

August Community Representatives Report

Barkhamsted

The Barkhamsted Recreation Department and the Farmington River Steward Team are hosting the following free events. Reserve your spot by emailing Donna at barkhamstedrec@barkhamsted.us. For a complete listing of programs, visit barkhamstedrec.us.

- ◆ “Fly Tying Fundamentals” at Uncle Aaron’s Bait Store on August 6 at 3 p.m. Richard Nicoletti will teach how to tie flies for fishing and will share fly fishing tips for the river.
- ◆ Nick Lockwood will present “Fishing Around the Farmington” on August 13th at 3 p.m. at Austin Hawes Campground. Learn common fishing methods, regulations, ethical catch & release, and ethical treatment of the environment pertaining to the river.

Burlington - Janet Schwartz

- ◆ The Burlington Historical Society will open the Center School House on George Washington Turnpike for free tours on August 27th from 1-4 PM. For details, visit burlington-history.org.
- ◆ Sessions Woods Programs:
 - ◇ “Animals that Scurry Among Us” on August 9th from 10 a.m. to Noon. Enjoy a 2-mile hike spotlighting rodents of the forest including woodchucks, beavers, squirrels, chipmunks & more.
 - ◇ “Reptiles of Connecticut” on August 16th at 10 a.m. Join Master Wildlife Conservationist Paul Benjunas for an educational talk highlighting Connecticut’s native reptiles. Presentation will include live reptiles and is for all ages.
 - ◇ “Magnificent Monarchs” on August 23rd from 10:30 a.m. to Noon features Eric Rahn who will introduce participants the magnificent monarch butterfly.
- ◆ Tavern Day at Elton Tavern will be held on September 17th from 11 AM to 4 PM. Join the Historical Society for a celebration of colonial life. More details are available at burlington-history.org.
- ◆ Whigville Grange Fair at the Grange Hall in Whigville will take place on August 26th from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Show off your home grown veggies & flowers, jam, pickles or homemade baked goods. No entry fee. Free parking. Entertainment, food, teacup auction. Craft vendors welcome. Call Debbie at 860-582-9863 or email b_gary@sbcglobal.net for information.
- ◆ Burlington Land Trust will host the inaugural Tunxis Trail Ultramarathon on August 26th at 7 a.m. The 32-mile course will take runners past some of the most stunning natural landmarks in the area. 18-mile Fun Run also available. For information, visit tunxisultra.wordpress.com or burlingtonlandtrust.org.

Canaan/N. Canaan - Wendy Eichman

- ◆ The Sunset Music Series continues on Thursday evenings from 7-9 PM at the Canaan VFW Couch Pipa Post 6851. Enjoy live music, car cruise, prizes, food & drink at this free, family event. 8/3 K Mac & the Cadillacs, 8/10 Maximum Dosage, 8/17 Wibo & Friends, 8/24 5 Day Knight, 8/31 Two Guys in Suits and Ties & the Summer Grand Prize Drawing event.
- ◆ The Canaan Farmers’ Market is at Stadium System, 297 Ashley Falls Road every Wednesday from 4-6 PM. For every \$5 spent at the market, receive a ticket for a prize drawing. Drawings conducted weekly. The Grand Prize, a \$100 gift certificate to Stadium System, will be drawn September 20th
- ◆ Musical Sunday Sunset Concerts at The Doughboy, Route 44 and Granite Avenue in Canaan will be held every Sunday in July from 6-7 PM. Presented by The Cranford Club, the event is free. Bring a picnic.
- ◆ NW CT Rod & Gun Club’s 71st Annual Outing will be held August 20th from Noon to 5 p.m. Steamed & raw clams, pork, shaved steak, deep fried turkey, sausage sandwiches, hot dogs & hamburgers, corn on the cob and hors d’oeuvres. \$40 pp, \$10 children under 12. Tickets available at Stadium System, 297 Ashley Falls Road, or through club members.
- ◆ VFW District 5 Picnic hosted by Canaan VFW Post 6851. August 12th from Noon to 8 p.m. \$10 pp includes entertainment by multiple bands and food. Bring a lawn chair. All proceeds will be used to renovate a disabled veteran’s home.

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Cornwall - Dianne Heiny

- ◆ Hevreh Concert will take place on August 5th at 5 p.m. at the Prentice Barn
- ◆ Local Farm will host a Pot Luck Picnic and Bat Count on August 12th from 6:30-8:30 PM and the Women's Equality Drum Circle on August 26th from 7-9 PM.
- ◆ The Cornwall Historical Society will hold a Family Day on July 22nd from 10 AM to 2 PM and a Gallery Walk at 5 PM.
- ◆ A Community Contra Dance will be held at Town Hall on August 5th at 7 p.m.
- ◆ The Trinity Retreat Center presents the Rose Algrant Art Show on August 12th from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and the 13th from 10 a.m. to Noon.
- ◆ The Cornwall Library presents Cornwall Conversation-Populism on August 12th at 5 p.m.
- ◆ Visit cornwallct.org for additional activities & information.

