

LITTLE COMPTON SENIOR DIGEST

October 2026 - 12th Edition - A Full YEAR of the LCSD!



What a YEAR!!

When the Little Compton Senior Digest started last year we couldn't have imagined what a positive reception there would be! First and foremost, THANK YOU for your readership, your ideas, thoughtful contributions, photos and comments.

Without your participation, there is no publication! As we move into the second year of the LCSD, we are actively recruiting authors, artists, poets and guest columnists. Travel aficionado? Tell us about your trip and share pictures with us. Are you a gardener? Share your tips and some pictures of your crops. Love to bake? Share a family recipe (if it's not a closely guarded secret of course!)

If you would like to be a contributing author in the LCSD please send an inquiry to DirectorSS@littlecompton.gov so we can save some space for you in the December issue.

~ LCCC Fall Fest Dinner ~

Check your mailbox for the highly anticipated invite and reservation card for the Little Compton Community Center Fall Fest Dinner!

Held each October at homes across town, you will be treated to an incredible meal and friendship followed by a group dessert and a silent auction at Sakonnet Vineyard. Funds raised by the Fall Fest Dinner support all of the programs that build the fabric of our incredible community.

**Fall Fest Dinner this year will be
Saturday October 17th 6-8pm
Dessert and Auction 8-10pm**

For more information contact the LCCC at 401-635-2400
office@lccenter.org

Welcome to the LCCC Christine Fallon

our new executive director



Our newly appointed Executive Director, Christine Fallon, comes to the Little Compton Community Center from a very diverse background. Born in Spain to a military family, she has lived in Japan three times, in eight different states, and is excited to finally set down roots in Rhode Island!

Christine's life has been spent in service to others. As a military child, US Navy veteran, and military spouse, her nomadic lifestyle has empowered her with finely tuned skills in creating community wherever she goes. With a Master's Degree in Nonprofit management and over 20 years experience in the field, she has built her career through volunteering, years of mentoring others, and creating thoughtful and engaging programming.

Christine is drawn to the Little Compton Community Center because it embodies the spirit of connection that she believes is vital in creating a community that thrives. Having cultivated strong, long-term relationships worldwide, she now has an exciting opportunity to foster unity here in Little Compton.

Christine & her husband have four children (two are in college), two baby rats, and a newt. She loves crafting, traveling, hiking, fostering neonatal kittens, and finding delicious new wines.

Stop by the center and give Christine a warm welcome!

Reoccurring Events at the Community Center!

Fall is here! If you are looking for something to do (That is not raking leaves in your yard), check out some of our the year-round programs!

- **Rummikub Afternoon:**

Monday October 5th,
4:00 PM- 6:00 PM

- **Ukulele Group:**

Wednesday October 14th and 21st,
Beginners: 5:15 PM-6:00PM
Advanced 6:00PM-7:00PM

- **Canasta:**

Tuesdays 2:00PM- 4:00PM

- **Mahjong:**

Thursdays 1:00PM-3:00 PM

- **Books and Bites Book Club:**

Monday October 26th, 6:00PM- 7:00PM
Discussing:



The Community Center is currently looking for sponsors to make the fall events thrive! Are you an individual or business hoping to support local access to the arts? Connect with juliatripp@lccenter.org today!



A talented musician rocking the ukulele at Open Mic Night in September!



The middle of a fun and challenging Mahjong game at the center!



THURSDAY, OCTOBER 1ST FROM 6–8:00PM

Join us in the theatre for Polka and Pierogies Enjoy live music by **Dennis Polisky & The Maestro's Men**, plus hot pierogies and kielbasa included with your entry. A cash bar with beer, wine, and soft drinks will be available. Themed attire is highly encouraged!

*Member Pricing: \$12 | Non-Member Pricing: \$15
(Food included in pricing)*

VISIT [LCCENTER.ORG/POLKA](https://lcccenter.org/polka) FOR TICKETS!



