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"The purpose of the Ashford Citizen is to keep Ashford citizens informed on what is going on in town." (August 1952)

LEGAL NOTICE

Town of Ashford Municipal Election

The legal electors of the Town of Ashford, State of Connecticut, are hereby warned and notified to meet at Knowlton Memorial Hall, 25 Pompey Hollow Road, (Route 44), in said Town of Ashford on Tuesday, November 7, 2023 from 6:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. to cast their votes in the biennial election in said town to elect the following officers:

First Selectman (Vote for One); Selectman (Vote for One); Board of Finance Full Term (Vote for Up to Two); Board of Finance To Fill Vacancy for Two Years (Vote for One); Board of Finance Alternate (Vote for One); Board of Education Full Term (Vote for Up to Two); Board of Education To Fill Vacancy for Two Years (Vote for One); Board of Assessment Appeals (Vote for One); Planning and Zoning Commission (Vote for Up to Three); Planning and Zoning Commission Alternate (Vote for Up to Three); Zoning Board of Appeals Full Term (Vote for Up to Two); Zoning Board of Appeals To Fill Vacancy for Two Years (Vote for One); Zoning Board of Appeals Alternate To Fill Vacancy for Two Years (Vote for Up to Two); Library Trustee Full Term (Vote for Up to Two); Library Trustee To Fill Vacancy for Four Years (Vote for One); Regional Board of Education (Vote for Up to Two).

The polls will be open from 6:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Electronic voting machines will be used for the biennial election. Absentee ballots will be available at the Town Clerk's Office during regular office hours beginning October 6, 2023.

Dated at Ashford, Connecticut this 1st day of November, 2023.

Attest, Sherri L. Mutch, MMC, MCTC
Ashford Town Clerk

Please see SAMPLE BALLOT on page 17— Our center pages !

ANNOUNCEMENTS



Town Offices Directory

| | |
|------------------------|--------------|
| Animal Control Officer | 860-234-4093 |
| Assessor | 860-487-4403 |
| Building Dept. | 860-487-4404 |
| Emergency Management | 860-428-0870 |
| Finance Dept. | 860-487-4405 |
| Fire Marshal | 860-208-0113 |
| Housing Authority | 860-429-8556 |
| Parks & Recreation | 860-487-4409 |
| Public Works | 860-429-6812 |
| Registrar of Voters | 860-487-4410 |
| Selectmen's Office | 860-487-4400 |
| Sexton | 860-487-4400 |
| Social/ Youth Services | 860-487-4417 |
| Tax Collector | 860-487-4411 |
| Town Clerk | 860-487-4401 |
| Zoning Enforcement | 860-487-4415 |

Town of Ashford website:
www.ashfordtownhall.org

Ashford Town Offices Public Hours:

Assessor, Selectmen's Office, Tax Collector,
Town Clerk:

Mon., Tues., Fri. 8:30 am - 3:00 pm
Wed. 10 am - 6 pm

Land Use Dept.:

Mon., Tues., Wed., Fri., 8:30 am-3:00 pm or by appt.

Social Services: Mon. & Tues. 9 am - 3 pm or by appt.

Transfer Station: Wed. 2-8 pm, Sat. 8 am-4 pm,
Sun. 10 am - 4 pm

For other depts. not listed, please call for hours.

CLOSINGS

**The Town Hall Offices will be closed
in observance of the following Holidays**



**Veterans' Day—Friday, November 10th
Transfer Station will be closed Sat., Nov. 11th**



**Thanksgiving
Friday, November 24th**

Stay Safe, Happy, and Healthy !

*** *The Ashford Citizen* ***

Policies & Procedures

As Amended by the BOS August 29, 2023

- * The *Ashford Citizen* is a local government sponsored newsletter made possible by town taxes and advertising, and the production efforts of the *Citizen* Editor.
- * The *Citizen* is a limited public forum and its limited purpose is to inform the public about news pertaining to local government activities and offer a vehicle for local area organizations and businesses to advertise events, products and services.
- * Residents and Ashford taxpayers will receive the *Citizen* at no charge (every Ashford mailbox and P.O. box). Non-profit groups and taxpayers who live out of town should contact the *Citizen* to be put on the "no charge" mailing list. All other parties may receive the *Citizen* for a \$30. annual donation.
- * The *Citizen* will be delivered by the 1st of each month (every Ashford mailbox and P.O. box). Copies of the *Citizen* will also be made available in the Ashford Town Offices.
- * All submissions must be received by the **15th** of each month. Submissions received after the cutoff date for an issue will not be published. **No exceptions.**
- * All items for the *Citizen* must include the submitter's name, address, and telephone number for verification. Items written on behalf of an organization require the signature of an authorized representative.
- * The *Citizen* reserves the exclusive right to revise or reject all materials submitted for publication. As this publication is a limited purpose publication which is heavily subsidized by Ashford taxpayers in order to provide public information, the following will not be accepted: political ads/articles; opinion letters; religious, or other interest group ads/articles that go beyond an invitation to a program, event or time; explicit/ exploitive, obscene or degrading text, pictures/illustrations; offensive, proselytizing or slanderous articles.
- * Readers should be aware that opinions or articles by individual writers or organizations are not necessarily those of the *Citizen*.
- * Paid submissions are limited to a half page maximum per business.
- * Paid submissions must be **pre-paid**; cash or check written to the **Town of Ashford**. The Ashford Town Clerk's Office will take payments. Payments may be mailed or dropped in the Town drop box.
- * Articles and ad submissions should be made to ashfordcitizen@ashfordtownhall.org.
- * For more information about Ashford Citizen policies and procedures look in "The Ashford Citizen" section (under About) on the Town website, or pick up a copy at Ashford Town Offices.

Your Contacts:

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Email (submissions)
Payments or Questions

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#860-487-4439

VITAL STATISTICS

Deaths:

Gertrude Kondak
Vytautas Alksninis



September 26, 2023
September 10, 2023

Marriages:

Kyle Harrison Chipman &
Alexis Say Chay Inthaluexay



September 16, 2023



ANNOUNCING A NEW ASHFORD BUSINESS ASSISTANCE GRANT PROGRAM

Dear Ashford Business Owners:

On behalf of the Ashford Board of Selectman (BOS) and the Ashford Economic Development Commission (EDC), I would like to extend to you this opportunity to apply for the Ashford Business Grant Program. \$50,000 of ARPA Funds have been set aside to provide grants of up to \$5,000 to any Ashford Business that was impacted by the COVID-19 Pandemic. The Town appreciates the challenges you are faced with everyday and hope that this offer of some financial assistance will help.

You will find an overview of this exciting grant opportunity and the application form on the Town's website (www.ashfordtownhall.org).

The EDC will be reviewing all applications and making the grant award recommendations to the BOS.

Applications are due back to my office by 2:30 pm on December 8, 2023.

We encourage you to apply for this grant and look forward to working with you! Please call the selectman's office at 860-487-4400 with any questions. Thank you.

