist flag any wetlands on the lot and have an engineer/surveyor develop a site plan that shows the proposed house, driveway, sewer line or septic system, well location and any wetlands or watercourses located by the soil scientist. Contact Torrington Area Health District at (860) 489-0436 for a list of soil scientists.
- 2. For a new house obtain approval from the Torrington Area Health District for the proposed septic system and well location. Lots inside the Woodridge Lake Sewer District and RA-1 Zone, require approval from the Torrington Area Health District for the proposed well and a Sewer Connection Permit from the Woodridge Lake Sewer District Administrator, (860) 491-3474. If there is a septic system on your lot, the Health District must approve all additions, decks, and accessory buildings. The Health District has a separate pool application permit that must be obtained for all new swimming pools. Contact Richard Rossi, Sanitarian, at Torrington Area Health District at (860) 489-0436.
- 3. Obtain an Inland Wetlands Permit from the Goshen Inland Wetlands Commission for any work proposed within 100' of a wetlands or watercourse (the regulated inland wetlands areas.) The Commission regulates construction, filling, and removal of materials within the regulated wetlands and watercourse area. Contact Martin Connor, Town Planner, Zoning and Wetlands Enforcement Officer on Tuesday or Thursday mornings between 7:30 a.m. and 9:45 a.m. at 491-2308 ext. 232. The Inland Wetlands Commission meets the first Thursday each month at 7:15 pm, Goshen Town Hall. Applications should be submitted one week prior to a meeting.
- 4. Obtain a driveway permit from the Highway Supervisor, Garrett Harlow at (860) 491-6029 for all new driveways and repairs to driveways. The Town's driveway regulations are contained in the Town's driveway ordinance that was recently revised. Mr. Harlow also assigns addresses on new houses.

- 5. Obtain a Zoning Permit from Martin Connor, Town Planner/Zoning and Wetlands Enforcement Officer, for proposed houses, additions, decks and accessory buildings including "cover-it" garages. The required zoning setbacks for the WL Woodridge Lake Zone are 20' front and rear and 20' on the sides (75' from the lake.) Lots in the RA-2 and RA 5 Zones are 50' front and rear, 30' setback on the sides (75' from Tyler Lake, Dog Pond and Westside Pond.) The RA-1 Zone requires a 50' front and rear yard setback and 20' on the sides. Pools, decks and accessory buildings all require Zoning and Building permits and must meet the minimum zoning setback requirements. Maintenance sheds under 150 square feet can be built in all zones no closer than 10' from side and rear property lines (Woodridge Lake Deed Restrictions require a minimum of 20'.)
- Obtain a Building Permit from Chris Zibell, Building Official. (860) 491-2308 ext.
 231. Please use the Town's new on-line building permit application system. Mr. Zibell is available on Tuesday and Thursday mornings, 7:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.

Martin J. Connor, AICP Goshen Town Planner/Zoning and Wetlands Enforcement Officer

The Caroline T. Brooks Fund

The Caroline T. Brooks Fund was established under the Will of Alice L. Carlisle, who was a resident of the Town of Goshen. The purpose of the Fund is to provide medical care for the children of the Town of Goshen (particularly for their eyes, ears, noses, throats and teeth), whose parents or guardians are unable to afford such care and treatment.

Parents or guardians who have been residents of the Town of Goshen for at least twelve months may complete an application for any child under age 18 who is a Goshen resident.

Applications are available at the First Selectman's office, Town of Goshen, and at The Goshen Congregational Church.

Applications will be considered by a committee consisting of the First Selectman of the Town of Goshen, the minister of The Goshen Congregational Church and a Trust Officer of Bank of America as provided under the terms of the Will.

Primary consideration will be given to parents who meet the criteria established in the trust of being unable to afford medical care and treatment. However, towards the end of the year, if dollars are still available the need restrictions become less stringent.

