

# **NEWSLETTER** SPECIAL ELECTION EDITION

YOUR DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATES ON NOVEMBER 5<sup>TH</sup>

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## **Chris Murphy**

#### **US Senate**

Chris Murphy, U.S. Senator for Connecticut is running for a third term in the U.S. Senate. He has dedicated his career to public service as an advocate for Connecticut families. Senator Murphy has been a strong voice in the Senate fighting for job creation, affordable health care, education, sensible gun laws, and a forward-looking foreign policy.

Senator Murphy has laid out a forward-thinking foreign policy vision for the United States. As a

member of the Foreign Relations Committee, he has been an outspoken proponent of diplomacy, international human rights and the need for cleareyed American leadership abroad.

Following the tragic shooting at Sandy Hook elementary school in 2012, Senator Murphy became one of the leading proponents of commonsense reforms to reduce gun violence. He has championed a number of bipartisan bills aimed at expanding background checks and keeping guns out of the hands of criminals.

As a member of the Senate Appropriations Committee, Senator Murphy has fought to increase investments in Connecticut manufacturing and promote procurement of world-class national defense products made in the state.

He has fought to expand American manufacturing and create jobs through his Buy American initiative, which urges the U.S. government to spend taxpayer dollars on American-made goods. Additionally, Senator Murphy has worked in partnership with local city and town leaders to rehabilitate former brownfield and factory sites so that they can be developed into new community spaces and businesses.

In July 2019, Senator Murphy and fifteen other Senate Democrats introduced the Protecting Sensitive Locations Act which mandated that ICE agents get approval from a supervisor ahead of engaging in enforcement actions at sensitive locations with the exception of special circumstances and that agents receive annual training in addition to being required to report annually regarding enforcement actions in those locations.

Prior to his election to the U.S. Senate, Murphy served Connecticut's 5th Congressional District for three terms in the U.S. House of Representatives. During his time in the House, Murphy worked to improve access to housing for homeless veterans, foster job creation and advocate for affordable healthcare for all Americans.

## YOUR DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATES ON NOVEMBER 5<sup>TH</sup> (continued from p 1)



### Joe Courtney

#### U.S. House of Representatives, CT 2<sup>nd</sup> Congressional District

Congressman Joe Courtney was elected in 2006 to represent the Second Congressional District of Connecticut in the House of Representatives. He serves on the House Armed Services Committee and the House Committee on Education and the Workforce.

Congressman Courtney is the Ranking Member of the House Armed Services Subcommittee on Seapower and Projection Forces. From 2018-2022, Courtney served as Chairman of the Subcommittee. As a senior member of the Armed Services Committee,

Congressman Courtney has worked to strengthen our nation's defense by leading the call for increased submarine production. Additionally, Congressman Courtney secured over \$100 million federal funding outside the President's budget for SUBASE New London. This investment will ensure that New England's largest military installation will have an enduring mission for years to come.

Since his swearing-in, Congressman Courtney has distinguished himself as a tireless advocate for both our nation's veterans and our men and women in uniform. He successfully fought to expand the Montgomery GI Bill for post-9/11 veterans and their families, and led the fight to extend TRICARE benefits to dependents under age 26. Congressman Courtney also fought and won support for an 18-unit supportive housing facility for homeless and at-risk veterans in Jewett City.

Having served as a member of the House Agriculture Committee, Congressman Courtney is a vocal proponent for nearly 2,500 farmers across eastern Connecticut. Courtney is the founding co-chairman of the Congressional Dairy Farmers Caucus, and has worked tirelessly to protect family farms from foreclosure and fix the flawed milk pricing system.

Dedicated to preserving our green space and protecting the environment, Courtney introduced and won passage of a law that designated the Eightmile River in Connecticut as a part of the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System. Thanks to his efforts, this pristine and scenic watershed will be preserved for generations to come.

### Martha Marx



CT State Senate, 20<sup>th</sup> District, CT State Senate

State Senator Martha Marx is running for a second term in the CT State Senate's 20<sup>th</sup> District representing the towns of Bozrah, East Lyme, Montville, New London, Old Lyme, Old Saybrook, Salem, and Waterford. She currently serves as the State Senate's Deputy Majority Leader. Martha is the Chair of the Veterans' and Military Affairs Committee, Vice Chair of the Public Health Committee, and she is a member of the Aging, Appropriations, Government Administration & Elections, and Insurance & Real Estate Committees. She is endorsed by the Connecticut League of Conservation Voters (CTLCV).

In the previous legislative session, Senator Marx earned a perfect 100% rating on CTLCV's Environmental Scorecard. Senator Marx fought to make options here in Connecticut more affordable and take the needed measures to protect nurses on the job who are working to keep us healthy and safe.

She worked on tax cutting legislation resulting in CT's largest tax cut in state history. Senator Marx fought on behalf of consumers against utility companies, and bringing needed state funds to all eight towns in the district including funding for the Lymes' Senior Center, obtaining brownfield remediation grants for New London and Waterford, and protecting open space in Salem.

Senator Marx has been a resident of New London and a registered nurse for over 30 years. She is a former New London City Council member and a visiting nurse.

## YOUR DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATES ON NOVEMBER 5<sup>TH</sup>

## **Rich Knotek**,



#### CT State Representative, 34<sup>th</sup> District, CT State House of Representatives

Rich Knotek is running for State Representative for the 34<sup>th</sup> District of the State House of Representatives representing the towns of East Haddam, East Hampton, and Salem. As a town councilman, Rich saw firsthand the struggles CT small towns face due to declining state funding of education and increased unfunded mandates. Good education is threatened. And as a result, it's tougher for towns to make ends meet and provide for our many other needs such as roads, emergency services, senior services and, as important, reasonable property taxes.

Rich is running because the answer to this problem can only be solved in the state legislature. CT must recommit to fund public education in a serious way, and provide the financial means to implement new policies along the way.

Rich will champion the needs of the district associated with the environment, social services, access to healthcare, and individual rights and dignity are foundations of good government to which he subscribes. Rich's background as a CPA and business advisor has helped him understand that thriving, responsible businesses are key to a sustained quality of life for everyone. Rich believes we must support and encourage excellence and growth in many areas of industry, especially manufacturing, where Connecticut can continue as a world leader. He believes we must especially make this effort available to our small towns which seek a broader tax base.

