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General Information

From the Desk of the First Selectman:

Dear Willington Residents:

It has been said that the reason we have tough winters in New England is so that we can appreciate the spring. Many of us will agree with that and smile as we watch the snow from the blizzard of 2013 melt away in the coming weeks.



Spring in Willington is usually a busy time with several outdoor events and opportunities to connect with friends, neighbors and support local non-profit organizations. You can read about many of these events as well as the parks and trails that are open for hiking in this brochure.

Many important town meetings take place in the spring as well. Our annual budget referendum will be held on May 7, 2013 (mark your calendars) and prior to that there are several Board of Finance meetings where the budget decisions will be made. Please check the town website (www.willingtonct.org) to find out when they will be meeting. Minutes from the meetings are also available if you wish to follow along and see what spending is requested by the various departments and what assumptions are being used to base revenue projections on.

In addition, the Board of Selectmen is hoping to add a question to the ballot in May

regarding public safety and whether or not residents would like to have a Resident State Trooper in town. This is a topic we have been exploring at our meetings and we feel it is important to let the residents have a voice in the matter. Other topics the Board of Selectmen have been discussing recently is fire department consolidation, energy performance contracting, improvements to the Old Town Hall and the drainage and resurfacing project on Turnpike Road. Our meetings are on the first and third Monday of every month and we would like to hear from more residents about these and other topics.

We hope to see you all out and about in Willington as the days get longer and the air gets warmer!

**Sincerely,
Christina Beebe Mailhos
First Selectman, Willington**

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General Info

Willington Town Clerk

Fishing & Hunting

Springtime on the way again and that means fishing season. Opening day for Trout Fishing is April 20, 2012. Licenses are available in the Town Clerk's Office or on line at www.ct.gov/dep. The Guide Books are available on line at www.ct.gov/dep/fishing or www.ct.gov/dep/hunting and will be in the Town Clerk's office sometime in April. Check with the clerk's office to see if they have come in. You can contact DEP by phone (860) 424-3105 with any additional questions. Any Connecticut Residents 65 years of age or older are entitled to a free license. Anyone with a "Lifetime" has to renew each year if you are a hunter or if you salt water fish. Make sure you bring in your old license with the conservation number on it.



Important Budget Dates

Budget Hearing **April 9, 2013**. Don't forget the Annual Town Meeting on **April 23, 2013**. Budget Referendum **May 7, 2013** cast your Vote at the Town Office Building, Old Senior Center 40 Old Farms Road. Absentee Ballots will be available for residents at the Town Clerks Office if you will not be in town on the day of the referendum. Please contact the Clerk's Office for date of absentee ballots will be available.

Any questions contact the clerk's office at 860 487-3121

Dog Licenses

June is the time to register your dog. You will receive renewal reminders at the end of May 2013. There is a fee of \$8.00 for a spayed/neutered dog and a \$19.00 fee for male/female dog. You can license your dog in person or by mail. All dog license requests must be received in this office in person or in the office via the mail by June 28th. An updated rabies certificate, if not current is required, a check payable to the Willington Town Clerk and a self addressed, stamped envelope should be included, if by mail. New dogs being registered would need the rabies certificate, spayed/neutered papers, check payable to Willington Town Clerk and a self addressed, stamped envelope, if mailed, for us to process your license. Please register your dog in June to avoid additional late fees as of July 1st. There is a \$1.00 per month and \$1.00 each additional month per state statute.



Passports

Passports are no longer processed in our office due to new government regulations. Forms are available online at pptctcm@state.gov. Get your passport, as soon as possible, if you know you will be traveling. An approximate processing time is about 4 weeks to 6 weeks. The Probate Judge's Office in Tolland or the Storrs Post Office processes passports. The Probate Judge's telephone number is 860 871-3640 or the Storrs Post Office is 860 429-9681.



Notary Services

There are a numbers of Notary Publics in the Town Office Building and can notarize documents. The Clerk's Office will not notarize any documents that will be filed on the town land records and or persons wills. There will be a \$5.00 fee for each document being notarized.

