



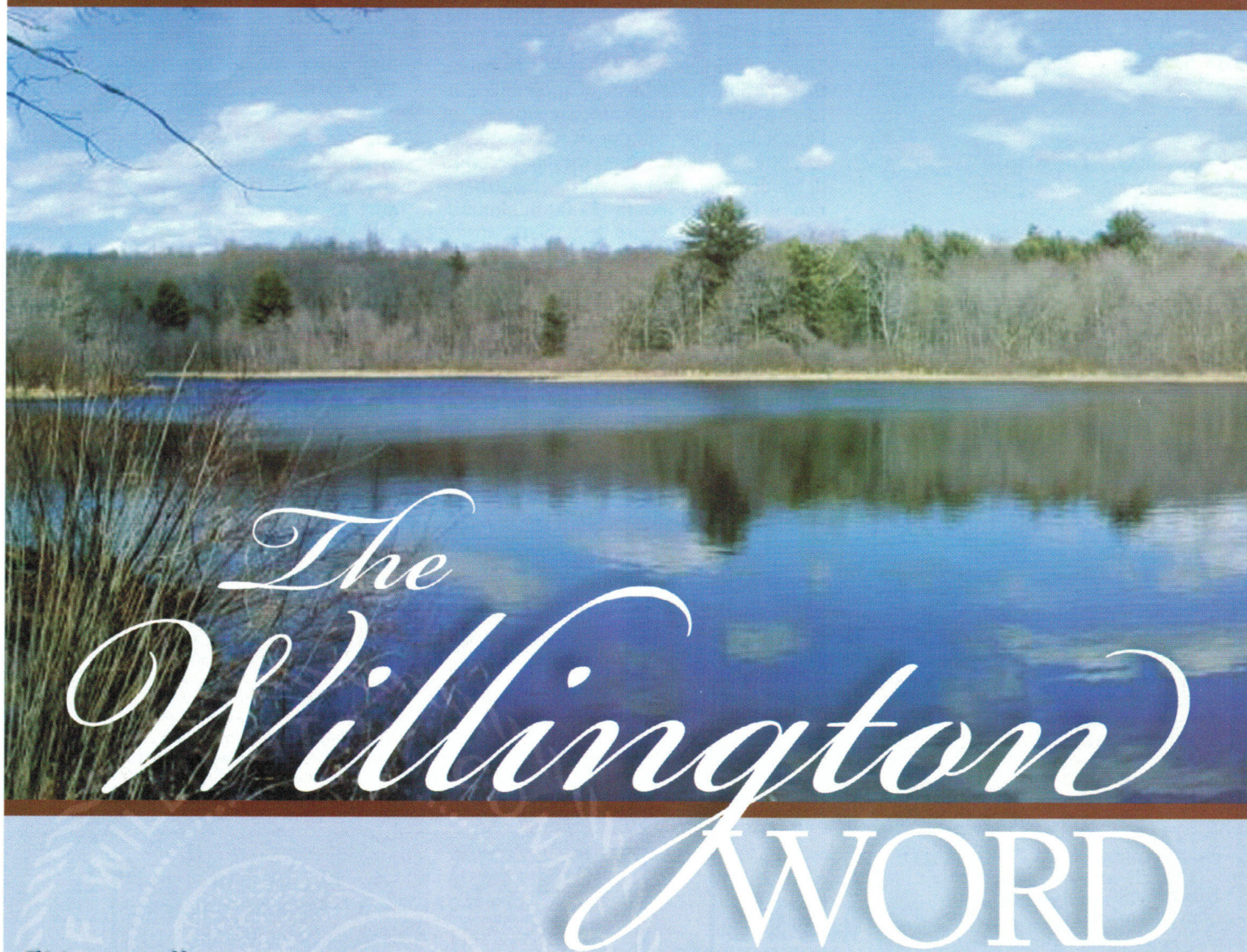
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FROM THE DESK OF THE FIRST SELECTMAN

The Town of Willington has applied for a DECD Small Cities Block Grant Program for \$300,000. This grant will allow residents in the town to make necessary improvements to their homes who are income qualified. We have received many letters of interest from residents in need of improvements to their homes. These letters have been submitted with the application. Notification of the award to the Town will not be in until late fall of 2009. The funds will be available in 2010. If you would like more information regarding this Grant, contact the office of the First Selectman (860) 487-3100.