Bill Falletti

First Selectman

Town of Ashford

Office of the Tax Collector

The Tax Collector's Office has been reviewing all accounts for unpaid balances. Real Estate accounts have been reviewed for possible inclusion in a tax sale for the last several months. The Fiscal Year of July 1, 2022 thru June 30, 2023 was closed with 99.26% of real estate accounts collected. There are now 17 accounts that are identified for sale in an auction of property for unpaid taxes. Taxpayers will be notified by mail. A Demand Letter will be issued, and after the prescribed time listed in the Demand, the account will be turned over to our Tax Attorney to initiate the tax sale process. All payments will then include attorney fees as well as any tax sale costs incurred.

The office attempts to work diligently with all taxpayers to achieve successful solutions to open balances. PLEASE make every effort to bring your account current. Check the status of open bills online.

Thank you.

Linda G. Gagne CCMC

Tax Collector

How to PAY Your Taxes Online

1. Go to <http://www.ashfordtownhall.org/> and click this button on the right side of the page,



2. In the search bar enter your last name, space, and first initial.

Ex. Name: John Smith

Enter the search criteria below:

Smith J

Search

3. If there is a shopping cart under the pay section then there is an outstanding balance.



Click that button to add as many bills to your cart as you want



0 BILL(S) - \$0.00

4. Find which bill you want to pay

Ex.

2014-01-1631

- 2014 is the **Grand List**

2014-01-1631


- 01 is Real Estate
 - 02 Is Personal Property
 - 03 is Motor Vehicle
 - 04 is Motor Vehicle Supplement

2014-01-1631

- 1631 is the bill number

- You **MUST** pay the **OLDEST** bills **FIRST**
 - Oldest **Grand List**

| BILL # |
|----------------------------------|
| 2014-01-0001631 00170100-LIEN |
| (REAL ESTATE) |
| 2015-01-0001631 00170100-LIEN |
| (REAL ESTATE) |
| 2016-01-0001604 00170100-LIEN |

5. When all of the bills are in your shopping cart
Click  0 BILL(S) - \$0.00 and Check Out

6. Read the [Terms and Conditions](#) before you press

- Especially if You Have Past Due Taxes

Pay Now

7. Make sure the next cart is the same as the previous one and choose how you would like to pay. Then press

Continue to Payment Information

- Treat All Debit Cards As Credit Cards

8. Enter Payment information, Review, and Submit.

- There is a 2.99% fee for Credit and Debit Cards as of June 20, 2023. Minimum fee for Credit and Debit Cards will be \$3.95.
- There is a **\$.95** fee for Checking Account (**Reduced from \$1.95**)

THE GETTYSBURG ADDRESS

Gettysburg, Pennsylvania

Four score and seven years ago our fathers brought forth on this continent, a new nation, conceived in Liberty, and dedicated to the proposition that all men are created equal.

Now we are engaged in a great civil war, testing whether that nation, or any nation so conceived and so dedicated, can long endure. We are met on a great battle-field of that war. We have come to dedicate a portion of that field, as a final resting place for those who here gave their lives that that nation might live. It is altogether fitting and proper that we should do this.

But in a larger sense, we can not dedicate – we can not consecrate – we can not hallow this ground. The brave men living and dead who struggled here have consecrated it far above our poor power to add or detract. The world will little note, nor long remember what we say here, but it can never forget what they did here. It is for us the living, rather, to be dedicated here to the unfinished work which they who fought here have thus far so nobly advanced. It is rather for us to be here dedicated to the great task remaining before us – that from these honored dead we take increased devotion to that cause for which they gave the last full measure of devotion – that we here highly resolve that these dead shall not have died in vain – that this nation, under God, shall have a new birth of freedom – and that government of the people, by the people, for the people, shall not perish from the earth.

Abraham Lincoln
19 November 1863



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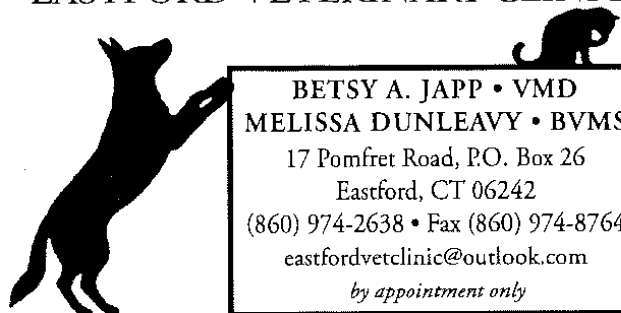
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If you are in need of advice for Veteran benefits, questions on assistance such as health care, burials, disability compensation, Soldiers, Sailors and Marines Fund, or pension, please visit on the first Wednesday of the month with the new hours of 5:00-6:00 pm. Appointments are preferred, especially if Wednesdays are a conflict, but walk-ins are welcome.

Call Garry at 860-928-2309 and leave a message.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you need help with your veteran issues:

Garry.brown71@aim.com and/or 860-928-2309.

Always no cost ever for veterans and always confidential.

VETERAN NOTES

VA's latest Agent Orange Newsletter

Can be found at:

<https://www.publichealth.va.gov/exposures/publications/agent-orange/agent-orange-2022/index.asp>

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e: Noah@homesellingteam.com
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Thank you,
Rick Marlin



TOWN OF ASHFORD JOB ANNOUNCEMENT

Department of Public Works

HIGHWAY MAINTAINER II

Detailed job description and application forms are available on the Town's website

www.ashfordtownhall.org or in the Selectmen's office.

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ASHFORD VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT



November has officially arrived and that usually means, so has heating season. With the rising cost of home heating fuels this year, it's expected that many, if not most residences, will be using supplemental heat sources this year to offset some of those high costs. More home fires occur during the cold winter months than any other time of the year, with 32% of all house fires being caused by space heaters.

We encourage you to follow these important safety tips to keep you and your family safe!

Electric Space Heaters –

- Choose a heater with a thermostat and overheat protection.
- Place the heater on a solid, flat surface.
- Make sure the heater has an auto shut-off to turn the heater off if it tips over.
- Keep children and pets away from the space heater.
- Plug heater directly into wall outlet, **NEVER** use an extension cord.
- Always turn off and unplug heaters when you leave the room or go to bed.
- Make sure your heating equipment has the label showing that it is listed by UL testing laboratory.

Wood/ Pellet/Coal Burning Stove and Fireplaces –

- Burn only dry, well-seasoned wood.
- Use artificial logs according to manufacturer's recommendations.
- Use only newspaper and kindling wood to start a fire. Never use flammable liquids, such as lighter fluid, kerosene, or gasoline to start a fire.
- Have your chimney cleaned and inspected annually.
- When disposing of ashes, allow ashes to cool before disposing in a metal bucket and store outside away from building. ***Never*** place them in the garage, breezeway, or enclosed patio.

Fuel Burning Space Heaters –

- Always use the proper fuel as specified by the manufacture.
- When refueling, allow the appliance to cool and refuel outside.
- Make sure all fuel-burning equipment is vented to the outside, And be sure the venting for exhaust is kept clear and unobstructed. This includes removal of snow around the outlet to the outside.



No matter what type of heater you're using, remember to always keep and maintain a 3-foot clearance between all heating equipment and anything that can burn. Make sure your smoke alarms are in working order and install carbon monoxide detectors if you don't already have them.

