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Fall 2014



General Information

From the Desk of the First Selectman:

Dear Willington Residents:

There is nothing like Fall in New England and Willington in particular. Please check out all of the programs and list of parks that are great places to visit when the air gets crisp and the leaves start to change.

Fall is busy time at the Town Office Building and for Public Works as preparations for the upcoming budget season start and final pushes on projects are made so that things are completed before the snow starts falling. While Willington relies on our town employees to get this work done, we also rely on our diligent volunteers to get the work of our many Boards and Commissions done. We are always looking for new volunteers and in this publication you can read all about the many volunteer opportunities available to residents if this is something you are interested in doing.

I wish you all a productive and healthy Fall Season!



Sincerely,
Christina Beebe Mailhos
First Selectman, Willington

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BUSINESS HOURS

Monday 12:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.; Tuesday-Friday 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

ADDRESS

40 Old Farms Road, Willington, CT 06279

WEB SITE

www.willingtonct.org

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General Information



From the Registrars of Voters

Voter registration information for the November elections

Upcoming state elections will be held on November 4, 2014. Voting will take place in the polling room, located on the main level of the Town Office Building, 40 Old Farms Road, from 6 am to 8 pm. Voters are reminded to bring identification.

Plan ahead and make sure that you are registered to vote. Registering to vote is an easy process and there are several methods for obtaining a voter application form:

- **Register online** at the Secretary of the State's website -- ct.gov/sots.
- **Applications may be downloaded** from the Registrars of Voters' link at www.willingtonct.org. After the application is filled out, printed and signed, mail to: Registrars of Voters, 40 Old Farms Road, Willington CT 06279. **Mail-in applications must be postmarked by October 21.**
- **Call the Registrars' office** at (860) 487-3120 and leave a clearly stated message, including your name and address, asking that an application be sent. **Mail-in applications must be postmarked by October 21.**
- **Register at the Registrars of Voters' office** at the lower level of the Town Office Building, 40 Old Farms Road, on Tuesdays from 10 am to 12 pm.
- **Register at the Town Clerk's office** at the main level of the Town Office Building during business hours on Monday from 12:30 to 7:30 pm and Tuesday through Friday from 9 am to 2 pm.
- **Applications are also available** at the Willington Public Library and the Department of Motor Vehicles.

There will be special Voter Registration Sessions held at the Registrars of Voters' office at the lower level of the Town Office Building on:

- Saturday, October 18 from 10 am to 2 pm
- Tuesday, October 28 from 9 am to 8 pm.

Absentee ballots for those voters unable to vote in person on Election Day are available through the Town Clerk's office beginning on October 3. Call the Town Clerk at (860) 487-3121 for information on how to apply for an absentee ballot.

For other election questions, please contact the Registrars of Voters' office at (860) 487-3120.

Gail Kapinos and Christine Psathas
Registrars of Voters



News from your Willington EDC!

The Economic Development Commission is excited to announce that Willington has joined the Windham Chamber of Commerce! This will allow us to have more special programs and increase promotion of our local businesses throughout the region.

Our first event will be a QuickBooks seminar on Thursday, August 14th, from 1:00pm to 3:00pm. The program will be held in the Community Room at the Willington Public Library.

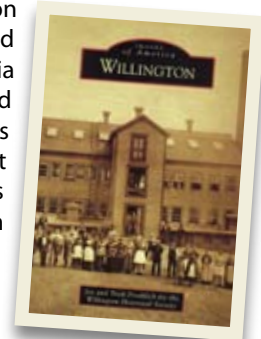
Save the Date! Our next networking event will be Wednesday, November 12th. One topic of discussion will be our upcoming market study. We encourage all current and prospective business leaders to attend! Keep an eye out for more details!

We are also looking for a volunteer to join the Economic Development Commission as an alternate member. If you are excited to help our local business grow, please e-mail us for more information.



The Willington Historical Society Images of America, "Willington"

The Willington Historical Society is pleased to announce that Arcadia Publishing recently added Willington to their series of over 8000 books about communities across the country. Willington residents Joe and Trish Froehlich co-authored the book, which is a pictorial history of Willington. It includes 194 photographs with captions describing people, places, and events. Many past and present residents contributed photographs from their personal collections, although the majority of the photographs are from the Willington Historical Society's collection. The authors are donating all proceeds from the sale of the book to the Historical Society for use in restoring the Daniel Glazier Tavern, which will eventually be home to the Society's museum. The Historical Society is offering the books for \$20.00 each. They are available at the Town Clerk's office, along with other publications from the Society. Autographed copies will be available for sale at the Historical Society's booth at the Flea Market on the Town Green on Saturday, September 6, 2014.



