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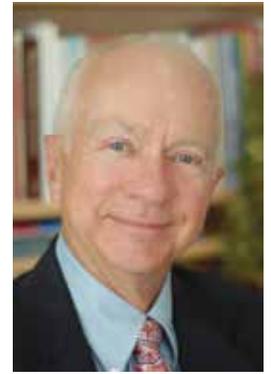
# First Selectman's Corner

## Green Hill Road

Many of you have commented to me over the last two years that Green Hill Road is in disrepair and needs work. I agree. That work will now be done, thanks in part to a \$2 million grant we have received from the Connecticut Department of Transportation. The grant covers the complete full-depth reconstruction of the part from Nortontown Road to Durham Road. The scope of work is similar to the total rebuild that was accomplished on Overbrook Road two years ago. Sightlines at some intersections will be improved to make them safer, and a sidewalk will be built along the south side of the road from Daniel Hand High School to Copse Road. Work will start immediately after schools close for the summer, and will be completed before schools reopen this fall.

Although not a part of the grant project, the Town intends to mill down and repave the rest of Green Hill Road, from Nortontown Road west to Wildwood Avenue and from Durham Road east to Killingworth. This will be paid from the Town's Major Road Fund. Additionally, using the Major Road Fund, we intend to complete full-depth reconstructions of Wickford Place, Cross Road, Orchard Park Road, Pheasant Lane, River Edge Farms Road, and Britton Lane. Thanks to a study funded a year ago from a grant, we now have a good view of the state of all of our roads and we are taking care of those most in need of work.

Finally, later this year, the state intends to mill and repave the portion of Route 79 (Durham Road) from Nursery Lane near the North Madison circle south to the Boston Post Road. This work will complete their three-year project to repave all of Route 79 in Madison.



## Independence Day Weekend

Celebrations over the Fourth of July are a highlight of summer for many residents and guests. Festivities will kick off on the evening of Friday, July 3rd, with the fireworks sponsored by the non-profit Madison Fireworks Committee. The rain date will be Sunday, July 5th. On Saturday the 4th, the Exchange Club will sponsor the Fourth of July Parade. This parade is generally considered one of the best in the state. That evening features the Wallingford Symphony Orchestra's annual "Concert on the Green" sponsored by the Madison Cultural Arts. Many thanks to the teams of volunteers from these three organizations who create a memorable weekend each year.

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# Summer Classes at Bauer Park

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Come to Bauer Park for the Great Snake & Frog Hunt on June 6.

### Garden Poetry Day

Sat, May 30 • 2:00-5:00 p.m.

Bring poems you have written about nature or make them up in the garden. Poets will be on hand to guide you along if needed. We will be making haiku and cinquain poems. As they are written, we will pin them onto garlands and display them on the garden fence. Lemonade and fresh herb tea will be served. Meet at the Bauer Farming Project (at the end of the lane, beyond the pond). All ages.

### The 13<sup>th</sup> Great Snake & Frog Hunt

Sat, June 6 • 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Join herpetologist Chuck Annicelli on a hunt for turtles, frogs and snakes. Learn about reptiles and amphibians then discover where and how to search for these elusive creatures. All ages. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

### Pond Dipping for Families

Session 1: Sat, June 27

Session 2: Sat August 15

10:00 – 11:30 a.m.

Have you ever wondered what critters live in the pond at Bauer Park? Join us for some pond dipping with nets, and you'll have the chance to observe freshwater creatures up close. Please wear clothes and shoes/boots that you don't mind getting a little wet and muddy.

All ages. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

### Float Your Boat!

Sun, July 26 • 1:00-3:00 p.m.

Families will collect natural materials from the Bauer Woodland Trail. Using only these items from nature and their imaginations, they will construct miniature boats to sail and race on the pond in the Bauer Park annual Boat Regatta!

Recommended for families with children 5 years and older. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

### Butterfly Walk

Sat, August 1 • 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Led by members of the Connecticut Butterfly Association (CBA), this walk will focus primarily on the open fields. Please wear clothing and footwear for protection from poison ivy and ticks. Sunscreen and water are also recommended. Children are welcome with adults.