Funds are distributed through Bank of America and payment will be made only to licensed providers of medical, dental, vision or hearing services. No funds will be paid to individuals. All applications must include an invoice for services rendered or a written explanation of proposed services to be provided from the attending doctor or medical facility.



Ticks in Goshen

While five species of ticks are found in Connecticut, our focus will be on the three most often found in Goshen and our surrounding areas. Those three are:

DERMACENTOR VARIABILIS - The American Dog Tick or "Wood Tick"

These are the most widely distributed and most common. They are much larger than the others and can be identified by the white or light-colored scale on their back. Due to its large size, they are hard not to notice as they crawl on one's skin. While Dog Ticks carry some medical risks, (Rocky Mountain Spotted Fever and Tularemia – both rare), they do NOT transmit Lyme Disease or Babesiosis. Adults become active in mid-April, peak in June and remain a nuisance until mid-August.

IXODES SCAPULARUS - The Black-legged Tick or Deer Tick

Much smaller than the Dog Tick, they are the carriers of Lyme Disease, human Babesiosis and Anaplasmosis. Adult females are typically 1/10" long. Females have a reddish body with a dark brown scale on the back. Males are smaller and are completely dark. About 98% of Lyme Disease cases are associated with the bite of a Black-Legged <u>nymph</u>. These are very small, about the size of a pinhead and difficult to spot. They are active during late Spring and Summer, while the adults remain active through the Fall and on warm Winter days.

AMBLYOMMA AMERICANUM – The Lone Star Tick, our newest arrival. They do not carry Lyme but may transmit HME and STARI, both causing difficult to diagnose, flu-like symptoms. The adults are about 1/8" inn size, with the females having an obvious yellow or white spot midback. They are more common in coastal communities and are rarely found in our area.

Life Cycle

All ticks have four stages in their life cycle: egg, 6-legged larva, 8-legged nymph and adult. Depending on the type, the life cycle may be completed in 1, 2 or 3 years. All stages (except eggs) require blood from a host animal, usually three different hosts. The tiny larvae usually feed on smaller hosts such as birds and small rodents while nymphs and adults feed on progressively larger hosts. Each stage feeds off its host then drops to molt into the next stage. The adult female feeds, drops off and produced an egg mass containing from 1,000 to 18,000 eggs, thus renewing the cycle.

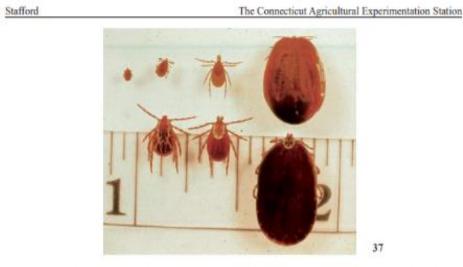
How Ticks Feed

Ticks do NOT jump or fly. When they sense a host approaching, they extend their forelegs and grab onto the host only if contact is made. Adult ticks are larger and will crawl higher onto grass and bushes thereby using larger mammals as hosts. They may then wander on the host before either attaching or being brushed off. Ticks do not "bite" in the usual manner like a mosquito or deerfly. They attach their mouthparts and then secrete a "cement" to hold them in place while feeding. Insertion may take place in as little as 10 minutes or as long as 2 hours, followed by feeding over a period of days.

Removal and Prevention

When outdoors, wear light-colored clothing. When wearing long pants, tuck the cuffs into socks. DEET or permethrin-based repellants are effective. A physical inspection for ticks is strongly recommended after being in a tick environment.