If you have any questions, please call our office 860 487-3121

Donna J. Hardie, Willington Town Clerk

News From The Economic Development Commision:

The Business Directories are here!!! If you haven't received your copy in the mail please stop by the Town Offices and pick one up.

The Economic Development Commission is pleased to be hosting another **Business Networking Meeting**, Sponsored by the Savings Institute Bank & Trust, on **Tuesday, March 19, 2013 from 6:30 to 8:00pm** at the **Willington Public Library**. The meeting is being sponsored by the Savings Institute Bank & Trust with presentations on How to Market Your Business and Business Lending. We will also touch on the subject of a Business Association in Willington.

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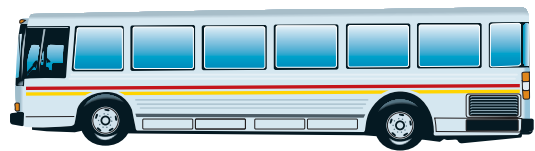
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Parks & Rec. Programs

Questions: Call Teri Gareau, Parks & Rec Director at 860- 487-3108 or visit www.willingtonct.org for more information.
ALL REGISTRATION FORMS ARE ONLINE

Bus Trips



NEW! These trips are being offered in Mansfield, Ashford, Coventry, Ellington, Tolland, Willington, and Windham. Please register in the Parks and Recreation department in those towns if you live there. Everyone else is welcome to register in any of those towns. The pick up location for people registering in Mansfield and Windham will be the commuter lot behind the Eastbrook Mall on Frontage Road. The pick up location for people registering in all other towns will be at the Exit 68 Commuter Parking Lot, Tolland next to Dunkin Dounuts.

A Day on Your Own in Boston

Date: Sat., March 16 (**registration deadline is Feb. 25**)

Time: Bus will leave the Exit 68 Commuter Parking Lot, Tolland next to Dunkin Dounuts at 7:30 a.m. and return at approximately 6 p.m.

Location: Boston, Massachusetts
Fee: \$32 per person (fee includes bus transportation only)

Plan a fun day in Boston. We'll take you to Boston; drop you off at several locations and round you up again at the end of the day. The bus will drop off at the following locations: Public transportation is available for many others.



• **Boston Flower Show:** This year's theme is: First Impressions and will showcase ways to express one's personality and style as well as add enjoyment and value to one's property. More information can be found at <http://www.masshort.org/Blooms-and-the-Boston-Flower-&-Garden-Show>

• **Boston Science Museum:** participants can easily spend an entire day exploring this museum. More information about exhibits and special events can be found at www.mos.org.

• **Quincy Market and Faneuil Hall:** participants can walk around, shop and get great food at this historic area in Boston. More information can be found at www.faneuilhallmarketplace.com.

• **Public Transportation** information can be found at: www.mbta.com

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A Day in New York City

(lower Manhattan version)

Day: Sat., April 6 (**registration deadline March 30**)

Time: Bus will leave the Exit 68 Commuter Parking Lot, Tolland next to Dunkin Donuts 7 a.m. and returns approx. 10:30 p.m.

Fee: \$42 for everyone (fee includes bus transportation only)

Enjoy a day in the "Big Apple" with friends and family. Bus will drop-off at Battery Park (Statue of Liberty), South Street Seaport, and the 911 Memorial. There will be one pick up (determined on the day of the trip).



www.southstreetseaport.com in the ever-changing Manhattan landscape, The Seaport stands out as a community anchor providing entertainment, retail and dining for New Yorkers and visitors to alike.

<http://www.statueoflibertytickets.com> Visit Battery Park the "jump off point" for the Statue of Liberty and Ellis Island.

www.911memorial.org Visit the 9/11 Memorial, A national tribute of remembrance and honor to the men, women, and children killed in the terror attacks of September 11, 2001 and February 26, 1993.

Bus will drop off in mid-town if there is interest, but pickup will be in lower Manhattan only.

Bronx Zoo/Botanical Gardens

Date: Saturday, May 11th
(**Register by May 1st**)

Time: The coach bus will leave the Tolland Commuter Lot at exit 68 off Rte #84 at 7:30 am; we will leave the zoo at 4:30 pm and stop for dinner on the way home. Return time is approximately 8:00 pm. Register early this popular trip always fills.