### Leaf & Bark Tee Shirt Art

Sunday, August 2 • 1:00-3:00 p.m.

Use nature to create artistic expression that you can wear! Participants will collect natural objects from Bauer Park's woodland trail to make colorful prints using fabric paint. Bring a tee shirt, pillowcase or other articles of your choice. As fabric paints are permanent, participants should dress accordingly.

All ages. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

### Plus Summer Camps for Ages 3-14

Registration and more information at [www.madisonct.org/bauer](http://www.madisonct.org/bauer) or in the Madison Beach & Recreation office. Questions? Call 203-245-5623.

Educational programs can be arranged for school, scout and community groups at Bauer Park, Rockland Preserve and the town beaches.

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## The Women's Club of Madison Celebrates 115 Years!



The Women's Club of Madison began in the year 1900, can you just imagine the effort to get things organized and attend meetings not for your own pleasure but for the good of the community -No phone! No email! No cars!

The town of Madison and our extended community as well as many charitable organizations have profited from all the hard work of our founders and the many women who followed in their footsteps. We thank all the local businesses who supported us over the years and in doing so helped us achieve our goals.

We have a busy June coming up and if you are interested in participating you are most welcome.

June 16<sup>th</sup> - Duck Tour and lunch in Boston, call Kathy DeBurra 203-245-2269.

June 27<sup>th</sup> - Tag Sale on the green, to donate items call Donna Farrell 203-804-2693

August 28<sup>th</sup> - Lenny & Joe's Carousel all proceeds on this date will be donated to the Women's Club to help support our scholarships. This is usually the last week in June.

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# Madison Land Conservation Trust

The Trail Hike Challenge continues in 2015! Hike 15 MLCT trails to win a Land Trust hat. Fun for all ages! Download the Challenge Card to find the clues and record your hikes at [www.madisonlandtrust.org](http://www.madisonlandtrust.org)

## Amphibian Hike

Sunday, June 7, 1:00 p.m.  
Blinnshed Loop Trail  
Join Yale ecologists Kealoha Freidenburg and David Skelly on a Connecticut Trails Day hike to search for frogs, toads, salamanders and newts. Please wear boots and bring a dip net if you have one. The trail features extensive wetlands and old logging roads through the woods. No dogs please. The hike will run rain or shine. Meet in the parking lot of The Country School at the intersection of Opening Hill and Blinnshed Roads.

## Summer Explorers Camp

Session 1: Monday-Friday, June 22-26,

9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.  
Session 2: Monday-Friday, August 10-14, 1:00-4:00 p.m.

Discover the variety of habitats we have right here in Madison! Each day we'll meet at a different site for hiking and exploration. Activities may include tidepooling at West Wharf, seining at the Surf Club, pond dipping at Rockland Preserve and letterboxing along Madison Land Trust trails. Children should have closed water shoes and hiking shoes, and bring a water bottle and energizing snack each day. The week's schedule and directions will be sent to participants before camp begins. Ages 7 - 11. Instructor: Julie Ainsworth.



Search for amphibians with the Madison Land Trust on June 7

Register with Madison Beach & Recreation, [www.madisonct.org/beach\\_rec](http://www.madisonct.org/beach_rec), 203-245-5623.

Find directions and trail maps at [www.madisonlandtrust.org](http://www.madisonlandtrust.org).

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# Madison Historical Society

## Offers Third Annual Tour of Remarkable Homes & Straw Hat Soiree

What makes a home remarkable? Webster's dictionary defines remarkable as "notably or conspicuously unusual or extraordinary; worthy of notice or attention." That definition is what has guided the Madison Historical Society in organizing its third annual Tour of Remarkable Homes on Sunday, June 28, from 11 am to 4 pm, to be followed by the Straw Hat Soiree, one of the town's social highlights. The five homes to be featured in this year's tour are indeed remarkable, conspicuously unusual, and certainly worthy of attention. Whether

his wife Liz are throwing open the doors to their home – an ode to small living – and to its "Barn of Fun," designed and built to accommodate the needs of their growing family.