Mike Eldredge
First Selectman

FRIENDLY REMINDER

This is a reminder to Willington taxpayers that the first installment of taxes billed in July 2009, on the assessment list of October 1, 2008, are due in full by August 3, 2009. After this date, the tax becomes delinquent and interest will be charged at a rate of 1.5% per month (\$2.00 minimum), starting at 3% on August 4, 2009.

You can pay your tax bills in person at the Tax Collector's office in the Town Office Building, 40 Old Farms Rd. Public hours are Mon. 12:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m., Tues. through Fri. 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. If these hours are inconvenient, please use the payment drop box installed outside the Town Office Building.

If paying in person or using drop box, to avoid interest, you must do so **before** the close of business on August 3rd. We will check the drop box at closing time on

August 3rd. We are closed July 3, 2009 and July 6, 2009 for the Fourth of July holiday.

You can mail your tax payment using the green envelope enclosed with your tax bill. If you are requesting a receipt, please be sure to enclose a self addressed stamped envelope along with your payment. You must have your envelope post marked by August 3, 2009 to avoid paying interest.

You may also pay by credit card by calling 1-800-272-9829 or on line at <http://www.officialpayments.com>. Willington's jurisdiction code is 1707.

If you have any questions, please call the Tax Office at 487-3111.
Carol A. Larson, CCMC, Willington
Tax Collector



**Register Now for
Summer Camps & Classes!**
Ages 2 - adult

**Fall Registration For our
3rd Annual Nutcracker Season
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Classes begin Sept. 14th. Be a part of our
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& Styles August 27th.

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MISSION STATEMENT

In an ongoing effort to provide the citizens of Willington with programs and facilities for everyone's recreational needs, the Willington Parks & Recreation Department will always commit it's resources to expand and adapt to those needs.

The Willington Parks & Recreation Department in association with the Public Works Department, and outside contractors will maintain the playing fields at Hall School and Center School, the River Road Athletic Complex, and the Town Hall Offices.

By offering a diverse group of recreational programs with the equipment and facilities to safely and properly implement these programs, we hope to get our community to "come out and play". Good health, social interaction, and promoting learning of new physical and mental skills are available to everyone who wants to participate.

The Willington Parks & Recreation Commission meets the 4th Tuesday of each month at the Town Office Building at 7:00 pm. Your input is welcome.

COMMUNITY THEATER PROGRAM

"Alice in Wonderland" is coming to Willington.

Students entering Grade 4 through 12

Auditions: Monday, July 27th 7:15 pm at Leaps & Dreams

Call backs and casting: Friday, July 31st (makeup for those who can not make Monday)

Camp/Rehearsals: Monday-Friday
August 3rd-7th
August 10th-13th

All days meet from 6:00 pm-8:15 pm at the Old Town Hall

Performance is on the 14th at 7:30 pm at the Old Town Hall (meet at 4:30 pm for a run through)

Admission to performance will be a donation of can good items to benefit the Willington Food Bank.

Cost: \$100 per student with a minimum of 12 to run program.

SUMMER SPORT CAMPS

MLS Soccer Camp (Ages 3-up)

Major league soccer camp offers player development for all ages. Players will learn about the game of soccer as well as learn skills that are appropriate for their age level. There are three age groups to choose from. Campers will receive a ball, t-shirt, and evaluation. Shin guards and water bottle required. Register online at: www.MLScamps.com

Date: July 13-17
Time: Recreation (ages 3-4)
5:00 pm-5:45 pm; the cost is \$61
Recreation (ages 5-6)
6:30 pm -8:00 pm; the cost is \$84
Recreation/Comp (ages 7 and above)
5:00 pm -8:00 pm the cost is \$130

Mini- Hawk Camps run by Skyhawks (Baseball, Soccer & Basketball) Ages 4-7

Mini-Hawk programs help young children explore sports in a day-program setting. There is no pressure, just lots of fun, while these young athletes participate in unique Skyhawks games. The staff is trained to meet the needs of young children. Participant-to-coach ratio is approximately 8:1.