Stop by to check out the book; you might spot a photo that brings back past memories, or one that sparks your interest in the area of Willington you live in. Guess what items on display may have been used for. Have a look at the new Willington Historical Society tee shirts. Chat with Society members about our work at the Glazier Tavern and learn more about our group. In the meantime, take a minute to visit our website, willingtonhistoricalsocietyct.org.

Glazier Tavern Open House

The Willington Historical Society will hold an open house at the Glazier Tavern on September 6, 2014. This will be in conjunction with the annual Flea Market on the Willington Town Green. Stop by the freshly painted c. 1815 Glazier Tavern at the west end of the Green and see the progress the Society has made in stabilizing and restoring this historic building for use as our future museum. This year we've finished restoration of the fireplaces in the taproom (formerly the living room) and the keeping room (formerly the kitchen). Stop by and have a look.



Wanted

Willington Game Farm:

Photographs, Souvenirs & Other Items

The Willington Historical Society is interested in adding documentation of the Willington Game Farm to our historical archives. If you, or someone you know, has photographs of a visit to the Game Farm, or items related to the farm, please consider sharing them with the Society. That sharing may be in the form of a gift or a loan. Alternatively, we would be happy to scan any photos or paper items for our records & return the originals to you.

If you have any items connected with the Willington Game Farm, please contact Joe Froehlich, Willington Town Historian:

Email: willingtonhistorian@charter.net
Phone: (860) 684-6607

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General Information

ARE YOU WILLING TO PUT THE WILLING IN WILLINGTON?

The Town of Willington has a number of opportunities for citizens looking to volunteer for our community. Do you have a special interest, skill or knowledge you are willing to share? We have opportunities on many of our Boards and Commissions, as well as at our non-profit organizations. Read on to see if something interests you:

- Willington Day is an important part of our small Town. The Committee is looking for additional members to help plan the event, which is always held on the Saturday of Memorial Day weekend. The Committee will start meeting in January.
- Our local businesses are important to the future of Willington. If you agree, perhaps you would be willing to serve on the **Willington Economic Development Committee** and help retain the businesses we have while attracting new ones. We currently have one alternate vacancy

If you have any recommendations for future capital expenditures, **The Capital Improvement Program Committee** is in need of a regular member for next year's budget preparations which will begin in November of 2014.

- Do you enjoy going to the Transfer Station and/or have ideas for improvement? We have reorganized our **Solid Waste Advisory Committee** with new members but still have a regular vacancy as well as an alternate.
- Do you have an interest in Green Energy? Would you like to help the Town of Willington reduce our energy costs? Consider joining the **Energy Advisory Committee**. We have three regular member vacancies.

- Do you have an interest in open space or land use? We are in need of 5 regular members to serve on the **Building Board Code of Appeals** and are still looking for two alternate members to serve on our **Inland / Wetland Commission** and three alternates for our **Planning and Zoning Commission**. Serving as an alternate member is a great way to learn the ropes on these boards!
- We have a **Safety & Facilities Committee** that is looking for new members. Anyone with a background in safety and/or building would be a welcome addition to this committee.
- Do you have an interest in Willington history or historical buildings? **The Historical Society** is always looking for new members and the **Historic District Commission** is looking for someone to serve as an alternate member.
- **The Welcome Sign Committee** is waiting to meet. The Committee was put in place to help secure locations, raise funds and oversee the installation of "Welcome to Willington" signs. We are in need of three or more dedicated and organized people to help make Willington more welcoming!

Please contact First Selectman Christina Beebe Mailhos at 487-3100 for more information about any of the above positions.

Not interested in formally serving on a Board? There are plenty of other volunteer opportunities with the **Willington Public Library, Willington Senior Center, Willington Youth & Family Services, Success SEPTO, Willington PTA, Willington Recreation Commission, the V.F.W., both of our Fire Departments** as well as other organizations in Town. Call 487-3100 to find out more about volunteer opportunities and to see if you have an interest or skill that matches up to a need in Town.