## **Nick Menapace**



#### CT State Representative, 37th District, CT State House of Representatives

Nick Menapace is running for State Representative for the 37<sup>th</sup> District of the State House of Representatives representing the towns of East Lyme, Montville, and Salem. With prescription costs rising at alarming rates, Nick will fight for lower drug prices and fiscal responsibility through cost-saving programs like a public option for health insurance. As a teacher, he understands the importance of maintaining Connecticut's status as a preeminent state in the fight against gun violence. Nick will fight to strengthen public safety through more comprehensive gun legislation and more social

workers in our schools. In light of the overturning of Roe v Wade, He will tirelessly work to preserve Connecticut's reproductive health protections. Nick firmly believes that everyone should be able to live in Connecticut no matter their income level, and it's about time our housing costs reflect that. He will fight to limit out of state LLC's from purchasing single family homes and to make home ownership affordable to middle class families. Many people are struggling to make ends meet, and as one of Connecticut's essential workers Nick will make sure to relieve the burden of taxes on middle and working-class families.

Nick is a lifelong resident of Connecticut and local educator. Public service is something that he has chosen throughout his life: from being an Eagle Scout and in spending the last ten years teaching in diverse communities throughout the state.

## HARRIS – WALZ CAMPAIGN SIGNS AVAILABLE

The Salem Democratic Town Committee is selling *Harris – Walz* campaign signs for \$10.00 as a fundraiser. If you are interested in purchasing a sign, please contact Kay Zak at: 860-889-3989 or e-mail <u>kayzak@hotmail.com</u> or Gary Closius at 860-961-9173 or e-mail <u>gclosius@sbcglobal.net</u>. Also available are Joe Courtney, Martha Marx, Nick Menapace, and Rich Knotek signs **FREE**. Chris Murphy signs will be available soon.

## A LETTER FROM RICH KNOTEK

To the Voters in the 34<sup>th</sup> District of the State House of Representatives,

Serving a town in elected office, be it as councilman, selectman or rep, is work, including the time a candidate must spend campaigning for the seat. As a councilman in East Hampton, and after many years of elected public service in town, I respect that, and that includes the efforts of our incumbent rep, Irene. The tasks are tough and weighty; answers aren't always clear.

That said, I think the voters of our 34<sup>th</sup> District have a clear choice this election.

The most pressing issue facing our towns has been the steady decline in state aid to education over the past 6-8 years. I have seen first-hand how this decline creates impossible choices for our towns in their attempt to educate our kids, provide necessary town services and, as important, make our property taxes affordable. It motivates me to go to Hartford with the message.

We have had no voice in Hartford to sound the alarm on this issue. It affects all of towns in a critical way, but even when our elected boards in town ask for her help to tell the story, our requests have been met with silence. This cannot stand.

Other issues important to the vast majority of our district involve firearm safety, worker protections and, most significantly, environmental protections, have not had Irene's support.

But as important as what we legislate is how we legislate, how we represent. Again, I believe we offer a clear choice.

A state rep has to do more than push yes and no buttons and sign on to other peoples' bills and take credit. A state rep has to push. A state rep needs to be courageous. A state rep needs to reach out. A state rep needs to become a regular part of the towns he or she serves. How else can we best take your concerns to Hartford?

Our work on the Council in East Hampton is open, honest, transparent, bi-partisan and yields results. We reach out. We have filled our appointed boards and commissions with Democrats, Republicans and Unaffiliated voters and recognize that in small town America, all voices matter. The successes of all our boards and commissions are a testament to that.

As your state rep, I intend to come to you and hold monthly offices hours in each town. I intend to attend community activities as I have during our last two months of campaigning. I want to know you.

And, lastly, if I have the confidence of a majority of voters on November 5<sup>th</sup>, I will with mixed emotions resign from the East Hampton Town Council, because I want to be independent in both fact and appearance to represent each person in East Hampton, East Haddam and Salem with integrity.

Rich Knotek for the 34th

## EARLY VOTING, GENERAL ELECTION, NOVEMBER 5<sup>TH</sup>

A General Election is where all eligible voters elect candidates to office. In Connecticut, there is a general election every year.



EARLY VOTING

October 21 – 28 & November 1 – 3 DAYS October 29 and 31

10 AM – 6 PM, 8 AM – 8 PM

## ADDITIONAL IMPORTANT VOTER REGISTRATION INFORMATION

#### Friday, October 18, 2024

Deadline for voter registration by mail to be post-marked Deadline for voter registration at the DMV by close of business Deadline for voter registration online by 11:59 PM Deadline for voter registration in person by 8:00 PM

## EARLY VOTING, GENERAL ELECTION, NOVEMBER 5<sup>TH</sup> (continued from p 4)

#### Same Day Voter Registration

If you are not registered, but want to vote during the Early Voting period, you may register in person every day of Early Voting at the Early Voting location.

If you are not registered, but want to vote on Election Day, you may register in person on Election Day at your Election Day Registration site.

#### To receive important election updates text VOTE to 860.321.4221.

To find your Early Voting location, and for all you need to know about elections in Connecticut, visit <u>MyVote.CT.gov</u> or call 860-509-6200.

#### YOUR SAY - YOUR DAY

#### WHAT is Early Voting?

Early Voting allows you to vote in person safely and securely before Election Day.

#### WHAT SHOULD I EXPECT at the Early Voting location?

When you arrive at the Early Voting location, you will check in and be verified as an eligible voter. You will then receive your ballot with an envelope. You will complete your ballot at a privacy booth and seal it in the approved envelope. Before you leave, place the sealed envelope in the secure receptacle as instructed by the election officials. Ballots will be secured unopened until Election Day.

#### WHEN will ballots be counted?

Ballots cast during Early Voting will be sealed and stored securely in each town. They will be opened and counted on Election Day.

#### HOW DOES EARLY VOTING DIFFER from voting by absentee ballot?

Absentee Ballot voting requires a reason (from a list of six, found at MyVote.CT.gov). Early Voting is available to every eligible voter without a specific reason. Early Voting may be done only in-person, not via mail or drop box.

#### HOW MANY EARLY VOTING LOCATIONS will be in each city or town?

In Salem there is one Early Voting location and it is the Town Hall.