Later this month, watch for our holiday wreath to go up! From Thanksgiving to New Year's Day, our wreath will be lit with red lights. For every fire we have, a red light will be changed to white. For the past 3 years, our holiday wreath brings awareness to fire dangers through the holiday season. Our goal is to remind you of those dangers each time you see a white light, which is why each year, we ask you to help us keep our wreath RED throughout the season.

The call count for Sept. was 11 Fire/Rescue and 31 EMS. Our fiscal year total is 214.

If you have any non-emergency questions or concerns, you may contact Station 20 at (860) 429-9862 from 6AM to 6PM every day, or the Tolland County Fire Mutual Aide Fire Service at (860) 875-2543 24 hours a day, and they will contact an AVFD duty officer for you.

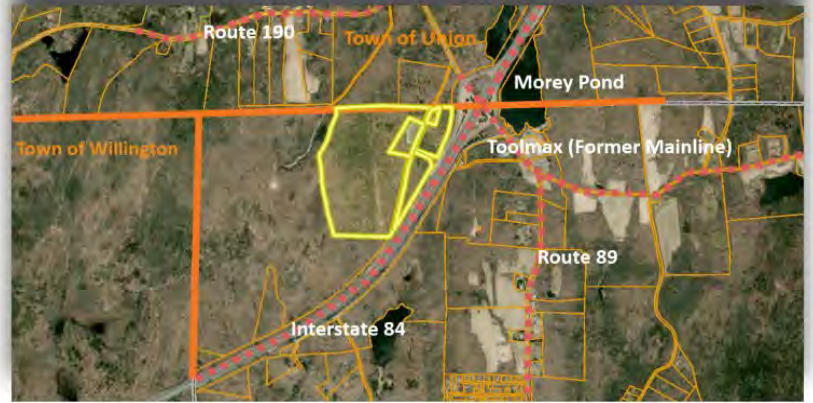
Tracey Stancil
Firefighter/EMT
AVFD Station 20

Ashford Citizens BOLO (BE ON the Look Out for)

The Ashford Planning and Zoning Commission wants your input regarding potential changes to zoning regulations pertaining to the Interstate Interchange Development Zone (IID).

To that end, the PZC will be including a survey in the December edition of the Ashford Citizen.

There will be a limited response time for the survey, so we ask for your prompt attention to providing your input so we can review your feedback as the PZC considers possible amendments to our current regulations.



Alex Hastillo

In recognition of the 39 years of dedicated service to the Town of Ashford braving rain, snow, late evenings, and countless hearings in support of the Ashford Planning & Zoning Commission, we present you with this token of our gratitude.

On behalf of Ashford's Boards of Selectmen and Ashford's voters who made it possible for us to benefit from your experience and knowledge, we thank you for the many initiatives you supported to ensure the healthy growth of our Town.

Tuesday, October 10, 2023

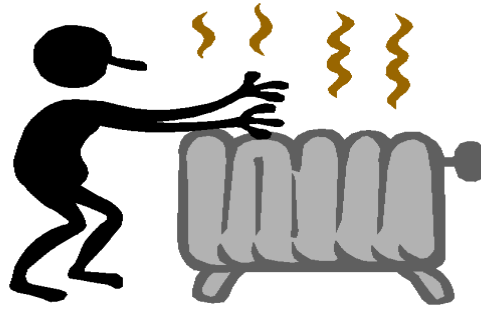
*William A. Falletti
First Selectman*

*Roger Phillips
Selectman*

*Cathryn Silver-Smith
Selectman*

Home Heating Assistance

Please DO NOT apply online for this program!!



*Help may be available to assist in home heating bills this winter.
Call Ashford Social Services for more information or to apply.
487-4417*

Income guidelines:

Family size of 1: \$41,553

Family size of 2: \$54,338

Family size of 3: \$67,124

Family size of 4: \$79,910

Family size of 5: \$92,695

Family size of 6: \$105,481

Asset limits: No asset limits

Required Documentation:

Proof of previous 4 weeks income (including child support, unemployment, family support)

Social Security #s for all household members

Most recent Eversource bill

Proof of SNAP benefit (food stamps)

*The CT Energy Assistance Program is designed to help offset the winter heating costs of CT's lower income households. Heating Assistance is available for all forms of heat including oil, electricity, propane, kerosene, wood, and gas.

Holiday Wishes Gift Card Drive



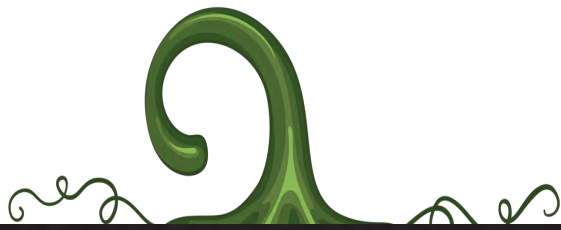
Give the gift of choice and help empower your neighbors in need by donating a gift card for Ashford's "Holiday Wishes" gift card drive.

Ashford Social Services is hosting a gift card donation program for our local families in need. While we have collected physical gifts in prior years, gift card donations allow families to personally select specific items which would be best suited for their own children. Purchasing gift cards from area merchants is a great way to support local businesses, and many other gift cards can be conveniently purchased online. To allow enough time for shopping please consider donating as soon as possible.

Please bring your gift card to the drop box located outside the Town Office Building, mail it to Ashford Social Services, or drop off in person on Mondays & Tuesdays. If you would prefer to make a monetary donation checks can be made out to Town of Ashford and mailed to Ashford Social Services, 5 Town Hall Road.

Looking for Holiday Help?

Through the generosity of community organizations and residents Ashford Social Services provides holiday gift help for those in need. If you find yourself in need of these services please reach out to the Social Service office at (860)487-4417 or mmcdonough@ashfordct.org for an application.



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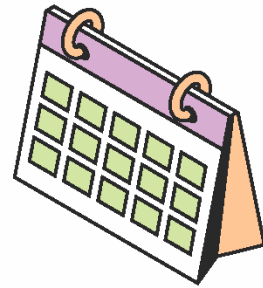
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Ashford Historical Society

Calendar of Events



NOVEMBER/DECEMBER



2023

**WED
NOV
15**

SPECIAL PRESENTATION BY AUTHOR AND HISTORIAN MARTY PODSKOCH ON THE 90TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE CIVILIAN CONSERVATION CORPS -BOOKS AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE

⌵ 6:30 doors open at Knowlton Memorial Hall, 7pm start

**TUES
NOV
28**

**MONTHLY MEETING
NEW MEMBERS ALWAYS WELCOME**

⌵ 7pm Knowlton Memorial Hall

**WED
NOV
29**

**SPECIAL PRESENTATION BY AUTHOR RICHARD SYMONDS ON HIS BOOK
A GLIMPSE OF LOST MILL SITES IN ASHFORD, CT- BOOKS AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE**

⌵ 6:30 pm Knowlton Memorial Hall

**SUN
DEC
10**

COMMUNITY OPEN HOUSE - PRINTS OF ASHFORD PAINTING BY THOMAS MENARD, ASHFORD T-SHIRTS/ SWEATSHIRTS, AND OTHER GIFTS AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE

⌵ 1-4pm Westford Hill Distillers

For more information:



ashfordhistoricalsociety@gmail.com



The AAAC Corner

November 2023

ASHFORD AREA ARTS COUNCIL in collaboration with Windham Arts

Holiday Artist Market

November 18th and 19th

10AM - 3PM

KNOWLTON HALL, ASHFORD

Holiday Artist Market - November 18th and 19th

The very popular Ashford Area Arts Council's "Holiday Artist Market" event is in its 7th year, and we are excited to feature a room full of local artisans both days, with masking optional. Always joyful with upbeat acoustic music on the stage, you will enjoy your holiday shopping experience and get to see what our ample community of artists and craftsmen has been creating over the past year. So much variety and all of it inspired, well-made, beautiful, and unique. There's something for everyone! Let's shop local and support our arts community.