Falls Village - Wendy Eichman

- ◆ The Jane Austen Project - A conversation with author Kathleen Flynn, Bruce Paddock and Cynthia Hochswender will be held on August 5th at 4 p.m. at the David M. Hunt Library, 63 Main Street, Falls Village. Topics likely to come up include time travel, romance, physics, science-fiction and Jane Austen which are all elements of Ms. Flynn's debut novel, *The Jane Austen Project*. For info, visit huntlibrary.org.
- ◆ David M. Hunt Library will host the exhibit *Altars, Amulets and Shrines*, curated by Gay Schempp with an opening reception on August 25th from 5-7 p.m. The exhibit will continue through September 22nd at the library, 63 Main Street, Falls Village. For details, visit huntlibrary.org or call 860-824-7424.

Harwinton - Carol Kearns & Harry Schuh

- ◆ Harwinton Historical Society Annual Ice Cream Social will be held August 6th from 2-4 p.m. on the grounds of the Harwinton Consolidated School. Bring a lawn chair to enjoy the music of troubadour Tom Hooker Hanford.
- ◆ Harwinton Recreation presented Free Outdoor Movie Nights at the Harwinton Sports Complex: August 10th 8:15 PM - Moana. Call 860-485-0626 or email recreation@harwinton.us for more information.
- ◆ Harwinton Public Library will present the following programs. Please call 860-485-9113 to register.
 - "Living in Space" on August 2nd at 6:30 PM. Science demonstrations and hands-on activities. Please register. Recommended for students grades 5-12.
 - "Build a Forest Community!" on August 9th at 6:30 PM. Marlow Shami from the White Memorial Conservation Center will present a live animal program about the interconnection of all life in a forest community. Free/no registration required.
 - CT Children's Author Suzy Kline will share her writing experiences in an interactive presentation on August 16th at 6:30 p.m. She will bring props from her *Horrible Harry* series.
 - "Seed Saving Workshop" by Master Gardener Erick Frisk on August 23rd. Free and open to ages 12 and up. Supplies included. Please register.
- ◆ Harwinton Volunteer Fire Department's Annual Chicken Barbecue will be held August 12th from 4:30-7 p.m. at the Firehouse, 158 Burlington Road. Tickets \$15 for adults, children under 12 \$8.00. Call 860-485-9336 for information.

Kent

- ◆ Kent Volunteer Fire Department's Golf Tournament will be held September 11th at Bull's Bridge Golf Club in Kent. Registration & sponsorship information is available at kentfire.org/golf. For information, email Scott at golf@kentfire.org.

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Litchfield - Edgar Auchincloss

- ◆ Summer in Litchfield finds us shopping in the new and expanded Stop & Shop, very nice, and much improved with a full service People's United Bank branch location inside. Branch Manager, Edward Cunningham, is busy meeting new and old clients of the bank who are pleased to have a new location instead of an ATM at the old location. For the second time, developer Russ Barton escorted me on a tour of the jail renovation project at the corner of West and North Street in Litchfield. He has tremendous vision and the people of Northwest Connecticut will be very pleased with the final outcome of this project.

Torrington

- ◆ "Tour of the Litchfield Hills" Cycling Event will return for the 14th year to Torrington's Coe Park on August 6th to benefit The Cancer Care Fund of the Litchfield Hills, Inc. The charity ride consists of 12, 30, 55, 75, and 100-mile routes. There are also 2.4, 4.2 and 6-mile walking routes for non-cyclists who wish to participate. Registration is \$45 per adult, \$15 children under 12 and \$60 for a family of five or less. More details on registration, maps and more are available at tourofthelitchfieldhills.com or by calling Dr. Matt Pagano at 860-379-3372.

Warren

For additional information regarding the following Warren activities, please call 860-868-7881 ext. 113 or reference the town website at warrenct.org.

- ◆ Trips Offered by Park & Recreation:
 - Dodgers vs. Mets on August 5th at Citi Field (seats in section 335). Cost \$95 pp.
 - Red Sox vs. Yankees at Yankee Stadium on August 12th. \$105 pp (seating in section 232).
 - Trip to Meigs Point Nature Center at Hammonasset State Park and Beach on August 30th. Enjoy a "Touch Tank" program featuring crabs, lobster, fish and more followed by a "Beach Combing 101" lesson at the beach. Bring a picnic lunch & beach chair and be ready for an ice cream stop on the way home.
 - Bronx Zoo/Botanical Gardens on September 9th. Choose between the zoo or gardens (admission fee required) followed by time to eat your way through Little Italy in the Bronx. Cost \$45 pp includes motor coach transportation, driver gratuity and snack bag.
- ◆ Warren Parks and Recreation Summer Concert Series welcomes John Camp of TimeRider on August 19th from 5:30-8:30 p.m. at Warren Woods. Camp, who has performed professionally for over 35 years, has worked with entertainers such as Steppenwolf, The Guess Who and Marshall Tucker Band. 60's Satisfaction will be performing on September 17th from 4:30-6:30 p.m. at Warren Woods.
- ◆ Warren Annual Town Wide Tag Sale will take place September 2nd from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Residents are invited to set-up at their own homes. For the registration fee of \$12, Park & Recreation will provide advertising, signage, a map and program of participating households. Information will also be posted on the town website. Sign-up deadline is August 29th.

Winsted/Winchester - Fran Delaney

- ◆ The Farmers' Market is held on Fridays at East End Park 3-6 PM through September 22nd. See www.foms.org for updates and watch Friends of Main Street weekly newsletter.
- ◆ Whiting Mill's 3rd Sunday event will begin again in the fall. Visit whitingmills.com for more information.
- ◆ Friends of Main Street summer concerts continue at East End Park through August 23rd. See www.foms.org for more information.