As always, thank you for putting the "Willing" in Willington!

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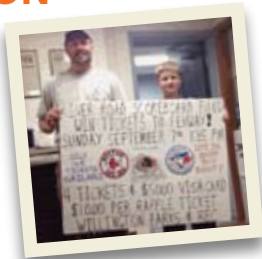
Parks and Rec



Get up! Get Out! Get Moving!

PARKS AND RECREATION

Congratulations to Jeff Glass of Willington. He won 4 tickets to a September Red Sox game and a \$50 VISA gift card! Thank you to all who participated in our River Road Athletic Complex Scoreboard fundraiser. More chances for you to win next year!



BUS TRIPS

These trips are being offered in Mansfield, Ashford, Coventry, Ellington, Tolland, and Willington. If you live in any of those towns, please register in their Parks and Recreation department. Everyone else is welcome to register with the town nearest to them. The pick up location for Willington will be at the Exit 68 Commuter Parking Lot, Tolland next to Dunkin Donuts.

If there is not sufficient registration to cover the bus cost by the registration deadline, the trip will be cancelled and a full refund will be processed.

ANNUAL SCALLOP FESTIVAL Cape Cod Fairgrounds AND BOAT TOUR

Saturday, September 20, 2014

(Registration deadline September 6th)

For over 40 years Bourne has hosted the largest scallop festival on the East Coast. At this festival, which has moved to the Cape Cod Fairgrounds in East Falmouth, MA, you can sample the seafood, attend the crafts fair, attend the Home Expo Show, play games, and enjoy the daily entertainment. The day includes a scallop or chicken lunch along with admission to the festival. Also included today will be a beautiful sightseeing cruise for a truly unique adventure down the renowned Cape Cod Canal. Come and enjoy New England's largest scallop festival. Lunch choices: 1) Scallop Fest Meal - Succulent Fried Scallops, French Fries, Cole Slaw, Roll & Butter, Tartar Sauce or 2) Herb Roasted Chicken Meal - Delicious Herb Roasted Chicken, French Fries, Cole Slaw, Roll & Butter, Cranberry Sauce. Soda served with both.

***Please make a meal selection when making a reservation.*

Location: East Falmouth, MA
Date: Sat., Sept. 20
Time: The coach bus will leave at 8:00am from the Tolland commuter parking lot at exit 68 off I -84. We will leave the Cape at appx. 6:00 pm and stop for dinner on the way home. Return time is approximately 9:30 pm.
FEE: \$90.00 Includes: Round Trip Transportation, Entrance to the Scallop Festival, Lunch (choices above) Sightseeing harbor cruise, and Driver's gratuity

***Register early this popular trip always fills.*

Strawberry, Chocolate & Wine Festival (Registration deadline is Oct. 3)

Travel by Coach bus to the Hudson Valley to Baldwin Vineyards. Enjoy a piece of strawberry shortcake; a cheesecake brownie topped with raspberry wine marinated strawberries and whipped cream; a chocolate dipped fresh strawberry; a tasting glass with the Baldwin logo; a copy of our top Ten Ways to Enjoy Strawberry Wine, and a tasting of our 12 wines. Please pack a lunch to be eaten on the bus or at the vineyard. After the festival you will enjoy a beautiful foliage ride through the Hudson Valley Region. Stop on the way back for a brief dinner. For more information: www.baldwinvineyards.com



Location: Pine Bush, New York
Date: Sat., Oct. 18
Time: Bus will leave Exit 68 Commuter Bus Lot, Tolland, next to Dunkin Donuts at 10 a.m. and return approximately 8 p.m. The festival will begin at 1 p.m.
Fee: \$55 includes coach bus transportation and the festival.

UCONN FOOTBALL VS ARMY

Kick Off 3:30 pm at Yankee Stadium



Trip will include the following:

Tailgate party before the game: (Yankee Stadium Parking no longer lets us tailgate at the parking lot) We will tailgate at a rest stop on 684: 45 minutes from the Stadium.

Cookout will consist of:

Hamburgs, Hot Dogs, Pasta Meatballs, (2) Types of Chicken Wings, Macaroni, Salad Ceaser, Salad, Baked Beans, Sausage & Peppers, Chips, Water and Soda.

Tickets are located in Section 204 (Bleachers)

Deli platter for after the game.... Games and Prizes on the bus....