Date: June 22-25 M-Thur
Time: 5:00 pm-7:00pm \$65
Date: August 10-14 M-F
Time: 9:00 am-12:00 pm \$99

Center School-Registrations will be available soon.

"For the Love of the Game" Baseball Camp

Date: July 27-31 -4 day camp
Time: 8:30 am-12:00 am
\$100 includes camp tee shirt

Town Office Fields-Registration has begun
Directed by: Steve Cervizzi, Marty Gomez, Kevin Ericson, and Stan Harris

Participants are grouped by age and physical maturity. Players will learn the fundamentals of batting skills, throwing, baseball running, sliding and primary and secondary position play. Individualized attention as well as introduction to position play and daily "game" experience will be featured. Participants should bring water and a snack that does not require refrigeration.

For more information visit

www.fortheloveofthegamecamps.com

Free Kayak Loaner Program

The Willington Parks and Recreation Department has obtained Kayak Equipment through a grant from Eastern Highlands Health District initiative "Healthy Eating, Active Living" (HEAL). All rentals include one life jacket and one paddle per kayak.

Reservations

Loaner equipment is available Monday-Friday. Special requests can be made in writing to the Director of Parks & Recreation for longer periods of time. The public may reserve for any service up to four weeks in advance. Reservations must be made at least 48 hours in advance. Only one open reservation will be allowed per household. After the completion of one reservation, another will be allowed. You may cancel your reservation up to 1 week prior to checkout of equipment without penalty. If you cancel inside 1 week of reserved checkout, you will forfeit your ability to rent again for the season unless the cancellation is due to documented family illness or severe weather conditions.

Walk-ins: (June 1- June 22only)

June 25 - August 17:

Pickup 9:00 - 10:00 am Drop Off 2:00 -3:00 pm

If a unit is not reserved or a cancellation occurs, any qualified patrons may walk-in (to the Parks & Recreation Office, Town Office Building) and borrow an item during posted office hours of operation.

Equipment Check-out/in Hours:

By appointment only from August 17 - June 1.

Call (860) 487-3108 to schedule an appointment. Check in & check out location is at Town Office Building,

Golf Lessons at Skunkamaug Golf Course

Class Times and Dates:

Kids Classes: Thursdays: 6:00pm-7:00 pm
July 2nd, 9th, 16th Double session ages 8-15

Ladies Classes:

Tuesdays: 5:00pm-6:00 pm
Aug. 4th, 11th, 18th, 25th

Co-ed Adult Classes:

Thursdays:
6:00pm-7:00 pm
Sept. 3rd, 10th, 17th, 24th

Cost: \$60 per student- min 6/ max 8

Contact Golf course if weather is questionable-742-9348.

Parks & Recreation

Karate

Sessions 4-6 Hidden Dragon II-11 Phelps Way

Wednesdays:

Session 4: June 10th, 17th, 24th, and July 1st, 8th, 15th

Session 5: July 22nd, 29th, and August 5th, 12th, 19th, 26th

Session 6: September 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd, 30th, and October 7th

Class Times:

Dragons (ages 4-7) 4:30 pm to 5:00 pm- White Belt

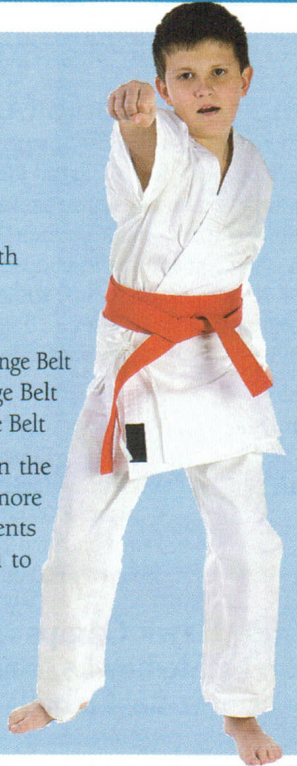
Advanced Dragons (ages 4-7) 5:15 pm to 5:45 pm Yellow Belt to Orange Belt

Preteens (ages 8 and 15) 6:00 pm to 6:30 pm White Belt to Orange Belt

Adults (ages 16 and up) 6:45 pm to 7:15 pm- White Belt to Orange Belt

Students will only be allowed to make up one missed class within the Hidden Dragon Karate II school schedule. Any student missing more than two or more classes will not be eligible to test. Once students have obtained the rank of Orange Belt, students have the option to join the school full or part time, or leave the program.