The self-guided tour begins at 14 Meetinghouse Lane in front of Lee's Academy, the society's office and exhibit space. Participants will pick up a program with directions to each of the featured properties, where knowledgeable docents



it's the age, the size, or the location of the property, all of the featured homes will surely impress.

The Liberty Street Historic District will be prominently featured this year. You can park and wander at your leisure along this quaint avenue, visiting three of its meticulously decorated and beautifully landscaped homes. Commanding the corner of the Boston Post Road and Stonewall Lane, a majestic salmon-colored colonial dating from the late 1600s will not disappoint with its newly redesigned kitchen and spectacular living space. Lastly, local architect Duo Dickinson and

from all five of Madison's realty companies - William Pitt Sotheby's, Coldwell Banker, PageTaft/Christies, Berkshire Hathaway Home Services, New England Properties and for the first time, William Raveis Real Estate - will guide visitors through the homes and answer any questions.

The venue for the Straw Hat Soiree, which begins at 5:30 pm, is an historic home with magnificent gardens,



facing the Madison Green. Dress in your summer best and enjoy a hearty selection of finger foods including sliders, a taco station with all the fixings, and a selection of fresh seafood. The soiree will feature summer cocktails, live music, and a relaxed atmosphere in which to discuss the tour's fabulous properties.

All proceeds from the tour and the soiree help support the society's programming, its ongoing efforts to maintain its three properties, and its mission, which is to collect, preserve, and interpret artifacts and information that illustrate Madison's role in local, regional, and national history.

Tickets for the tour and the soiree can be purchased by calling the Madison Historical Society office at (203) 245-4567 or by sending an email to [contact@madisoncthistorical.org](mailto:contact@madisoncthistorical.org).



# Four Tips for Over Forty Skin

Somewhere around age forty our skin starts changing. Hormones start shifting and our skin can experience dryness, acne or even both. As we progress through our forties and into our fifties, signs of aging such as lines, wrinkles and skin laxity become a problem. Here are four tips to help with the most common problems.

## Dry Skin

When hormone levels start dropping, many women notice much drier skin. Dry skin can lead to premature aging and wrinkling. This is a good time to add Hyaluronic Acid to your skin routine. There are moisturizers that contain this ingredient and even Hyaluronic Acid serums that can be applied separately under your moisturizer.

## Dull Skin

Skin is designed to turn over every 28 days, but as we mature cell turnover slows down leaving our skin dull and lackluster. Professional exfoliation treatments like microdermabrasion are a great way to remove the dull top layer. At home systems must be used with caution because too much abrasion can cause your capillaries to break.

## Acne

Having pimples and wrinkles at the same time is the ultimate frustration. Unfortunately, break-outs around the mouth

and jawline are common in our forties and are usually due to fluctuating hormone levels. Spot treatments with salicylic acid or benzoyl peroxide help to dry up occasional pimples. If the problem goes beyond the occasional pimple, prescription medications may be necessary.

## Wrinkles

By age 40, most of us will have more than likely spotted our first wrinkle. Botox, dermal fillers and radiofrequency treatments can help wrinkles in different parts of your face. Now is the time to pay close attention.

If you haven't gotten into the habit already, sunscreen should be a part of your daily routine. Also, by age 40 you should be layering products and not relying on moisturizer alone.

