

The Woodbury department runs its hoses up to 125 PSI which is a higher maximum pressure than most volunteer departments. The tests take place in the Nonnewaug High School parking lot after school closes for the day.

The Matt announces winners of Brass Button Awards, event planned later this month

WATERBURY — The Mattatuck Museum on Thursday announced four winners of its annual year's Brass Button honorees.

This year, the museum will honor John Hopkins and Mary Rosengrant-Chiappalone, "whose civic leadership and professional accomplishments have made a remarkable difference in our region," according to the museum. It will also honor Dave and Melissa Martin with its Waterbury Clock Legacy Award "for their decades of public service, education, and philanthropy," according to a museum spokesperson.

The museum will hold its 16th annual Brass Button Award Ceremony and Waterbury Clock Legacy Award presentation June 26 from 6 to 9 p.m. at the museum. The evening will feature a reception, dinner and awards program.

The museum presents the Brass Button Award annually to individuals "who have made exceptional contributions to the Greater Waterbury area and who exemplify a commitment to cultural and civic enrichment," according to the release. The Waterbury Clock Legacy Award, now in its second year, "recognizes individuals whose philanthropic contributions and service have had a lasting impact on the region," the museum said.

John Hopkins is the chief executive officer and president of Post University. "His leadership spans industries including luxury hospitality, healthcare, senior housing and education," according to a museum release.

Mary Rosengrant-Chiappalone is a principal at Biondi and Rosengrant, a Waterbury-based real estate appraisal firm. She has chaired the Waterbury Regional Chamber and United Way of Greater Waterbury campaigns, served on numerous nonprofit boards and has supported initiatives such as the Palace Theater and Seven Angels Theatre.

Dave Martin served for 31 years with the Waterbury Fire Department, including eight years as fire chief. After retiring, he continued his public service through leadership roles at Northwest Connecticut Public Safety Communications and Drew Marine and now leads his own consulting firm.

Melissa Martin, a cancer survivor and founder of Waterbury's "Pink Out" campaign, spent 17 years as an English teacher at Sacred Heart High School.

She now serves as a school counselor at Washington Adventures in Art & History.

The Mattatuck Museum is at 144 W Main St, Waterbury. For information, visit mattmuseum.org or call 203-753-0381.

Seniors can reserve town's pickle ball courts on Tuesday mornings

SOUTHBURY — The Parks & Recreation Department reminds residents that there are four pickle ball courts reserved exclusively for Southbury Senior Center members from 10 a.m. to noon every Tuesday through October.

For more information, contact the Senior Center at 203-262-0651.