Old Saybrook

COVID 19 Community UPDATE #47 – May 1, 2020

The following Community Update is being provided to you from the Town of Old Saybrook Emergency Operations Center.

The intent of this document is to provide a daily summary of preparedness, response and other government activities.

Public Safety & Community Information

- The Nation, State, and Town remain under Declared States of Emergency.
- The Town's Emergency Operations Center (EOC) remains operational.
- There was one new CONFIRMED case of COVID-19 today in Old Saybrook.
- Old Saybrook belongs to the Connecticut River Area Health District (CRAHD).
- This includes the Towns of Chester, Clinton, Deep River, Haddam, and Old Saybrook.
- There were three (3) new CONFIRMED cases of COVID-19 today in our Health District.
- These are the current reported Positive Cases according to CRAHD:

Chester - 35 Confirmed Cases 7 Deaths
 Clinton - 32 Confirmed Cases 3 Deaths

Deep River - 9 Confirmed Cases
 Haddam - 21 Confirmed Cases
 Old Saybrook - 23 Confirmed Cases

- This is a very important time. We must do everything we can to keep people healthy.
- Now more than ever, we truly need EVERYONE, to help PREVENT Community Spread.
- Wear a facemask when in public. It really, truly, helps prevent the spread.
- Old Saybrook Residents WILL receive face masks next week.
- The masks are FDA approved, three (3) ply surgical facemasks.
- Based on a population of 10,200 residents, we hope to provide two (2) masks per person.
- Two locations will be used to hand out the masks on a date to be scheduled **NEXT WEEK.**
- Masks will be handed out at the Old Saybrook Middle School and Old Saybrook High School.
- Residents will travel to where they vote in municipal, state, or federal elections.

- Voting District 1 will get their masks at the Middle School.
- Voting District 2 will get their masks at the High School.
- You DO NOT have to be registered to vote to get a mask. But you MUST be an OS resident!
- We will provide more information on Operation "Masks for OS" over the next few days.
- DO NOT try to get your masks now. We are not there. The program will happen next week.
- Those who are unable to leave their homes & desire masks will be provided with an option.
- We will hold a public conference call with local businesses on Saturday at 10 AM.
- Use the following information to participate in the call:

1-408-418-9388

Meeting number (access code): 798 802 912 Meeting password: 2684319

■ PLEASE DO NOT over crowd the beaches and parks this weekend. Follow the law!

Recovery Taskforce – Open OS!

- One of the four (4) phases of Emergency Management is "Recovery".
- We will be simultaneously "Responding" and "Recovering" for quite some time.
- The Town has established a Recovery Taskforce.
- The goal of the Taskforce is to ensure the Town opens SAFELY & SUCCESSFULLY.
- All plans must be in concert with the Governor's Orders and Public Health Guidance.
- You have an opportunity now to provide direct input with our Recovery planning.
- What are your thoughts about our beaches, Mini Golf, Saybrook Point Gatherings, Camps?
- Email your thoughts and ideas to: OpenOS@OldSaybrookPolice.com
- This is your opportunity to let your voice be heard!

Public School District

- The Public School District served breakfast and lunch to 325 students today!
- The District has released & communicated the end of the year grading philosophy and plan.
- Student & Parents are providing input concerning alternative high school graduation plans.

Public Health

- It is extremely important that EVERYONE takes this Public Health Emergency seriously!
- Restaurants MUST close their outdoor eating areas to the public.
- Maintain Social Distancing Stay six (6) Feet away from another person.
- Do not participate in group activities that have more than five (5) people.

Municipal Government Operations

- The Transfer Station will be OPEN tomorrow!
- Check the Town website for information concerning remote access to Town Meetings.
- Register for a library card online. Click the link below to do so!

http://actonlibrary.org/online-library-card-renewal-or-registration/

- This weekend is 2020 Census Digital Action Weekend! Check out the attachment!
- Solve a puzzle from Acton's Puzzle page:

http://actonlibrary.org/children/acton-public-library-puzzle-page/

Social Services / Youth and Family Services

- Social Services Appointments will be conducted by phone, 860-395-3188.
- This is a difficult time for many people. Please know we care and we are here for you.
- Youth and Family Services Counselors are providing tele-counseling services. 860-395-3190.
- Our services are completely professional and confidential.
- Please click here to locate a virtual AA Meeting: https://www.aa.org/press-releases/en_us/press-releases/en_us/press-releases/aa-groups-using-digital-platforms-to-find-sobriety-during-coronavirus-covid-19-outbreak

Good News!!

Funny Faces.....LAST CHANCE

Faces that when you see them – you can't help but simply SMILE!

Time to get your Funny on Old Saybrook!

Send your Funny FACE to:

Fun@OldSaybrookPolice.com

- Thanks to donations from private citizens, Saybrook Hardware, MAR. Floral & The Funktion Fitness Foundation, Old Saybrook Police Employee's travelled around Town again today to "Check In" with some of our residents!
- Each person visited was provided with a beautiful floral arrangement symbolizing better times to come! To date we have "checked in" on over 160 households.
- Be safe. Keep Smiling. We will get through this!



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Emergency Operations Center

Time to get your "Funny ON" Old Saybrook!

The Old Saybrook Emergency Operations Center is sponsoring a:



Funny Face Contest!

You know what we are talking about!

That face.....

That face that when you look at it - you can't help smiling from ear to ear!

Current photos or classics from the past.

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Kids, Adults, Pets - It's all fair game!! Just make us Smile!!

Entries are due by Saturday, May 2, 2020 at noon!

Send your Submissions to:

Fun@OldSaybrookPolice.com

If the links don't work on your device....
Please visit our social media sites by searching COVID19OS

Winning Funny Faces will receive a pizza and ice cream on Saturday for Dinner!