Bronx Zoo

Fee: (includes the coach bus and your ticket to the zoo.) Adult \$65, Child/Senior (ages 2-12 or 65 and up) \$60. Children under age 2 are free at the zoo, fee for bus only \$35.

Botanical Garden

Fee: Adult \$60, Child (ages 2-12) \$50, Senior (65 and up) \$58.

The Bronx Zoo- One of the premier zoos in the world covering more than 265 acres.

It is home to more than 4000 animal species. Your POP pass (pay one price) includes the exhibits, attractions and special rides. You will want to experience the Zoo Shuttle, Bengali Express Monorail, Skyfari Cable Car (one way) Children's Zoo, World of Darkness, World of Reptiles, Jungle World, Tiger Mountain, Congo Gorilla Rain Forest and the Butterfly Gardens. It is hard to see this entire amazing zoo in one day. Bring your camera, your best walking shoes and your lunch if you want or you may purchase it at the zoo.

The Botanical Gardens- See, Explore, Enjoy, Discover! See spectacular seasonal exhibitions inside a landmark glass house that also features a tropical rain forest and cactus-filled desert with plants. **Explore** exciting hands on activities for the entire family in two gardens



designed especially for children. **Discover** the 50-acre forest, rock garden, and the home gardening center where you can shop and find unique merchandise, enticing gifts and inspiration for both home and garden. On May 11, the Gardens will also feature Spanish Artist, Manolo Valde's monumental sculpture exhibit, a bird walk and ongoing audio tours. For more details: www.nybg.org.

Tentative Trips Planned for the rest of 2013

June (TBD) - Redsox Game

August 3rd- RI Lighthouse Tour/Fire Water

September (TBD) - Yankees Game

October 5th-Strawberry, Chocolate, and Wine Festival, and Foliage Trip

November 11th - Radio City Music Hall Christmas Spectacular NYC

28th-Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade - Dec. 7th - "A Day in New York City" - Shopping on your Own

Programs

Boating Course

Connecticut Safe Boating and Personal Watercraft Course. This single session, 8-hour course, taught by Professional Marine Education, provides a certificate of completion as partial fulfillment of the requirements to obtain the Certification of Personal Watercraft Operation, which allows the operation of motorized recreational vessels up to 65' and sailboats 19 1/2' in length and longer. Upon successful completion of this course, the student can mail or deliver the diploma to any State DEP office, and combined with an application for certificate (provided) and appropriate fee, qualifies the student to obtain the Certificate of Personal Watercraft Operation. The certificate is a one-time, lifetime certification. Students should bring a pen or pencil to class.



Age: Designated for ages 12+
Instructor: Professional Marine Education
Date: Saturday, March 23 and April 13
Time: 8:30 am- 4:30 pm at the Willington Town Office Building-Common Room
Fee: \$75.00
Bring a lunch.

Fencing-Beginner & Open

When: March 16
Where: Old Town Hall, Jared Sparks Road
Open Fencing: 10:00 am - 11:00 am
Beginner Fencing: 9:00 am - 10:00 am
Cost: Minimum of 5 needed to run \$60 residents (per session) \$65.00 non-residents
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.



Parks & Rec. Programs

Golf Lessons

Location: Skungamaug River Golf Course in Coventry
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Class Times and Dates:

Co-ed Adult Classes:

Tuesdays: 5:00 pm-6:00 pm- May 7, 14, 21, 28

Thursdays: 6:00 pm-7:00 pm- September 5, 12, 19, 26

Ladies Classes:

Thursdays: 6:00 pm-7:00 pm- June 6, 13, 20, 27

Tuesdays: 5:00 pm-6:00 pm- August 6, 13, 20, 27

Kids Classes:

Thursdays: 6:00 pm-7:00 pm- July 11, 18, August 1st double class **Ages 8-15**

Cost: \$75 per student- min 6/ max 8

Time/day subject to change and class may be combined with other towns. Contact Golf course if weather is questionable-860-742-9348.

