

Greetings from Colebrook Town Hall.

Town Hall will be closed tomorrow in observance of the Juneteenth National Independence Day Federal holiday. Trash pickup is on a normal schedule next week.

Colebrook Consolidated School's (CCS) 6th grade promotion ceremony will be held tonight at the school. The final day of the school year at CCS is tomorrow.

The Colebrook Pond will open for the season this Saturday. Lifeguards will be on duty on Saturdays and Sundays from 10 a.m.-6 p.m. The gates will be open Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., with no lifeguard on duty.

Tax bills will be mailed next week. Taxes are due July 1st, and are considered late if not paid by Monday, August 3rd (with the Tax Collector's office open 9 a.m.-1 p.m. that day) and will be subject to interest from the due date. During July, the Tax Collector's office will be open Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays, from 9 am-noon. For any questions, please contact Laura Bartlett at 860.379.3359, ext. 204, or at lbartlett@colebrooktownhall.org.

With the new fiscal year approaching, the town is planning for capital investments that were approved during May. Notably, we are in the process of ordering a new Community & Senior Center bus, replacing our 14-year-old model. Delivery is expected in the fall. In July, our Public Works team will take delivery of a new mini-excavator. Plans are also underway to install a new heating system at the Center Firehouse and a new phone system at Colebrook Consolidated School.

During June, all dogs over the age of six months are required by Connecticut law to be licensed. Dog license renewal is available online via the town website (www.townofcolebrook.org/town-clerk/). In-person licensing is available at the Town Clerk's office during regular business hours. To renew by mail, please include a check and a self-addressed, stamped, return envelope. Please make checks payable to the "Colebrook Town Clerk." Please contact the Town Clerk's office (860) 379-3359, extension 203, with any questions. See details on the attached flyer.

Breakfast is served every Tuesday at the Community & Senior Center between 8 and 9:15 a.m. Our next Thursday lunch will be held on June 25th, and we'll celebrate June birthdays.

Next week, the Community & Senior Center is hosting "*Learn to Play Chess with Cal.*" Free lessons (any age or level) are available next Thursday, June 25th, at 10 a.m. Chess boards provided.

Last week, a Colebrook tradition continued as our third grade class took their lessons at the [Rock School](#) located at the intersection of Colebrook Road and Sandy Brook Road. The building was erected during the summer of 1779 and remained in use from that date until it closed in 1911. The Rock School, owned by the Colebrook Historical Society, is believed to be the only colonial era school in Connecticut that has not been modernized in any way. As a bookend to last week's day at the Rock School, yesterday our third graders toured the Seymour Inn and viewed the many historical items on display there, including this year's exhibit that salutes Colebrook veterans.

Planning is underway for the 81st Colebrook Labor Day Fair, to be held on Saturday, September 5th. Volunteers are needed. If you are interested in volunteering—or participating as vendor—please contact Karen at kodell@colebrooktownhall.org. This week, Paul Kamin, who runs the Cardboard Boat Regatta, made a presentation during an assembly at Colebrook Consolidated School encouraging students to build a boat and join the fun.

Upcoming events

This Saturday, June 20th, Camp Jewell is hosting a 5K and FREE Kids Run. All proceeds help provide local camp scholarships, ensuring more children can experience the magic of camp. Please note that runners will be on portions of McClave Road and Prock Hill Road between approximately 8:30 AM and 9:30 AM. For race details and registration, visit campjewell.org/5k.

Also on Saturday, June 20th, from 9 a.m.-noon, a Monthly Veterans Coffee House will be held at the Winsted VFW Post 296 on Route 8. This is a dedicated space for Veterans to gather and socialize. Coffee, tea, bottled water, and soda, along with donuts, pastries, and cookies will be provided. For more information, please contact Timothy Sweeney at 860.459.5144, or Dan Ward at spaero.usmc@sbcglobal.net. Please see the attached flyer.

On Sunday, June 21st, from noon to 3 p.m., the Colebrook Lions Club will host a Father's Day Fried Dough Fundraiser at Norbrook Farm Brewery. Proceeds fund Colebrook Lions college scholarships and other worthy local and Lions International charitable causes. See attached flyer.

The Lions Club, in collaboration with the Rec. Board, will host the annual baseball awards picnic at the Town Pond on Sunday, June 28th at 11 a.m.

Later that day (Sunday, June 28th), at 4 p.m., the [Colebrook Land Conservancy](#) will present "Snakes Alive!" in the Colebrook Town Hall second-floor meeting room. Please join Jay Kaplan from the Roaring Brook Nature Center for a personal, up-close look at a variety of live snake species (non-venomous). This is a free event and refreshments will be served. Learn more on the attached flyer.

On Saturday, July 4th, the Colebrook Associates will present their annual *July 4th Celebration*. As outlined on the attached flyer, festivities kick off with a bike parade (lineup at Colebrook Consolidated School at 10:45 a.m.). The program will begin at 11 a.m. at Colebrook Church and feature a talk by Historian, Stan Svek, back by popular demand. The event will conclude with a free Ice Cream Social on the front lawn of the Colebrook Historical Society.

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

Happy Father's Day,

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