If a tick is attached, use tweezers, grasping the tick as close to the skin as possible. Pull up with a steady, even pressure. Do not jerk or twist. Tick removal tools are also effective. Clean the site with alcohol, or soap and water. Do not crush the tick in your hands or handle the crushed tick, as pathogens may be spread in this manner. Do not smear the tick with Vaseline or attempt to burn it with a cigarette or match. These methods DO NOT work and only risk additional injury. Do NOT hesitate to seek medical advice if you have any concerns. Place the tick in a small plastic baggie but do not use adhesive tape on the tick. If antibiotics are indicated, do not delay. To learn more about submitting ticks for disease screening, please visit the Connecticut Agricultural Experiment Station website at CT.gov Home/CAES



Comparison between the blacklegged tick and American dog tick (above). Top row left to right: nymph, male, female, and engorged female *I. scapularis*. Note engorged female is nearly as large as the engorged female American dog tick. Bottom row left to right: male, female, and engorged female *D. variabilis*. Note the white markings on the scutum of *D. variabilis* can help distinguish between the two engorged ticks.

This article has relied heavily on material from the Connecticut Agricultural Experiment <u>Tick</u> <u>Management Handbook, Bulletin No. 1010</u> (Kirby C. Stafford, Ph. D.)

Devin T. Stilson - Goshen Conservation Commission



September

<u>Kids</u>: Saturday, September 16th at Camp Coch 10am - 11am, back to school craft. Call for info or register at Goshenrec.com Cost \$5 each participant

<u>Adults</u>: Our yoga series continues in 8 week cycles. Wednesday 10:30am - Chair yoga, Thursday 5pm - Evening yoga, and Friday 10:30am - Traditional yoga. Partially funded by Goshen Community Care.

<u>Seniors</u>: Every Tuesday join our Social in the Parish Hall from 1pm - 3pm for games, treats, coffee, and friendship. A collaboration with Goshen Community Care. Bus lunch trip - Wednesday, September 20, we are going to the Railway Café in Winsted for lunch, at your own expense. Call for more info and to reserve your seat on the bus.

<u>Community</u>: Saturday, September 16th from 9am-2pm our annual Town Wide Tag Sale. If you would like to have your sale listed on the map, please call or register online. Cost \$10

October

<u>Kids</u>: Friday, October 27 at Camp Coch. 6pm-7:30pm. Annual Halloween Party!! Looking for candy, snack, and juice donations. Also need volunteers to run games. Call for info on donations and volunteering! Free to Goshen children



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> COSHEN RECREATION ERIN - 860-491-2249 OR 860-601-6089 EMAIL - PARKANDREC@GOSHENCT.GOV REGISTER - GOSHENREC.COM



October cont'd

<u>Community</u>: Saturday, October 21 from 10am - 11:30am our bimonthly Recreation and Goshen Community Care hosted brunch. Open to all ages, families, friends, neighbors. Please register in advance with Goshenrec.com. Table reservations for larger parties available upon advance request. Cost \$5 per person (\$7 for nonresidents please).

<u>November</u>

<u>Kids</u>: Saturday, November 18th at Camp Coch 10am - 11am, Thanksgiving crafts. Make arrangements for your family's Thanksgiving table or to give as a way to say "Thanks". Call for info or register at Goshenrec.com Cost \$5 each participant

<u>Adults</u>: Our yoga series continues in 8 week cycles. Wednesday 10:30am - Chair yoga, Thursday 5pm - Evening yoga, and Friday 10:30am - Traditional yoga. Partially funded by Goshen Community Care.

Saturday, November 18th at Camp Coch 11am - 12 noon, Thanksgiving table arrangements. Make your own floral arrangement for your Thanksgiving table. Cost \$20 (flowers provided through Colonial Greenhouse)

<u>Seniors</u>: Every Tuesday join our Social in the Parish Hall from 1pm - 3pm for games, treats, coffee, and friendship. A collaboration with Goshen Community Care. Bus trip Friday, November 17, to Boscov's in Meriden for some shopping. Lunch along the way. Call for info or register at Goshenrec.com Cost all at your own expense.

<u>Community</u>: Thanksgiving Day 46th annual Turkey Trot at the Goshen Fairgrounds. Link to register can be found on goshenrec.com

Please note, programs are subject to change.