#### CAN I VOTE on weekends?

Yes. Early Voting includes Saturdays and Sundays for most elections (see calendar for specific dates).

#### HOW IS IT ENSURED people do not vote twice?

The election official at your Early Voting location will record that you have cast your ballot, preventing you from voting early at any other location, submitting an absentee ballot, or voting on Election Day.

#### DOES EARLY VOTING EXIST in other states?

Although new to Connecticut this year, 46 other states already offer some form of Early Voting.

#### WHAT hasn't changed?

You can still vote via Absentee Ballot or on Election Day as usual. Elections in Connecticut are still safe and secure.

## VOTER REGISTRATION SESSION IN SALEM

On Friday, October 18<sup>th</sup>, the Salem Registrars of Voters will hold office hours at the Salem Town Hall, 270 Hartford Road, from 9:00 AM to 8:00 PM, to accept voter registrations for the upcoming November 5<sup>th</sup> election. *This is the last regular voter registration session prior to the election, and all applicants must appear in person.* 

On Monday, November 4<sup>th</sup>, the Salem Registrars of Voters will hold a limited voter registration session in their office at the Salem Town Hall, 270 Hartford Road, to admit those seeking to register to vote in the November 5<sup>th</sup> state election, whose qualification as to age, citizenship or residence was attained on or after October 19<sup>,</sup> 2024. The hours are from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM.

For information, contact Betsy B. Butts or Athena G. Sartori Salem Registrars of Voters: 860-859-3873, ext. 230.

## SAMPLE BALLOTS

Salem Voting District 1, 2<sup>nd</sup> Congressional District, 20<sup>th</sup> CT Senate District, 34<sup>th</sup> CT Assembly District

Connectic Official B	allot	Salem Connecticut     State Election       YES     NO       1. "Shall the Constitution of the State be amended to permit the General Assembly to allow each voter to vote by absentee ballot?"				Novem	nber 5, 2024 Senatorial District 2 Assembly District 3
VOTE ON QUESTION							Voting District Sheet 1 of 1
PARTY		1 Presidential Electors for Vote for One	2 United States Senator Vote for One	3 Representative in Congress Vote for One	4 State Senator Vote for One	5 State Representative Vote for One	
/		O 1A	○ 2A	○ 3A	O 4A	O 5A	
DEMOCRATIC	PARTY	HARRIS AND	CHRISTOPHER S. MURPHY	JOE Courtney	Martha Marx	Richard E. Knotek	)
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REPUBLICAN	PARTY	TRUMP AND VANCE	MATTHEW M. Corey	Mike France	SHAUN Mastroianni	IRENE HAINES	Be sure to read the instructions on the
WORKING FAMILIES	10	0 20	30	0 40	5C	reverse side of this	
PARTY			Christopher S. Murphy		MARTHA Marx		ballot.
		10	2D	30	0 40	0 50	
INDEPENDENT PARTY				Shaun Mastrdianni	DAVID BRICE CASSENTI	/	
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GREEN PA	RTY	STEIN AND WARE	Justin C. Paglino				N
LIBERTARIAN	Dunny	○ 1F	2F	3F	4F	5F	X
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CHEAPER I	GAS	16	○ 2G	3G	46	5G	d .
GROCERIES F	PARTY		Robert Finley Hyde				
PETITION	NG	O 1H	2H	3H	<b>4</b> H	56	
Candida	TE	Kennedy, Jr. and Shanahan					-
WRITE-IN V	OTES	0 11	<u> </u>	<b>3</b> 1	O 41	0 51	

## SAMPLE BALLOTS (continued from p 6)

Salem Voting District 2, 2<sup>nd</sup> Congressional District, 20<sup>th</sup> CT Senate District, 37<sup>th</sup> CT Assembly District

I.	State of Connecticut Official Ballot	Salem Connectici	necticut November 5, 2024 Senato		nber 5, 2024 Congressional District 2 Senatorial District 20 Assembly District 37		
	VOTE ON THE QUESTION(S)	YES 1. "Shall th permit the G by absentee	ieneral Assembl	itution of the State be amended to Assembly to allow each voter to vote			Voting District 2 Sheet 1 of 1
	OFFICE PARTY	1 Presidential Electors for Vote for One	2 United States Senator Vote for One	3 Representative in Congress Vote for One	4 State Senator Vote for One	5 State Representative Vote for One	
	Democratic Party	O 1A HARRIS	○ 2A	<u>О</u> 3А	○ 4A	O 5A	
		AND WALZ	CHRISTOPHER S. Murphy	JOE Courtney	Martha Marx	NICK Menapace	
	Republican Party	1B Trump	<u> </u>	○ 3B	0 48	58	Be sure to read the
ŀ		AND VANCE	MATTHEW M. Corey	Mike France	SHAUN Mastroianni	Holly H. Cheeseman	instructions on the
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	PARTY		CHRISTOPHER S. MURPHY		Martha Marx	NICK Menapace	ballot.
	INDEPENDENT PARTY	10	2D	3D	0 40	0 50	
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	Cheaper Gas Groceries Party	16	26 Robert Finley Hyde	36	46	56	5
	Petitioning Candidate	1H Kennedy, Jr. And Shanahan	2H	3H	4H	58	
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## **GUN VIOLENCE – 2024 STATISTICS AND DATA**

2024	Mass Shootings	Deaths	Injuries
TOTALS	404	428	1,795
January	36	66	110
February	26	40	107
March	32	35	138
April	37	32	178
May	49	53	208
June	72	57	378
July	63	68	304
August	52	37	211
September	36	40	161
October			
November			
December			

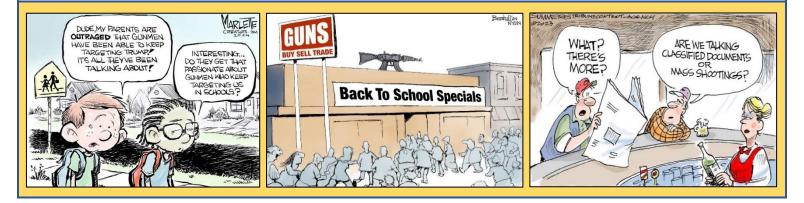
\* Data current through September 30th

The 10 States With The:		
Strictest Gun Laws	Most Lenient Gun Laws	
California	Mississippi	
Illinois	Wyoming	
New York	Montana	
Connecticut	Idaho	
Hawaii	Georgia	
New Jersey	Arkansas	
Maryland	South Dakota	
Massachusetts	Oklahoma	
Washington	New Hampshire	
Colorado	Kentucky	