Also available for purchase at the entrance to the event will be an anthology of poetry and short stories written by a local writers' group, Font 'n Pen.



Dan Merlo, Wood-turned items



John Boiano, Pottery



Suzy Staubach, Stoneware Pottery



Kathy Weigold, Weaver

Photography by Dot Drobney

Upcoming Events:

- **ONGOING ONLINE SALES** - contact the artists via our website, <https://ashfordarts.org>
- **HOLIDAY ARTISTS MARKET**, November 18th and 19th
- **VANILLA BEAN SHOW**, April 2024

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Christine Acebo, Photography
Lance Arnold, Glass Artist, Fairy Houses
John Boiano, Pottery
Alison Ciarlante, Decorative Dot painting
Mark Drobney, Laser Cut Objects
Dorothy Drobney, Photography
Anna Harding, Stained glass
Joan Blade Johnson, Fiber Arts
Bob Johnson, Chair Caning, and basketry
Maggie Kendis, Delightful Printmaker, Jewelry
Frietha Lawrence, Zentangles/Painter/Author
Kathleen Lepak, Calligrapher, book binding
Marilyn Makuch, Jewelry
Charles McCaughtry, Nature Paintings
Michael Metsak, Goat Milk Products
Dan Merlo, Wood-turned items
Gretchen G./Lauren Merlo, Woodburning Items
Sue Muldoon, Basketry
Dan Rackliffe, Pottery
Jane Rackliffe, Fused Glass
Lori Smolin, Watercolor Paintings
Suzy Staubach, Stoneware Pottery
Kathy Weigold, Weaver

Music by: Mike South, guitar instrumentals, Don Jakoboski, acoustic guitar songs, Vicki and Jim McGiver, Folk music, dulcimer etc.

WELCOMING NEW MEMBERS

You do not have to be an artist or live in Ashford, to join our group!

Membership: \$30 Donation
October 1st - September 31st

Please Circle One:

- Visual Arts
- Writing/Poetry
- Performance Arts
- Supporter of the arts.

Name: Email:
Phone: Please circle if you'd like to: • demo
Bus. Name: • teach • perform • poetry readings
Website: • take workshops
Mailing Address:

FOR MEMBERSHIP CONTACT:

AAAC Membership Director
PO Box 313
Ashford, CT 06278
Check Payable To:
WINDHAM ARTS ORGANIZATION
MEMO Line: AAAC MEMBERSHIP

The Ashford Democratic and Republican Town Committees
are committed to a civil and fair campaign season.
We hope that everyone will participate in the election process by
getting to know the candidates and their positions
and then voting on November 7th.

We ask our supporters to respect the democratic process by
allowing legally placed signs to remain unmolested.

Thank you !

Janet Bellamy, Chair Ashford Democratic Town Committee
Gerry Nagy, Chair Ashford Republican Town Committee

Important information from the Ashford Registrars of Voters

With the upcoming elections **Tuesday, November 7, 2023**,
we want to encourage all citizens and residents of Ashford to register to vote!

Voting will take place at Knowlton Memorial Hall at 25 Pompey Hollow Road Ashford
from **6:00AM until 8:00PM on Tuesday, November 7, 2023.**

** You may register at the Town office building during its regular operating hours Monday through Wednesday and Friday in the Town Clerk's Office during regular business hours. The registrars of voters' office hours are on Wednesday from 9:30 AM until 11:30AM.

Important dates to keep in mind in order to vote for the Tuesday, November 7, 2023:

** **Monday, November 6 from 9:00AM until 5:00 PM:** We will hold a limited special registration session for those seeking to vote in the election whose qualifications as to age, citizenship or residence was attained since October 31st.

****Tuesday, November 7:** Election Day Registration "EDR" will take place at Ashford Town Office Building (5 Town Hall Road, Room 304) until 8:00PM. This change to election law was enacted by the General Assembly in Connecticut Public Act 12-56 "An Act Concerning Voting Rights". This act allows eligible people to register to vote in person and cast a ballot on Election Day if he or she meets eligibility requirements for voting and is either (1) not already an elector or (2) is registered in one municipality but wants to change his or her registration because he or she currently lives in another municipality. A person is eligible to register and vote if he or she is a U.S. citizen, age 18 years or older, and a bona fide resident of the municipality which he or she applies for admission as an elector. Please plan to arrive early in the day as there may be long lines. ***You will need to provide proof of identity and residency.***

Exercise your right to vote!





TURN BALLOT OVER AND VOTE BOTH SIDES

Be sure to read instructions to vote.

| OFFICE ↓ PARTY | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 |
|----------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------|---|---|---|---|---|--|---|--|---|---|-----|
| | First Selectman Vote for One | Selectman Vote for One | Board of Finance Full Term Vote for Up to Two | Board of Finance To Fill Vacancy for Two Years Vote for One | Board of Finance Alternate Vote for One | Board of Education Full Term Vote for Up to Two | Board of Education To Fill Vacancy for Two Years Vote for One | Board of Education Assessment Appeals Vote for One | Board of Education Full Term Vote for Up to Two | Board of Education Assessment Appeals Vote for One | Library Trustee To Fill Vacancy for Four Years Vote for One | Regional Board of Education Vote for Up to Two | |
| DEMOCRATIC PARTY | 1A Cathryn E. Silver-Smith | 2A Roger T. Phillips | 3A Christina Davis | 4A Pamela Summers | 5A Timothy Rhodes | 6A Jennifer K. Laszczyński | 7A Alfred William Maccarone, Jr. | 8A Chonté Fields | 9A Elizabeth K. Little | 10A Luther Brauch | 11A Thomas Hastings | 12A Janet Bellamy | 13A |
| REPUBLICAN PARTY | 1B William A. Falletti | 2B Paul A. Varga | 3B Keith A. Lipker | 4B Robert M. Chernuk | 5B Robert M. Chernuk | 6B Meghan E. Smith | 7B Amanda L. Cantrell | 8B Neil P. Gordon | 9B Thomas C. Martin | 10B Gerald W. Lojzim | 11B Gerald W. Lojzim | 12B | 13B |
| WRITE-IN VOTES | 1C | 2C | 3C | 4C | 5C | 6C | 7C | 8C | 9C | 10C | 11C | 12C | 13C |