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

Kayak Loaner Program

Beginning May

Through a Grant from the Eastern Highlands Health District initiative "Healthy Eating, Active Living" (HEAL) there are several kayaks available to town residents through a FREE loaner program!! All rentals include kayak; one life jacket and one paddle. **These are available by appointment only!!** The Loaner agreement is available online or in the Parks and Recreation office. Kayaks must come back clean!



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Location: Center School

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Halls Pond 2013

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Certifications:

- American Red Cross Lifeguarding
- American Red Cross Waterfront Lifeguarding and First Aid for non-surf water positions
- American Red Cross First Aid and CPR/AED for Lifeguards

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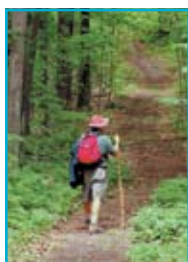
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Knowlton Property: Mason Road- Hiking Trails



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

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

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SATURDAY, APRIL 20TH

4th ANNUAL WILLINGTON CLEAN-UP DAY

8:30 am - 11:30 am at the Transfer Station to weigh and dump your trash



In celebration of Earth Day, residents are encouraged to adopt a road (or a portion of a road) and clean-up the trash along the roadway. Bring your trash bags full of trash and recyclables to be weighed at the Transfer Station. Let's see how many pounds of trash we can collect! Collection can occur prior to date.

All participants will receive a ticket for an ice cream at Willington Day.

Pre-registration and road selection can be done in person at the Town Office Building or you can email Tara Bergeron at tbergeron@willingtonct.org or Teri Gareau at tgareau@willingtonct.org. You can also sign-up at the Willington Transfer Station on the day of the event.

Gloves and two trash bags will be provided for each participant.

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.





Parks & Rec. Programs

Registration Info


You can download registration forms; get updated information on upcoming programs, events, and facility rental information! www.willingtonct.org
Questions: Call Teri Gareau, Parks and Recreation Director at (860)487-3108 or email me at tgareau@willingtonct.org

Inclement weather Policy:
In the event of inclement weather, programs maybe cancelled, and a makeup date scheduled. If schools are closed, all programs will be cancelled. Notification will be placed on WFSB 3 TV.
Payment:
Payments may be made by check or cash. All checks should be made out to the Willington Parks and Recreation Department. Returned checks are subject to a \$20 service charge.
The Parks and Recreation Commission meet the 4th Tuesday of every month at 7PM in the Town Office-Selectman Conference Table.

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Primary Household Contact (Parent/Guardian)

Secondary Household Contact (Parent/Guardian)

Name:		Name:	
Address:		Address:	
Town:	Zip:	Town:	Zip:
Phone: (H)	(W)	Phone: (H)	(W)
(Cell)		(Cell)	
Email Address:		Email Address:	

LOCAL Emergency Contact (Other than parent/guardian, i.e. grandparent, neighbor, etc.)

Name:	Phone:
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Program Name	Start Date	Participant's Last Name	First Name	Birth Date	Gender	Fee
A Scholarship fund has been established for lower income children			Contribution to Scholarship Fund			
DEPENDING ON PROGRAM OR TRIP PLEASE ADD:			Non Resident \$5.00 or \$10.00 Additional per person,per activity			
Total						

Some Willington residents may be eligible for low-income fee reductions. Check with the Parks & Recreation Office for more information and an application.

	Grade Entering	Name of Doctor and phone number	Allergies, Special Asst., Meds, Other Info:
1.			
2.			
3.			
4.			