THURSDAY, OCTOBER 8TH FROM 6:00–8:00PM

Get ready for a cozy movie night with friends at Crafting at the Cinema: **Practical Magic**! Prepare for the upcoming sequel by bringing your own craft—or using some of our provided materials—while enjoying the film. Your ticket includes light bites and classic movie fare, alongside a cash bar offering beer, wine, and soft drinks.

Member Pricing: \$10 | Non-Member Pricing: \$15



VISIT [LCCENTER.ORG/CRAFTS](https://lcccenter.org/crafts) FOR TICKETS!

Check out some of the great upcoming events at the Little Compton Community Center in October!

Clean out your closet for their quarterly FREE clothing swap, bust out your dancing shoes and stretchy pants for Polka and Pierogis and get ready to welcome the Spooky Season with a night of Practical Magic and crafts! There is truly something for everyone!



Donations Drop Off

SEPTEMBER 28–OCTOBER 2, 8:00AM–4:00PM

Drop off your gently used clothes or like new clothing and shoes (children's and adults'). Please pre-sort them by gender and size for easy setup. If you aren't able to drop off during our advertised dates and times, reach out to us to arrange an alternative drop off time.

Shop Our Buy Nothing (free!)

OCTOBER 5–9, 9:00AM–5:00PM

Come shop for your new seasonal wardrobe. Please bring your own bags and only take what you need. A monetary donation is appreciated at the door but not required. Excess items will be donated to local non-profits or other charitable causes.



ConnectAmerica

Darlene Messier joined us on Wednesday, September 9th prior to Senior Lunch at the Little Compton Community Center for an informative conversation about Connect America.

Darlene gave a very informative and engaging presentation about how different services can help families enable independent living with 24/7 safety, care and support.

This Included personal emergency response service information from urgent needs to daily care. The overarching goal is to enable at-risk populations to live safely and independently in their homes.



The best part of this presentation was the Q&A portion where great discussion happened because of YOUR questions.



Some of the Great Questions

- What happens if I accidentally request services?
 - There is no fee! They actively encourage you to “test” the service
- Do devices only work at home?
 - No! Your device is portable outside of your home.
 - There are an array of devices/services to choose from.
- How do I charge a device?
 - Devices can be charged in less than 30 minutes
- What types of devices are there?
 - Choose from necklaces, wristwatch and enhance with Fall Detection
- What if there is an emergency and I can not speak?
 - Your local contact will receive a notification

Unifying under the Connect America brand in 2026:

LITTLE COMPTON MEETING CALENDAR

- Beach Commission :: *Next meeting is November 10th at 7pm
- Budget Committee :: October 20th at 7pm
- Conservation Commission :: October 28th at 7pm
- Harbor Commission :: October 15th at 6pm
- Historic Preservation Advisory :: October 5th at 5pm
- Housing Trust :: October *14th at 6pm *Wednesday
- Little Compton Agricultural Trust :: October 8th at 7pm
- Pension Committee :: October 8th at 9am
- Probate :: October 19th at 3pm
- Planning Board :: October 6th at 7pm
- Recreation Committee :: October 26th at 6:30pm
- Town Council :: October 8th and 22nd at 7pm
- Zoning Board of Review :: October 21st at 7pm

UPCOMING SOCIAL EVENTS

Ticket and Transportation Info Available

~ NOVEMBER ~

11/19 Audrain Automobile Museum

~ DECEMBER ~

12/17 Carols and Cookies at LCCC

Join us for an afternoon of treats, food and festivities!