Registration is encouraged to receive notice of changes to programs. Visit Goshenrec.com for the most up to date information or call Erin 860-491-2249 office / 860-601-6089 cell / 860-491-3367 Camp

GOSHEN RECREATION

ERIN - 860-491-2249 OR 860-601-6089 EMAIL - PARKANDREC@GOSHENCT.GOV

REGISTER - GOSHENREC.COM



42B North Street

Goshen, CT 06756

(860) 491-3234

Autumn 2023

Library Hours

Monday	10 a.m. – 6 p.m.
Tuesday	9 a.m. – 6 p.m.
Wednesday	10 a.m. – 6 p.m.
Thursday	9 a.m. – 6 p.m.
Friday	10 a.m. – 6 p.m.
Saturday	9 a.m. – 2 p.m.

A Message from the New Director

I want to thank everyone, patrons and staff, for being so welcoming of me taking on this new position. It has been a whirlwind but I'm loving every second of serving this town. As I settle in, we're planning to get some regular programming scheduled – we have a few already for September and October!

I'm hoping to get a book discussion group or two set up within the following months, depending on interest. We've gotten some interest in a young-adult book group for adults, and we'll see what other group the community wants to start up!

Outreach

Unable to visit the library? We'll come to you if you are ill or unable to drive. Call 860-491-3234 to arrange outreach services.

Adult Programs

Mark Albertson – Historian

Monday, September 11th, 4:00 PM, Zoom, the American Foreign Policy Guru George Kennan.

Monday, October 2nd, 4:00 PM, Zoom 60 Years Ago: Assassination of Ngo Dinh Diem.

Monday, November 6th, 4:00PM, Zoom **60 Years Ago: Assassination of JFK**

Harmonica Concert with Bob Hennessy Saturday, September 9th, 12:00PM

With 35 years of experience playing, Bob Hennessy will be discussing a bit about the history and influence of the harmonica, and his concert will feature an engaging mix of Popular, Blues, Country, and Jazz music, backed with professional sound tracks.

This concert is appropriate for all ages and families are encouraged to attend.

The Joy of Accordions! Friday, September 22nd, 4:30PM

Paul Ramunni of the New England Accordion Connection & Museum Company will be playing and giving a talk about this amazing instrument. Antique accordions will also be on display. *****

Children's Programs

Story Times: August 8th - September 20th Tuesday and Wednesdays at 10:30am

*Friday, September 8 from 6:30-9pm Dungeons & Dragons (ages middle school and up)
*Friday, September 15 from 3:45-5:00 Salt Painting (ages 5 and up)
*Friday, September 29th from 3:45-5:00pm The Game of Peeps! (ages 5 and up)

Please call or email <u>children@goshenpublib.org</u> to register

Museum Passes

The Goshen Public Library is delighted to offer an exciting variety of museum passes. Many patrons don't realize that one of the benefits of library membership is the ability to access museum passes. Savings range from discounted admission to free admission, depending upon the venue. Passes are checked out in the same way as other library materials and are returned on a due-date so other patrons can enjoy them.

These passes are available courtesy of the Friends of the Goshen Public Library and generous donations made during Give Local Greater Waterbury and Litchfield Hills. ****

Device Advice

Hoopla, Kanopy, Libby, and Palace. Come for in person tutorials about our online offerings. Bring your smart phone, your tablet, and/or your laptop. Bring your password to add apps from your online store and let us help you learn more about what the Library offers.

Please call us to set up a one-on-one appointment.

Are you Up for a Challenge?

This year the Reading Challenge can be accomplished month by month. Come in and pick up a card with that months challenge. Prizes will be chosen quarterly.

Do you get our email newsletter? Just go to our website and enter your address in the sign up form found on the right hand side bar!

We send it out every Wednesday. It has all of our programs and some new books as well. We do our best to keep you informed of what is happening at the library.



FALL into an upcoming gathering!