		Shootings	By State		
State	# Current	# Year To	State	# Current	# Year To
	Month	Date		Month	Date
Illinois	4	31	Washington	1	4
Pennsylvania	2	26	Arizona	1	3
Texas	2	26	Colorado	0	3
Florida	1	25	Connecticut	0	3
California	1	23	New Jersey	1	3
Alabama	3	21	Kansas	0	2
Missouri	2	20	Nevada	0	2
Georgia	2	17	South Dakota	0	2
Mississippi	0	17	West Virginia	0	2
Ohio	2	16	Alaska	0	1
New York	2	15	Delaware 👘	1	1
Tennessee	2	14	Haw aii	0	1
District of Columb	2	13	lova	0	1
North Carolina	1	13	Maine	0	1
Louisiana	1	12	Nebraska	0	1
Virginia	2	12	New Mexico	0	1
Kentucky	2	11	ldaho	0	0
Michigan	0	11	Montana	0	0
Indiana	0	9	New Hampshi	0	0
Minnesota	1	8	North Dakota	0	0
Wisconsin	0	7	Oregon	0	0
Arkansas	0	6	<b>Rhode Island</b>	0	0
Massachusetts	0	6	Utah	0	0
Maryland	0	5	Vermont	0	0
South Carolina	1	5	Wyoming	0	0
Oklahoma	0	4			

Total deaths (all causes) in the U.S. due to gun violance\*12,925Total injuries (all causes) in the U.S. due to gun violance\*24,796\* Data through October 4<sup>th</sup>

DARK BLUE: LIGTHT BLUE: PURPLE: LIGHT RED DARK RED Democrats won the majority 4 times Democrats won the 3 times Democrats and Republicans each won twice Republicans won the 3 times Republicans won the 4 times



## STREETS IN SALEM 34<sup>th</sup> STATE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES DISTRICT

## The following streets are entirely within CT House of Representatives 34<sup>th</sup> District (*Salem voting District 1*):

Alexander Road Bayberry Place Brookside Drive Cherry Tree Road Cockle Hill Road Gungy Road Hagen Road Hill Top Trail Lexington Trail Meadow Lane Mill Lane Morgan Road Pheasant Hill Road Pleasant View Road Pratt Road Salem Ridge Drive Salem Ridge Drive North Salter Road Sullivan Road West Road White Birch Road Witch Meadow Road Woodbridge Road

## The following streets are split between the two districts. The following streets based on street numbers are in the 34<sup>th</sup> CT House of Representatives District (*Salem voting District 1*)

Darling Road East Haddam Road	All the odd street numbers and the even street numbers 100 thru 498 All the even street numbers and the odd street numbers 273 thru 699
Hartford Road	All the odd street numbers and the even street numbers 156 thru 798
Music Vale Road	The even street numbers 2 thru 38
Old Colchester Road	The even street numbers 500 thru 798, also street number 1650 and the odd street numbers 501 thru 799
Rathbun Hill Road	All the odd street numbers and the even street numbers 2 thru 98
Rattlesnake Ledge Road	All the even street numbers and the odd street numbers 1 thru 363
Round Hill Road	All the even street numbers and the odd street numbers 1 thru 199
Witter Road	The even street numbers 2 thru 84

## STREETS IN SALEM 37<sup>th</sup> STATE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES DISTRICT

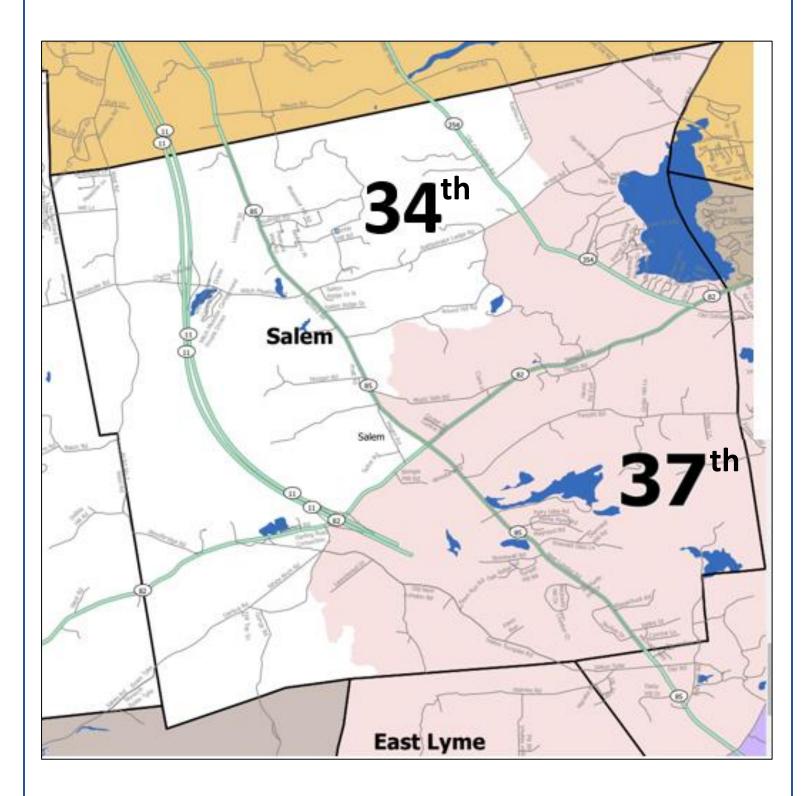
## The following streets are entirely within the 37<sup>th</sup> CT House of Representatives District (*Salem voting District 2*):

Beckwith Hill Drive Buckley Road Carvalho Drive Cedar Hill Lane Centre Street Chester Court Clark Lane Corrina Lane	Emerald Glen Lane Fairy Lake Road Fawn Run Fett Road Forest Drive Forsyth Road Gardner Lake Heights Harris Road	Lake View Avenue Laurelwood Drive Maynard Road New London Road Norwich Road Oak Ridge Road Old New London Road Shingle Mill Road	Sunset Hill Road Syleo Lane Tamarack Place Valley Drive Way Road Woodchuck Road Woodland Drive
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Diamond Hill Road	Harris Road Extension	Skyline Drive	
Eden Park Drive	Horse Pond Road	Stonewall Road	