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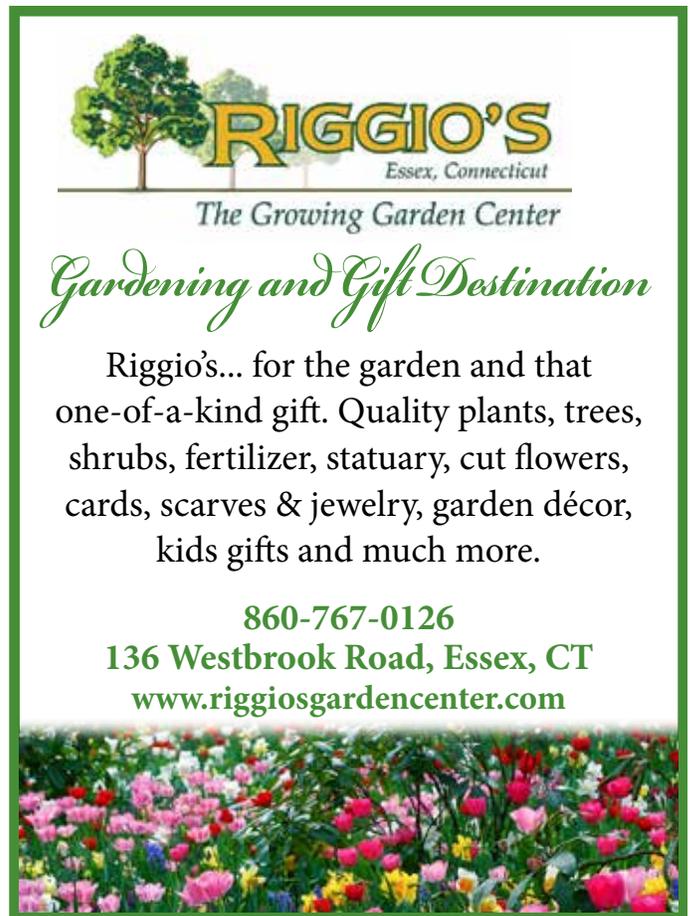
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# Smell the Flowers

*"You're only here for a short visit. Don't hurry. Don't worry. And be sure to smell the flowers along the way".* – Walter Hagan

As the spring winds down and we move into summer we are able to catch our breath and hopefully enjoy the rewards of the time and energy we have put into our gardens earlier in the spring. The first signs of growth we anxiously waited for early in the spring have grown into full plants producing colorful blossoms. It is hard to imagine a world without flowers. Flowers color our world. They are the language of love and the ambassadors of peace. Flowers bring us comfort in times of sorrow and joy in times of celebration. Flowers are a gift of Nature. It is important to recognize the human connection to flowers because in this connection are the roots of our existence. Life without flowers would be dark and dismal. If you are feeling dismal perhaps you need some more flowers in your life. A few ideas to get more flower power:

Dedicate a small space in your garden for

some cutting flowers (like zinnias) that can be brought inside. Plant some sunflower seeds and see how tall they get. The birds will thank you!

Go to the local market and buy some fresh cut flowers. Surprise a special someone with a bouquet. Visit a public garden - there are many wonderful gardens to see! More than anything, stop and smell the flowers!

We have all heard the phrase... "stop and smell the flowers", but do we take the time to do it? And do they really mean stop and stick your nose in a flower bed? No, what they mean is to slow down, enjoy life and the people in your life. Don't be in such hurry that you lose sight of what is important. We are all so busy and preoccupied that the days pass by quickly and before you know it the days have turned into years. Don't let the years go by without smelling the flowers.

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# June Is Dog License Renewal Month!

Every dog must be licensed when it becomes six months old and then annually in June. Additionally, kennel licenses are issued annually in June as provided in section 22-342 of the Connecticut General Statutes. The Madison Town Clerk issues licenses for dogs of residents of Madison, Connecticut. The office hours for the Town Clerk are 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Monday through Friday, except holidays.

## Fees

For neutered male /spayed female = \$8.00

For un-neutered mail/un-spayed female = \$19.00

Kennel Licenses for 10 tags = \$51.00 & additional kennel packages are available.

These fees are not pro-rated by the month for dogs which become six months of age after June 30, but are the same throughout the year. A penalty of \$1.00 per month or fraction of a month is charged when an owner fails to license a dog when it becomes six months old. However, no penalty is charged if the owner presents certain proof of new ownership; see "License by New Owners" above.