TOWN OF ASHFORD November 7, 2023 Municipal Election SAMPLE BALLOT

| OFFICE ↓ PARTY | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 |
|----------------------|--|---|--|--|--|--|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Planning and Zoning Commission Alternates Vote for Up to Three | Planning and Zoning Commission Full Term Vote for Up to Two | Zoning Board of Appeals Full Term Vote for Up to Two | Zoning Board of Appeals To Fill Vacancy for Two Years Vote for One | Zoning Board of Appeals Alternate Vote for Up to Two | Library Trustee Full Term Vote for Up to Two | Library Trustee To Fill Vacancy for Four Years Vote for One | Regional Board of Education Vote for Up to Two | Regional Board of Education Vote for Up to Two | Regional Board of Education Vote for Up to Two | Regional Board of Education Vote for Up to Two | Regional Board of Education Vote for Up to Two | Regional Board of Education Vote for Up to Two |
| DEMOCRATIC PARTY | 14A Douglas C. Jenne | 15A Steven Petsch | 16A Steven Petsch | 17A Susan Eastwood | 18A Michael J. Peppin | 19A John Lippert | 20A Catherine W. Sampson | 21A Barbara Becker | 22A Jean C. Lipker | 23A Jean C. Lipker | 24A Jean N. McCarthy | 25A Anthony J. Paticchio | 26A Janice A. Chamberlain |
| REPUBLICAN PARTY | 14B | 15B | 16B | 17B | 18B | 19B | 20B | 21B | 22B | 23B | 24B | 25B | 26B |
| WRITE-IN VOTES | 14C | 15C | 16C | 17C | 18C | 19C | 20C | 21C | 22C | 23C | 24C | 25C | 26C |

Connecticut Migratory Bird Conservation Stamp

Your Stamp of Approval

Did you know that over 3,800 acres of critical wetland habitat has been restored and protected in Connecticut? This achievement was only made possible by the supporters and contributors to the Connecticut Migratory Bird Conservation Stamp Program, which is the only dedicated source of funding for wetland protection in our state. Since its creation in 1993, the Program has contributed and leveraged over \$4 million towards wetland protection and restoration.



Put your stamp on conservation and purchase an annual Connecticut Migratory Bird Conservation Stamp for \$17.00



- 99% of every dollar of each Stamp purchased goes toward protecting and enhancing homes for migratory birds, like the American black duck, red-winged blackbird, and great blue heron.
- 1% helps produce the beautiful stamps.
- Healthy wetlands benefit over 20% of all the wildlife species in Connecticut, including painted and spotted turtles, pickerel frogs, and all 12 of the salamander species that call Connecticut home.

The incredible image that graces each year's Connecticut stamp is painted by a local kindergarten through 12th grade student that competes in the annual CT Junior Duck Stamp Art Contest, where participants learn about wetlands and conservation and explore the natural world. The talented winner's painting represents Connecticut in the National Junior Duck Stamp Contest and is featured on the Connecticut Migratory Bird Conservation Stamp for a year.



Visit <https://portal.ct.gov/DEEP/Wildlife/CT-Migratory-Bird-Conservation-Stamp>



Come Join the Fun

**Fall Work Day at
Westford Hill Cemetery**

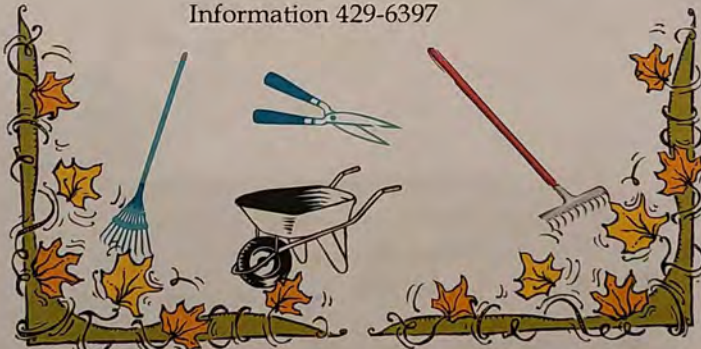
Be a Part of History

&

Beautify the Grounds

Sunday, November 5, 2023 at 1:00 PM

Information 429-6397



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Bottles, crocks, jugs, costume jewelry, pottery, toys, games, glassware, sterling silver, coins, gold, silver plated items, watches, typewriters, sewing machines, tools, radios, clocks, lanterns, lamps, kitchenware, cookware, knives, hunting, fishing, military, Masonic, fire department, musical instruments.....And much more.

Call Donald Roy 860-874-8396



JOSHUA'S TRUST



Joshua's Trust activities, events and walks for the month of November are summarized below. For details, updates or cancellations, go to <https://joshuastrust.org/events/>

Discovery Challenge for Families and Individuals

September 1 - December 1

Join us in a challenge this fall to explore some of Joshua's Trust trails and learn about their diversity of plants and animals! Awards for completed entries.

Walktober #265 – Wednesday Walk at Pigeon Swamp Preserve.

November 1 8:00 am - 9:30 am.

Park at the end of Pigeon Swamp Road., Lebanon

Join us for a 2.25 mile hike through multiple habitats including pasture, wetlands and forested areas.

Explore Tower Hill Preserve

November 4 10:00 am - 12:00 pm

Tower Hill Between 96 & 154 Tower Hill Road, Chaplin, CT

Join Master Naturalist, Deb Field, for a walk on Joshua's Trust's new Tower Hill trail.

Walk at Utley Hill Preserve in Columbia

November 24 10:00 am - 12:00 pm

Utley Hill Preserve 60 Hennequin Rd, Columbia, CT

Join us for a beautiful post-Thanksgiving wilderness walk.



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ASHFORD SCHOOL TO HOST SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR

Wed, Nov 15th - Tue, Nov 21st



What:

Ashford School will be hosting a "Dinosaur" themed Fall Scholastic Book Fair. All Funds raised will help purchase books for classroom libraries, Birthday Books and the main school library. Families, faculty, and the community are invited to attend this fun reading event that helps inspire children to become lifelong readers. Stop in and stock up on books - they make great Holiday gifts!

When:

Wednesday, Nov 15th, from 9 am - 5.30 pm;
Thursday, Nov 16th, from 9 am - 5.30 pm;
Friday, Nov 17th, from 9 am - 5.30 pm;
Monday Nov 20th, from 9 am - 8 pm; and
Tuesday Nov 21st, from 9 am - 6 pm.



Where:

Ashford School, in the Library; 440 Westford Road, Ashford, CT.



WE NEED YOUR HELP!!!

Volunteers Needed!

Fair setup on Tuesday Nov 14th from 3.30 pm.
Book sales from 9 am - 5.30 pm daily, and
Fair break-down on Wednesday Nov 22nd from 8.30 am.

Any amount of time you can give would be great!

Please call/text Lisa Hassett at (860) 576-3208, or sign-up at:
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090A4BAFAE23A6F85-45088207-dinos>

EVERY VOLUNTEER WILL RECEIVE A FREE BOOK OF THEIR CHOICE.



Ashford School Readiness Council Playgroup



A play group
for children ages 4 and under and
their parents

**When: Friday Mornings
8:30-9:30 AM**

Where: Ashford School

**Contact: Melissa McDonough or Ginger Lusa
for more information
860-429-6419**

Join us for free play, crafts,
parent discussion & support!