PAYMENT INFORMATION: Willington Parks and Recreation Department (WPRD)
(Separate checks required for each program)

Release, Waiver and Assumption of Liability and Consent For Medical Treatment
I, the undersigned, by registering myself or my child in the town's programs/trips understand the nature and risks associated with the participation in this activity. I hereby grant my child permission to participate. I am aware that participation is at one's own risk. I acknowledge that the activity, equipment and facilities may pose a risk of personal injury. I am also aware that each participant is responsible for his or her own safety. I hereby waive and release myself, my heirs, executors or administrators of any and all claims and damage we ever had or now have, against the Town of Willington, its successors and assigns, employees, agents and representative for any and all kinds of injury, including but not limited to personal injury and/or property damage suffered by my child, myself, family members or friends while participating in this program. Consent for Medical Treatment of Minors, as the parent or legal guardian of the above named player, I hereby give consent for emergency medical care prescribed by a fully licensed Doctor of Medicine or Doctor of Dentistry. This care may be given under whatever conditions are necessary to preserve the life, limb or well being of my dependent. I certify that the information contained on this form is accurate and complete.

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Community Groups

Senior Activities

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Seniors Walking Club!!!!

Resuming in April as weather permits.

Tuesdays and Thursdays mornings at 10:00am. Come on down to the River Road Athletic Complex to "Walk and Talk" with friends or make new friends.



511 River Road-one lap =.33 miles

- **March 16-** \$5.00 Breakfast "All You Can Eat" 9-11am
- **March 18** - Foot Clinic 1:30pm Appointment required
- **April 20** - Tag Sale 9am-2pm
- **April Foot Clinic** - 1:30pm Appointment required. Call for date.
- **May 18-** \$5.00 Breakfast "All You Can Eat" 9-11am
- **Bingo Dates:** Wednesdays - 3/27, 4/24, 5/22, 5/29, 6/26 -12:30pm
- **Food Share Dates:** Wednesdays- 3/13, 3/27, 4/10, 4/24, 5/8, 5/22, 6/5, 6/19 from 11 am - 11:30am



Ongoing Activities:

Yoga: Mondays 6pm

Crafts: Mondays 9:30 - 11am

Tai Chi: Tuesdays and Fridays 10 - 11am

Ladies' Pool: Tuesdays 12:30pm

Men's Pool: Tuesdays and Thursdays 6:30pm

Pinochle: Fridays 12:30pm

Set Back: Saturdays 7pm

"Out to Lunch Bunch": 2nd Thursday of every month 12:30pm

Wii Bowling: 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

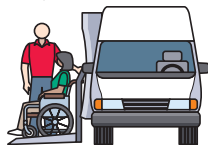


Senior Fundraisers

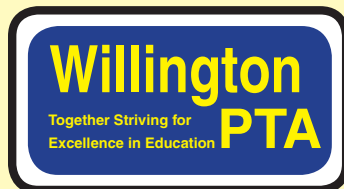
"Flavors of Home" Cookbook - a compilation of the Senior's favorite recipes. Cost is \$9.00. Books are sold at the Senior Center or at the Town Clerk Office. For more information please call, 860-429-8321.

The Town of Willington and the Seniors have joined forces to raise funds for a handicap van. The van costs approximately \$60,000.00, of which, 80 % will be covered by a grant. The remaining \$12,000.00 or 20%, must be raised

by the town and seniors. 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. The Willington Seniors, Inc.



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



12th Annual Run for Health, Fitness and Recreation

Saturday May 25, 2013- Lace-up your running shoes and join us for the ½ mile or 1 mile Fun Run. Feeling ambitious? Go the distance and sign up for the 5k race. Sponsorship and registration forms can be found at www.willingtonpta.com. After the 5K race, join us at Willington Day.



Box Tops - Turn your shopping trips into easy cash for your school and encourage your friends and family to do the same! Just look for the box tops logo on products you buy already. Clip the box top and send them in with your student. Each one is worth 10 cents for your school. Last year we raised over \$800. Drop box locations in town can be found at the Town Transfer Station and at the Senior Center.

Upcoming Events

Ron-A-Roll Skate Day

Saturday March 2, 2013 - 4:30-6:30pm

Mother/Son Bowling

Sunday March 10, 2013 - 1:00- 3:00pm

PTA Fun Run/5K

Saturday May 25, 2013, events begin at 9am

Upcoming PTA Meetings

March 21 April 18 May 16
6:30 pm;

Willington Public Library

(on-site childcare provided).

We welcome your attendance at our meetings and new committees are forming. Remember only members may vote. You can join at anytime! Membership forms are available online (\$10 for active members, \$20 for non-active members).