## The following streets are split between the two districts. The following streets based on street numbers are in the 37<sup>th</sup> CT House of Representatives District (*Salem voting District 2*)

Darling Road	The even street numbers 2 thru 98
East Haddam Road	The odd street numbers 1 thru 271
Hartford Road	The even street numbers 2 thru 154
Music Vale Road	All the odd street numbers and the even street numbers 40 thru 298
Old Colchester Road	All the even street numbers 2 thru 498 and the odd street numbers 1 thru 499
Rathbun Hill Road	All the odd street numbers and the even street numbers 100 thru 298
Rattlesnake Ledge Road	The odd street numbers 365 thru 499
Round Hill Road	The odd street numbers 201 thru 499
Witter Road	All the odd street numbers and the even street numbers 86 thru 394

## SALEM 34<sup>th</sup> and 37<sup>th</sup> STATE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES DISTRICT MAP



<u>AROUND TOWN – AUGUST</u>		lata source – The First Selectman's Au ailable at the time of publication of the I	• •
Planning and Zoning Commission (PZC			vewslellel.
The developer of the project on 496 New Lon Inc.) held a preliminary discussion with the P2 indicated he plans to complete the construction Ellen Bartlett, P.E., CLA Engineers, will bring PZC meeting Tuesday, October 8 <sup>th</sup> , at 7:00 P	don Road a ZC regardin on in five ph a request fo	g the construction of the six four family ases. American Property Group Saler	buildings. He n Inc. – Agent:
• <u>Tax Collector</u>			
<ul> <li>The tax year 2023 is still going strong w</li> </ul>			
<ul> <li>Demand notices have gone out and col</li> </ul>	lections are	being updated with accounts from the	2022 tax year.
<ul> <li><u>Recreation Commission</u></li> </ul>			
<ul> <li>See p 16 for Recreation Commission er</li> </ul>	vents.		
<u>Emergency Services:</u>			
- Emergency Preparedness Agency			
→ ★			
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- Fire Marshal Report			
Emergency Calls:		Call Location:	
* Fire	1	* Bozrah	9
* EMS Calls	38	* Salem	30
* Service Calls	0	* Colchester	7
<ul> <li>False Alarms</li> <li>Cancelled Calls</li> </ul>	2	<ul> <li>* East Haddam</li> <li>* Lyme</li> </ul>	5
	<u>13</u> 54	* Montville	5 0 <u>3</u> 54
	01	TOTAL CALLS	54
Total Calls by Station:		Inspections Completed in Ju	ine:
<ul> <li>* Station 27 (GLVFC)</li> </ul>	20	* Salem Herb Farm	
<ul> <li>Station 21 (SVFC)</li> </ul>	2		
<ul> <li>Service Calls (Town of Salem)</li> </ul>	<u>32</u>		
TOTAL CALLS	54		
Salem Resident State Trooper & Colch	ester Troo	<u>p K</u>	
During the month of August, the Salem R	esident Tro	oper as well as Troop K Troopers respo	onded to 87 calls

During the month of August, the Salem Resident Trooper as well as Troop K Troopers responded to 87 calls for service in the Town of Salem. Of these calls for service, the most notable are: Motor Vahiala Enf

Calls For Service:			Motor Vehicle Enforcement:	
Se	eptember	<u>YTD</u>	September Y	ΓD
* Accidents	5	45	* Onsite DUIs 1	6
<ul> <li>Criminal Investigations</li> </ul>	4	44	* Arrests 1	3
★ Burglaries	0	1	* Misdemeanor Summons 0	3
* Larcenies	0	5	* Infractions 4 15	56
<ul> <li>Nonreportable Matters</li> </ul>	67	936	<ul> <li>Written Warnings</li> <li>2</li> <li>22</li> </ul>	23
<ul> <li>Total Arrests</li> </ul>	2	25	* Verbal Warnings <u>3 5</u>	<u>57</u>
TOTAL CALLS FOR SERVICE	87 1	,492	TOTAL TRAFFIC STOPS 9 43	32

## The Salem Free Public Library (SFPL) Director's Report

The SFPL served 1,249 patrons and provided 27 patrons with technical help in September.

- See pp 15-16 for additional library events.
- The Library hosted several programs and groups including some new groups starting up. Among the new groups were a homeschooling group and a French group.

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

- SALEM FREE PUBLIC BOOK SALE Friday, October 24th and Saturday, October 25th
  - Friday 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM (6:00 PM early entry for members of the Friends Of The Salem Library and dealers – sign up at the door), and
  - Saturday, October 25<sup>th</sup> 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM.
- MITCHELL FARM FALL FESTIVAL & SENIOR BAKE SALE, Saturday, October 26<sup>th</sup> 11:00 AM 4:00 PM (rain date October 27<sup>th</sup>).
- THE FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH OF SALEM APPLEFEST, Saturday, October 26th, 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM or until sold out.
   The Congregational Church of Salem

The Salem Applefest will have everything apple. Apple pie, apple fritters, apple sundae, apple bacon, apple sauerkraut for your hot dogs, apples, apples, apples.

• MONSTER MASH / TRUNK OR TREAT

The SSCG will be supporting the Gardner Lake Volunteer Fire Company *Trunk or Treat on Sunday October 27<sup>th</sup>, from 2:00 PM – 5:00 PM*, at the Gardner Lake Fire House on 429 Old Colchester Road, Salem again this year. This will be our third year of participation. If you would like to join the team in handing out candy, please contact chairperson

Joan Gaynor at: 860 449-3064, or salemtech53@vahoo.com.

• SALEM SCHOOL PTO FUNDRAISER EVENT

Where: Mel's Downtown Creamery, Colchester, CT

## When: Monday, November 18, 2024 from 5:00 PM – 9:00 PM

The Salem School PTO is holding a fundraiser at Mel's Downtown Creamery on 32 Norwich Avenue, Colchester. During this time, a portion of each sale will directly benefit the students and educators of the Salem School.

*Mark your calendars and EAT DESSERT FIRST!!* Come down have some ice cream and help the Salem School PTO raise funds for the students and educators.