Location: Yankee Stadium
Date: Sat., November 8th
Time: 10:30 am at the Exit 68 Commuter Bus Lot, Tolland next to Dunkin Donuts.
Fee: \$140

Radio City Music Hall Christmas Spectacular NYC

(Registration deadline is Nov. 1st)

Let this classic, amazing show be one of the highlights of your holiday season! We were able to reserve great seats at a discounted rate before the peak season.

They are in Orchestra Section 6 rows Q – U! You'll have some time before the 4 p.m. Rockettes show to roam NYC. Plan to arrive at Radio City at least 30 mins before show time. The performance is approximately 90 mins long. We suggest a quick dinner after the show or some snacks for the bus ride. We plan to depart NY at 7:00pm and arrive back at Lot W at 10:00pm This trip is very popular so make your reservation early.



Location: New York City
Date: Sat. November 15th
Time: Bus will leave Exit 68 Commuter Bus Lot, Tolland, next to Dunkin Donuts at 9 a.m. and will return approximately 10 p.m.
Fee: \$98 includes bus transportation and ticket to the show.

A Day in New York City

(Registration deadline is Nov. 15)

Enjoy a day in the "Big Apple" with friends and family. Get a jump start on your holiday shopping, visit the museums, see a Broadway show or just enjoy the sights of the city. Bus drop offs/pickups in New York City will be determined by the driver on the day of the trip.

Day: Sat., Dec. 6
Time: Bus will leave Exit 68 Commuter Parking Lot, Tolland next to Dunkin Donuts, at 7:00 a.m. and return approx. 10:30 p.m.
Fee: \$50 includes transportation only.

Registrations take place in the Parks and Recreation office or by mail.

YOUR SEAT IS CONFIRMED WHEN WE HAVE RECIEVED YOUR PAYMENT.

***Please Note: Because of transportation commitment deadlines, no cancellations will be made after the registration deadline (usually 3 weeks before the trip) unless there are people on the wait list who can take your spot(s).*

PROGRAMS Adult Over 30 Basketball

Fee: \$60.00 for Willington Residents
\$70.00 for Non-residents
Registration: Registration is open for Willington Residents from September 1-15. After September 15th the program is open to adults from area towns and Willington Residents. Registration will be **limited to twenty, on a first come first served basis.**

The Adult Registration form must be completely filled out, accompanied by the appropriate fee and returned to the Parks & Recreation Department Office to register. Registrations will not be accepted/OR HELD prior to stated dates.

Season

The season will run from September 22nd to June 29th (40 weeks) Sunday nights 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm at the Hall Memorial School gymnasium on Route 32 in Willington.

Questions: call Teri Gareau, Parks & Rec Director at 860- 487-3108 or visit www.willingtonct.org for more information.
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- Teams will practice at the EO Smith Gym
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YOUTH BASKETBALL PROGRAM: (Boys and Girls in grades 1-8) Registration begins in September

Features skill development, sportsmanship, team participation and healthy competition. Volunteer head and assistant coaches are needed for most divisions. All positions are by application only.

Registration information will go out through the schools in the digital backpack; will be available online; and in the Parks and Recreation Office in October.

Day: Grades 1-2 - Saturday mornings beginning in December.
Grades 3-8 - 1-weeknight and Saturday practice until games begin in December. Games are mostly on Saturday.

Fee and Registration: See program flyer

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Instructor: Matt Green

Date:
September 6th Subject to change if cancellations occur in current session. MUST BE REGISTERED BY August 30th.
November 29th Subject to change if cancellations occur in current session. MUST BE REGISTERED BY November 22nd.
Hall School, 111 River Rd.

Where:
Open
Fencing: 10:00 am - 11:00 am
Beginner
Fencing: 9:00 am - 10:00 am
Minimum of 5 needed to run
\$60 residents (per session)
\$65.00 non-residents

Cost:

Registration: Space is limited; we will accept a maximum of 12 students.

Safety: Fencing equipment and safety rules will be strictly enforced. The Parks and Recreation Department will retain the right to remove students from the program if safety rules cannot be followed.

Equipment: The Parks & Recreation Department will have equipment available for use during class time. If you intend to purchase your own equipment please email piratedojo@gmail.com first to discuss requirements.