Join our Facebook Group Page to stay current!
www.willingtonpta.com



2013

"Circle of Friends" Fundraising Events

March 13th:

Casino Trip to Mohegan Sun- \$25 per person. Bus leaves the Town Office Building at 2:30pm and returns approximately 9:30pm. At Casino you will receive a \$15.00 food/buffet voucher and a \$15.00 betting voucher. Contact Carol Larson at 860-487-3111 by 3/8/13.



March 23rd:

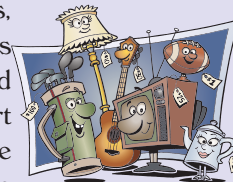
"Chili Cook Off" at the St. Philips Hall 4:00pm - 8:00pm \$8.00 per person. Raffles, Dessert, water, soda and BYOB. Those interested in participating contact Liz Peczu at (860) 429-5982. Contact Teri Gareau (860) 487-3108 for general information.

April 13th:

"Zumba for a Cure III": 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm Hall Memorial School Gymnasium-111 River Road, Willington. Registration begins at 12:30 pm. \$20.00 for the Event. Incredible instructors will provide 2 hours of Zumba excitement! Raffles!! All proceeds go directly to "Relay for Life" in hopes of finding a CURE!! Don't miss out on the fun!! Contact Teri Gareau (860) 487-3108 to preregister your spot or for more information.

May 4th:

"3rd Annual Town Wide Tag Sale" - Cleaning out your closets and shelves, finding items you would like to part with, come join us at the Town Offices for the 3rd Town Wide Tag Sale. \$20.00 provides you with a 10x10 space. Contact Carol Noyes (860) 487-3107 for Tag Sale Information or mail your \$20.00 to the Assessors Office, 40 Old Farms Road.



\$2 Candy Bars and \$1 Awareness Bracelets for sale.

June 7th and 8th: "6th Annual Relay for Life" at Tolland High School

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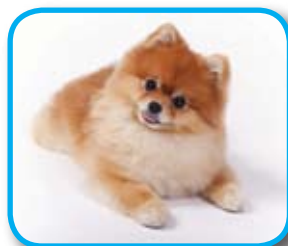
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KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

Willington Center School is registering students entering kindergarten for the 2013-2014 school year. Parents and guardians of children who will be 5 by January 1, 2014 are asked to call Center School at 860-429-9367 if they have not already done so.

Orientation for kindergarten will be held on June 3th. Parents will be contacted to schedule an appointment.

Community Groups/Town Departments



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 successepto.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.



Information

7 Ruby Road, Willington, CT
Phone: (860) 429-3854
Fax: (860) 429-2136

HOURS:

Mon., Wed. and Fri.: 11 AM - 5 PM
Tues. and Thurs.: 11 AM - 8 PM
Sat.: 9 AM - 3 PM

www.willingtonpubliclibrary.org

Mark your calendars! Monthly list of events for March, April & May.

Family Movie Time, last Saturday of every month, 12:30PM in the Community Room on the BIG screen.



Knitting Club meets every Tuesday 1-3 PM in the Reading Room. Lessons given for beginners. Please bring your own supplies.



Crocheting Club meets every Thursday 6:30 - PM in the Reading Room. Lessons given for beginners. Please bring your own supplies.

Family Story & Craft Time: Saturday mornings at 10:30.

Adult Book Discussion Group meets on the first Tuesday of every month at 6:45 PM in the Reading Room.



Every second Tuesday of the month: **Intermediate Nutmeg and Teen Observance and Discussion (T.O.A.D.)** Book Clubs meet at 6:30PM.

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There are more events coming your way during the following months; please look for upcoming notices. Here are just a few to look forward to for now. In...

In March:

Read Across America- Dr. Seuss Birthday: Sat. 3/2

World Book Day: Thurs. 3/7

In April:

Library Snap Shot Day: Tues. 4/16

D.E.A.R.: Drop Everything and Read Day- Beverly Cleary's Birthday: we will celebrate on Sat. 4/13

National TV-Turn Off Week- AKA/Screen-Free Week: last week in April (4/29-5/5)

In May:

Willington Day: Sat. 5/25

Chicks: With the arrival of Spring right around the corner, we will be expecting our very own little brood. Join us, as we watch baby chicks be born at the library.