12/18 Vivaldi and Mozart Concert

6-7pm

Holy Ghost Church, Tiverton

October Town Hall Hours:

Closed for Columbus Day, Monday October 12th

Mon-Fri 8am-4pm, Closed on Sat-Sun

SOUTH COAST HARVEST FESTIVAL



AT THE WESTPORT FAIRGROUNDS, WESTPORT, MA

**NEW
DATE**

**RESCHEDULED TO
FRI, SAT & SUN, OCT 2-4, 2026**



3 PM - 8 PM ON FRIDAY • 10 AM - 8 PM ON SATURDAY • 10 AM - 6 PM ON SUNDAY

\$10 ADULTS

\$5 KIDS AGED 5-12

FREE KIDS UNDER 5

- PROFESSIONALLY DESIGNED GARDEN DISPLAYS • LIVE MUSIC AND ENTERTAINMENT
- CRAFT FOOD TRUCKS AND VENDORS • ARTISAN MARKETPLACE • CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES
- YARD GAMES • MECHANICAL BULL RIDES • PONY RIDES • PETTING ZOO • AGRICULTURE
- COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT AND MORE

VISIT [SOUTHCOASTHARVESTFESTIVAL.COM](https://southcoastharvestfestival.com)
FOR MORE INFO



LITTLE COMPTON TRANSPORTATION

Town Bus Transportation Information

Call **(401) 777-9700** to reserve a seat on the bus.

Please make the reservation by **4 pm** on the **Friday** preceding the week.

First Monday of the month – Ride to Dartmouth Mall

Monday, Wednesday and Friday – Senior Lunch at Community Center

Tuesday – Ride to Lees Market

Thursday – Ride to Market Basket and Walmart

DID SOMEONE SAY, ICE CREAM?!

Monday, October 19th, will be our LAST ICE CREAM TRIP of the season!

Treat yourself to a fun and delicious outing
and join friends and neighbors for a relaxing trip for ice cream.

A perfect way to enjoy good company and a treat!

The van will leave from in front
of the Little Compton Community Center at 12:45pm

Reserve your seat by calling 401.777.9700 by October 12th.

A representative will return your call to confirm your seat.

Be sure to call ahead and save your spot!

We look forward to seeing you there
for a delightful and sweet Community outing!



**Do you have an idea for a trip to a local community
event, and could use help arranging for a group ride?
Email your ideas to Amanda@LittleCompton.Gov**

**You can also drop a hand written note by our office at
Town Hall or at the Brownell Library on Monday's from
1-3pm!**



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News, Updates, and Public Announcements from the Town of Little Compton



Upcoming Meetings

Click on a public body to view their website or profile on the RI Secretary of State's Open Meetings Database, where you can view agendas, past meeting minutes, and more.

Date	Time	Body
September 24, 2026	7:00 PM	Town Council
September 28, 2026	6:30 PM	Recreation Committee
September 29, 2026	6:00 PM	Housing Opportunities and Municipal Strategies (HOMS) Committee
September 30, 2026	7:00 PM	Conservation Commission
October 5, 2026	5:00 PM	Historic Preservation Advisory Committee
October 6, 2026	7:00 PM	Planning Board

What's the Little Compton Download?!

The official, digital, newsletter from the Town of Little Compton, containing meeting information, updates and public announcements - delivered to your inbox!

Sign up and view past newsletters at
<https://littlecompton.download>

on the Town's Homepage:
<https://littlecompton.gov>

or scan here:



COMMUNITY EVENTS CALENDAR

What's going on this month in
Little Compton & surrounding areas?