## Neutering, Spaying & Rabies Certificates

The Town Clerk may not issue a license for a neutered male or a spayed female dog not previously licensed unless the person obtaining the license presents a certificate from a licensed veterinarian stating that he or she has neutered or spayed the dog.

Likewise, no license may be issued unless a valid rabies certificate, signed by a licensed veterinarian, including date of vaccination and duration of immunity, is submitted to the Town Clerk.

On or before June 1 of each year, the Director of Health may arrange a low-cost clinic for the vaccination of dogs and cats against rabies. The licensing of dogs at an anti-rabies clinic is permitted under statute.

## Guide Dogs

Any blind, deaf or mobility impaired person who is owner or keeper of a dog trained to guide and assist such person shall receive a license and tag for such dog, and no fee shall be charged. Also, dogs between 6 months and 1 year of age, placed for training as guide dogs, shall also receive a license and tag at no fee, provided satisfactory evidence is presented that the dog was placed by an organization which supplies such guide dogs.

## License By New Owners

Anyone who becomes owner or keeper of an unlicensed dog over six months old must license the dog within 30 days of acquisition. If the new owner presents satisfactory evidence that the dog was obtained from a licensed kennel or animal welfare organization, or was imported into the state within thirty days, no penalties for late licensing shall be charged. Any person becoming an owner of a dog already-licensed in Connecticut may present the license and tag to the Town Clerk of the town in which the owner resides and, for a fee of \$1.00, shall receive a new license and tag in the new owner's name. The Town Clerk must retain the old license.

## Top Dog Contest...Is Your Dog Number One?

All dogs whose license is renewed during the month of June is eligible to enter a special drawing. The winning entrant (picked at random) will receive Tag No. 1!

For more information on Dog Licenses, please visit our website at <http://www.madisonct.org/Clerk/dogs.html> or contact the Town Clerk's Office at 203-245-5672



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## White Blends for Spring

It has been a very long winter, and hopefully with the snow starting to melt we will once again be able to sit outside and enjoy a nice glass of wine. When that day arrives, we will be eagerly waiting with a refreshing white blend to kick off the season. There are a lot of interesting white blends to choose from, and with the huge interest and popularity of red blends in today's market, it is no surprise that white blends were next to be on the rise. Although not new to the market by any means, these blends are becoming more sought after.

In France, white Bordeaux is one of the oldest forms of the "white blend", being comprised of mostly Sauvignon Blanc, and then blended with Semillon and in some cases Muscadelle. This wine compliments seafood dishes exquisitely, being soft and dry with nice acidity. France is also well known for their Rhone Valley varietals, Marsanne, Rousanne, Viognier, Grenache Blanc and Clairette. When blended these grapes produce a weightier dry white that bursts with flavor. They are typically labeled as "Cotes du Rhone Blanc" or "Châteauneuf-Du-Pape Blanc."

Italy is also known for their white blends, although many people are unaware of the fact that they are actually drinking a blend. Orvieto is one of the most popular blends, being comprised of

40%-60% Trebbiano, 15%-25% Verdello, and any remaining percentage can consist of Grechetto, Canaiolo, Drupeggio, or Malvasia. Having a slight fruity edge and complexity to it Orvieto can pair well with chicken and pork dishes.

If you are looking for something a little fruitier, or to pair with a spicy dish, California has a large variety of White Blends to choose from. Viognier and Chenin Blanc blend together beautifully for a fruity yet dry wine. Many California blends use Gewürztraminer and/or Moscato to give the blend a sweeter edge, since the market is once again leaning towards sweeter wines. They pair wonderfully with Asian foods and anything with heat!

Start prepping for green grass and barbeques by seeking out your favorite wine guru and having them suggest a great white blend. Whether it be to pair with food or simply to enjoy with friends, they are gems searching to be found... and they will not disappoint!

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Old Saybrook, CT - Middlesex Hospital will open a new urgent care walk-in medical center this spring at 1687 Boston Post Road (at the intersection of Spencer Plains Road). The Center will provide patients with a lower-cost alternative for non-emergency medical care. The Hospital has two other urgent care centers, one in Madison and another in Middletown.

