

# GOOD NEWS SUNDAY FAIRFIELD

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**WOMEN'S  
HISTORY  
MONTH**  
*WHAT ABOUT HER STORY?*



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This is our 17<sup>th</sup> edition of Good News Sunday Fairfield. We want to continue bringing you good and heartwarming stories in these difficult times.

A ship was capsized in the sea of the southern end of Thailand. The navy and coast guard of Thailand were there and saved the crew. As the boat was about to go underwater, they saw four cats huddled together at the tip of the boat. One of the sailors swam to the boat and took the cats from the burning boat. He swam back with the cats on his shoulders and his fellow sailors pulled him up. If you want to help cats then Pet Protectors is a good option. Pet Protectors helps animals in need in the Fairfield area. The take care of them and improve their health. To see how you can help go here: [Pet Protectors, Inc. \(petprotectorsrescue.org\)](http://petprotectorsrescue.org).

Dauphin, Pennsylvania is a small town of about 800 residents. "Blink and you'll miss it," Joe Calhoun, a longtime resident told TODAY. "But there is something so special here. It's a small town with a big heart." The UPS delivery man is named Chad and he has been the delivery man for Dauphin for over a decade. Resident Jenny Shickley said that Chad would not deliver a package if he thought it was a surprise until the kids were not around. The entire community said that he was an outstanding person. Another resident said that when they weren't home and couldn't give a signature, he went to their parent's house because he thought it was important. Because of Covid-19 he has been working more than usual. Jenny Shickley decided to organize a "Thank You, Chad" event on Facebook. She meant to set it up for \$300 dollars for the gift but it went to \$500. At the end they raised a little more than \$1,000. Jenny talked to Adam Kerr a UPS shift supervisor and had him have Chads last stop be at the site of the party. When Chad came thinking he was picking up a box what he actually saw was the community holding big signs. All of them socially distanced and with masks were cheering. He cried with joy. Show your support to our delivery people in Fairfield! Place a basket of snacks, drinks, gift card or anything else you want for them. If you do please send us a picture on Facebook or Instagram @GoodNewsSundayFairfield. Let's spread good news!

### Women's History Month

Continuing with our focus on Women's History Month we want to share a conversation we had with an important female leader in Fairfield. Her name is Brenda Kupchick! Brenda Kupchick is the First Select Woman of Fairfield. We have recently interviewed her, and she is very, very nice woman who has a lot of responsibilities.

Mrs. Kupchick grew up in Fairfield and is the 3rd generation in her family to live in Fairfield and to be a "lifelong resident". She went to the schools in Fairfield and Fairfield University. For 30 years her and her husband have had a heating and air conditioning company and she also started the One Voice For Education. Below are the questions we asked her and a summary of the answers she gave us.

Q: What makes you happy?

A: Talking to young people and kids

Q: What inspired you to be First Select Woman?

A: She was never interested in politics but then she came to a time when many people wanted a voice, for education (she did too) so she ran to give her and others a voice in Fairfield education and she started One Voice for Education. She first ran for the RTM (our legislative body), then for the board of education, next she ran for state representative representing us in Hartford and then she ran for first select woman. She won all of these positions.

Q: What are some ways residents can spread good news?

A: Donating money to people who cannot pay their rent and food pantry, delivering food, shoveling driveways + sidewalks of elderly (check out how, in the announcement page), making food baskets for people who lost their job. And simple acts of kindness are always appreciated. Like how some students brought valentines to the police department.

Q: What advice do you have for kids in Fairfield?

A: Always follow your passion and dreams and try different things. She thinks that young people should follow their passions and do what they love. "If you love what you do you will never work a day in your life", she quoted. She also said that they can help through salvation army operation hope and to get their voices heard.

Mrs. Kupchick wants you to know that it has been a hard year for everybody and there has been a lot of challenges in this pandemic, and we miss many people and things, but we will get through this and we will get back to normal. She also thinks that even though it is a challenging year it made us appreciate our lives and what we have much more.

# Brain Power

On the 17<sup>th</sup> is St. Patrick's Day which started as a religious holiday in Ireland to celebrate the patron saint of Ireland. When immigrants from Ireland went to other parts of the world, but mostly the ones who came to the United States, made the holiday more about of Irish culture than a religion. Boston had its first parade in 1737 and New York had theirs in 1762. It is common for people to wear green even though the color blue was first associated to the holiday. Corn beef and cabbage are also associated with the holiday and sometime people dye drinks green. Did you know that you can pinch people on St. Patrick's Day but not if they are wearing green? and that if you find a four-leaf clover it is good luck? How will you celebrate this holiday?

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**Find these St. Patrick's Day words!**

CHRISTIANITY  
FAIRY  
IRISH  
LUCK  
PINCH  
TRADITION

CLOVER  
GREEN  
LEGENDARY  
MARCH  
SAINT

EYES  
IRELAND  
LEPRECHAUN  
PATRICK  
SEVENTEENTH

## Announcements

This is the last chance for guest writers! We are accepting guest writers to help us with good news and so they can express themselves. Kids of all ages welcome to contribute. Go to [Special events — Good News Sunday Fairfield](#) to sign up.

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As you might know today is daylight savings. Daylight savings time happens on the second Sunday of March and first Sunday of November at 2:00 am. Daylight savings is about conserving energy by giving more sunlight during waking hours through moving the clocks forward or backward. Daylight savings was first introduced in a joke essay by Benjamin Franklin. A man named William Willet proposed to move the clock forward by 80 minutes in 4 increments in April and reverse in September to the British house of commons in 1909 and was rejected. In World War I several countries including the US and Germany adopted DST (Daylight Savings Time) to conserve fuel by not needing to create artificial light. In World War II some countries including the US had the clock continuously kept one hour ahead and England kept the clocks ahead by two hours in the summer and one in the winter. After that DST became official in the US.

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The library is doing a Virtual sing and stop for preschoolers happening on the 19<sup>th</sup> at 10:00am. Registration ends on 10:00 am on the 19<sup>th</sup> for this free event. To register go to [Virtual Sing & Stomp | Fairfield Public Library \(librarymarket.com\)](#).

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On the 15<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> the library will be having a virtual story time for preschoolers and is at 10:00 am – 10:30. Registration ends on the 19<sup>th</sup> go to [Virtual Storytime | Fairfield Public Library \(librarymarket.com\)](#) to register.

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