-  ENTRY FEE
CALL FOR PRICING AND TICKETS
-  FREE TO ATTEND
PAID OPPORTUNITIES MAY BE AVAILABLE ON-SITE

OCT MON 1PM - 3PM	SENIOR SERVICES OFFICE HOURS EVERY MONDAY DROP-INS WELCOME	BROWNELL LIBRARY  44 COMMONS LITTLE COMPTON (401) 635-8562 brownell-libraryri.org
OCT WED 1PM- 4PM	TECH HELP WEDNESDAYS WALK-INS WELCOME *first come, first served	BROWNELL LIBRARY  44 COMMONS LITTLE COMPTON (401) 635-8562 brownell-libraryri.org
OCT 9TH 6PM - 8PM	SAKONNET VINEYARD TRIVIA WITH GARY FARIAS	SAKONNET VINEYARD  162 WEST MAIN RD. LITTLE COMPTON (401) 635-8486 sakonnetwine.com
OCT 10TH 7PM - 8:30PM	STARGAZING WITH BARRY PECKHAM *registration required	BROWNELL LIBRARY  44 COMMONS LITTLE COMPTON (401) 635-8562 brownell-libraryri.org
OCT 18TH 10AM - 2P	TIVERTON FARMERS MARKET GARLIC & APPLE ROAST tivertonfarmersmarket.com	TIVERTON  MIDDLE SCHOOL 10 QUINTAL DR. TIVERTON
OCT 29TH 1P-3PM	AFTERNOON TEA, COFFEE & CONVERSATION	WELLNESS CENTER  115 EAST MAIN RD. LITTLE COMPTON (401) 592-0400 lcwellness.org
OCT FRI & SAT	LITTLE COMPTON FOOD BANK FRIDAY 1PM TO 2:30PM SATURDAY 9AM TO 10:30AM	WELLNESS CENTER  115 EAST MAIN RD. Serving Little Compton & Tiverton



Do **YOU** have an event for *The Senior Digest* Events Calendar?
Email DirectorSS@littlecompton.gov

