



DROPPING IN WITH A SOMERS *Spring Update*

SELECTMAN'S CORNER

A NOTE FROM BUD KNORR

Dear Citizens,

This past year has been a challenging one because of the COVID pandemic resulting in our normal lives being disrupted as we've dealt with the many necessary restrictions in order to curb the spread of the virus.

The advent of Spring and the success of the state-wide vaccination efforts brings new hope and a promise of returning to a sense of everyday normalcy. Spring adds new life and new beauty to all that is and I frankly believe that "hope also springs eternal". If we believe that tomorrow will be better, and it will, we can bear the disruptions that all of us have experienced this past year and a half.

Somers has effectively navigated this past year due to the resiliency, hard work, focus and hope of our citizens along with the superb and timely efforts of first responders, health care professionals, and Town employees.

This collective effort reinforces all that is good in Somers and is responsible for our success. My thanks to all contributors!

We've successfully crafted a responsible and timely budget that controls costs while preserving and expanding critical services commensurate with the needs of our citizens. The added services/options in Social Services, Recreation, the Senior Center and Public Safety have been achieved with a proposed FY 2021-2022 Budget that is less than our current budget. (i.e. .63 % decrease) The establishment of our new Social Services Department has been fortuitous given the many issues associated with COVID. We've also expanded our communications outreach by partnering with the Everbridge Alert System, added police coverage that improves our response time 24/hours/day, re-enforced our efforts in Fire, Ambulance and ALS due to a 30 % increase in emergency

responses and completed a successful reorganization of our Land Use and Recreation Departments.

These many positive changes as well as pertinent announcements, events, schedules and timing are included in this publication and I encourage our citizens to review them.

All of us should focus our energy and time on the power of positive thinking, action and affirmation that is necessary to heed hope and effect positive change.

Be Well, Stay Positive and Don't Give Up Hope!

Warmly,

C.G. Bud Knorr, Jr.
First Selectman

INSIDE:

Mark your calendars for several important events coming up this week, including the National Drug Take Back Day, drive-thru Rabies Vaccination Clinic, and more.

TOWN-WIDE TAG SALE | MAY 1

46 Avery Road	9:00 - 2:00	Bird houses, bird feeders wreaths misc household items
45 Bailey Lane	8:00 - 1:00	Home décor, holiday decorations, clothes, shoes (adult), kitchen items, games, dolls
34 Bald Mountain	8:00 - 1:00	Toys, sports equipment, household, plumbing, tools, bikes
12 Beverly Drive	9:00 - 2:00	Housewares, barware, clothing, furniture, misc household
17 Beverly Drive	9:00 - 3:00	Household items, tools, furniture, antiques sports memorabilia, moving sale
72 Billings Road	9:00 - 2:00	Household items, picture frames, small kitchen appliances
46 Bridle Path Drive	9:00 - 2:00	Houshold items, clothing, furniture, tools, misc
16 Cattlewood Drive	8:00 - 4:00	Moving sale, household items, furniture and more
59 Colorado Drive	9:00 - 3:00	Furniture, tools, books, household items
230 Four Bridges Rd	8:00 - Noon	Plants, misc. items
16 Fox Hollow Road	9:00 - 2:00	Somers gardening, indoor and outdoor household items, toys
19 Franklin Woods Dr	9:00 - 1:00	Household, kids, toys, furniture, yard, misc
179 George Wood Rd	10:00 - 2:00	Household items
14 Goodwin Drive	9:00 - 3:00	Housewares, nic-nacs, baby clothes, camping gear, photography, tools
310 Hall Hill Road	9:00 - 3:00	Home décor, crafts, wreaths, farmhouse wooden signs
623 Hall Hill Road	9:00 - 2:00	Small furniture items, home goods, clothing, misc, table of free items
69 Michele Drive	8:00 - 3:00	Portable dance floor, misc household items
301 Mountain Road	9:00 - 3:00	Furniture, Kitchen and Baby items toys
30 Parson Road	8:00 - 3:00	Household, toys, vintage costume jewelry, knitting/crochet hooks, yarn, shoes/clothes
7 Pheasant Run	9:00 - 4:00	Loveseat and chair, desk/table, lots of household items, fishing gear, tools
37 Shady Dell Lane	8:00 - 3:00	Furniture, toys, clothes (kids and adult) craft items
52 Skyridge Drive	9:00 - 4:00	Garden décor items, furniture, dishes, silverware, scuba, crystal, clothing misc
41 Somers Hill Circle	8:00 - 3:00	Household items, tools, furniture, books, puzzles
124 Stafford Road	9:00 - 3:00	Books, kitchen items, clothing, home décor, toys, small pieces of furniture
196 Turnpike Road	8:00 - Noon	Childrens clothing (birth-2T), toys, household items, baby supplies
24 White Oak Road	9:00 - 2:00	Computer accessories/desks, clothes-adult, various nik-naks/pictures
83 Hickory Hill	9:00 - 4:00	Household goods, big joe bean bag chairs, boys cloths (12&14) crysal and china
75 Colorado Drive	9:00 - Noon	Boys/youngmen clothing/shoes, ice hockey/lacrosse equipmen/gear, toys household
232 Stafford Road	9:00 - 2:00	Golf Equip, hunting bow/arrows, books, household, bathtub/bedside assistance
686 Main Street	9:00 - 3:00	Flower pots, costume jewelry, toys, christmas, wall art, mirrors, women's clothing
138 Pinney Road	8:00 - 3:00	Embroidery supplies, finished products, office/garden supplies, craft/kitchen/hobby
75 Maple Street	9:00 - 1:00	Household, bric-a-brac, period pieces, linens, nods to Somers history
21 Maple Ridge Drive	9:00 - 4:00	Crib, toddler bed, home décor, household items 'something for everyone'
13 Blue Ridge Mtn Drive	9:00 - 2:00	Adult bikes, bike rack, books, cutlery, chona, small kitchen appliances, household
8 Long Hill Drive	10:00 - 4:00	Variety of home décor items, furnishings, childrens articles
31 Hickory Hill Drive	9:00 - 3:00	baby items, kids clothes, toys adult clothing, furniture, household items
304 Turnpike Road	9:00 - 4:00	Huge tag/estate/barn sale for antiques to far supplies and household goods