## SALEM VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPT BLOOD DRIVE

The Salem Volunteer Fire Dept will hold the next blood drive on **Thursday**, **October 14<sup>th</sup> from 1:00 PM – 6:00 PM** at the Salem Volunteer Fire Co. firehouse at 424 Hartford Road, Salem, CT.

Call 1-800-733-2767 or visit RedCrossBlood.org and enter: Salem CT to schedule an appointment.

## FARMERS MARKETS

• COLCHESTER FARMERS MARKET

Colchester Farmers Market open on Sundays starting on June 19<sup>th</sup> thru October 15<sup>th</sup> 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM.



Located on the Colchester Green at 97 Hayward Avenue.

• BOZRAH FARMERS MARKET

\* \* \* REMINDER \* \* \*

\* \* \* NEW ITEM \* \* \*

Bozrah Farmers Market open Fridays starting on July 12<sup>th</sup> thru October 11<sup>th</sup> from 4:00 PM – 7:00 PM.

Located at 45 Bozrah St., Bozrah.

For more information click on: **bozrahfarmersmarket.org**/.





PPLE FESTIVAL

PUBLIC TOWN MEETINGS FOR OCT	OBER Meetings in November
BOE Long Range Education Planning	BOE Personnel/Contract Negotiations
October 7 <sup>th</sup> , 5:00 PM	October 7 <sup>th</sup> , 6:00 PM
Board of Education	Inland Wetlands & Conservation Commission (IWCC),
October 7 <sup>th</sup> , 7:00 PM	October 7 <sup>th</sup> , 7:00 PM
Library Board of Directors	<b>Emergency Preparedness Agency,</b>
October 8 <sup>th</sup> , 6:00 PM	October 8 <sup>th</sup> , 7:00 PM
Planning & Zoning Commission	<b>Board of Finance,</b>
October 8 <sup>th</sup> , 7:00 PM	October 10 <sup>th</sup> , 7:00 PM
Salem Green Cemetery Association	Economic development Commission,
October 15 <sup>th</sup> 2:00 PM	October 15 <sup>th</sup> , 6:00 PM
Charter Revision Commission	<b>BOE Policy,</b>
October 17 <sup>th</sup> , 7:00 PM	October 21 <sup>st</sup> , 5:00 PM
BOE Curriculum	Recreation Commission
October 21 <sup>st</sup> , 6:00 PM	October 21 <sup>st</sup> , 7:00 PM
Planning and Zoning Commission,	<b>Salem Land Trust Annual Meeting</b>
October 22 <sup>nd</sup> , 7:00 PM	October 23 <sup>rd</sup> , 7:00 – 9:00 PM
<b>BOE Long Range Education Planning</b>	BOE Personnel/Contract Negotiations
November 4 <sup>th</sup> , 5:00 PM	November 4 <sup>th</sup> , 6:00 PM
Board of Education	Inland Wetlands & Conservation Commission (IWCC),
November 4th, 7:00 PM	November 4 <sup>th</sup> , 7:00 PM
<b>Board of Selectmen</b>	Charter Revision Commission
November 6 <sup>th</sup> , 7:00 PM	November 7 <sup>th</sup> , 7:00 PM

To view the Town Public Meeting Calendar, click on: salemct.gov/calendar-by-event-type/16

## THE SDTC MEETING SCHEDULE

#### The SDTC 2024 Regular Monthly Meeting Schedule

- Wednesday, October 2<sup>nd</sup> at 7:00 PM, at the Center School
- Wednesday, January 8, 2025, at 7:00 PM, at the Center School
- Wednesday, April 3, 2025, at 7:00 PM, at the Center School
- Wednesday, November 13<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM, Wednesday, December 4<sup>th</sup> at the Salem Volunteer Fire Co. Firehouse
- Wednesday, February 5, 2025, at 7:00 PM, at the Center School
- Wednesday, May 7, 2025, at 7:00 PM, at the Center School
- at 7:00 PM, at the Center School
- Wednesday, March 5, 2025 at 7:00 PM, at the Center School
- Wednesday, June 4, 2025, at 7:00 PM, at the Center School

## COMMUNITY HELP / ASSISTANCE

#### 211 INFOLINE HELP STARTS HERE

#### Call 2-1-1 for your connection to:

- Alzheimer's resources
- Basic needs food, clothing, shelter
- Emergency shelter
- Emergency assistance
- Pre-natal care
- Senior services

## COMMUNITY HELP / ASSISTANCE (continued from p 13)

### 211 INFOLINE HELP STARTS HERE (continued)

### Call 2-1-1 for your connection to:

- Child care services
- Child health care
- Consumer health
- Crisis intervention
- Disability services
- Drug & alcohol programs

- Financial assistance
- Health care
- HIV/AIDS
- Housing
- Legal assistance
- Parenting programs

- Suicide prevention
- Transportation
- Veteran's services
- Volunteering
- And much more

#### CARE & SHARE

Care & Share of East Lyme, Inc. provides food, financial and emergency support to individuals and families in East Lyme, Niantic, and Salem. *If you are interested in receiving assistance, contact them at 860-739-8502.* Leave a message with your name, telephone number and the type of assistance you are looking for, as well as the best time you can be reached. A responder will confidentially return your call. **To see what other services they provide visit their website by clicking on:** <u>*careandshareofel.org/*.</u>

## **COMMUNITY HELP / ASSISTANCE**

### THAMES VALLEY COUNCIL FOR COMMUNITY ACTION (TVCCA)



#### **CONNECTION = Volunteering & Veterans Coffeehouses**

Now more than ever community support is so important and impactful! AmeriCorps Seniors offers the support someone needs to remain living at home. Our volunteers lend a hand with grocery shopping needs, visiting, phone reassurance or local medical rides. If you are 55+ contact us to hear how your help may improve the quality of life of an elderly or disabled person by volunteering to help a neighbor in your community.

Our volunteers are here for the community! Our services are available free of charge to seniors or disabled people that are homebound and need help with grocery shopping, medical rides, and visiting.



## Contact: Renee LaBonte, Program Coordinator of Senior Volunteer Services at 860-425-6608 or e-mail: <u>rlabonte@tvcca.org</u>.

