



Heller Outlines Values and Goals

President John Fitzgerald Kennedy said at his swearing in “We observe today not a victory of party but a celebration of freedom.” This was a wise beginning: Kennedy recognized that beyond party affiliations, we share common ideals and respect for our democratic traditions, values, and institutions.

We value free speech, the expression of ideas (including those that differ from our own); we value diversity; and we respect one another. We are privileged to live in a charming and bucolic town, surrounded by natural beauty. Life is good.

I am honored and humbled to be your First Selectman. I welcome the responsibility because of my firm belief in the principles of self-government — which we can put to work to build the future of our Town together. I am committed to town government that is open, inclusive, and transparent — one that promotes discussion and healthy debate but values civility and mutual respect.

So what are our goals for the Town over the next two years?

Let’s agree on a long-term plan for the former Country Club of Woodbridge property.

Let’s agree on a plan for the old firehouse that enhances the value of this historic asset.

Given the current realities in Hartford and Washington,



let’s agree on new and creative approaches to managing resources such as vendor consolidation, eliminating redundancy, sharing services with neighboring towns and school districts, expanding green energy to lower costs, and increasing our focus on expanding the commercial tax base.

We will partner with our business community, listening and acting to address their needs, and promote their success.

As we work together, I will support investment and planning to preserve and enhance our quality of life consistent with our shared values. We take pride in our first responders, our schools, our library, our green open spaces, and our role as a leader in preserving the environment, while maintaining our recognized highest standards for planning and fiscal responsibility. We take pride in our work to modernize the district animal shelter ensuring the excellent adoption rate that the shelter enjoys.

Our democratic process is based on competition of ideas, and this is healthy. Town government at its best is an inclusive process aimed at addressing the concerns and aspirations of all constituents.

As a resident of our Town you have the opportunity to shape its future. I am committed to listening to each of you and ensuring that every voice is heard as we work together.

—Beth Heller, First Selectman

Town Passes Firearm Ordinance & Leash Law

Guns and other weapons will no longer be allowed on Town-owned property per a new ordinance passed unanimously by the Board of Selectmen (BOS) under former First Selectman Ellen Scalettar. Several residents turned out to support the Selectmen’s action.

The new ordinance prohibits carrying guns onto Town-owned property, including municipal buildings, parks, trails, etc. Exemptions exist for law enforcement personnel and for the lawful transport of weapons on Town roads.

Another change to the firearms ordinance brought it into compliance with State law. The ordinance had prohibited discharging a weapon within 500 yards of a dwelling but State law requires that the maximum distance be 500 feet.

Woodbridge Passes Pet Leash Law

The Town now has a “leash law” that requires dogs to be on a leash. Already dog owners (or dog walkers) were required

to pick up and remove dog feces from any public area or private area that is not the dog owners’ yard.

Now dog owners and dog walkers have the additional responsibility of keeping their dog under control with a leash or similar restraint. The blind and accompanying guide dogs are exempted from both requirements.

Town Removes Wood Removal Permits

The Town will no longer issue wood removal permits to residents, the BOS decided at a recent meeting.

The Department of Public Works (DPW) recommended rescinding the permits. In the last several years only a handful of people have applied for a permit.

For residents interested in free wood, the United Illuminating will be conducting tree trimming for the foreseeable future. Residents may pick up wood left on the side of the road before UI returns to collect it.



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From The Tax Office

Although taxes are due July 1, 2017, they may be paid through Aug. 1, 2017 without interest. The Tax Office is open Mon. through Fri., 8:30 am - 4:30 pm with extended hours offered: July 29, 9 am - noon; Aug. 1, 2017, 8:30 am - 7 pm. Credit and debit card payments are accepted online only. For tax information or to make a payment visit the Town website: WoodbridgeCT.org

New Deli and Caterer

First Selectman Ellen Scalettar visited Deli Delish and Catering, a new family-owned deli and catering business in Woodbridge's Selden Plaza.

Owners Julie and Rich Gagliardi owned a neighboring town deli for 16 years. When they first started that business it was the two of them plus one staff member and eventually it grew to 11 employees. "It just got too big and it became more work. We wanted to go back to where we began," said Julie.

They had been looking for a small space to run their deli and Selden Plaza was the right fit. We really like this area," Rich told Scalettar of their move to Woodbridge. "It's very small business oriented. All the small businesses here support each other."