More and more people are seeking lower-cost, more convenient options for their health care needs. As a result, urgent care centers have begun to spring up in many communities to address this consumer preference.

The Middlesex Hospital Center is unique from other such centers because of the electronic patient medical records system that ties together all hospital medical records, as well as medical records from all Middlesex primary care physicians. This gives the

providers at the urgent care center access to a patient's medical history, as well as allowing for results of the urgent care visit to be reviewed by the patient's primary care provider.

The new urgent care center treats non-emergency health problems, including colds, coughs, earaches, moderate fevers, minor cuts, bruises, severe sprains and more. Patients should seek immediate emergency care for things such as head injuries, broken bones, uncontrolled bleeding, chest pains and any signs of a stroke.

The urgent care center is staffed with physician assistants and advanced practice registered nurses, and also has x-ray capabilities.

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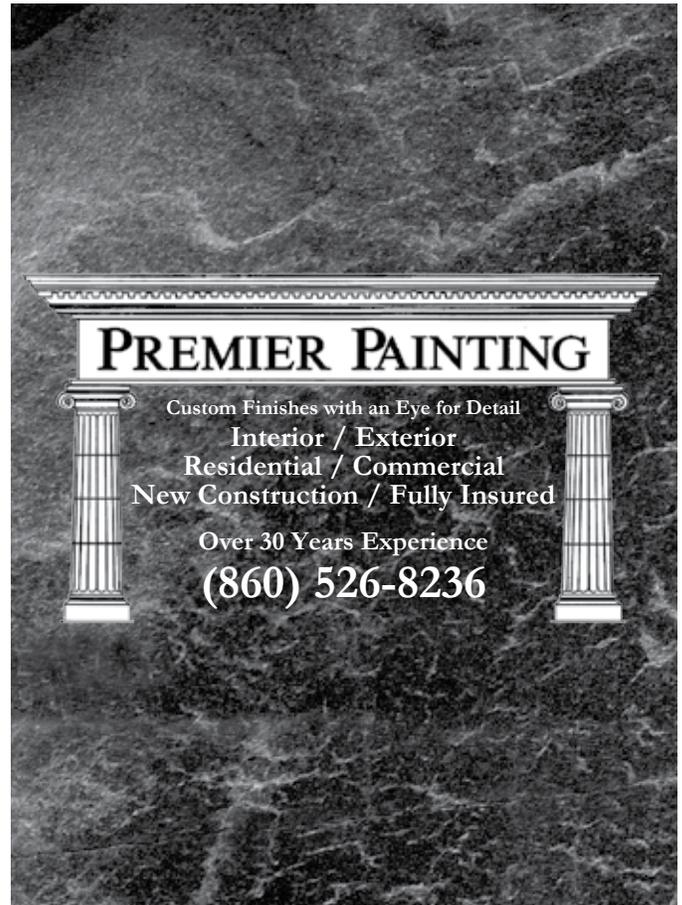
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The Town of Madison has established a Veterans' Advisory Committee, which is now available to you as a resource for questions and concerns. This is a result of a requirement by the State of Connecticut. You can contact The Veterans' Advisory Committee through the Madison Town Clerk's office. Please call 203-245-5672 for assistance. Your request will then be referred to a committee member who will contact you. (If you have an emergency situation, please contact 911.) All communications are confidential.

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The wallet medication card and instructions are available in two formats by clicking on the links at the website below. The first format (PDF) is for consumers who will print the card and complete it by hand. The second format (Word) is for consumers who would like to download the card as a Microsoft Word document and save it to their own computer for filling out electronically before printing.

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911 is reserved for true emergencies, such as medical emergencies involving life or limb, fires or the smell of smoke, burglary or intruders, vehicle accidents, power lines in the road, etc. Other issues such as animal complaints, general power outages, mailbox damage due to snowplows, vandalism, etc. should not be reported on 911.