- Weekly Senior Socials—Tuesdays between 1-3 p.m. at the Church of Christ Parish Hall.
- Monthly Free Senior Lunch—Second Tuesday of each month at 12 noon at the Parish Hall. Food is free, delicious and comes from our local restaurants! Our upcoming fall Senior Lunches will take place on September 12, October 10, and November 14.
- We'll be teaming up with the Goshen Recreation Department again to host a **Community Brunch** on October 21. Please call the Recreation Department at 860.491.2249 to register.



thankyou

To **ALL** who supported our water booth at the Goshen Fair! We extend special appreciation to the **American Legion** for their continued partnership!

The Goshen Good Neighbor Fund, Inc. P.O. Box 492 Goshen, CT 06756

History and Mission

The Goshen Good Neighbor Fund, Inc. was formally established as a nonprofit 501c (3) corporation in 1977 by a group of Goshen Connecticut residents who came together to raise funds for a Goshen family that was experiencing a financial emergency. Through this small group's efforts, fundraising initiatives, and desire to have funds on hand to assist other residents of Goshen who might find themselves in similar financial emergency circumstances, **The Goshen Good Neighbor Fund, Inc. (GGNF)** has been perpetuated since that time.

<u>The Board of Directors wishes to acknowledge recent significant contributions made</u> <u>by The Estate of John D. Lang, The Rona Jaffe Foundation, Christopher Gleason and</u> <u>Lyn Enright.</u> We are humbled by your generosity to help ensure perpetuation of our mission and support of our neighbors. We are thankful for the donations small and large made by residents and individuals, local businesses, our church communities, grant monies received from local agencies, matching corporate gift programs, regional and state charitable organizations, and special event fundraising events sponsored by local proprietors and civic councils.

The Goshen Good Neighbor Fund, Inc. board is comprised of Goshen residents, all volunteers, who operate within the established statement of purpose and the by-laws of the organization. Funds are distributed on a per case basis as needs become known and are handled expeditiously with the utmost respect for confidentiality and dignity. Repayment is never requested or sought from the recipient.

With deep appreciation,	
Sue Breakell, Secretary 860-307-0611	Laurie Sweet, 860-307-9462
Marcia Barker, 860-491-2368	Lisa Tillmann, 860-491-5472
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Andrea Loomis, 860-806-1887	Lu-Ann Zbinden, 860-491-3399
Cate Corwin, Treasurer, Email:goshengoodn	eighborfund@gmail.com

Please note: Gifts to The Goshen Good Neighbor Fund are tax deductible based on the Fund's 501(C)(3) public charity status. No exchange of goods, services or property is provided by The Goshen Good Neighbor Fund, Inc. in relation to charitable gifts.



GOSHEN HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The Goshen Historical Society is located at 21 Old Middle Street. Various programs are held over the summer months. The building is open on **Monday's** from 10:00 A.M. to noon from **now until October** 16th and by appointments.

The Historical Society is a volunteer organization, but needs the support of the citizens of Goshen and other people with an interest in Goshen to keep this organization active for the community.

We thank the people who gave to the Give Local campaign, attended our Annual Wine Tasting and the members who gave to many projects for our building. The society is grateful to all our contributors that helped to make the last few year's project a great success.

The Historical Society is in the process of an insurance claim for damage to the roof on July 10, 2023 when the town had a wind storm and 11 inches of rain. There is a hole in the roof and rain came in and damaged the attic, ceiling on the second floor and others items in the building. The adjuster willing be coming the week of August 20th to see the damage and we hope to be able to get the roof replaced and the ceiling repaired in the near future.

In August the Goshen Business Circle held their meeting at the academy building. We thank them for their visit.

Our Annual meeting and Pie Party for <u>all members only</u> will be held on Friday, October 6, 2023 6:30 P.M. Please, save the date.

Our events are posted on our **<u>SIGN BOARD</u>**. It is placed in front of the building before each event. If you have a subject of interest you would like presented, please inform one of the officers or directors about the subject.