Rich, the chef, started out as a dishwasher as a young teen and worked his way up in the kitchens while learning from some of the best chefs in Connecticut.

Deli Delish has a large menu with hot, cold and specialty sand-

wiches, salads and breakfast items. There are daily specials and made-from-scratch winter soups and cold summer soup options such as avocado bisque and pineapple mango gazpacho. The roasted chicken vegetable soup is almost always

available as people seek it out when they're sick, Rich says.

Their signature dish is eggplant parmesan. "Some people pawn it off as their own," Rich said. "We don't mind - we have even put it in a customer's own dish so they could bring it to a party."

Another point of pride is customer service. "We try to learn people's names and what they like to eat. We try to offer specials that reflect what our customers desire," said Julie.

"Woodbridge is a small town and people know each other, so that's important here," Scalettar told them.

Located at 26A Selden St., the deli makes everything fresh and on premise. Seating is offered as well as take-out and catering.



Renters Relief Program

Applications for the Woodbridge Renters Program may be filed with the Assessor between April 3 and Sept. 29.

Renter Program criteria:

- *Holds full time residence in Woodbridge
- *Turned 65 on or before 2/29/16 (Exempt from age requirement if on social security disability)
- *Total income does not exceed: \$35,200-single person; \$42,900-

married couple (Proof of 2016 income and social security earnings is **required** along with receipts of 2016 rent and 2016 utilities excluding phone & cable).

Applications may be filed at the Assessor's Office Mon. through Fri., 8:30 am - 4:30 pm. For questions, call the Assessor's Office at 203-389-3416 or visit the Town website: www.Woodbridgect.org.

Farmers' Market & New Outdoor Movies

The Woodbridge Library Farmers' Market will run on Tuesday nights in July and August (instead of Wednesdays, like previous years) from 5:30 pm - 8 pm on the Woodbridge Town Green.

Opening day will be Thursday, July 6, as the first Tuesday in July is Independence Day.

The market will join and coincide with the Town summer concert series held weekly in July.

The library will also run an outdoor movie series on Tuesday nights in August to coincide with the end of the Farmers' Market.

Movies will begin around dusk (8 pm) on the Town Green. Below is the movie schedule:

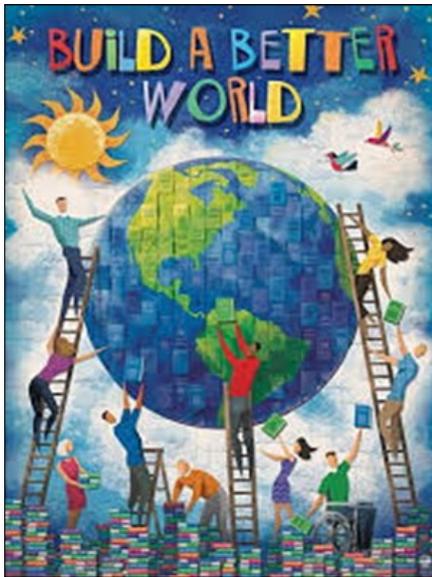
- *August 1: Finding Dory
- *August 8: Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory
- *August 15: Fantastic Beasts and Where to Find Them
- *August 22: Beauty and the Beast
- *August 29: Emma



Upcoming Events

To register for events call the Circulation Desk at 203-389-3433 or visit woodbridge.lioninc.org

***Thursday night film screenings are temporarily on hold as we upgrade projection equipment. We apologize for the inconvenience and thank you for your patience.*



Build a Better World Adult

Summer Reading Program June 15 – August 31:

Challenge yourself to read more or try a different genre. Sign up at the Information Desk and get your passport booklet. Share what you have read with us to get stamps and win prizes. For ages 18 and up.

Adult DIY Workshop: Terrarium.

Build your own, complete with plants.

All supplies included. Registration required. Choose **one** date: Monday, July 10, 3 pm or Thursday, July 13, 7 pm.

Adult DIY Workshop: Tabletop Zen Garden.

Promote relaxation and help relieve stress and anxiety. Supplies included. Registration required. Choose **one** date: Monday, August 7, 3 pm or Thursday, August 10, 7 pm

Tomato Time with Robin Glowa, The Conscious Cook Wed., August 16, 7 pm
Tomatoes are one of the most beloved summer crops! Come enjoy new ways to prepare this wonderful summer ingredient at its peak of freshness. Samples and recipes will be provided. Registration required.