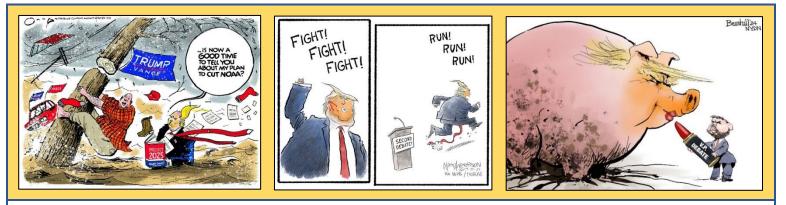
Visit our website by clicking on: tvcca.org or facebook.com/TVCCArsvp/.

**CONNECT WITH VETERANS!** TVCCA hosts monthly veteran coffeehouses to meet and socialize with other veterans and their spouses and receive information about veteran benefits and services. We host coffeehouses in Groton, Mystic, New London, Pawcatuck, Norwich, and Montville.

Contact James Hodge, Veterans Coffeehouse Coordinator at 860-425-6615 or e-mail: *jhodge@tvcca.org*.

• ENERGY ASSISTANCE AND OTHER ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS AVAILABLE FROM THAMES VALLEY COUNCIL FOR COMMUNITY ACTION, INC. (TVCCA)

TVCCA provides energy assistance among other community assistance services. Visit the TVCCA website by clicking on: <u>tvcca.org/energy-assistance/</u> for more information and a direct link to the application. If you have any questions or need help completing the application form, **contact TVCCA at 860-889-1365**. Note that not only does TVCCA provide funding for oil, but also for wood. TVCCA also has a Senior Nutrition Program for seniors 60 and over & Volunteer programs for seniors age 55 or over.



## COMMUNITY NEWS YOU CAN USE

#### SALEM FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

#### News & Events

#### • MUSEUM PASSES AND DISCOUNTED ADMISSION PASSES:

The Salem Free Public Library Offers Museum Passes And Discounted Admission Passes to many of the museums in our state, visit the library, or go to the library website by clicking on: <u>salemct.gov/library/pages/museum-passes</u> to view the library website and view what they have to offer and pass availability.

#### BOOKS IN THE AFTERNOON BOOK CLUB

The next meeting is Thursday, October 31<sup>st</sup> at 1:00 PM.

## Swift and Deadly Maelstrom. The Great Norwich Flood of 1963-A Survivors Story by Thomas R. Moody Jr.

The winter of 1962-63 in Norwich Connecticut had been unbearable. Snow, ice and sub-freezing temperatures added to an already gloomy and drawn-out New England winter, one which had seen its onset begin virtually at the end of the summer of 1962. Spaulding Pond in Mohegan Park, a large wooded enclave in the northern section of town, was abundantly full again this Wednesday, March 6<sup>th</sup>. So full in fact that it once again posed a challenge to the 110-year-old dam by which it was held in place and where a small leak, another in an ever-growing line of recent seepages, was now discovered this afternoon by park workers and reported up to the Public Works Director, himself a witness to these myriad other leaks, and who would summarily dismiss it this day as understood leakage. And so, it was on this Wednesday March 6<sup>th</sup>, 1963 that Norwich Public Works foreman Monroe Cilley first noticed leakage coming from the southeast side of the dam.

This time, unfortunately, this minor leakage episode would be different. A Swift and Deadly Maelstrom is the true, fully documented story of a horrible tragedy.

#### • THE SALEM FREE LIBRARY CLOSURE

In Observance of *Indigenous People's Day,* the Salem Free Library will be closed Saturday, October 12<sup>th</sup> through Monday, October 14<sup>th</sup>.

#### • FALL FAMILY STORYTIMES

#### Wednesdays, at 10:30 AM.

- September 4<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup>,
- October 2<sup>nd</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup>
- November 6<sup>th</sup>, & 20<sup>th</sup>. To register call 860-859-1130 or come in.



#### • WILDLIFE & CT'S CHANGING LANDSCAPE

#### Wednesday, October 9<sup>th</sup>, @ 6:00 PM Presented by Paul Colburn, Master Wildlife Conservationist.

Paul will address the current state, including a discussion of major species, factors affecting their habitats, challenges we face managing them, and provides suggestions for what people can do to make a difference. This presentation provides a brief natural history of CT.



Call 860-859-1130 to register (Sponsored by a grant from the Eightmile River Wild & Scenic Watershed)

## COMMUNITY NEWS YOU CAN USE (continued from p 15)

SALEM FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY (continued)

#### • THE HISTORY OF 18<sup>TH</sup> CENTURY CHOCOLATE MAKING

Wednesday, October 16<sup>th</sup> @ 6:00 PM.

Presented by Robert Lecce of **Pewter Pot Fine Spiced Chocolate**.

Robert Lecce, in period costume, will demonstrate the art of 18<sup>th</sup> century chocolate making.



Includes a chocolate tasting! Call 860 859-1130 to register (Sponsored by the Friends of the Salem Free Public Library)

#### • ARTIFICIAL INTELLENCE 101

Saturday November 16, 2024 @ 11:00 AM. *Presented by: Tony Griggs* Presentation on the uses of AI, how it came about, what it is today and the future of AI. Call 860-859-1130 to register

#### SALEM RECREATION DEPARTMENT

There are many activities for Salem residents of all ages:

#### • SALEM WOODS DISC GOLF COURSE



The Salem Woods Disc Golf Course is open for play.

Located at Bob Appleby Field at Volunteer Park, 24 Forsyth Road.

Discs available for loan contact the Recreation Commission.

#### ADULT CO-ED PICKLEBALL

Pick-up games for Salem & East Lyme Residents ages 18 & over.



Saturday, Mornings 8:00 to 10:00 AM Tuesday, Evenings 5:00 to 7:00 PM

Round Hill Road Tennis/Pickleball Courts Sign in upon arrival.

#### • FIND YOUR FOOTPRINT! MEDALLION PROJECT

WILD TURKEYS

DEEP

Saturday, November 2<sup>nd</sup>, @ 11:00 AM

Presented by Ginny Apple Master Wildlife Conservationist with the CT

Ginny will discuss wild turkeys, their

Mating rituals and offspring.

role in early America their Habitats, eating habits,

Call 860-859-1130 to register

(Sponsored by a grant from the

**Eightmile River Wild & Scenic Watershed)** 

Let us know when you've found your 2024 Medallion & submit a photo!