Please don't abuse the 911 system. Madison's emergency communications center receives a significant number of 911 hang-ups. These not only tie up the dispatchers but result in unnecessary emergency service responses, because every 911 hang-up is investigated by the Police Department, which impairs both services from responding to true emergencies. Please do not allow young children to play with the telephone (even old, unused cell phones that are not covered by a contract are still able to dial 911). Use 911 for only true emergencies, not general information inquiries, or parade details. The dispatchers do not know, for instance, when power will be restored to a street or home or when your street will be plowed.

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- Seasonal Stickers are on sale through the end of the summer.
- Residents/taxpayers are eligible to purchase a seasonal parking sticker.
- Non-Residents may purchase a daily parking tag only.
- Stickers are available at the Recreation Office in Town Hall – Monday through Friday 8:30am-4pm.
- Daily parking tags are sold at the Recreation office, and also at the main gate of the Surf Club Beach (cash or check only at main gate).
- Seasonal Parking Stickers may also be requested by mail. Along with your request please include a copy of your vehicle(s) registration, a copy of the registered owner(s) driver's license and check made payable to "Town of Madison", and a self addressed stamped envelope. See rate schedule below.
- Staff will process mail in requests as time permits. Please allow at least one week turnaround time if requesting passes by mail.

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Non-residents – Monday through Thursday \$25 per vehicle, \$40 Weekends (Fri, Sat, Sun) and Holidays per vehicle.

## Beach Use Guidelines

For your enjoyment and safety at our beaches and parks, we would like you to be aware of these excerpts from the Town of Madison.

Beach Ordinances: Section 14-54 thru 14-56:

- Alcoholic beverages are allowed, in cans or cups only, in the Surf Club Picnic grove until 10pm. Alcohol is not permitted on any Beach, Athletic Field or in Parking Areas. No glass bottles, kegs or glass containers in our parks.
- Group gatherings of 50 or more not permitted during beach pass season.
- Pets are permitted at the Surf Club, East Wharf or West Wharf in the parking lots only during the Beach Pass Season.
- Abusive or threatening language will not be tolerated. Violators will be asked to leave the premises.
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- Friday, July 17 -- "Sandlot"
- Friday, August 21- "Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs"

### Summer Concerts on the Green

Concerts are held each Sunday evening beginning at 6pm on the town green. All events are free of charge. Please no alcohol as per Congregational Church request.

- July 12 - The Kerry Boys - Irish Balladeers
- July 19 - River Mud - Rock
- July 26 - The Larry Stevens Band - Americana
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We must also consider the quality of our vision. How comfortable are your eyes? Do you have dry eyes? Do you experience headaches, eyestrain, lose concentration or fall asleep while reading? These symptoms may indicate a “hidden” refractive error that forces your eyes to strain. It is very important that parents pay attention to these symptoms in kids. Neural connections from our eyes to our brain are still developing from

birth to school age. These connections are necessary for the development of good vision and true depth perception. Myopia, Hyperopia, Astigmatism, Strabismus, and Congenital Cataracts are only some conditions that may hinder this process. These conditions must be treated before it is too late. Children lacking clear vision and/or true depth perception may be excluded from certain occupations in adulthood. It is also important to note that children may not complain about their vision only because they are unaware that there is a problem. With the constant advances in corrective lens technology (spectacles, soft/hard contact lenses, specialty contact lenses), there is an aesthetic solution for everyone seeking to improve their vision

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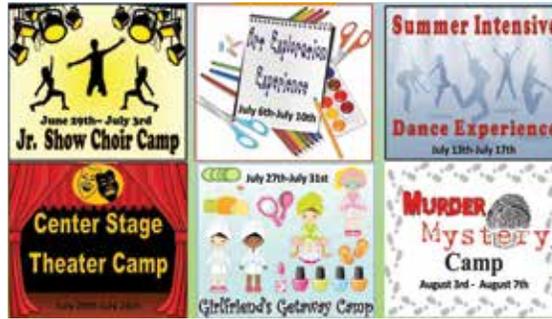
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Also in the process of rehearsal is our spring Murder Mystery to be performed Sunday May 31st, 2pm. Once again a Mystery will unfold at The Barn while the guests enjoy snacks and piece together clues to solve the crime. For More Information, [www.madisonartsbarn.org](http://www.madisonartsbarn.org) under the upcoming events tab, or call 203-245-2689.