WE ARE IN NEED OF MEMBERS: <u>PLEASE JOIN OUR ORGANIZATION TO CONTINUE THE PRESERVATION OF</u> <u>THE HISTORY OF GOSHEN.</u> <u>ALL ARE WELCOME</u>

If you are interested in visiting the academy building, please stop in on Monday mornings or give the president a telephone call and she will make arrangements to meet with you.

NOTES from the MONARCH SANCTUARY Wild and Beautiful



It is early September and our eastern Monarchs are well on their way to the mountains of central Mexico to hibernate for the winter.

Sometime in August, all new monarchs emerging from their chrysalis are joining one of the greatest migrations south, 3000 miles to the central Sierra Madres. On their way they need to stop to eat. Many now stop at Goshen's Monarch Sanctuary, restoring their energy needs by feasting on our fall blooming nectar plants.

Our Monarchs are not the only long-distance travelers.

The European Painted Ladies fly an amazing distance annually. They migrate from most of Europe to Africa in autumn. That is a 9000mile journey. Early spring, they travel across the Sahara Desert and recolonize in the Mediterranean. The round trip takes over one year and up to six generations to complete

Australia's Caper White migrates 3000 miles from west Queensland to south east Queensland usually every 6-10 years. Migrations tend to be in spring, but north-easterly flights have been noted.



The Sanctuary is planning a day of planting spring bulbs and a little cleanup on Saturday, October 21st. All are welcome. Rain date October 28th.

Text contact 860-302-0911

Goshen Garden Club 90th Anniversary



The Goshen Garden Club is 90 years old! The only organization in town older is the American Legion and its Auxiliary.

The club and their guests celebrated the anniversary September 8 at the Mary Stuart House with light refreshments and brought in adult beverages. It was the best.

For 90 years, the Goshen Garden Club has shared the joy of gardening and enriched Goshen with its programs, beautiful gardens, love of nature and companionship.

The club grew and changed as society changed, adjusting to the needs of our town. It now offers an annual scholarship, maintains and beautifies the town gardens and monuments, gives joy and memories to our convalescent home populations with monthly horticultural workshops, supplies weekly flowers to the Town Library and entertains and educates with the amazing programs at its monthly meetings, Thursdays, at Camp Coch.

All Activities are supported by two much anticipated fundraisers. Spring brings the annual plant sale at Camp Coch. Fall is always a surprise.

This year the club presents the:

"Red Hot and Fabulous"

Fashion Show

Saturday, November 11, 2023, 9:30am-2pm at Fairview Farms, Rt 222, Harwinton, Ct. There will be raffle baskets.

The show and a delightful lunch will be \$42 per person.

Membership is open to all. Please contact Kate Pease at katepease@aol.com

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Glorious Goshen Days

Sun, a slight breeze, blue sky, a few clouds. August 5th and 6th showed Goshen at its finest. The weekend included the Annual Blueberry Festival, the wonderful 4 H Fair and the annual Goshen Agriculture Council's OPEN FARM TOUR.

What fun. Locals and tourists alike gathered to enjoy food, to watch children and their animals and to tour a variety of local farms. At the Congregational Church (UCC) sponsored Goshen Green Garden, we welcomed folks to both tour the community garden, but especially to visit the adjacent blooming Monarch Sanctuary. The 14-year-old vegetable garden produces fresh, organic products for Torrington food banks and our seniors, while also enabling residents to grow their own food in a community context. The Monarch Sanctuary lived up to its name this year. The endangered butterflies flew happily around the sanctuary entertaining all visitors in the wild beauty of their habitat.

The Goshen Green Garden partnered again this year with Sustainable Goshen. Earning its Bronze level of recognition by Sustainable CT, guests learned of <u>future</u> plans to continue to make Goshen Great, including beautifying the Rotary, developing human services outreach and helping Goshen trails become accessible to less able "walkers".

We are grateful to the Council for including us on the Tour. Veggies don't really compete with Goshen's bison, goats, chocolates and wine, but the monarchs gave them a good run.





Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day

Torrington Water Pollution Control Facility, Bogue Road, Harwinton, CT

8:30 AM - 2:00 PM

Call Town Hall for a ticket 860 491-2308 x 228 Tickets required to participate.

October 28, 2023 8:30 AM – 2:00 PM Torrington Water Pollution

Control Facility, Bogue Road, Harwinton, CT

WHAT TO BRING

Paints/Stains/Varnishes

Paint Thinners & Strippers Wood Preservatives/Turpentine Resins & Adhesives Polishes for furniture, wood, & metal Cleaners for rugs & upholstery Cleaners for ovens, toilet bowls & drains Swimming pool chemicals, Pesticides, Herbicides, Insecticides, Fungicides Flea & Tick Powder, Moth Balls **Spot Removers** Dry Cleaning Solvents, Lighter Fluids Septic Tank Degreasers **Engine Degreasers** Waste Fuels (Kerosene, Gasoline) Caburetor Cleaners, Brake Fluids **Transmission Fluids** Car Waxes Non-empty Aerosol Cans Rubber Cement, Airplane Glue Photo Chemicals, Chemistry Sets Hobby/Artist Supplies Rechargeable Batteries, Household Batteries Mercury Thermostats Thermometers Anti-freeze Smoke Detectors Propane Tanks 1-20lbs



WHAT NOT TO BRING

Electronics such as computers, DVD players, etc. Fluorescent Bulbs Motor Oil Auto Batteries & Tires Ammunition Fireworks and other explosives Pharmaceuticals and other Medical Waste, PCB Capacitors Radioactive Materials Unknown gases Controlled Substances Pathological Material Empty Aerosol Cans



Shred Smart, Mattress & Box Spring Recycling

October 7, 2023 - 9am - 12pm Location: (Goshen Center School Parking Lot)

Shredding sponsored by:





Electronics Recycling

October 7, 2023 - 9am - 12pm Location: (Goshen Town Hall Parking Lot)

> Keyboards VCR & DVD Players Copiers Fax Machines Gaming Consoles Cameras Stereos Telephones

Monitors Televisions Computers Laptops Scanners Cell Phones Microwaves Computer Mice Wires & Chargers

and more!







Thank you to all who participated in our annual calendar photo contest!



Cover Photo submitted by Cindy Saccoman

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Net proceeds from the sale of these calendars directly assists neighbors in need.





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Check Facebook & Website for upcoming tasting schedule



Closed Thanksgiving Day



How to sign up for Blackboard

Emergency Notifications for the Town of Goshen at www.goshenct.gov:

- 1. Toggle your cursor over How Do I?
- 2. Click on Emergency Notifications

a. You will be directed to the Town of Goshen Blackboard page

- 3. Click on **Sign Me Up!** Next to Login, if you have never registered for Blackboard Emergency Notifications before.
- 4. Follow the prompts by clicking **Continue**.
- 5. Make sure to put in the correct email address. You will be sent a confirmation email. **Go to your email and click on the link to activate your account**.
- 6. Fill out the **security questions**.
- 7. Then **log in** with your email address and password you chose.
- 8. Prompts will ask how you want to be notified by clicking on **Add Address, Add Another Email, Add Phone**.
- 9. Click **Next** and **ONLY CLICK TOWN OF GOSHEN** for the Emergency Notifications.
- 10. Click **Next** and then **Done**. You will now be notified of any Town Emergencies.

Once you're signed up...that's it!!

You can update any information by logging in through www.goshenct.gov



TOWN PHONE DIRECTORY

To reach an extension, call the number listed below. You will be asked to dial the extension listed below. If the person you are calling is unable to answer their phone, you will be able to leave message in the individual's voice mail.

