

# MAYOR'S NEWSLETTER

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## PAY YOUR TAXES WHILE YOU BANK

In an effort to make paying your taxes a more convenient experience, I have created a new payment option that will allow you to make a regular tax bill payment 6 days a week at your local bank; Savings Bank of Danbury. Beginning on July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2015, you can walk into any of the 5 Savings Bank of Danbury branches in our city with your tax bill, and make your payment. You do not have to be a Savings Bank of Danbury customer to use this service.

This service will only be available for on-time payments and the bank will only be able to take the payment; any additional paperwork required for the Department of Motor Vehicles, etc. will have to be picked up at the Tax Collector Office in City Hall during regular business hours. For more information please call the Tax Collector Office at 203-797-4541.

## THANK YOU FOR KEEPING DANBURY BEAUTIFUL!

I would like to give a big THANK YOU! to our clean-up teams, over 1,000 volunteers & **Winters Brothers Waste Systems, CT** for making our annual Clean City Danbury Day a success. On behalf of the entire city, I would like you to know how much we appreciate your support. Together we collected 132+ Tons of refuse!

19 Cleveland Street Possey	Danbury High AFTROTC CT-021	MCCA (McDonough House)
Abbott Tech H.S. Leo Club	Danbury High Marching Band	Morganti Group, Inc
Alternative Center for Excellence	Danbury Jr. Hatters	National Honor Society
Amerigo Vespucci #160	Danbury People Empowering People	New Hope Baptist Church
Barclay Commons	Danbury Robotics	Plainer Old Nick
Bethel Action Committee	Ecuadorian Civic Center	Parent Leader Training Institute
Boy Scouts of America Troop 9	Friends of Danbury Cemeteries	Regional Y Escape to the Arts
Boy Scouts of America Troop 52	Greenfield Avenue Team	Rosy Tomorrows
Broadview United Everywhere	Heroes of the Park	Roy Estate, LLC
Community Solutions Danbury AIC	Immaculate Heart of Mary Church	Salsa Fresca Mexican Grill
Concerned Citizens	Jericho Partnership	Still River Alliance Commission
Danbury Automotive Services, Inc.	Judith Howes & Ralph Cullen Team	Tarrywile Park and Mansion
Danbury City Council	Ladies of Juniper Ridge	Terra Glen Bocce Club
Danbury Drifters	Boehringer Ingelheim & Land Trust of Danbury	The Candlevew Ridge Crusaders
Danbury Fish and Game	Logan's Way	Upper El Club, Morris Street School
Danbury Grassroots Tennis & Enrichment	MCCA Sobering Center	Westville Avenue Team

## CITY HALL TAX PAYMENT DROP BOX HAS BEEN MOVED

For further convenience and efficiency, a new drop box for tax bill payments has been moved closer to the main entrance of City Hall. It is now located to the right of the front door of City Hall. The drop box can be used for regular, on-time, tax bill payments only.



**HAZARDOUS  
WASTE  
COLLECTION DAY**

**Saturday, September 26**  
- 9am to 2pm  
Public Works Facility  
53 Newtown Road,  
Danbury, CT

Open to Bethel, Danbury,  
New Fairfield, Newtown,  
Redding and Ridgefield  
residents.

**Monday, September 7 -  
Labor Day**  
City Offices Closed

**Friday, September 11 –  
9/11 Remembrance**  
Elmwood Park 6pm

**Saturday & Sunday,  
Sept. 12 & 13 -  
Taste of Greater Danbury**  
Danbury Green on  
Ives Street

**Monday, October 12 -  
Columbus Day**  
City Offices Closed

**Tuesday, November 3 –  
Election Day**  
Call 203-797-4550 to find  
out how to register to vote,  
and for your voting  
location.

**Saturday, June 27 –  
Candlewood Park Fireworks**  
Begins at dusk  
Raindate: June 28

**Thursday, July 2 –  
Danbury Fair Mall Fireworks**  
Begins at dusk

**Friday, July 3 –  
Independence Day Observance**  
City Offices Closed

# CAUTION! IT IS TICK SEASON

Tick season is here and the Danbury Health Department is promoting a safety Tick-Borne Diseases program called BLAST. B.L.A.S.T. stands for the five most important things you and your family can do to stay safe from tick-borne diseases.

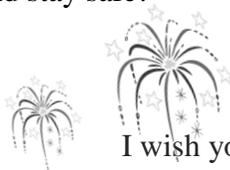
**B** stands for **BATHING** soon after spending time outdoors. A study showed that people who bathed or showered within 2 hours of coming indoors did not contract Lyme disease as frequently as those who did not.

**L** reminds everyone to **LOOK** their bodies over for ticks daily and remove them properly. Speedy removal helps avoid disease transmission. Remove ticks carefully by their mouth parts with a tweezer and save them in a container for identification.

**A** encourages you to **APPLY** repellants and to become educated about them. Studies have shown that applying 30-40% DEET-based repellant to skin is effective at repelling blacklegged (deer) ticks. Application of 0.5% permethrin-based insecticide to clothing is highly effective at repelling and even killing ticks. Clothing treated with permethrin can be washed several times and still retains its repellant properties. The use of repellants, while proven effective is a personal decision. For more information on tick repellants, visit the **National Pesticide Information Center's website** at [www.npic.orst.edu](http://www.npic.orst.edu).

**S** stands for **SPRAYING** the yard to reduce tick abundance. Homeowners should consider the benefits of applying pesticide to the perimeter of their yards. Studies have shown that even one application of pesticide at the right time of year and in the best location can reduce blacklegged tick populations by 85 – 90%. Complete information on tick management is available at the **Connecticut Agricultural Experiment Station website** at [www.ct.gov/caes](http://www.ct.gov/caes).

**T** reminds everyone to **TREAT** your pets. Local veterinarians offer a variety of methods for protecting animals from tick-borne diseases. Dogs and cats increase one's chances of exposure to Tick-Borne Disease. Pets can carry ticks in to the home on their fur. Pet owners should be cautious about sleeping with their pets. If you would like more information please feel free to contact the City's Health Department at 203-797-4625 or visit their page at [www.Danbury-ct.gov](http://www.Danbury-ct.gov). Be alert and stay safe!



## HAPPY JULY 4<sup>TH</sup>!



I wish you and your loved ones a Happy Independence Day!  
Please look over the following tips, and have fun responsibly!

- All fireworks are illegal in the State of Connecticut, with the exception of sparklers and fountains (nonexplosive, non-aerial devices).
- Party poppers, snakes, smoke devices and anything that emits a flame are not legal for private use in Connecticut.
- Light one sparkler at a time.
- Use sparklers **OUTDOORS** in a clear area; away from buildings and vehicles.
- Always have a bucket of water or charged water hose nearby.
- Never carry a lighted sparkler in your **POCKET**.
- Dispose of spent sparklers by wetting them down and place in a metal trash can away from other trash.

God Bless America!