Library Services for Homebound

The Woodbridge Town Library, in conjunction with the Woodbridge Human Services Department, **offers delivery of library materials to the homebound.**

Through this program full library services are offered to those in the community who are elderly and unable to come to the library and to those who are permanently or temporarily disabled and who do not have transportation.

By calling the library, residents may request books, large-print titles, books on CD, magazines, CDs, and DVDs. Please mention you are calling about this program. The Woodbridge Center will arrange delivery to homebound patrons.

If you or someone you know might benefit from this service, please contact Judi Young at Woodbridge Human Services, 203-389-3429 or call the Woodbridge Library at 389-3433.

Library Summer Hours

Library Summer Hours will begin July 1 and will be Monday - Thursday from 10 am - 8 pm and Friday from 10 am - 5 pm.

The Library will close at 4:30 pm on Monday July 3rd and the Library will also open late at 1 pm on Friday August 4th for staff training.

Reading Together

Our 4th annual Reading Together program pairs children in grades K- 3 with teens in grades 9 - 12 to make connections with the stories they read and sharpen their reading skills during the summer.

There are four sessions starting at 5 pm: July 12, July 19, Aug. 9 and Aug. 16. Sign up for as many sessions as your schedule permits and join the fun! Online registration required. For more information, check the Library website, woodbridge.lioninc.org



July and August Ongoing Programs

Baby Rhyme Time Wednesdays 10:30 am
(under 18 months)

Ready to Read Thursdays 10:30 am
(Toddlers, 2 & 3)

Preschool Storycraft Fridays 11:30 am
(Ages 3 - 5)

Children and Teen Programs

Children entering grades K-6 are invited to BUILD A BETTER WORLD this summer at the Woodbridge Library. We have a wealth of resources to keep children engaged in learning activities during the summer months. Check our website for grade level book recommendations. Be sure to visit the Children's Desk, check out some books and pick up your Bookopoly Game Board. Play each time you visit the library and win a free book, while supplies last.

July 12-14: Get a Clue - interactive game. Ages 5+ with family

July 13: Series Club "Ugly Cat & Pablo", grades 2-4, 6:30 pm. Free books for the first 12 kids to arrive

July 17: Eager Readers Book Group "Saving the Liberty Bell," grades K-2, 6:30 pm

July 20: Hungry Readers Group "Recipe for Adventure," grades 3-6, 4:30pm

July 20: Keys Please! Beaded Key Chain Workshop, grades 4 and up, 6 pm

July 26-28: Get a Clue - interactive clue game. For ages 5 and up with family

Aug. 3: Crazy 8's Math Club, grades K-2, 6 pm

Aug. 17: Build a Better World Family Makerspace Night, 6 pm

Farmers' Market Programs

Tuesdays on the Town Green

July 6: Ed Popielarczyk-Balloon Animals, 5-8 pm
Strawbees Maker Table, 5:30-6:30 pm

July 11: Pajama Storytime Under the Stars, 5:30-6 pm

July 18: Face Painting with Kaleidoscope Arts, 5:30-7:30 pm
Story & Craft 5:30-6 pm

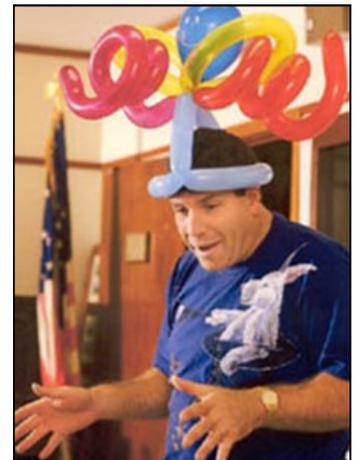
July 25: Teddy Bear Picnic BYO Bear! 5:30pm

Aug. 1: Petting Zoo - Alpacas, Goats & Llamas, Oh My! 5:30 pm
Craft 5:30-6:30 pm

Aug. 8: Stilt Walking with Kaleidoscope Arts 6-8 pm
Hands-On Maker Table, 5:30-6:30pm

Aug. 15: Bending Gravity with Eric Girardi, 6-6:45 pm
Glow in the Dark Craft, 5:30-6 pm

Aug. 22 & 29: Movie Tie-in Craft, 5:30-6 pm



From the Director

Higher temperatures are upon us and we need to be mindful of the higher risk for the elderly, very young, and people with chronic health problems during a heat wave. The Woodbridge Center offers an air conditioned setting to cool off residents in need. The Woodbridge Center is open Mon. through Fri. 8:30 am to 4:30 pm.