We could use your help with these donation items:

Accessory items (hats, gloves, jewelry, scarves, pocketbooks, feather boas, etc.) and clothes for use in playing "dress-up". All sizes needed for children of all ages. Halloween costumes would be great to have as well. Always in need of all size Lego's, Brio and Thomas Trains and their accessories. Furnishing items for our 3 foot doll house, which consists of 2 floors.

What would you like to see, at the library, in the way of programs and events? Do you have a talent that you would like to share in the form of a program? We are always looking for new ideas and ways to bring programs to your library. Please call Debbie at 860-429-3854 or email dlinars@willingtonpubliclibrary.org with your ideas and offerings.



Willington Youth, Family & Social Services

[wyfss@willingtonct.org](mailto:wfyss@willingtonct.org)
40 Old Farms Rd.
Willington, CT 06279
860-487-3118

<http://willingtonct.virtualtownhall.net>

Coming Soon!

Town of Willington April Camp: Do you have to work through your child's April vacation? Send him or her to April Camp! This WYFSS camp will run from April 22nd through April 26th, and features a different theme each day. Download your program description and registration forms on our homepage after March 15th.

Medication Clean-Out Campaign Tentatively Scheduled

Prescription drugs accounted for about half of accidental poisoning deaths in the U.S. in 2004, and every day thousands of teenagers use someone else's prescription drugs to get high for the first time.

Unwanted or unused prescription drugs kept in a medicine cabinet are one part of this serious problem. They can be stolen and sold quickly on the street or confused with other medications and taken accidentally.

Our Local Prevention Council is campaigning to clean leftover medications out of Connecticut's medicine cabinets. RESIDENTS OF ANY TOWN ARE WELCOME TO PARTICIPATE! There is no cost to any resident for this program!

You can legally dispose of your unused, partially used or unwanted prescriptions at our drop-off site. Educational materials about the dangers of prescription drug misuse and abuse will be available at the site as well.

This event is tentatively scheduled for Saturday May 18th. To receive details on this event as they become available please subscribe to the Town of Willington's "Public Notices" or "Youth & Family Services" emails on our website!



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The Town of Willington encourages you to get involved and stay informed! Go to www.willingtonct.virtualtownhall.net/subscribe and choose the town departments for which you would like to receive email announcements. Get meeting agendas and minutes, notification of special events and town-sponsored programs for all ages.

Early Childhood Programs

Caterpillar Club: This free play group runs every Thursday from 9:30 to 11:00 am at the Willington Public Library. Parents and children (ages 18 months-4 years) socialize and play together; creating family and community bonds that will last a lifetime.



Toddler Time Music & Movement Class: This very affordable and professionally instructed class meets every Tuesday from 9:30 to 11:00 am at the Willington Public Library. This class is specially designed to promote motor and social skills in children ages 18 mos. to 4 years of age. Join anytime and pay as you go!

Music & Movement Class is an affordable \$6.00 per class, or \$50.00 per 10 week session.

Toddler Time Pre-School Activity Class: This class meets at the Willington Public Library on Fridays from 9:30 to 11:00 am. Professionally instructed, this class helps to prepare your child for the activities of the pre-school classroom. Join anytime and pay as you go! This activity class is \$6.00 per class or \$50.00 per 10 week session.

Youth Programs

New Horizons Girls Club:

Welcome to your future girls! This activity and leadership group meets approximately twice monthly and helps to prepare girls to engage in their community and become independent thinkers. The club runs for girls grades K-8 in the Willington Public Schools. Check out all the details on the WYFSS homepage!