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# Madison Health Department

## Proper Disposal of Medications

Medications should not be flushed down the toilet, sink or otherwise released into the environment. Flushing unwanted medications down the toilet or sink can cause water pollution and has adverse effects on fish and other aquatic wildlife. These medications are not fully broken down when flushed into septic systems and these chemicals can leach into ground and surface waters. Medications are being found at detectable levels in numerous ground and surface waters and are a growing concern among wildlife biologists for their potential effects on fish, frogs, etc. **The best way to dispose of medications is to put them in the trash; all trash disposed of in Madison is incinerated.** Another option is to dispose of these medications at a dedicated medication take-back day; sometimes sponsored by the US Department of Justice and local Police Departments.

The following tips are from the State of Connecticut DEEP.

- Leave the medications in their original container, but remove or otherwise deface the label so patient information is unavailable.
- Modify the medications to discourage or prevent consumption:
  1. For liquids, add table salt or flour, for example, to make it unpalatable
  2. For solids; add water to partially dissolve
  3. For blister packs; wrap in multiple layers of duct tape
- Seal the container shut with duct tape
- Place this container into an opaque bag or container, such as a yogurt or margarine tub
- Discard the final container in the trash, not the recycling bin

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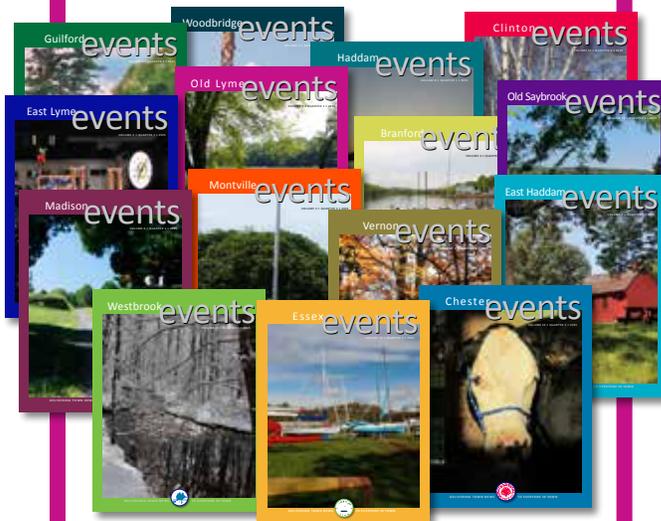
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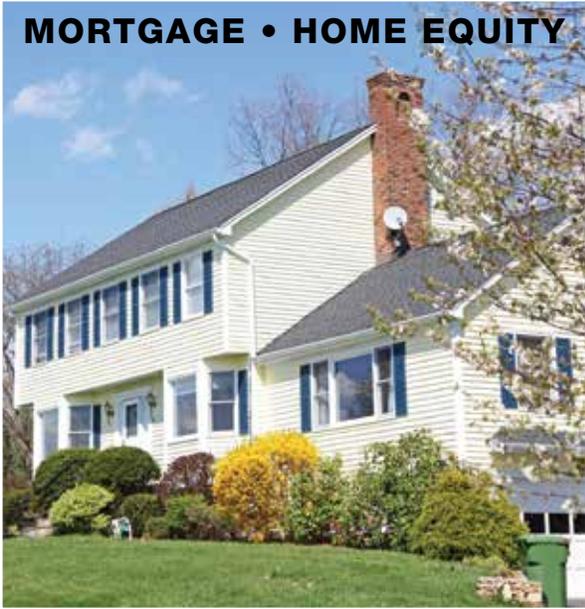


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