With summer heat and the possibility for extreme weather conditions and power outages, the Emergency Shelter may be opened at 4 Meetinghouse Lane. Emergency drinking water is made available at The Woodbridge Center, Beecher Road School and Amity High School.

Important numbers to have handy:

- *911- Emergency Police, Fire and Medical
- *203-387-2511 - Police (non-emergency)
- *203-389-3420 - Public Works
- *1-800-722-5584 - United Illuminating
- * uinet.com/outageinfo/outages - To view outage map or report line outage

-Jeanette Glicksman

July Lunch Menu

Lunch is served Tuesdays and Fridays at the Woodbridge Center Cafeteria at 12:15 pm. The cost is \$3 for dine-in meals and \$4 for take-out. Reservations are requested. Meals include bread, juice, coffee/tea and dessert.

- 7/4 **Closed for Independence Day**
- 7/7 Roast beef with potatoes and vegetables
- 7/11 Stuffed shrimp with rice pilaf
- 7/14 Manicotti & meatballs
- 7/18 Meatloaf and mashed potatoes
- 7/21 Salad plate with choice of blackened shrimp or chicken
- 7/25 **Annual Summer Indoor Picnic co-sponsored by Woodbridge Police Department:** \$6. BBQ chicken, hot dogs, hamburgers, salads, watermelon and dessert
- 7/28 Lasagna & salad

Special Programming

Events are held at the Woodbridge Center unless noted otherwise. To RSVP or for more information, call 203-389-3430 or email jglicksman@woodbridgect.org

July 10 - AARP Safe Driver Training: 9 am - 1 pm. \$15 for AARP members; \$20 for non-members. Please register.

July 10 - BBQ sponsored by Coachman Square who will be giving back to the community through their 'Radiant Acts of Kindness' program. Delicious BBQ food, refreshments and live entertainment will be provided to all Woodbridge residents and Town employees, 12 - 3 pm at the grove near the Woodbridge Town Library.

July 11 - Lunch Program "Healthy Living for your Brain and Body" presented by Maria Tomasetti, South Central Regional Director of Alzheimer's Association, CT Chapter. Learn about diet and nutrition, exercise, cognitive activity and social engagement. Use hands-on tools and engage in brain games. Reservations are requested.

July 17 - Lunch Bunch at the Brookside Inn in Seymour. Transportation provided by the Center van (\$3 fee) or meet us there. Reservations are required. Participants self-pay at the restaurant.

July 18 - Adult Coloring, taught by Woodbridge resident Fred Solomon, 11 am - noon in the Woodbridge Center lounge. Materials will be provided.

July 18 - Lunch program entertain-

ment with Paula Pettinella. Reservations requested.

July 25 - "Annual Indoor BBQ" at Noon in the Center Café with entertainment by Jim Sheehan. \$6 per person.



Adult Coloring instructor Fred Solomon with students, from left, Mimi Setlow and Dolly DeFillipo.

July 25 - Trip to Block Island. Tour the island and enjoy a lovely lunch at the National Hotel. The trip is \$131 with transportation, ferry, narrated island tour, lunch and driver's gratuity. Must register.

August 1 - Lunch program entertainment with John Paolillo. Reservations are requested.

August 8 - Lunch Program "Consequences of Untreated Hearing Loss" with Audiologist Dr. Willa Horowitz, Au.D., owner of Acuity Hearing Solutions LLC. This presentation will speak to ways we can conserve and protect our hearing and understand the consequences of not recognizing or not treating hearing loss.

August 15 - Hearing Screening, 10 am - noon with Audiologist Dr. Willa Horowitz, Au.D., owner of Acuity Hearing Solutions LLC.

August 21 - Lunch Bunch at Lenny and Joe's Fish Tale in New Haven. Transportation provided by the Center van (\$3 fee) or meet us there. Reservations are required. Participants self-pay at the restaurant.

August 22 - National Senior Citizens Day! Lunch program entertainment with Brian Gillie. Reservations are requested.

Ongoing Programming

New! The Woodbridge Center is offering a new card game. Captain is a multi-player Gin Rummy game played Tuesdays, 1:15-3:15 pm. Instruction provided. Please call for details.