Name: _____ Date: _____

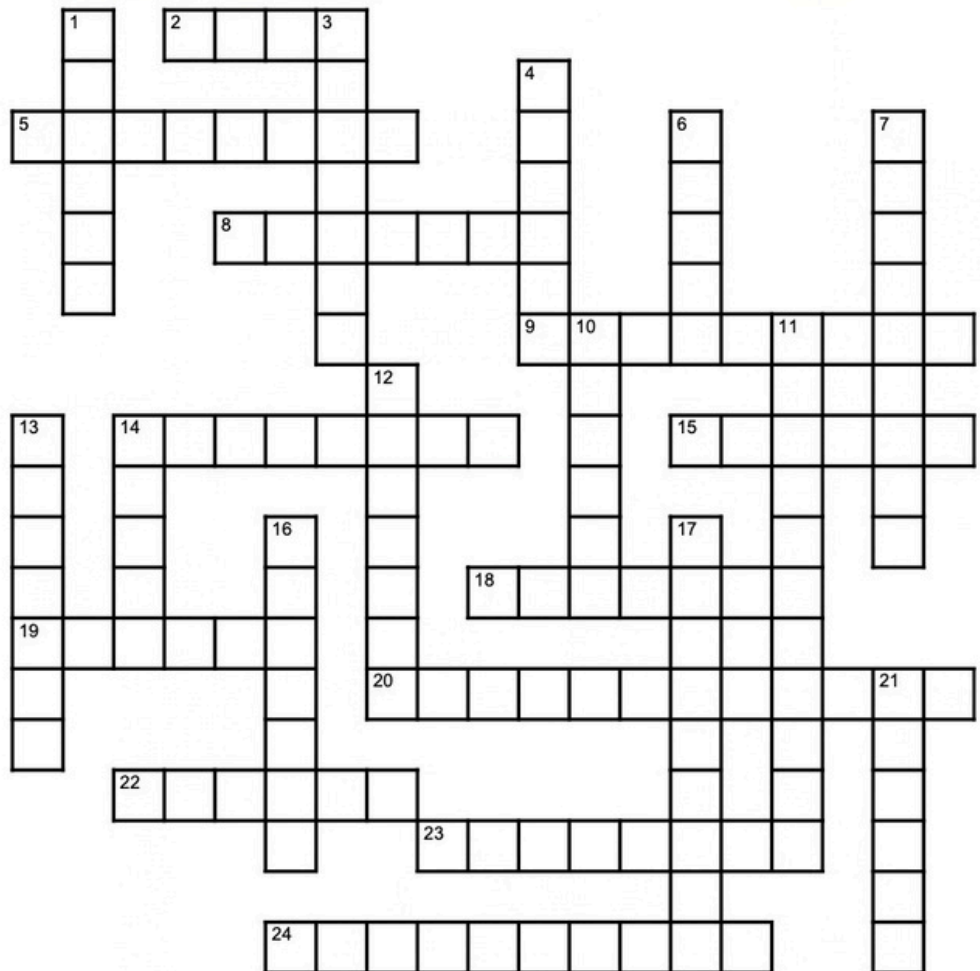


ACROSS

2. Flying mammals often associated with Halloween
5. Outfits worn to dress up as someone or something else
8. Tenth month of the year
9. Figure placed in a field to frighten away birds
14. Popular fall sport played with an oval-shaped ball
15. Colorful parts of trees that flutter to the ground in autumn
18. Fall outing that usually involves riding on a wagon
19. Season that comes between summer and winter
20. Halloween phrase children say when asking for candy
22. Hard-shelled fall fruits often used as fall decorations
23. Orange fall fruits often carved into jack-o'-lanterns
24. Fall tradition that welcomes former students back to a school

DOWN

1. Slightly scary or mysterious
3. Warm piece of clothing worn over the upper body
4. Nuts that grow on oak trees
6. Fall drink traditionally made from apples
7. October 31 holiday known for costumes and trick-or-treating
10. A little cold, like many October mornings
11. Tart red berries harvested during the fall



12. Gathering crops when they are ready

13. Place where fruit trees such as apple trees are grown

14. Thin coating of ice that can form on cold mornings

16. Large outdoor fire used for warmth or celebration

17. Seasonal journey made by many birds and other animals

21. Crisp fruits often picked at orchards in the fall

ACORNS, APPLES, AUTUMN, BATS, BON-FIRE, CHILLY, CIDER, COSTUMES, CRAN-BERRIES, FOOTBALL, FROST, GOURDS, HALLOWEEN, HARVEST, HAYRIDE, HOME-COMING, LEAVES, MIGRATION, OCTOBER, ORCHARD, PUMPKINS, SCARECROW, SPOOKY, SWEATER, TRICK OR TREAT

Have you completed this puzzle? Congrats to Gerry Nickerson our September winner!

Turn completed puzzles in to Pamela at her office at Town Hall, or text a picture to her at (401) 450-4658 to be entered into the monthly drawing!





Brownell Library Happenings

Outdoor Stargazing with Barry Peckham / Saturday, October 10th @ 7 PM REGISTRATION REQUIRED - Join us for a dark sky astronomy viewing of the crescent moon and the annual Perseid meteor shower, led by Barry Peckham on his property. This program will be geared towards adults. Stop in or call the library to register - 401-635-8562. This program is weather dependent.

Embroidered Flower Bookmark with Karen Katin / Saturday, October 17th @ 10:30 AM - For those who have already learned the basics of embroidery, join Karen Katin from the Stitchery to sew some intermediate-level stitches such as the lazy daisy and French Knot to create a small flower design. We will anchor it into a metal bookmark you can use the next time you check out a library book.

Balance and Fall Prevention with Amy Simmons PT, DPT, MS and Andrea Wasylow PT, DPT, ATC-L Wednesday, October 21st @ 1 PM of Connections Physical Therapy for an engaging and practical lecture.

Book Talk with Boston Globe theater critic and Tiverton resident Bob Abelman / Saturday, October 24th @ 1:30 PM - Bob will discuss his career as a certified curmudgeon, upcoming productions at local playhouses, and his experiences as an actor. His funny, pandemic-inspired fictionalized memoir "All the World's a Stage Fright" will also be a topic of conversation.

New England Ghosts with Jonah Knight / Tuesday, October 27th @ 5:30 pm - Step into the shadows of history with this fascinating presentation, Ghosts of New England. From centuries-old legends to chilling modern encounters, Jonah explores the haunted history that lingers across the region's oldest towns, graveyards, and historic sites.

"More than Medicare" Help Sessions - Registration Required / Monday, October 28 @ 9 AM - 3:30 PM - These sessions will focus specifically on Medicare and Medicare Advantage. Make an appointment with a representative from the United Way organization The Point for a free, confidential session to get help with Medicare-related decisions. Contact the library to make an appointment. Call, email, or stop by the library to sign up for an appointment: (401) 635-8562 or info@brownell-libraryri.org