NAME	TITLE	PHONE	EXT	HOURS
Breor, Barbara	Town Clerk	(860) 491-3647		Mon-Thurs 9-12 & 1-4 & Fri 9-1
Carusillo, Todd	First Selectman	(860) 491-2308	221	Mon-Thurs 8:30-4 & Fri 8:30-12
Carusillo, Kim	Asst. Town Clerk	(860) 491-3647	225	Mon-Thurs 10-2
Clinton, Lori	Registrar of Voters	(860) 491-2308	236	1 st & 3 rd Tues 9-Noon
Collins, Paul	Recycling Coordinator	(860) 618-5468		Mon-Friday by appointment
Connor, Marty	Enforcement Officer	(860) 491-2308	232	Tues & Thurs 7:30-10
Desimone, Renee	Library Children Coordinator	(860) 491-3234		Library Phone Number
Diorio, Bob	Fire Marshal	(860) 601-8940		Cell Phone (No Office Hours)
Graham, Kate	Animal Control Officer	(860) 248-9979		Cell Phone (No Office Hours)
Gregoire, Paula	Library Aide	(860) 491-3234		Library Phone Number
Guarnieri, Tabitha	Library Director	(860) 491-3234		Library Phone Number
Hall, Robert	Fire Chief	(860) 491-2526		No Office Hours
Harlow, Garret	Public Works Supervisor	(860) 491-6029		Mon-Fri 7:00 – 3:00
Harris, Mark	Selectman	(860) 491-9095		Home Number
Howard, Nanci	Registrar of Voters	(860) 491-2308	236	1 st & 3 rd Tues 9-Noon
Hussman, Lucy	Assessor	(860) 491-2115		Tues & Wed 9-12 & 1-4
Jurchert Derungs, Rebecca	Tax Collector	(860) 491-3275		Tues 9-12 & Wed 1-4
Kinsella, Dexter	Selectman	(860) 91-3364		Home Number
Lamanna, Maureen	Asst. Tax Collector	(860) 491-3275		Tues 9-12 & Wed 1-4
Lavin, Cinzia	Library Aide	(860) 491-3234		Library Phone Number
LeClair, Denise	Assessment Clerk	(860) 491-2115		Tues & Wed 9-12 & 1-4
Miller, Lucia	Accounting/Payroll Clerk	(860) 491-2308	223	Mon & Tues 8:30 - 4
Malanca, Kate	Library Aide	(860) 491-3234		Library Phone Number
Paige, Lucille	First Selectman Aide	(860) 491-2308	239	Tues, Wed & Thurs
Perry, Virginia	First Selectman Admin. Asst.	(860) 491-2308	228	Mon-Thurs 8:30 – 4 & Fri 8:30 - 12
Perry, Matthew	Deputy Animal Control Officer	(860) 318-5370		Cell Phone (No Office Hours)
Reilly, Erin	Recreation Director	(860) 491-2249 (860) 601-6089		Mon-Wed. 9-4, Thurs/Fri. for Programs & Field Trips
Zibell, Chris	Building Official	(860) 491-2308	231	Tues & Thurs 7:30-10
Zhoen, Chins	OTHER PHONE NUMBERS	(OWNED BY TOWN)	231	1463 & 11413 7.50-10
Camp Cochipianee	291 Beach Street	(860) 491-3367		
Goshen Fire Company	181 Sharon Turnpike	(860) 491 - 2526		(860) 491-3855 (General Calls)
Goshen Library Fax	42B North Street	(860) 491-0100		
Public Works	38 Torrington Road	(860) 491-6029 Office		(860) 491-6036 Fax
Town Hall Fax	42A North Street	(860) 491-6028		
	OTHER PHONE NUMBERS	(NOT OWNED BY TOWN	N)	
Goshen Community Care	5 Old Middle Street	(860) 491-4673		
Goshen Fairgrounds	116 Old Middle Street	(860) 491-3655		
Goshen Post Office	9 Sunset Drive	(860) 491-2733		
State Police Troop B	463 Ashley Falls Rd, Canaan	(800) 497-0403		
U.S.A Hauling Recycling	185 Torrington Rd, Winsted	(860) 379-1662		





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