

# Kent Town Newsletter

#### Let's dig right in...

I hope you all got to celebrate Earth Day today. On second thought, I hope you celbrate Earth Day *every day.* 





#### **Budget**

The Town is working with the Board of Finance to adopt the budget within the scope of Governor Lamont's Executive Orders put in place in light of the COVID19 pandemic.

Executive Order 7I suspends the in-person budget adoption requirements for municipalities. It also requires the municipality take all reasonable steps to publicize the draft budget and to provide for the public to make timely comments.

To this end, we are using SurveyMonkey to enable you to submit comments. You will be able you to ask up to five (5) questions of the Board of Education, Board of Finance, and Board of Selectmen about the budget. There's even a comment box at the end if you would just like to offer a comment.

Here's the link: <u>https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Ask\_Your\_20-21\_Kent\_Budget\_Questions</u>

If you would like to view the proposed budget, Please visit the <u>budget page on our website</u>.

*The comment period is open till May 6th at 11:59pm.* Once we receive all the submissions, they will be sent to each board for their response, which will then be read in for discussion at the Board of Finance's May 19th meeting, where the public will be also allowed to ask questions. The Board of Finance will then adjourn to a special meeting to approve the budget and set the mill rate.

#### Kent CERT

Our new CERT members are already busy they have sent over 100 hand-written cards to some of out community members, and they're busy organizing a face-covering making effort for the citizens of Kent.



Do you know how to run a sewing machine? Kent CERT is looking for sewers to make face coverings! They'll provide the materials and pattern, you provide the sewing! Click the button below to contact Cert Team Leader with interest.







#### Town of Kent Farm Share with The Northwest Connecticut Food Hub is coming the 1st week of May!

Big shout out to the 100+ people in Kent who expressed interest in this program - Kent was by far the town that showed the most interest! **The plan is to start share deliveries the first week in May.** If you are interested, please go to: www.nwctfoodhub.org/farm-share to register.

# **HRRA Recycling Poster Contest winners**

I was honored this evening to be invited to the awards ceremony for the 2020 Recycling Poster contest. Jennifer Heaton of HRRA was a great Zoom emcee, and the kids truly enjoyed the unique experience.

We had two winners from Kent; First Grader Leah Finberg who attends Kent Center School, and 11th Grader Olivia Pignitaro who attends The Marvelwood School. Please congratulate them for their wonderful pieces.





Olivia Pignataro Leah Finberg

#### **Please Stay Home to Stay Safe**

# Please share and encourage friends and family (near or far), and friends to subscribe.

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## **Kent Community Fund**

The Kent Community Fund has funds available to help Kent residents experiencing financial needs as a result of Covid-19 related layoffs or reduction in income. Assistance is also available for related needs such as for residents still working who have expanded child care needs resulting from school shut-downs or other needs. Access to help is through Leah Pullaro, the Town of Kent Social Services Director at 860 927-1586 or socialservices@townofkentct.org.

KVFD is please to announce their Birthday Express!! On your child's birthday, have fire trucks come to you home. visit our website to register!

#### **Upcoming Meetings**

Visit our calendar page for all dates

Monday, 4.27 @7p - Inland Wetlands Monday, 5.4 @7p - Region 1 Board of Ed Thursday 5.6 @6p - KCS Board of Ed Tuesday 5.12@4p - Sewer Tuesday 5.12@6:30 - Board of Selectman Tuesday 5.12@7p - Board of Finance Tuesday 5.12@7 - ZBA

Thursday 5.14@7 - Planning & Zoning Monday 5.18@7p - Park & Recreation Monday 5.18@7p - Inland Wetlands

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