****NOTE:** Old equipment may not be suitable for class use, please have any old equipment inspected before the class begins. Students may wear sweat pants or knickers with full length socks (no shorts). A flat soled sneaker (indoor soccer shoes are good) or fencing shoe is best for footwear.

FREE KAYAK LOANER PROGRAM

Residents only

Through a Grant from the Eastern Highlands Health District initiative "Healthy Eating, Active Living" (HEAL) there are 51 kayaks available to town residents through a FREE loaner program!!

All rentals include 10.5ft kayak; one life jacket and one paddle. **These are available by appointment only and 24 hours advance notice!!! Participants are responsible for the loading, unloading, and transporting the kayaks to and from destination.**

The Loaner agreement is available online or in the Parks and Recreation office. PROGRAM ENDS OCTOBER 31st.

VOLLEYBALL-ADULT CO-ED

Come play Adult Co-ed Volleyball at Hall Memorial School gymnasium. The program is available to all individuals ages 18 and out of high school. USVBA rules are followed and mastery of skills is encouraged. Space is limited to 21 players per night.

The program runs year round on Monday and Thursday Nights 7:30 pm - 9:30 pm



Registration

Fees: Resident - \$20.00 - 1 night
\$35.00 - 2 nights
Non Resident - \$30.00 - 1 night
\$40.00 - 2 nights

Drop In

Fees: (payable at Gym)
Resident - \$3.00 per night
Non Resident - \$5.00 per night

Yearly Fees available to residents only \$65.00

LOOKING FOR PROGRAM IDEAS

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Senior Activities



Community Groups

TOWN PARKS AND AMENITIES

Fenton-Ruby Park and Wildlife Preserve: Moose Meadow Road and Burma Road-Hiking/walking trails, bird watching, fishing, non motorized boating, cross country skiing, snow shoeing and picnic area.

Knowlton Property: Mason Road- Hiking Trails

River Road Athletic Complex: 511 River Road - Baseball field, basketball court, pavilion, playscape, multi-purpose field, volleyball sand court and walking path.

(one lap=.33 miles). Dogs are welcome but must be leashed and cleaned up after. Doggie poo bags available. Complex is **CARRY IN-CARRY OUT**

Talmadge Tract: Mason Road- hiking (adjacent to the Knowlton Property)

Town Office Building Fields: 40 Old Farms Road-Baseball and Softball fields

Park on Village Hill Road: Overlooking the Roaring Brook, popular fishing spot during fishing season.

FACILITY RENTALS

River Road Athletic Complex has a pavilion and fields/courts available for rent for your next birthday party or family gathering!

Pavilion

Residents: \$75.00 for 5 hours
or \$20.00 per hour
Non Residents: \$100.00 for 5 hours
or \$30.00
All Town Non Profits \$55.00 for 5 hours

Fields/Courts

\$25.00 for a two hour period

OOPS!

Sometimes despite our best efforts, a misprint may make its way into the Word. In this case, changes may be made to some of the programs listed. We apologize for any inconvenience.

SENIOR ACTIVITIES

60 OLD FARMS ROAD

- \$5.00 Breakfast "All You Can Eat" -9:00am-11:00am, 9/20 and 11/15
- Foot Clinics- 1:30pm Appointment required. Call for date. 9/29 and 10/20
- Food Share Dates: Wednesdays-11:00am, 9/10, 9/24, 10/8, 10/22, 11/5, 11/19,
- AARP Safe Drive Class-12:00pm-4:00pm 10/21
- Flu Clinic-1:30pm-2:30pm, 10/7

Ongoing Activities:

Yoga.....Mondays 10:00am
Tai ChiTuesdays and Fridays 10:00am – 11:00am
Men's PoolTuesdays and Thursdays 6:30pm
PinochleFridays 12:30pm
Set Back.....Saturdays 7:00pm
WII Bowling.....Mondays and Thursdays 12:30pm

Meeting Dates:

- First Wednesday of every month: Birthday and Anniversary Celebrations followed by Bingo
- Second Wednesday of every month: Executive Meeting 12:30pm Public is welcome to attend
- Third Wednesday of every month: General Meeting 12:30pm Public is welcome to attend

SENIOR FUNDRAISERS

"Flavors of Home" Cookbook

A compilation of the Senior's favorite recipes. Cost is \$9.00. Books are sold at the Senior Center or at the Town Clerk Office. For more information please call, 860-429-8321.