FIND A MAP OF ALL LOCATIONS ON WWW.SOMERSCT.GOV

MARK THE CALENDAR

Household Hazardous Waste Programs & Collection Schedule

April 3 • May 1 • June 5 • August 28,
September 25 • October 30

Hours: 8 AM–1 PM

321 Olcott St. • Manchester, CT
Exit 1 from 384

THIS SATURDAY



DRUG TAKE BACK DAY

Saturday, April 24 • 10 AM–1 PM
19 Battle Street

NEXT WEEKEND

REGIONAL FARMERS & CRAFTERS MARKET AND PLANT SALE

May 1 • 10 AM–3 PM (Rain Date: May 2)
Four Town Fair Grounds • 56 Egypt Rd.



DRIVE-THRU RABIES-ONLY VACCINATION CLINIC

Saturday, June 5, 2021

10:00 AM – NOON

Somers Public Works Garage
on Egypt Road

All safety precautions will be adhered to i.e. face masks and distancing. Please make sure your pet has a collar and lead for handling, and cats in carriers.

Dog licensing will not immediately be available, but the Town Clerk will accept all necessary documents for licensing. All paperwork will be returned along with a receipt, dog license and tag.

SOMERS SOCIAL SERVICES: COUNSELING SERVICES AVAILABLE

Somers Social Services, in partnership with Stafford Family Services, is offering FREE mental health services to youth ages 10+ through Adult. Counseling services are available to any Somers resident, regardless of insurance status, and will be provided by a licensed Social Worker. Daytime and evening hours are available. **Please call Somers Social/Youth Services at (860) 265-7551 for more information.**



SIGN UP FOR SOMERS ALERTS:

Everbridge App *(recommended)*

Scan the QR code to download the Everbridge app. To register, open the app and search for "Town of Somers."

Text Alerts Only

Text "Somers" to 888777 to register for text message alerts.

Online

Visit www.somersct.gov to register online.

Music is food for the soul!

SOMERS CULTURAL COMMISSION SOMERS CONCERT SERIES ARE BACK!

Ann Levesque

Commission Chairperson

The Somers Cultural Commission is looking forward to hosting the Spring and Summer Concert Series again for the 2021 season. All 2021 concerts will be held outdoors at The Gazebo at 19 Battle Street.

Somers Cultural Commission Members believe that live music energizes and restores the community. Concerts will follow guidelines from the Town of Somers Health Department, the State of Connecticut, and the Centers for Disease Control regarding regulations and capacity limits.

Guidelines include:

- Everyone attending must wear a face covering, except entertainers
- Social distancing required- field will be marked for 15' distance
- Portable, sanitized restroom facilities available
- Bring your own chairs
- Bring your own picnic
- Prepare to have fun!

SPRING CONCERT SERIES

Saturdays, 1 - 3 PM (*Rain Date Sunday*)

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| May 1 | The Cartells - <i>Party Band</i> |
| May 8 | Decades Experience Dance Band |
| May 15 | Rick Larrimore - <i>The Ultimate Tribute to Rod Stewart</i> |
| May 22 | Floyd Patterson with LaDawn - <i>Motown, Soul, R&B</i> |
| May 29 | Truck Stop Troubadours - <i>Country & Western</i> |

SUMMER CONCERT SERIES

Thursdays, 6 - 8 PM (*Rain Date Friday*)

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| June 24 | Night Shift - <i>60s to 80s Fun Songs</i> |
| July 1 | Steel N Eazy - <i>Country Tunes with a Twist</i> |
| July 8 | Country Rock 'n' Roll Classics with Jimmy Mazz |
| July 15 | The Knightsmen Band - <i>Rock 'n' Roll 50s to Now</i> |
| July 22 | Union Jack - <i>British Invasion & The 60s</i> |
| July 29 | Center Stage - <i>Motown Hits and More!</i> |
| August 5 | The Boogie Boys - <i>Swing & Country 50s to 70s</i> |

JOIN US: All 2021 concerts will be held outdoors at The Gazebo at 19 Battle Street in Somers.

ONLINE: Watch the concerts live on Facebook! Find and follow the *Somers Concert Series* Page.

QUESTIONS: Call Ann Levesque at 860-749-2630