



# TWIB NOTES



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## BOZRAH RESIDENT RAYMOND C. BARBER INDUCTED INTO THE CONNECTICUT STATE FIREFIGHTERS HALL OF FAME



September of 2021 has been an outstanding month for me. On Monday, September 13<sup>th</sup>, I was honored by the Bozrah Volunteer Fire Company and presented with a plaque that is permanently mounted on the front of the Firehouse. The plaque details my induction into the Connecticut State Firefighters Hall of Fame, as the first, and so far only Bozrah member to receive this honor. Also listed on the plaque are the offices that I have held in my 70 years as a member. This plaque is an unprecedented honor and I thank the Bozrah Fire Company for their great recognition.

On September 23<sup>rd</sup> at the Aqua Turf banquet facility in Southington, I will formally be inducted into the Connecticut State Firefighters Hall of Fame. It's anticipated that over 70 people will attend on my behalf from Bozrah and out of town. I am extremely honored to receive this recognition and it is something that I never expected to receive.

## ACCOMPLISHMENTS: STATE:

- 50 year Member in good standing New London County Fire Chiefs Association 1968-Present
- President New London County Fire Chiefs Association, 2015
- State Fire Marshall, Bozrah, Franklin & Lebanon 1973-1998
- Emergency Medical Services Commission 1975-1977, (appointed by Governor Ella T. Grasso)
- Committee Member State Firefighters Convention & Parade 2010-2017

## SPECIAL AWARDS:

- State of Connecticut, Official Citation recognizing Lifetime Service to Fire and EMS Services, by State Senator Cathy Osten, 2015
- Congressional Official Citation recognizing Lifetime Service to Fire and EMS Services Presented by U.S. Congressman Joseph Courtney, 2015
- Outstanding Service Award Bozrah Volunteer Fire Company, Inc. 2017

## BUILDING OFFICIAL TOM WEBER

**Will not be in his office Thursday,  
September 30, 2021.**

## TRANSFER STATION WINTER HOURS BEGAN SEPTEMBER 15, 2021:

Monday	12:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.
Wednesday	12:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.
Saturday	8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Mr. Kaplan was a dedicated teacher at Fields Memorial School from 1965-2001. He taught 5th and 6th grade for all of his 37 years as a public school teacher in Bozrah.

He was a long time Bozrah community resident along with his wife Eileen having raised their daughters here. He served the town in various ways through the years. Chances are if you lived here or went to school here you knew the Kaplan's and were impacted positively by their contributions to the school and community.

Even though it's been decades since we sat in his class the feeling we remember when he greeted us each day back then has not faded from our collective memories. He was a special man who cared about the kids in this community. He made us laugh every day. He was... and always will be... a timeless icon in our lives.

Mr. Kaplan passed away in 2018 at the age of 75. Family and Friends honored Mr. Kaplan by dedicating a memorial bench and butterfly bush at Fields Memorial School on September 16th.



**FIELDS MEMORIAL SCHOOL BOTTLE/CAN DRIVE**

FMS Class of 2022 will pick up bottles/cans on Fridays, at FMS, outside sidewalk near basketball court.

**BOZRAH FOOD PANTRY**

The Bozrah Food Pantry is available for Bozrah residents. Food request forms are available at Town Hall and must be filled out by Wednesday each week for pickups on Thursdays from 3:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Donations of non-perishable food items can be dropped off at Town Hall during regular business hours, or by Contacting Tom Ververis (860) 334-7745 or Linda Blinn-Smolten (860) 334-4446.



The Bozrah Senior Center is open Fridays from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. All seniors 60+ are welcome. We are asking that everyone be fully vaccinated before attending. Masks are required. The TVCCA Café Lunch program is now running again. If you would like to order lunch, you must call by Monday of each week. The ECTC Senior Bus is available for those who need a ride to the center. Please call Pam Contino (860-917-5672) for more information.

**ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER**  
**860-774-1253**

<u>COMMITTEE</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME AND PLACE</u>
BOE Policy Sub-Committee	Tuesday, Sept. 28, 2021	6:30 p.m. ZOOM
BOZRAH AGRICULTURE COMM	Tuesday, Sept. 28, 2021	7:00 p.m. Maples Farm Park Homestead
HAVE A GREAT WEEK		GLENN PIANKA