"Handicap Van Fund"

The Town of Willington with the assistance of the Willington Seniors have been able to obtain a used handicap van for the seniors. The van is in need of a paint job and some maintenance before it can be put into service. Private donations are being sought. If you would like to support this worthy cause, please send your donations payable to the Town of Willington, and write "Handicap Van Fund" in the subject line of the check. Memorial gifts are also welcome. Thank you in advance for your generosity and support.

Sincerely,
The Willington Seniors

*For more information regarding Senior Activities,
please call Jean at (860) 429-8321.*

WILLINGTON YOUTH, FAMILY & SOCIAL SERVICES

The State of Connecticut can provide assistance with the cost of heating your family's home this winter.

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Medical Transportation for Elderly and Disabled Willington Residents

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WANTED

The Gardiner Hall Jr. Company: Original Photographs, Artifacts, & Oral Histories

The Friends of The Mill Works, a nonprofit group organized under Windham Arts, has plans to establish a local museum focused on the development and operation of the Gardiner Hall Jr. Company. The objective of this permanent installation is to examine the historical impact and contributions this company has had on the Town of Willington and its residents over a period of more than one hundred years. The museum will be located at The Mill Works, formally the home of the Gardiner Hall Jr. Company.

The Friends group is seeking original photographs, equipment, artifacts, and any physical items associated with the Gardiner Hall Jr. Company, its founders, employees, and customers. Items that are donated or loaned to the museum will be identified by the donor's name, and included on display and in any print materials created for the museum. In addition, the Friends are also interested in conducting interviews with folks that may have worked for or had a relationship with the Hall Company. The intent of this collection is to create an opportunity for the residents of Willington and surrounding towns to learn about the technical innovations, production methods, and the application of unique management practices that shaped the local area.

If you possess any related items, have knowledge of any, or are interested in sharing thoughts or reflections about the Hall Company, please contact

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Willington Public Library

The Friends of the Mill Works are sponsoring **First Sundays at the Mill Works** featuring open studios, musical performances, puppeteers, art demonstrations, cartooning, tours, creative writing, sketching, lectures, book signings, conversations with local authors, food and fine art.

Upcoming dates are Sundays; September 7, October 5, November 2, and December 7 from noon to 5PM.

Check website for specific schedule:
themillworks.us/events.html

Bring your family and friends and enjoy this historic landmark.

Willington Flea Market

The 52nd Annual Willington Flea Market will be held on Saturday, September 6, 2014, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Willington Town Green. Sponsored by the Federated Church of Willington.

Features include: ANTIQUES, ARTS & CRAFTS, BAKED GOODS, FOOD & BEVERAGES & much, much more!

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For more information,
 please call the church office at 860-429-9911.

Fire House Hall Rental

For Information on Hall Rental at Willington Hill Fire Department at 24 Old Farms Road, Call Jim Harvey at 860-487-1141



Success SEPTO:

Regional Special Education Parent Teacher Organization meetings are held on the third Wednesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. at the Willington Public Library. This organization serves Ashford, Mansfield, Stafford, Tolland, and Willington. All others are welcome. Visit successsepto.org for more information and a list of monthly guest speakers.

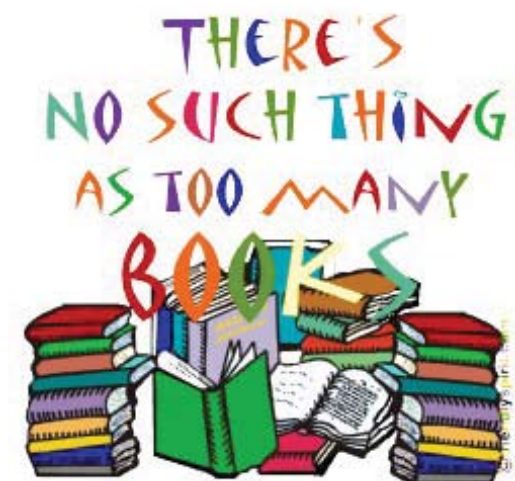
Each month parents, educators, legislators, and professionals meet to learn and share information about topics such as transitioning, IEP process, autism, special education laws, advocacy, and working collaboratively to meet the complex needs of children.

Willington Public Library

Annual Book Sale, Saturday, September 6, 2014 from 8AM - 2PM.