All new students are required to purchase hidden dragon tee shirts for \$15.00. Make checks payable to Hidden Dragon II.



Willington Parks & Rec Ongoing Programs

Garden Program

Fall Planting.....September 1st

Time: 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Location: Willington Public Library

Fee: \$10.00 per person or

Yoga Monday Nights

at Center School 6:30pm-7:30pm

Cardio and Strengthening Exercise Class

Friday nights at Center School
6:30pm - 7:30pm

Outdoor Aquatics at Hall's Pond

Come swim and play at one of the area's cleanest natural facilities. The pond will open for the season Saturday, June 20th. Obtain unlimited use of Hall's Pond by purchasing a Pond pass for you and your family.

Hours: Monday - Friday 1:00pm - 7:00pm,
Saturday & Sunday 12:00pm - 7:00 pm
All passes are available for purchase at the Recreation Department or online.

Pond Pass Fees:

\$50 Willington Resident Family Pass

\$55 Non-Resident Family Pass

\$30 Resident Individual Pass

\$35 Non-Resident Individual Pass

A daily pond pass is also available for \$25.00, this allows for 5 daily visits.

Swimming lessons will run from 10:00am - 12:00pm, Monday - Thursday. In Case of inclement weather, make-ups will be held on Fridays. Class size is limited to 10 swimmers, so sign up early.

Swimming Lesson Schedule:

3 Sessions of 2 weeks, 4 lessons per week.

Session 1: July 6th-16th

Session 2: July 20th-30th

Session 3: August 3rd-14th

Check out the website for specific level schedules.

Fee: \$40 per child, per session, w/pond pass
\$50 per child, per session, w/out pond pass

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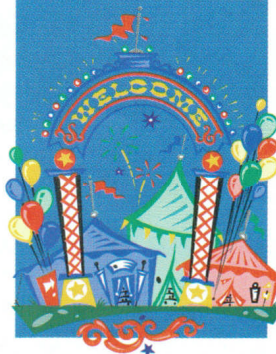
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~ CONSERVATION COMMISSION SUMMER EVENTS ~

Hike a new trail in Willington this summer!

The Conservation Commission has no formal activities planned for the summer months, but we hope you will have a chance to explore two beautiful hiking areas we have in Willington. Many of you have visited the 300-acre Fenton-Ruby Park and Wildlife Preserve and Drobney Sanctuary on Moose Meadow Road and have hiked the varied, wooded terrain on the 4-plus miles of trails. For those of you who have not, a kiosk with maps is located at the parking area and a box with nature trail guides is located a short distance down the Taylor Trail.

We'd like to highlight here some lesser known, but equally attractive, trails in the southeast part of Town. The Willington-owned Talmadge Tract and the contiguous UConn Moss Forest and the Conn. Forest and Parks Association (CFPA) North Property, contain trails through some highly picturesque rolling terrain in 430 acres of conserved open space. The 28-acre Talmadge Tract, which contains the Talmadge Spur Trail, was purchased by the Town with the help of a Connecticut DEP grant. The North property was donated to the town by Daniel North to be sold with the proceeds used for a library. 1 1/2, or 2-mile, loops will take you through a good part of this scenic forest.

We do not yet have printed maps of these trails, however, directions and trail descriptions of this area and trail maps for Fenton-Ruby Park are

available in the Town Clerk's Office, the Willington Library and on the Conservation Commission website, www.willingtonct.org, under the "Boards and Commissions" link.

We hope you can take advantage of Willington's protected forest resources for appreciation of their beauty, observation of the varied ecosystems and habitats, for exercise and for their restorative powers (shinrin-yoku: Taking in the Atmosphere of the Forest). Early mornings and evenings frequently offer the best chance to observe wildlife and are likely to be the most picturesque times to visit, but different times of the day all have their own attractions.

Have a good summer! Get out and enjoy!