Willington FoodShare Mobile Site: Families and seniors alike may attend FoodShare every other Wednesday morning at 11:00am sharp. The mobile truck utilizes the parking lot of the Willington Senior Center at 60 Old Farms Rd, Willington CT. Low to moderate income participants receive fresh fruit, vegetables, breads, and various other perishable food items. For more information about this great program go to: <http://fdshr.convio.net/site/PageServer?pagename=index>



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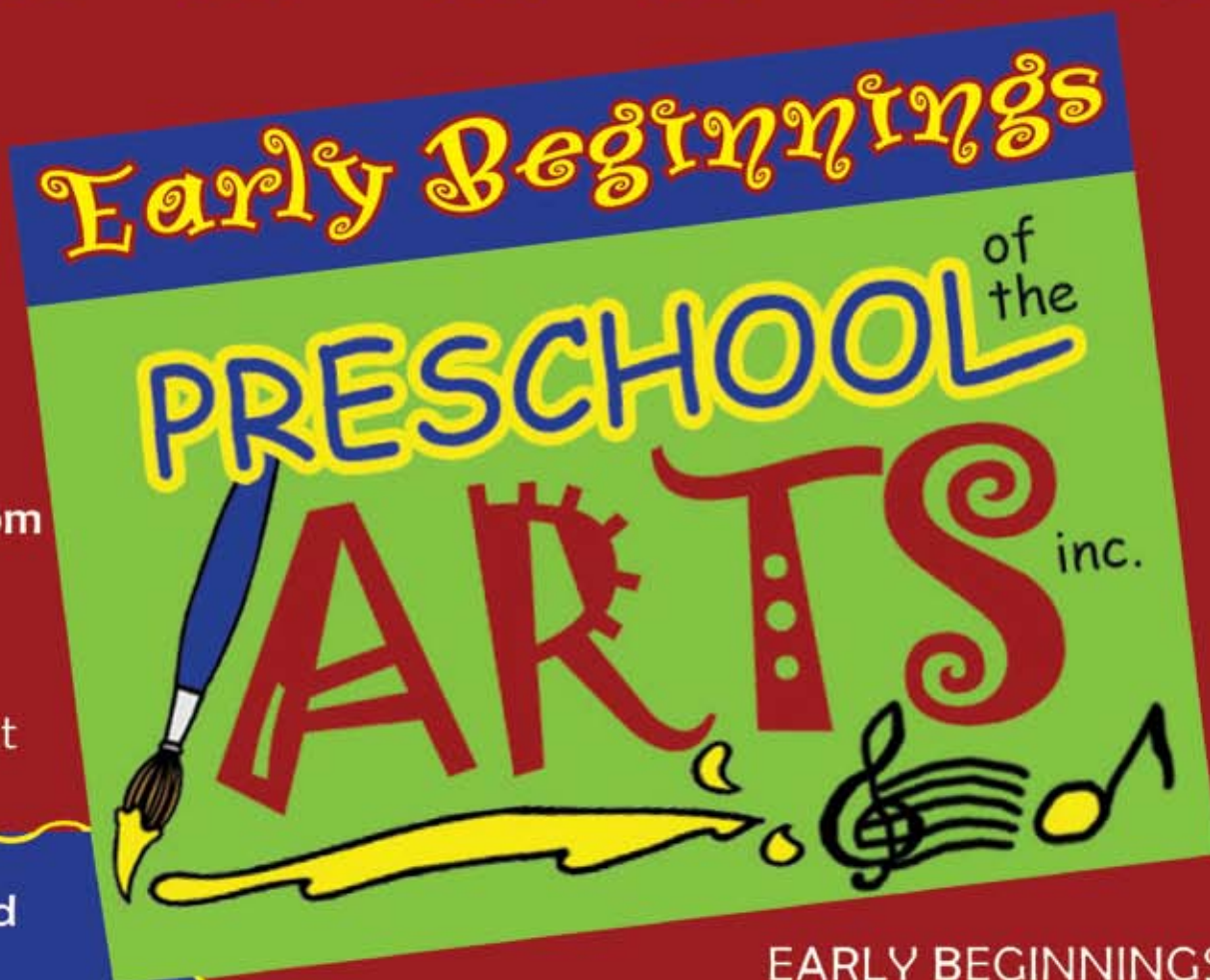
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