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Win a tree, plant a smile.

TTD's FREE Tree Lottery Returns This Spring



Yes, it's back! Again this year, TTD offers trees to homeowners in East Norwalk for FREE. With a grant to Norwalk Tree Alliance, TTD will provide trees at no cost to homeowners – for the tree and for planting it. Our goal is to beautify East Norwalk neighborhoods and to enhance the quality of our environment.

Because the Free Tree program has been so popular, a tree lottery has been established for the last three years. If you're interested in a free tree to be planted in your front yard, please email TTD at ctenney@ttd.gov with your name, home address and telephone number. If you entered the lottery in previous years, you'll need to enter again this year in order to qualify. As there are a limited number of trees available, qualified homeowners will be selected at a drawing at the end of March.

Lucky homeowners will be contacted in early April. They will be offered from a selection of specimen trees, such as maple, oak and linden. A professional landscape team then will plant the selected tree at a front yard location approved by the homeowner.

Since we began the Free Tree program, Norwalk Tree Alliance has planted over 60 trees throughout East Norwalk. These trees help to restore the tree canopy of Norwalk depleted due to storm damage, disease and removal.

Why plant a tree?

Trees provide many personal, neighborhood and town benefits throughout the year. Besides adding value and beauty to your property, trees provide a habitat for songbirds and other wildlife. They absorb pollution and provide cooling shade. By holding in soil, trees reduce erosion and storm-water runoff. ●



Andrew Strauss
Norwalk Tree Alliance



TTD's FEATURED BUSINESS PICK



Did you ever hear the expression "food is love"? Well, it's alive and well at Jimmy's!

Jimmy and Georgia Iosifides started Jimmy's Mediterranean Deli-Grocery in 1989, originally on East Avenue, then buying and moving into 65 Van Zant Street in 1992. Their children, Rhea and her brother Kosta, have been working at the deli since their mid-teens, and today manage and run the place. Jimmy has since retired yet is still an integral part, often visiting with his grandchildren.

Jimmy's is not just about breakfast, subs and pizza, "our customers return again and again for our traditional dishes. For us, it's all about getting to know them", says Rhea.

"They love our tuna melts, but we're known for our daily hot specials such as our delicious Pastitsio – similar to lasagna. They're all made by our head chef Orestis Fitsios, my mom's cousin and who has been at Jimmy's for many years."

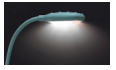
Stop in to say hi to Rhea at Jimmy's Deli and taste a delicious dish with a side of friendly! ●

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Jimmy's team (left to right): Orestis, Kathy, Dawn, Jimmy, Kostas, Rhea, Gio, Jen and Marvin

Energy Saving Tips



Use LED bulbs in all the portable table and floor lamps in your home.



Make sure your refrigerator or freezer is maintaining the proper temperature. Recommended temperatures are 37° to 40° for the refrigerator and 5° for the freezer.



Use 4-watt mini-fluorescent or electro-luminescent night lights where you need them.



When washing the dishes, scrape – don't rinse – off large food pieces and bones. Soaking for pre-washing is generally only recommended in cases of burned-on or dried-on food.



Be sure your dishwasher is full, but not overloaded. Loading your dishwasher properly will prevent the need to re-wash dishes.



Wash and dry full loads of clothes; if washing a small load, be sure to indicate the appropriate water-level settings. •

Events

MARCH 4



The Marvin Community Room
60 Gregory Boulevard
East Norwalk

For the purpose of approving the annual budget of the Third Taxing District which includes the appropriation for the East Norwalk Improvement Association •

TTD Calendar

COMMISSION MEETING MARCH 23 • 6:30PM

GOOD FRIDAY APRIL 10 (office closed)

COMMISSION MEETING APRIL 27 • 6:30PM



COMING THIS SUMMER



Weekends were made for music!
Get ready for the TTD SUMMER CONCERT SERIES..

Monthly Tree Lightings

MARCH

Every day, people living with Multiple Sclerosis (MS) do whatever it takes to move their lives forward despite the challenges. The tree is lit in light orange to raise awareness for MS, and for The National Multiple Sclerosis Society in helping people better understand life with MS, and become inspired to do whatever it takes to change the world for people living with MS.

Visit nationalmssociety.org



APRIL

Members of the Exchange Club of Norwalk will join thousands of fellow Exchangites across the country throughout the month of April to promote child abuse prevention in their local communities. 'Believe in the Blue' introduced in 2007, is an effort to reach families across the nation with helpful, positive parenting tips. Exchange believes parents have the power to make positive parenting choices in the lives of their children and the Exchange Club of Norwalk supports their efforts.

Visit exchangeclub.com



Hey Kids... Kevin Kilowatt Here!
Play safely in the warm weather!

- Don't build a treehouse in a tree with power lines running through it.
- Never fly kites or model airplanes near power lines. Call us to untangle kites or balloons that get caught in overhead wires. Don't try to do it yourself.
- Don't release metallic balloons - they can get caught in power lines and cause outages. •



☎ To report a power outage during non-business hours, call 203-663-6875. ☎

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