New! Stay healthy, meet new friends, and enjoy one of Woodbridge’s best walking locations! Walk the Fitzgerald Property cornfield loop at a moderate or gentle pace. The **walking group** meets Friday promptly at 9:30 am at the parking area on Beecher Road. To join call 203-389-3430 or email Judi Young at rsocialworker@Woodbridgect.org.

Pickleball: Meets Fridays in the Center Gym for group play, 2 -3:30 pm. Paid annual members may arrange playing times with other players and drop in Mon. - Thu, 12:30 - 2:15 pm and Fri., 12:30 - 3:30 pm. Equipment is available on a first come, first served basis.

Exercise with Laurie: Workout includes a combination of strength training, cardio, flexibility and balance. Bring your own weights if you have them. Class is at the Center Gym, Tue. & Thu., 10 - 11 am. No need to sign up - just pay a drop in fee of \$2 and stay for a great workout! No class on 7/20, 7/25, and 7/27.

Book Club: The book club meets on the 4th Tuesday of each month, 11 am at the Library. *Anything is Possible* by Elizabeth Strout will be discussed July 25 and *Beartown* by Fredrik Backman will be discussed August 22. Stop by the adult services desk at the library to pick up a copy of the book.

Art Class: Space Available! This 10-week class, taught by local artist Graham Dalebegan, began in June but can be pro-rated. Class meets Wed., 10 am - noon. For a list of needed supplies and to register contact 203-389-3430. The \$60 Class Fee will be pro-rated for those joining late.

Friday Movies: Following lunch in the Center Lounge at about 1 pm: 7/7 *Zookeepers Wife*, 7/14 *Lost City of Z*, 7/21 *Tommy’s Honour*, 7/28 Favorite Film Friday, *To Kill a Mockingbird*, 8/4 *Gifted*, 8/11 *Going in Style*, 8/18 *The Ottoman Lieutenant*, 8/25 Favorite Film Friday: *Dream Girls*

Ask the Nurse –1st and 3rd Tue. of the month, 11 am - 12:30 pm, blood pressure screenings, weight and conversation with a registered nurse from VNA Community Healthcare.

Duplicate Bridge: Mondays, 9:30 am, Center Café.

Bridge: New members invited! Join the group for a friendly game of cards. No reservations necessary– just come down to the Center lounge at 1 pm on Wednesdays.

Pinochle: Mon., Wed., and Thu., 1-4 pm, Center lounge. The group is always looking for new players and is willing to bring rusty players up to speed!

Mah-jong: Mon., & Fri., 10 am, Center Building - Room 11.

Woodbridge Center 24th Annual Harvest & Holiday Fair Sat., November 4, 10 am - 2 pm in the Center Gym:

Donations of new and gently used items are being accepted for the Harvest & Holiday Fair tag sale. We seek companies and individuals to donate themed baskets for the Silent Auction or “Take a Chance” raffle items. Event proceeds will help support Woodbridge Center programming and needs. Volunteers from the community are needed for outreach, event set-up and during the day of the fair. For information contact Elaine Marcucio, [203-887-5047](tel:203-887-5047) or Emarcucio@gmail.com.

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8/1 Garlic chicken with rice

8/4 Pasta Alfredo topped with spinach & chicken

8/8 **National Friendship Day:** Salisbury steak, mashed potatoes & friendship breads



8/11 Crab cakes with rice pilaf

8/15 Eggplant ragu with farfalle pasta

8/18 **National Tell a Joke Day:** Why did the chicken stir-fry cross the road?

8/22 Turkey meat loaf, vegetables & sweet potatoes

8/25 Salad plate with choice of tuna or chicken salad

8/29 **End of Summer Picnic:** Hot dogs, hamburgers, salad & watermelon

Job Prep Class for Teens

Job Readiness at Amity Adult Ed:

Woodbridge Youth Services urges high school and young college students to attend a two-day workshop on July 10 & 11, from 10 - Noon.

Each student will complete a resume to be taken home on a flash drive, work through an application, and experience the interview



process. Preparation for part or full-time work is the focus of this

workshop. Course includes: flash drive, workbook and materials. Fee: \$10.

Register online via "Continuing Ed":

www.amityregion5.org

Call Youth Services at 203-389-3429 for more information.