Town of Willington Farm/Forest/ Open Space Filing period

Applications are available at the Assessor's Office and should be filed between September 3, and October 31, 2009. More information, including applications, regarding these use assessment programs for land can also be found on the Town of Willington website at www.willingtonct.org on the Assessor's page. Forms are located in the "downloadable forms" link.

Landowners who are already participating in these programs are not required to refile unless a change in ownership has occurred. Please call the office at 487-3122 or e-mail assessor@willingtonct.org should you have any questions regarding these programs or the application requirements.

WYFSS will once again be offering Safe Kids Camp, running August 3 - August 7 from 9-11AM at Center School. This camp is designed for children entering or exiting Kindergarten. The week will entail visits from police officers, firemen, a crossing guard and a school busdriver. The cost of the camp is \$25, and registration packets can be obtained by calling 487-3118.

iParentnetwork.org

iparentnetwork to launch in Sept. 2009.

To join the email list to be informed of the launch, please contact Ruth Freeman, Project Coordinator at 429.4477 or at positiveparent@earthlink.net

The Annual Willington Flea Market

will be held on Saturday, September 12, 2009, 9:00A.M. - 3:P.M. Rain or Shine. It is held on the Willington Town Green (Route 74, 3 miles east from Exit 69 off I-84). The Flea Market is held on the Town Green, an outdoor setting on green grass with large maple trees along one side; a three acre site with lots of space for exhibitors and patrons. It is a quiet, casual, beautiful setting for the fair.

The Federated Church of Willington sponsors it and has been for 47 years. Any questions you may have, you can contact the church office at (860) 429-9911 or www.FedChurchWillington.org.

The church does the food booths which includes the Chowder Booth, home made Clam and Corn Chowder; best around, home made sandwiches, desserts. There is Bake and Preserve Booth, Craft Booth, Vegetable and Plant Booth and a White Elephant Booth. The Top of the hill there is a Hot Dog and Hamburger Booth.



The Willington Board of Education meets on the second Tuesday of each month. Please visit our website for agendas and minutes.

Superintendent of Schools: David C. Harding 860.487.3130

Board of Education Chairman: Mark Makuch

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(Reservations are suggested) Passes let out for 3 days at a time. Passes must be returned to the circulation desk, they may NOT be put in the book drop. There is a \$10 per day fine for late returns.

Please stop by and meet the new library programmer Mrs. Linares

Movie Showings

The library shows a movie once a month that is suitable for all ages. We usually hold the movie every last Saturday of the month, unless there is a holiday that weekend. Check out the Library website for movie being shown.

Story and Craft Hour

The library holds story time every Saturday at 10am. A story will be read to the children and a craft will follow. This story time is suitable for all ages.

Twilight Tales

Every Tuesday, starting again in September, from 6:45-7:30pm. Come and relax to a quieting bedtime story in your pajamas and be sure to bring your pillow and blanket! For children 5 and under.



Teen Advisory Board

Coming soon! Looking to develop a task force to see what programs and resources you would like to see at the library. Take teen service to a new level.

Detective Club

Coming soon! Join us at the library for a night of detective work! Open to students in grades 4th to 8th.

Crocheting Club

Every Thursday from 6:30-8:00pm in the Reading Room. Lessons will be given for beginners and don't forget to bring your crocheting supplies!



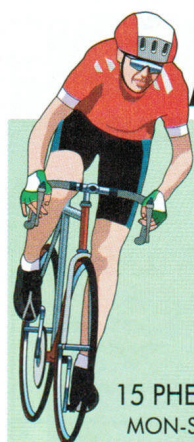
Knitting Club

Every Tuesday from 1:00-3:00pm in the Reading Room. Lessons will be given for beginners and don't forget to bring your knitting supplies.

Summer Reading Program

"Be Creative @ Your Library"

Starts Saturday, June 20th to August 15th. This program is open to Willington residents only. Prizes will be awarded throughout the summer. Be sure to visit the library for more information!



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Ed Staveski 860-487-3123

Asst. Planning-Zoning/Wetlands Agent:
Gary Jones 860-487-3123

Land Use Department Secretary
Margaret DuPilka 860-487-3123

Eastern Highland Health District:
487-3116

Fire Marshal:
Dick Palmer 429-7757; cell 860-933-4768

Fire Department:
Stuart Cobb 429-0288

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