Ashford School's Calendar of Upcoming Events

| | | |
|--|---|------------|
| Thursday, Nov. 2nd | Board of Education Meeting | 7:00 p.m. |
| Tuesday, Nov. 07th | Early Dismissal | 12:25 p.m. |
| Thursday, Oct. 16th | Board of Education Meeting | 7:00 p.m. |
| Monday, Oct. 20th Tuesday, Oct. 21st | Early Dismissal & Parent Teacher Conferences | 12:25 p.m. |
| Wednesday, Nov. 22nd | Early Dismissal | 12:25 p.m. |
| Thursday, Nov. 23rd Friday, Nov. 24th | No School | |

For more information visit: school.ashfordct.org

Ashford School would like to invite all Ashford Veterans
and an adult guest to breakfast and an assembly
at Ashford School to honor our local veterans.



This will take place on November 10, 2023 at Ashford School.

Breakfast will be at 9:00 and the assembly will begin at 10:00.
We will have music from our chorus and band.

Please RSVP to Ashford School by November 3, 2023.
Call 860-429-6419 x 355 OR
email Elissa Turcotte at eturcotte@ashfordct.org


This year we will be collecting holiday food items
for the food pantry on site at the camp in Chaplin CT.



TOWN OF ASHFORD Transfer Report

Recorded Between September 15, 2023 and October 15, 2023

| INSTRUMENT NUMBER | BOOK | PAGE | RECORDED DATE | PRICE | GRANTOR/SELLER | GRANTEE/BUYER | DOCUMENT DESCRIPTION |
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Fine Event/Casual/Gatherings/Parties
Scarletoak9966@yahoo.com/860-942-9751


{Farm to trailer to table}

Have you seen
..... the Food Truck in Town?
Located at the dairy bar parking lot !
Fresh Food/Daily Specials.....

Re-Opening - November 7th !

HOURS
TUES 11-6
THURS 11-6
FRI 11-6
SAT 11-6





Chef: Tammy Goodwin
20 Snow lane
Ashford Ct 06278
10-20-30-40-50 people events
Web: scarletoakfarmcatering

PLEASE NOTE !!!



**With the Thanksgiving and
Christmas Holidays**

**ASCO Public Bingo
will not be held on**

**November 21st
OR
December 26th**

Thank you for your understanding

Police Report—Troop C

Total Calls for Service

78

Total Calls This Year

987

| | September | YTD |
|-------------------------|-----------|-----|
| Accidents | 6 | 58 |
| Criminal Investigations | 5 | 56 |
| Burglaries | 0 | 1 |
| Larcenies | 0 | 3 |
| Non Reportable Matters | 59 | 703 |

Total Arrests

1

25

CCM Prescription Drug Card Program Get your card today !

The Town of Ashford, through its association with the Connecticut Conference of Municipalities (CCM), the statewide association of towns and cities, wants to remind of you a discount prescription drug card that may possibly help in out of pocket prescription costs.

Since CCM began offering the “CCM Discount Prescription Drug Card) program in September 2012, 141 towns and cities have signed up for the program, Ashford is one of them. During that time, residents in the participating communities have filled over 250,000 prescriptions and saved over \$12 million with an average prescription savings of 50 percent.

The program is FREE to any CCM-member municipality, and can be used by any resident to obtain steep discounts and savings on any prescriptions not covered by insurance, including any prescriptions for your pet that can be filled at a regular retail pharmacy. There are no costs to either the participating municipalities or their residents, and the program is completely anonymous.

This program has helped Connecticut residents save hundreds of dollars on their medication, and certain vision and hearing services, with discounts on eye exams, LASIK procedures, frames and lenses, and hearing aids. Even if you have prescription insurance, this card can help residents save when their current insurance card doesn't cover a medication, or if their pet needs medication that is human-based.

The discount cards are widely accepted at all national chain pharmacies and most local independent pharmacies. Cards can be used by all residents regardless of age, income, or existing health coverage. There are no enrollment fees, membership fees, restrictions or limits on frequency of use for residents. Residents can print out a card easily by visiting www.CTRxDiscountCard.com, and selecting the Town of Ashford from the drop-down menu. The website also contains a “*Learn the Perks of the Card*” section where residents can locate a participating pharmacy, comparison shop their medication, and find the information on the discounts that are also available on vision, hearing, and LASIK services.

Cards are also available at the Town Office Building—5 Town Hall Road

TRANSFER STATION NEWS

The restructuring of the Transfer Station and distribution of new window stickers successfully started on October 4th. As of this writing, more than twelve hundred new stickers have been successfully distributed to Ashford residents and property owners.

We sincerely appreciate the cooperativeness of all involved. New equipment, signage, guard station, etc. have all been paid for with funds from Ashford's share of the state's “NIPS” settlement agreement, resulting in no direct costs to our taxpayers.

The efforts to improve utilization of the Transfer Station are our efforts to maintain this vital service to our residents without additional user costs to our taxpayers.

Your cooperation is much appreciated. Thank you !

Terry Wakeman, Chairman, Transfer Station Committee

Bill Falletti, First Selectman





Scout Troop 92 November Newsletter

Recent activities: Scouts went on a fall foliage bicycle ride on the Airline Trail in Pomfret. We rode 10-12 miles on a well maintained flat trail. There were no injuries and no breakdowns.

The Troop camped at Goodwin State Forest. Scouts updated the equipment in the Troop Supply Trailer. There was a big focus on the Scouts cooking their evening Dinner. It was Chicken Parmesan cooked on the fire in cast iron Dutch ovens and Ziti Pasta. Breakfast was Biscuits and Gravy.

At the end of September, the Troop held a Court of Honor to award merit badges earned at summer camp and advancements in rank. Cory Blachette was presented with a plaque commemorating his years of leadership, of Troop 92, as Scoutmaster.

Scouts put up a Scarecrow in front of the Babcock Library in the spirit of Halloween. Boo!

Upcoming activities: November 17, 18, 19 campout at Wolfden, in Pomfret.

Scout meetings are twice a month on Tues evenings at St Philip's Rec center. Cubscout Pack meets are on the first Friday of the month at 7:00 PM at Knowlton Memorial Hall. New members are welcome.

Troop 92 BSA
Ashford/Eastford/Pomfret

Nord Yakovleff Ast Sct Mstr
Jesse Burnham Scout Master
Chris Murphy Ast Sct Mstr
Rob Hany Committee Chairman
Kurt van Heinigen Cubmaster



Houses of Worship

Events & Happenings



to build a community - to reach a community

Sunday School - 9:30AM

Worship Service - 10:30AM

368 Westford Hill Road, Ashford, CT 06278

ClerkWCC@gmail.com · (959)-995-1705

St. Philip Church

64 Pompey Hollow Road
Route 44
Ashford, CT 06278



Annual Christmas Craft Fair

Saturday, November 25th 2023
9:00 am – 3:00 pm

Come Christmas Shop with 40 Crafters!

Food! Soup, Sandwiches and Pierogies
will be available from the kitchen.

Basket Raffles

There will be a Bake Sale sponsored by the
church, which is very popular every year.

So come one come all to have a wonderful
time at the St. Philip's Christmas Craft Fair!

ADMISSION IS FREE !

