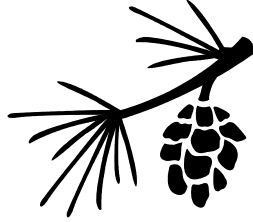


Town of Cornwall



Apart Together

Coronavirus / Covid-19 Update, Vol. 14

May 7, 2020

Dear Friends,

It is interesting to be at the local center of the Covid19 Pandemic. There have been moments of inspiration, of great and humble generosity, and a few times of despair with the effects of illness. I did observe a young store clerk at a local store having to explain the necessity of wearing masks (it is the law and personal protection) to a much older (and more vulnerable) visiting tourist. I again thank our frontline workers including local businesspeople and emergency responders for keeping Cornwall running under difficult circumstances. Please support your local businesses and follow their safety precautions.

We have recorded another heartwarming week of donations to the Food & Fuel Fund. (Always welcome at Box 97 Cornwall, CT 06753.) Another group we are assisting are grandparents, who had previously relied on now unemployed children, for food assistance. People who lost their jobs are eligible for State assistance with health insurance. Janet Carlson has information about Access Health CT at 860-672-0043.

Many people have been out enjoying our trails and roads. This is fine as long as they obey the social distancing rules. Walkers are reminded to stay on the road as I received a report of someone almost tangling with a local bull by climbing over a barbwire fence way off-track.

The Town has enacted a tax deferral program for the Town property taxes that are due July 1st. Eligibility information and applications are available on www.CornwallCT.org, or at the Tax Collector Jean Bouteiller's office – 860-672-2075.

I enjoyed seeing many houses that are usually empty this time of year full of people, especially multigenerations. Thanks also go out to residents who have assisted frequently with the efforts of community assistance. Please stay in touch with your neighbors, from a distance – apart / together.

Sincerely,

Gordon Ridgway
First Selectman
Town of Cornwall, CT

PS: Food Bank Wish List from Social Service Director Heather Dinneen.

Donations may be dropped off at the rear of the UCC Church
Bolton Hill Road, Cornwall Village 06753

Shampoo/Conditioner
Boxed macaroni and cheese
Cooking oil (Olive, vegetable, canola)
Mayonnaise
Oatmeal (plain and flavored)
Whole canned tomatoes
Pasta sauce
Cereal (Flavors other than Cheerios)
Toothpaste
Dishwasher detergent