7th Grade Picnic - Aug. 24

Woodbridge Youth Services invites all incoming seventh grade Bethany and Woodbridge students



to the annual Seventh Grade Picnic with the challenging Leaps and Bounds Inflatable, games, pizza, interactive DJ, hip-hop dancer and raffle. Admission is \$5.

Join in the fun on Aug. 24,

5:30 - 7:30 pm, Woodbridge Green, Meetinghouse Lane.

Rain location is Woodbridge Center Building Gym.

To register or for information, call 203-389-3429.

Volunteers and donations needed. Event is sponsored by Woodbridge Youth Services and the Town of Bethany.

WOODBIDGE JOB BANK -TEENS WANTED

Woodridge teens, ages 13-17, interested in earning extra cash for yard work, babysitting, animal care, housework, etc., should call Youth Services to apply at 203-389-3429.

TEENS TO HIRE

Woodbridge residents looking to hire local teens for odd jobs like yard work, party help, cleaning, tutoring, and moving boxes should call 203-389-3429 for details.

Recreation News

There is still time to join the CCW Pool. Family, couples and single memberships available. Summer Recreation Camp runs through August 4.

For rates and registration details call 203-389-3446 or visit the Town website, woodbridgect.org

Summer Concerts

Tuesdays in July, on the Green at 6 pm

*First Concert - Thursday, July 6 due to July 4 Holiday
Rain Location: Center Gym*

- July 6:** George Gritzbach Band - Blues/Retro R&B
- July 11:** Changes in Latitudes-Jimmy Buffet Tribute Band
- July 18:** Remember September - Rock
- July 25:** Forgotten by Friday - Country

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Summer Camp Options

New! Bricks4kidz

Campers will use fascinating and challenging LEGO components to create dynamic vehicles, inventions, machines and more.

Camp runs 1 - 4 pm: July 17 to 21; July 24 to 28. The cost is \$220/camper per week or \$400 for both weeks.

Baseball

Amity High School Head Baseball Coach Sal Coppola will lead camp July 10 to 21, 9 - noon. The 10 day camp (Mon. - Fri.) is \$325/camper.

Basketball

Amity Assistant High School Boys Basketball Coach Mike Brady will lead

camp July 17 to 21, 1 - 4 pm. For ages 8 -14; \$175/camper.

Little Scientist

Science camps are offered to K - 5th graders for four weeks. With a different theme each week, camp runs 1:30 - 4 pm: June 26 to 30; July 3 to 7 (no class July 4); July 10 to 14; July 31 to Aug.4. Call for science topics offered, \$234/camper per week.

Massaro Farm

Camp is led by experienced environmental educators and special guests for campers, ages 5 -10. Camp is 9 am - noon with two sessions: Aug. 7 - 11; Aug. 14 -18.

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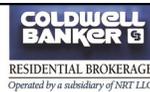


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CCW Property Update

Birds and wildlife are returning to the Country Club of Wood-

bridge property now that golf has ceased and pesticides are no longer used.

Many residents have reported being

amazed by the beauty of the vistas and the variety of returning birds.

The property is being used for passive recreation — areas adjacent to the cart paths are being mowed and some bridges have been removed for safety reasons. Walking (dogs must be leashed)

and biking is permitted; closed-toe shoes are recommended.



The plan is to mow the entire property twice a year — late fall and early spring — per the ad hoc Best Organic/Outdoor

Maintenance and Management Practices Committee's recommendations. This will prevent disturbances of butterfly eggs, retain seed heads for bird food and avoid disturbing early nesters, such as bluebirds, while controlling unwanted invasive plants.

Police Offer Hurricane Tips

The Woodbridge Police Department offers tips to residents for the hurricane season.

The Atlantic season runs June to November, with peak season in August through October.

High winds and torrential rains may cause catastrophic damage to shorelines and several hundred miles inland with flooding that persists for days.

Hurricane Watch means storm conditions are expected, within 36 hours. A Hurricane Warning indicates storm conditions within 24 hours.

In case of a hurricane:

- *Secure outdoor property
- *Clear gutters and downspouts
- *Charge phones and computer
- *Have ample food, batteries and water for drinking and toilet flushing
- *Stay indoors away from glass doors and windows
- *Listen for storm updates
- *Drive only if necessary
- *Keep away from loose or dangling power lines
- *Report any emergency to authorities