

December Community Events

BURLINGTON AMBASSADOR - JANET SCHWARTZ

- The Whigville Grange Cookie Walk will be held on December 3rd from 10 AM—1 PM at the Terryville Congregational Church, Rte. 6, Terryville. Dozens of types of homemade cookies and candies will be available. Containers will be provided, and goodies will be sold by weight. There will also be a teacup auction. Contact b_gary@sbcglobal for more info.
- A Girl Scout Pancake Breakfast with Santa & Craft Sale will take place on December 4th from 8-11 AM at Lake Garda School Cafeteria. Enjoy pancakes, eggs, sausage, muffins, juice, hot chocolate & coffee. Admission \$8; ages 3 & under free. A special guest from the North Pole will be stopping in to visit. Bring your camera! Please bring a canned good for our local food pantry and receive a ticket to win a door prize!
- The 31st Annual Holiday Sing will be held on the Burlington Town Green on December 7th at 7 PM. Sponsored by the Burlington Volunteer Fire Department, The Burlington Parks and Recreation Department, and The Burlington Historical Society, music will be provided by the Lewis S. Mills Band & "Notable Notes". The rain/snow location is Fire Station #1 George Washington Turnpike. The Elton Brown Tavern will be open from 3-9 PM. for The 5th Annual Wreath and Decorations Auction Bid! Fee: a non-perishable food items for the Food Bank.
- Children and their caregivers are welcome to join Wildlife Division Natural Resource Educator Laura Rogers-Castro for a look into the world of winter readiness on December 10th at 1:30 PM. Participants will learn about migration, hibernation, winter dormancy, and more! This indoor/outdoor program will be followed by a complimentary cup of hot chocolate! Take a break from the busy holiday season! All children must be accompanied by an adult.
- The Holiday Light Competition will take place December 13-15. Pre-registration is required at the Recreation Department by December 13th. Prizes will be awarded for: Best Multicolored Lights and Best White Lights. Judging will be on December 14th and 15th, weather dependent. Lights must be turned on for viewing between the hours of 5:30-9:30 PM. Prizes will be announced on December 16th. Prizes include: 1st Place: \$100 Visa Gift Card, 2nd Place: \$50 Visa Gift Card, 3rd Place: \$25 Visa Gift Card. Contest limited to Burlington residents only.

CANAAN AMBASSADOR - WENDY EICHMAN, STADIUM SYSTEM

- The Colonial Theater presents "Family Holiday Spectacular featuring The Late Show Gospel Choir" on December 17th at 7 PM. Tickets \$25 or \$75 for a family 3-pack; ages 5 & under free. Cash or check sales available at Stadium System or Colonial Theater (Thursdays & Fridays 12-2 PM). Intermission treats will be available including hot chocolate, cookies & popcorn. For information, call C. Claydon at 860-671-7991.

CORNWALL AMBASSADOR - DIANNE HEINY

Please visit our website for more information: cornwallct.org

- The Annual Christmas Fair will be held on December 3rd at United Congregational Church from 9:30 AM to 3 PM.
- A Community Contra Dance will be held December 3rd at 7 PM at the Cornwall Town Hall.
- The United Congregational Church will have its Annual Christmas Pageant on December 10th at 7:30 PM (snow date 12/11).
- The Cornwall Library will close at noon on December 24th.
- The North Cornwall Meeting House will have a candlelight service on December 24th at 5 and 8 PM.
- North Cornwall Church will host a Boxing Day Reading on December 26th at 4 PM.

