

Greetings from Colebrook Town Hall.

Next week, Colebrook Town Hall will be closed in observance of Good Friday (April 3rd). Curbside trash and recycling collection will be on a normal schedule.

Tonight, (Thursday, March 26th) the Board of Finance is expected to finalize its proposed FY 26/27 town budget (including the Selectmen, CCS and Capital budgets). This will be presented for public comments at our annual town budget hearing on Thursday, April 9th, at 7 p.m. at Colebrook Town Hall. The referendum on the Colebrook and Region 7 budgets will be held on Tuesday, May 5th.

Also, during May, residents will consider an ordinance to accept the Town of Colebrook Code, as presented. Voting on the proposed ordinance will take place at this year's Annual Town Budget Meeting on Monday, May 4th, at Colebrook Town Hall.

Colebrook Associates scholarship applications are available at Town Hall (and attached to this newsletter) and are due April 30th.

The Colebrook Associates Small Business Start-Up Grant program is designed to support graduating high school seniors and local youth ages 17–21 who plan to pursue entrepreneurship after high school. Applications are accepted through April 30th, and the grant recipient will be announced by June 30th. Learn more in the attached application.

Applications for the Colebrook Lions Club scholarship program for graduating Colebrook high school seniors are available at the Guidance offices at Northwestern Regional 7 and Oliver Wolcott Technical High School.

Breakfast is available at the Community & Senior Center every Tuesday from 8-9:15 a.m. for \$6. Lunch is served every Thursday at noon for \$7 (advance registration required for lunch). For news from the Center, follow them on [Facebook](#).

The Colebrook Volunteer Fire Department is looking for new members to join their ranks and help our community. There are many ways to serve, everyone is welcome, and no prior training is needed. For more information, contact Todd Correll at 860.459.0292.

If you'd like to participate in our pilot food scrap recycling program, please reach out to me. We still have collection bins available.

The Colebrook Associates food pantry, located in the vestibule of the Community & Senior Center, is open Monday-Thursday from 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. and Friday from 8:30 a.m.-noon. Donations may be left at the pantry, or in the collection bin in the Post Office. This week, the pantry is in need of pasta and canned fruits and vegetables.

The Northwest Conservation District is hosting its annual Earth Day Plant Sale. Plants are currently available for pre-order through April 15th. Pre-orders will be available for pickup during the onsite Earth Day Plant Sale, Friday-Sunday (April 24th-26th) from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. at the Goshen Fairgrounds. There will be many native and beneficial plant options available on both pre-order and day of sale lists. You can access the store at nwcd.org/shop. Please see flyer attached.

Next week, Tyler Rae will conclude his tenure as our part-time Town Hall custodian. Tyler joined us two years ago and has been wonderful addition to our team, helping to keep the building spotless. Tyler has also volunteered in the Community & Senior Center kitchen, called Bingo and hosted Karaoke night. We wish him all the best as he embarks on his next chapter.

Upcoming events

This weekend, the Northwestern Regional 7 Theatre will present, "The Addams Family Musical." Performance take place tomorrow (Friday, March 27th) and Saturday, March 28th, at 7 p.m. There will be a 2 p.m. matinee performance on Sunday, March 29th. Tickets are available at the door.

On Saturday (March 28th) at 11 a.m., the Colebrook Lions Club will sponsor their annual Easter Egg Hunt on the soccer field at Colebrook Consolidated School.

The Colebrook Conservation Commission is hosting Colebrook Cleanup Day on Saturday, April 25th. Trash bags will be available from 9 a.m. to noon outside the Town Hall second floor meeting room. To sign up in advance for a specific road (or portion of a road) contact Karen Odell at kodell@colebrooktownhall.org.

On Sunday, April 19th, at 3 p.m. the Colebrook Historical Society will host its Annual Meeting at Colebrook Town Hall. A brief business meeting will be followed by a presentation discussing what the American Revolution meant to the people of Connecticut. The program will feature artifacts and documents from the Connecticut Museum of Culture and History.

Upcoming municipal board meetings

Board of Education – Wednesday, April 1st, at 7 p.m. at Colebrook Consolidated School

Planning & Zoning – Monday, April 13th, at 6:30 p.m. at Colebrook Town Hall (Land Use office)

Board of Selectmen – Monday, April 13th, at 7 p.m. at Colebrook Town Hall (second floor meeting room)

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me at bbremer@colebrooktownhall.org, or call me at 860.379.3359, extension 202.

Cordially,

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