Rose Bergeron, Linda Joyal
Co-Chairpersons

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints

Sunday Meeting Schedule

Sacrament Meeting ~ 10:00am

Sunday School/Priesthood/Relief Society ~ 11:00am

525 Ashford Center Road, Ashford
(860) 429-8681

Bishop Bruce Fountain

We're a Christ-focused community, doing our
Best to love and serve others.
There's a place for you here.

ALL ARE WELCOME

All Places of Worship in Ashford
are welcome to submit their
Events and Happenings
Please e-mail: Ashfordcitizen@ashfordtownhall.org



SENIOR CENTER CALENDAR



2023

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
|---|---|---|--------------------------------------|--|--|-----------|
|  | | | 1 11:00 Lunch Bunch (1) | 2 12:00 Dime Bingo | 3 9:30 Tai Chi at Knowlton Memorial Hall 1:00 Dominoes | 4 |
| 5 | 6 10:00 COA 1:00 Mah Jong | 7 9:30 Tai Chi at the Center 6:00 Big Bingo  | 8 10:00 Aqua Turf | 9 10:00 Trader Joe's 12:00 Dime Bingo | 10 Holiday  | 11 |
| 12 | 13 9:30 Casino 1:00 Mah Jong | 14 9:30 Tai Chi at Knowlton Hall 1:00 Birthday Party---- Horizon Wings 6:00 Big Bingo | 15 11:00 ASCO Meeting | 16 12:00 Dime Bingo | 17 9:30 Tai Chi at the Center 1:00 Dominoes | 18 |
| 19 3:00 English Country Dancing - Recreation | 20 1:00 Mah Jong 12:30 Thanksgiving Party | 21 9:30 Tai Chi at Knowlton Memorial Hall 6:00 Big Bingo | 22 | 23 Holiday  | 24 9:30 Tai Chi at Knowlton Memorial Hall 12:00 Dime Bingo 1:00 Dominoes | 25 |
| 26 | 27 11:00 Lunch Bunch (2) 1:00 Mah Jong | 28 9:30 Tai Chi at Knowlton Memorial Hall 11:00 Crafts 6:00 Big Bingo | 29 | 30 12:00 Dime Bingo | A Free Craft Project Nov 28th 11:00 am Fall Leaves to Decorate Call 860-487-5122 to Sign up ! | |



From the Municipal Agent for the Elderly

Kit Eves 860-487-5122

I will be away for most of November due to right hip replacement surgery. The surgeon said it would take five to eight weeks to recover. This means I will be out at least through Thanksgiving and maybe into December. I am a victim of osteoarthritis.

While, I am away, Tess Grous will be covering the center. The posted activities of Tai Chi, Dime Bingo, Mah Jong, and Dominoes will be on going. The monthly programs of Crafts, Birthday Party and Hairdresser will go on as usual. The regular trips of Trader Joe's, Casino, Lunch Bunch One and Two are still scheduled.

There will also be a Thanksgiving lunch at the Center on November 20th at 12:30. Bruce John will entertain, and our wonderful Center volunteers will do the cooking. \$13.00 per person. It is my hope that I will be well enough to come to the event and resume my duties at the Center soon after.

Thanksgiving Luncheon

November 20th, Monday

Reservations and payment by Nov. 15th

The marvelous Center volunteer staff will be cooking and serving this meal. Turkey of course, as well as mashed potatoes and gravy, stuffing, peas, corn, and a surprise dessert.

The lunch starts at 12:30 noon the cost is \$13.00.



Entertainment provided by Bruce John

Ashford Senior Center, 25 Tremko Lane, 860 487-5122

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAY PARTY

Let us celebrate each of our seniors who were born in the month of November.

Tuesday, November 14th at 1:00pm

Our event will be: Live Birds from



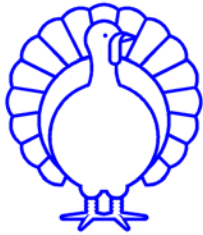
CAKE, TEA, COFFEE AND SOMETHING FOR THE CELEBRANTS TO UNWRAP WILL BE PROVIDED FREE

YOU MUST SIGN-UP IN ADVANCE
FAMILY MEMBERS OF CELEBRANTS ARE
WELCOME

PRESENTED BY THE ASHFORD SENIOR CENTER

25 TREMKO LANE

860-487-512



Babcock Library News

25 Pompey Hollow Road

Ashford, CT 06278

Your Center for Life-Long Learning

Phone: 860-487-4420 * [Website](http://babcocklibrary.org) babcocklibrary.org * email: director@babcocklibrary.org



November 2023

Hours

Monday - 9-5

Tuesday - 9-5

Wednesday - 9 – 8

Thursday – Closed

Friday - 9-5

Saturday 9 – 1

Sunday - Closed

Library Staff

Ann Chonte' Chris Diane

Emma John Stacey

Libby

Available 24 / 7!

Try Libby (formerly Overdrive) for Babcock Library card holders!

[Libby](#) offers e-books & audiobooks - accessible on mobile devices!

Check Facebook for Additions and Updates!

Back by "Pup-ular" Demand!



Dog & Puppy Adoptions

Knowlton Memorial Hall

Saturday, November 11
10 am—1 pm

Babcock Library in coordination with **PawSafe** is hosting a

Live Pet Adoption Event!

Also on November 11!

Santa Photo Opportunity!

Family Friendly!

Pets Welcome!

Upstairs in

Babcock Library

10 am—noon

~ Please bring your pet contained in a pet carrier or on leash ~

Don't Forget your Cellphone



Smart Car Santa!

Cats are also welcome for a photo-op with Santa

**Friends of Babcock
Library Meeting**

Usually 3rd Tuesday of
each month @ 2:30 pm

**Library Board of
Trustees Meeting**

Usually 4th Tuesday of
each month @ 10 am

**Embroidery &
Knitters Group**

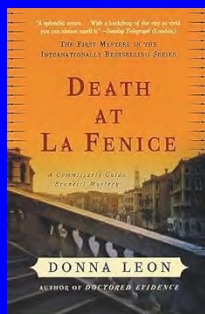
Every Wednesday
@ 1 pm

**Children's
Storytime & Craft**

Every Wednesday
@ 10:30 am

Ukulele Lessons

1st Wednesday of
each month.
Call to schedule



**Mystery Book
Discussion!**

Tues, December 5, 2023
@ 1 pm
Death at La Fenice
by Donna Leon

Cooking Club!

Try new recipes and chat about your culinary
adventures! Each month has a theme.

Bring a prepared dish and copies of the recipe to share.
Food should arrive ready to eat. The library will provide
the plates and utensils. Sample and talk about each
recipe and take home new ideas!

Monthly, on the 2nd Wednesday @ 6:30 pm

- **November 8: Appetizers and Thanksgiving
Side Dishes**

Please register in advance @ 860-487-4420

December Library Events Preview

**Christmas-Stuff Swap and Trim A Tree on
Saturday, December 2nd @ 10am**

Holiday Ornament Crafting on December 6th @ 10:30am & 6pm

Gift-wrapping Social Night on December 13th @ 6pm

Special Presentation

**90th Anniversary of the Civilian
Conservation Corps Camps and its
work in Connecticut**

On **November 15, at 7pm** author and historian
Marty Podskoch will give a PowerPoint presentation in
Knowlton Memorial Hall about the **90th Anniversary
of the Civilian Conservation Corps Camps and
its work in Connecticut.**

This presentation is co-sponsored by
The Ashford Historical Society & The Babcock Library



Ashford Parks & Recreation FALL SPECIAL EVENTS & BUS TRIPS

BUS TRIPS

SAT. DEC. 2ND 2023

NEW YORK CITY!