HARWINTON AMBASSADORS - CAROL KEARNS & HARRY SCHUH, HARWINTON LIONS CLUB

- 6th Annual Harwinton Hometown Holiday Celebration on December 3rd from 3–7 PM at the Harwinton Town Hall Complex. Free!
- Harwinton Senior Center: Christmas Party at the Senior Center on December 7th. Lunch at noon followed by musical entertainment. Cost is \$13.00. Christmas Lunch Bunch on December 14th at Painted Pony in Bethlehem. Old fashioned Carol Sing-Along on December 22nd 1 PM at the Senior Center. "Senior Prom" hosted by Lewis Mills HS Foreign Language Honor Society at the LSM Cafe on January 6th from 3–5 PM. Entertainment and refreshments provided. Call 860-689-1951 for more information.
- Harwinton Public Library: Holiday Open House & Craft Sale on December 3rd from 9:30 AM – 7 PM. Graham Cracker House Craft on December 10th at 10 AM. All children invited to make a graham cracker holiday house. Free of charge, registration required. Lionheart Puppet Company presents "The Reluctant Dragon" on December 29th at 11 AM. Registration required. Call 860-485-9113 for more information.
- Harwinton Historical Society: "Women's Right to Vote" program on January 8th from 2-4 PM at the Harwinton Public Library.

LITCHFIELD AMBASSADOR - EDGAR AUCHINCLOSS, PEOPLE'S UNITED BANK

- Russ Barton, the owner of the historic jail property in Litchfield afforded me a "Construction Tour" a few weeks ago. The building is fascinating and the businesses who will be locating to this property are really lucky. The project has tremendous vision and the end result should please everyone. Beyond the retail space, there will be a total of six one bedroom apartments. We are indeed lucky to have such a creative developer molding this important "In Town" space.

TORRINGTON AMBASSADOR - LYNN GELORMINO, WARNER THEATRE

- New businesses in town: Sasso's Coal Fired Pizza at 52 Main Street; O'Reilly Auto Parts at 1019 East Main Street; Pursue the Clues at 733 East Main Street; and, Good Company Coffee House at 33 Franklin Street.
- Christmas Programs include: Torrington Symphony Orchestra "A Holiday Concert" on December 3 at 7:30 PM; The Nutmeg Ballet's "The Nutcracker" on December 10 & 11; and, Warner Stage Company's "A Charlie Brown Christmas" on December 10, 11, 16, 17 & 18. All held at The Warner Theatre.
- "Christmas Angelicus, A New England Tradition" will be held on December 10th at 4 PM at Trinity Episcopal Church, 220 Prospect Street.
- Christmas Village opens on December 11th. Parade begins at the Armory at 12:30 and the opening ceremony will take place at Christmas Village at 1 PM. Call 860-489-2274 for more info.

WARREN AMBASSADOR - CRAIG NELSON, TOWN OF WARREN

- Holiday on the Hill will take place December 3rd. Enjoy the tree lighting and holiday caroling, a visit with Santa and a community bazaar at the Community Center. The Warren Church will have a Chili Cook-Off at the Parish Hall. Stop at the Public Library and have some reindeer food while writing your letter to Santa. Don't forget to bring a new unwrapped toy to the Fire House to Stuff a Fire Truck.
- Join the trip to see the Radio City Christmas Spectacular on December 7th. What better way to get into the holiday spirit than with The Rockettes! Enjoy some free time in the Greatest City on Earth to do some holiday shopping, visit "The Tree", see window displays along with a matinee performance of the Christmas Spectacular at Radio City. Additional information at warrenct.org.
- A Gingerbread Workshop will be held December 10th at Warren Community Center from 10 AM-2 PM. For additional information, please call the library at 860-868-2195.

WINCHESTER AMBASSADOR - FRAN DELANEY, WEST STATE MECHANICAL

- Christmas On Main sponsored by Friends of Main Street on December 3rd from 12:30-4 PM includes carolers, wagon rides, merchant specials and Santa.
- St. Anthony's Christmas Bazaar will be held December 3rd at the Franciscan Center from 9 AM-2 PM. Items for sale, baked goods, raffle items, grab bags and more!
- Farmers' Market will continue on the 3rd Saturday of each month at the Gaylord Tiffany building on Rowley Street from 10 AM-4 PM.
- Whiting Mills has special December events. See page 6 for details.
- Bubbles & Truffles wine and chocolate tasting event returns on February 3rd. Visit foms.org for info.
- Winchester Police Department recently promoted Patrol Officers Christopher Roy, Mark Blanchette and Peter DeLouis to the rank of Sergeant.