Find your footprint in the following trails/preserves: Walden Preserve, Zemko Sawmill Preserve, Multi-Purpose Path/Harris Brook Trail, Darling Road Preserve, Smuggler's Rock Preserve, Salem Riverside Preserve.

#### • SAND VOLLEYBALL COURT



The volleyball court is open and ready for play. Located at the Salem Community Park Pavilion 89 Norwich Road/Rt. 82.

For additional information on activities provided by the Salem Recreation Commission please visit their website by clicking on: <u>salemct.gov/recreation</u>, or call 860-859-3873, x275

## **VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES**

#### MITCHELL FARM EQUINE RETIREMENT

The Horse Retirement, Horse Sanctuary is looking for help.

Contact Dee Doolittle 860 303-8705, or e-mail: dee@mitchellfarm.org.

#### GARDNER LAKE AND SALEM VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANIES

Both the Salem and Gardner Lake Volunteer Fire Companies are looking for volunteers of <u>ALL AGES</u>.

- Salem Volunteer Fire Company NON-EMERGENCY PHONE: 860-859-0942. To visit their website, click on: <u>https://www.salemfireco.com/</u>.
- Gardner Lake Fire Company NON-EMERGENCY PHONE: 860-859-1743. To visit their website, click on: <u>gardnerlakevolunteerfirecompany.com/home</u>.

#### FRIENDS OF THE SALEM THE LIBRARY (FOSL)

The Friends of The Salem Library could always use help sorting books for the book sale, and at the book sales.

The FOSL will be sorting books most every Wednesday and Friday at the Zemko Garage, 231 Hartford Rd. from 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM. For future book pick-up and work dates, stay tuned and watch for notifications on Facebook.

If you would like to help, contact Carl Nawrocki at 860-608-9970, or Bart Drennen at 860-235-5889.

#### LION'S CLUB

The Lions are looking for volunteers. Contact Dan Holle at 860-300-7570, or Hugh McKenney at 860-303-0042.

#### SALEM SCHOOL

Volunteers are always welcome at **Salem School**. Anyone interested in volunteering can go to the Salem School website by clicking on: <u>salemschools.org</u>. Put the cursor over the "Our School" tab, & click on the "Forms tab" to access the form, OR visit the school and fill out the form at the front desk of the school. Make sure you bring a picture ID with you.

#### THE SALEM LAND TRUST

The Salem Land Trust (SLT) is an all-volunteer non-profit organization permanently conserving land in Salem for wildlife, their habitats, and for people to enjoy nature. Many volunteers begin by helping to keep our miles of hiking trails clear. Each of our 9 Preserves have experienced land Stewards assigned to them, so new volunteers start learning the job from them and other SLT members experienced with being "in the woods." Out in the field, experienced hikers and wildlife lovers cannot help but pass on their knowledge of nature on to all new volunteers. We also have volunteer opportunities in our Membership and Events Committee as we are always looking for new ways to bring the wonder of nature to more people.

For more information or if you are interested in volunteering contact Linda Schroeder: e-mail: <u>Ischroeder@snet.net</u> or call 860-908-9553.

#### CARE & SHARE

Care & Share of East Lyme, Inc. provides food, financial and emergency support to individuals and families in East Lyme, Niantic, and Salem.

If you are interested in volunteering your time, contact them at 860-739-8502.

#### CEMETERY CLEAN-UP

The Salem VFW is always looking for help to clean up the cemeteries. Watch the Facebook website for future dates for cemetery clean up opportunities.

Please bring your gloves, weed-whacker, mower, rakes, and tarps. If you are interested in helping or have a need contact Kay Zak at: 860-889-3989 or e-mail at: <u>kayzak@hotmail.com</u>.

## SENIOR NEWS

#### • Salem Senior Citizens Group

The **Salem Senior Citizen's Group** boasts a current enrolment of over 150 members. Membership has almost tripled since the beginning of 2022.

 Salem (or surrounding town) residents age 50 years or older are welcome to join the Salem Senior Citizen's Group!

Meetings are held at 10:30 AM on the second Tuesday every month at Salem Volunteer Fire Company Firehouse, 424 Hartford Rd. (Rt. 85) in the rear meeting room. A yearly membership dues of \$10 is collected every March. Meetings include town discussions, news, and updates, and interesting guest speakers. After the meeting noon lunch is provided. Trips, events, activities, and classes, throughout the year, are developed by our members.

For more information, please contact Gary Closius (President): <u>gclosius@sbcglobal.net</u>, or call 860-961-9173, or Mary Cikatz (Vice President): <u>mcikatz@yahoo.com</u>, or call 860-287-7275.

Use the following link to view our monthly newsletter: <u>salemct.gov/salem-senior-citizens/pages/salem-</u> <u>seniors-group-newsletters</u> and click on the one you want.

## HOME FIRE PREPAREDNESS CAMPAIGN – AMERICAN RED CROSS

Most of us don't realize we have just two minutes to escape a home fire — which is the nation's most frequent disaster.

#### On average:

- 7 people die every day from a home fire, most impacting children and the elderly
- More than 30 people suffer injuries from home fires every day



That's why the American Red Cross and their partners are preparing families to act quickly through their Home Fire Campaign. They have already made a lifesaving difference, achieving their initial goals of installing 2.5 million free smoke alarms and helping to make 1 million households safer in at-risk communities. But home fires remain a daily threat, so the Home Fire Campaign continues across the country.

During their home visit, at no cost to you, they will share some simple steps you can take that will help you protect you family against fire. The visits last about 20 minutes.

#### During your home visit the Red Cross will:

- Install FREE smoke detectors if needed,
- Provide guidance in the development of a Family Disaster Plan,
- Provide valuable emergency preparedness tips and information,

All demonstrations and installations services are performed by American Red Cross trained volunteers and/or licensed/ insured professionals.

#### Schedule an Appointment

Visit the Red Cross webpage by using the link: <u>https://www.redcross.org/local/connecticut/about-us/our-work/home-fire-campaign/home-fire-safety-visit.html</u> and fill out the form. The American Red Cross will contact you asap. They will do their best to schedule an appointment during your preferred timeframe, but may need to request an alternative time or day if it cannot be accommodated.

# How Do I Get A Copy Of The Newsletter?

If you would like to receive this newsletter via e-mail, please send your request along with your e-mail address to: Gary Closius: <u>gclosius@sbcglobal.net</u>

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