Sponsored by the Friends of the Willington Public Library

From 8 am until 10 am, there will be a \$7.00 early admission fee, from 10 am - 2 pm, admission will be free. There will be thousands of books, sorted into categories, most will be 50c and \$1.00, with some special pricing on special books.



September is Library Card Sign-Up Month.

If you haven't already asked for one, now is a good time. Library cards are free to those living in the library's service area. All that is required, is some form of identification with proof of residency. There will be **no Family Movie Time** in September.



LOOKING FOR LOCAL VENDORS

to participate in our first **HEALTH & WELLNESS FAIR** on **Saturday, October 4, 2014, 9:00 AM - 2:30 PM.** This event is designed to promote and provide the public with local health and wellness opportunities. Health and wellness businesses may reserve a space to showcase their products and services. Each For-Profit business space will cost \$25. A limited number of spaces will be available to local non-profit organizations that wish to have an opportunity to share the health and wellness services they provide at no cost. We hope to have a variety of informational speakers throughout the day. If anyone is interested in this segment, we would love to hear from you as well.

If interested come in and register, more information will be available at the Library. **DEADLINE** to apply for a space is Wednesday, September 17, 2014. Notification of acceptance will be by September 24, 2014. Vendors are permitted to promote their business, sell items, and have "give aways."

We are doing something different to celebrate Halloween this year... **PET PORTRAITS!** On **Saturday, October 18th, from 9:30 AM until 2:30 PM,** you will have an opportunity to bring in your pet OR your favorite stuffed animal, dressed in their favorite Halloween attire and have their portrait taken. Make sure to bring with you their rabies vaccination certificate forms; without them your pet will not be allowed to join the other pets in the pet photo shoot. There will be a limited number of appointments available, so please register early to reserve a spot.

October 19 - 25, 2014 is National Friends of Libraries Week.

National Friends of the Library Week honors those who have served or are serving. Everyone needs friends, and the Library is no exception. "Friends" say to everyone, that you care about your library and value its resources. Membership is open to anyone interested in supporting our mission. Our Library is pleased to recognize the good people who donate their time and good cheer to improve our library. Many thanks for their tireless efforts. Please, join The Friends Today!

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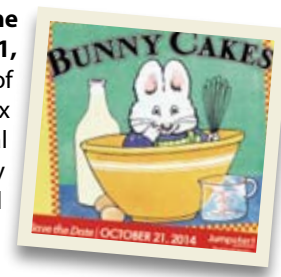
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Jumpstart

Read for the Record

Join us for this year's **"Read for the Record," on Tuesday, October 21, 2014, at 6:30 PM,** for the reading of Rosemary Wells' "Bunny Cakes," a Max & Ruby storybook. This is a comical story of sibling bonding and birthday shenanigans. We will have a special guest visiting and a fun craft to go along with our story.



Saturday, October 25, at 12:30 PM, a special **Family Movie Time** showing of **"Mummy, I'm a Zombie"** rated PG. A special "treat-to-eat" will be provided. Just for fun...come dressed up in your Halloween costume.

Saturday, November 1st at 1:00 PM, in the Community Room, there will be real, live, **Llama's in the Library!** Meet the Llama's of Country Quilt Farm, from West Cornwall, CT.

Join us on **Saturday, November 22 from 9:00 AM until 3:00 PM,** as we host our second **Annual Holiday Authors Event.** The Willington Public Library will be hosting an extraordinary event... all together, under one roof, there will be dozens of local authors representing books of all types: Children, Young Adult, Adult, both Fiction and Non-Fiction. You can buy these books and support your local authors at this **BOOK EVENT.** What better way to get a head start on your holiday shopping and to give a gift that keeps on giving.

Family Movie Time: Saturday, November 29 at 12:30 PM, come watch on our BIG SCREEN, **Disney's "Maleficent"**. Feel free to bring in your own refreshments to enjoy while watching the movie (lunch or snack) and don't forget your friends!

Looking ahead: We are getting ready for our 3rd Annual Craft Fair, to be held on Saturday, December 6, 2014 from 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM. If you are interested in being a vendor, there are only five spaces available as of now. This notice will give Willington residents first choice if interested in participating in this year's event. Come in to register and secure your table as soon as possible.

We always have something special going on in our **Saturday Family Story & Craft Time at 10:30 AM to 12:00 PM,** where learning is fun! You never know what we'll be doing or WHO will be visiting.

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