Enjoy a day on your own in the "Big Apple" with friends and family. Get a jump start on your holiday shopping, visit the museums, see a Broadway show, or just enjoy the sights of the city. Bus will drop off & pick up at/near Rockefeller Center.

Registration deadline is Wednesday, November 15th. Coach bus departs from the Tolland Commuter Lot, I-84 Exit 68 (Near Dunkin Donuts) at 7 a.m. and returns approximately 10:30 p.m.

Turkey Trot

Sunday Nov. 12th, 1:00-3:00 pm

Ashford Memorial Park

You can walk, jog, sprint, or trot around the stone dust trail, each lap earns a ticket in the drawing for a turkey or another Thanksgiving food item!

Too add to the fun, if you wear a Thanksgiving themed hat, t-shirt or costume we will give you an extra ticket!

It's a free, family, fun, fitness event that's a challenge by choice, Sponsored by your Parks & Recreation Department!



Carol Sing

Jingle
Bells,

Oh,
Come
All Ye
Faithful!

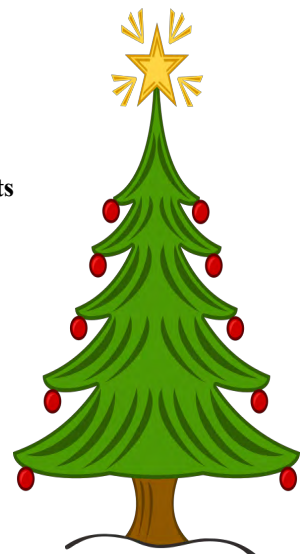


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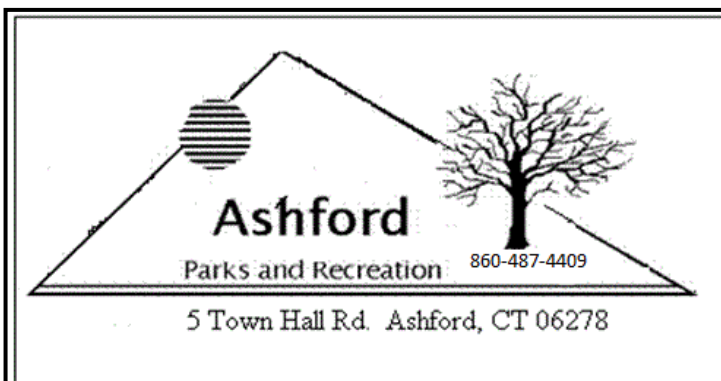
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**SUNDAY
DECEMBER 3rd
4:30 p.m.
KNOWLTON
MEMORIAL HALL**

Tree
Lighting!
Sing, Enjoy
Delicious Soup
& Holiday Treats
Live
Music by the
Babcock Band!



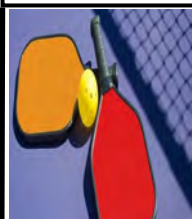
Join us for this nostalgic, hometown holiday tradition, sure to light your holiday spirit and warm your heart!



ENGLISH COUNTRY DANCING

Classes will be held on the 3rd Sunday of the Month from 3:00-5:00 p.m. at the Ashford Senior Center.

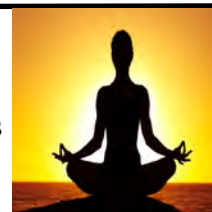
Dates: Nov. 19th, Dec. 17th & Jan. 21st
No Fee, Contact organizer Barbara Renna at barbarareenna0012@gmail.com
Sponsored by A.P.R.C.



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In Nov. join us for games at Pompey Hollow Park ! M. W. F. mornings at 9:00 a.m. and Nov. 2nd at 4:30 p.m. (Clocks jump ahead on Nov. 5th) Late afternoon play will stop and switch to Sunday Afternoons 1:00 p.m. begins 11/5. (Weather Permitting)

Certified **YOGA** Instructor, Karrie Kirchner leads class on Tuesday Mornings in Knowlton Memorial Hall. Come move, stretch, and get centered! Class runs 8:15-9:15 a.m. Drop ins welcome for \$10 a class or 6 week session is \$50. 'Namaste'



YOUTH BASKETBALL



We plan to return to the Lakes Region Recreation Basketball League for girls and boys in grades 3-4, 5-6, & 7-8. Teams will have 1-2 practices weekly and games on Saturdays. League may include teams from Bolton, Coventry, Hebron, Mansfield, and Willington. Season runs Nov.-Feb. Registration forms available at Ashford School at Town Hall or in the Library, or on line at www.ashfordtownhall.org

Registration runs from Oct. 20th to Nov. 8th.

Coaches and assistants are needed. please contact Sherry if you are interested 860-487-4409. **Practices begin Nov. 1st. Call 860-487-4409 for schedule.**

*High School Recreation Basketball Program (Gr. 9-12) organizes in December.

*Instructional Program (Gr. 1-2) begins in January.

REGISTRATION FORM

Registration Information: You may register for all activities at the Recreation office in Town Hall or by mail to: 5 Town Hall Rd. Registration and payment are required prior to the start of a program. Permission slips and waivers must be signed before participating in programs. Out of town residents are welcome if space is available and are charged an extra \$5 fee. Refunds are not given once a program begins except for medical reasons. Credits or refunds are given for cancelled programs. Checks may be made out to A.P.R.C. Please call 860-487-4409 with questions.

| Name | Program | E-dress | Phone | Age |
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Please list any allergies or medical conditions
(Write "None" if appropriate) _____

The signer or parent /guardian agree to waive, release and hold harmless the A.P.R.C. any persons connected with A.P.R.C. and or any volunteers from any claims of bodily or property damage resulting from the use of facilities or activity during an A.P.R.C. sponsored program.

(Parent or Guardian Signature)

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HONORING ALL WHO SERVED
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Saturday, November 11th marks the celebration of Veterans Day. Armistice Day, as it was proclaimed by Woodrow Wilson in 1919, was primarily a day set aside to honor veterans of World War I (“the war to end all wars”), but in 1954, after World War II had required the greatest mobilization of soldiers, sailors, Marines and airmen in the Nation’s history and after American forces had fought aggression in Korea, the 83rd Congress, at the urging of the veterans service organizations, replaced the word “Armistice” with the word “Veterans.” With approval of this act (Public Law 380) on June 1, 1954, November 11th became a day to honor American veterans of all wars.

We celebrate America’s Veterans and applaud their patriotism, love of country, and willingness to serve and sacrifice for the common good.

**This year....Our traditional Veterans Day Ceremony
will take place in Willington along side
Willington and Mansfield ~ Saturday, November 11th.**

**A special recognition of our
Surviving and Passed World War II Veterans will take place.**

Please see our Town Website for all details.

www.ashfordtownhall.org