

September Community Representatives Report

Burlington - Janet Schwartz

- ◆ 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.
- ◆ The 8th Annual Burlington 5K Run/Walk (Whigville Edition) will be run on October 29th at 10 a.m. The race starts and ends at the Whigville Grange. Family (up to 4) \$50, Individual \$25, Student \$15. Free t-shirts for the first 100 sign-ups. Prizes for best costume. For more information and to register, visit burlington5k.com. All proceeds will benefit the Burlington Community Fund.

Canaan/N. Canaan - Wendy Eichman

- ◆ The Canaan Farmers' Market is at Stadium System, 297 Ashley Falls Road every Wednesday from 4-6 p.m. through September 20th.
- ◆ The following events will be held at The Lodge at Geer Village and are open to the public. Light refreshments will be served. RSVP to Deb Pelletier at 860-824-2625 or dpelletier@geercare.org.
 - ◇ The Western Connecticut Area Agency on Aging will present a demonstration on adaptive equipment in the Chapel on September 7th at 11 a.m. RSVP by 9/4.
 - ◇ Salisbury Bank will present a lecture on "Finance: Getting Ready for the Next Step in Life" in the Chapel on September 13th at 2 p.m. RSVP by 9/8.
 - ◇ Dr. Lisa Monaco will present a lecture on "The Brain Gut Connection" in the Hollenbeck Room on September 15th at 2 p.m. RSVP by 9/11.
 - ◇ Ted Doolittle, Healthcare Advocate, will present "CT Speaks Out" on September 28th at 7 p.m. in the Hollenbeck Room. He will explore what Connecticut residents need and want from their health insurance. RSVP by 9/25.
 - ◇ In October: a four-week caregiver course presented by the Alzheimer's Association and Tiela Garnett's "Hollywood Stories".
- ◆ A clothing drive will be held on September 16th at North Canaan Elementary School, 90 Pease Street from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Clothes, accessories, books, records, DVDs, CDs. Sorry, no toys, appliances, baby strollers, etc. will be accepted.
- ◆ The Falls Village Truck Pull will be held September 24th at noon at 108 Route 63 in Falls Village. General admission \$10, kids under 10 free. Enjoy truck pulls, vendors, food & lots of family fun! For details, visit shootoutproductionsinc.com. Proceeds to benefit the Falls Village Volunteer Fire Department.

Cornwall - Dianne Heiny

- ◆ Please visit the Cornwall website at www.cornwallct.org and/or visit the Town of Cornwall's Facebook page for more information.
- ◆ A Labor Day Weekend Art Sale will be held at the Cornwall Library on September 2nd from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.
- ◆ A Community Contra Dance will be held at Town Hall on September 2nd at 7 p.m.
- ◆ Both Farm Markets and the Cornwall Agricultural Fair will be on the Cornwall Town Green on September 9th. Farm markets run 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., Fair runs 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.
- ◆ The Cornwall Association Newcomer's Tea will be held at the Cornwall Library on September 9th from 3:30 to 5 p.m.
- ◆ Local Farm will host a Pot Luck Picnic and Bat Count on September 9th from 6:30-8:30 PM.
- ◆ The Board of Appeals will meet at Town Office on September 16th from 9-10 a.m.
- ◆ Local Farm will hold Fresh Farm Lasagna Building on September 16th from 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.
- ◆ The First Annual Cornwall Clean-Up/Green-Up Day will take place on September 23rd from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
- ◆ Local Farm will hold "Family Cow Workshop" on September 23rd from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and will host the Women's Drumming Circle on the 23rd from 7-9 p.m.
- ◆ Enjoy "A Paperboy's View Walking Tour" at the West Cornwall Post Office, Route 128, West Cornwall on September 30th.
- ◆ An Artist Reception will be held at the Souterrain Gallery in West Cornwall at the Wish House featuring Susan Hellmann's "Simply Cornwall" exhibit on September 30th from 3-6 p.m. The exhibit will be on display through November 18th.

Harwinton - Carol Kearns & Harry Schuh

- ◆ The Harwinton Lions Club will hold a Blood Drive on September 2nd from 8 am. to 1 p.m. at Town Hall, 100 Bentley Drive.
- ◆ The Harwinton Youth Sports Association's 17th Annual Golf Classic will be held on September 14th at Fairview Farm Golf Course, 300 Hill Road. Contact 860-601-8199 or treasurer@harwintonsports.org for more information.
- ◆ Harwinton Public Library will present the following programs:

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- ◇ “Medicare Fraud and Scams” on September 15th at 10 a.m. Presented by Amanda Halle, Senior Medicare Patrol, Western CT Area Agency on Aging. Call 860-485-9113 to register.
- ◇ Summer Book Sale on September 16th from 10 a.m. to noon. Children’s books \$0.50, adult paperbacks \$1.00, adult hardcovers \$2.00.
- ◆ The Harwinton Historical Society will present the following programs which are free and open to the public:
 - ◇ “Abolitionist John Brown: Madman or Martyr” on September 17th from 2-4 p.m. at the Harwinton Library.
 - ◇ “I Smell Death Here: The Swine Flu Outbreak of 1918” on September 24th from 2-4 p.m. at the Harwinton Library.
- ◆ The 161st Annual Harwinton Fair will run October 6th through October 8th at the Harwinton Fairgrounds on Locust Road.

Kent

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

Torrington - Lynn Gelormino

- ◆ Two new florists have opened on Main Street. Heaven Scent Floral Creations is located at 98 Main Street inside Ida’s Bridal Salon. The Honey Bee Florist and More is located at 42 Main Street.
- ◆ Torrington Schools will start on September 5th. Keep an eye out for kids running to buses and walking to/from school.
- ◆ The Warner Theatre welcomes the following artists for concerts in September (tickets available at warnertheatre.org):
 - ◇ Martina McBride on September 14th
 - ◇ Arlo Guthrie on September 16th
 - ◇ Stills and Collins on September 30th
- ◆ Torrington Parks & Recreation is sponsoring a trip to Foxwoods Casino on September 18th. The bus will depart from the downtown shopping plaza parking lot (near 99 Restaurant) at 8 a.m. Fee \$25 per person. Call 860-489-2274 for reservations.
- ◆ Torrington Elderly Services is sponsoring a trip to the Big E Fair on Connecticut Day, September 20th. \$53 per person includes transportation, admission to the Big E and driver gratuity. Reservations required, call 860-489-2211.
- ◆ The Torrington House Tour will be held September 23rd with a Preview Party on September 22nd. Tickets for the Preview Party are \$75, Tour tickets are \$30 in advance, \$35 the day of. Tickets are available at the Chamber of Commerce and the Torrington Historical Society and online at torringtonhousetour.org. The tour includes a tour of six homes and a garden. Optional shuttle bus is available. Check in and buses are located at the Chamber beginning at 10 a.m. on the 23rd.
- ◆ CAFTA’s 7 Annual Wine Tasting and Art Sale will be held September 15th from 5:30-9 p.m. at 104 Main Street in Torrington (formerly Torrington Furniture). The event will offer a night of fun, good food, wine and music as well as an opportunity to purchase a masterpiece from CAFTA’s emerging young art students and teachers. 100% of the proceeds go to providing scholarships for all the FREE After School Art Programs that CAFTA offers throughout the school year. Tickets are \$20 in advance, \$25 at the door and can be purchased by emailing cafta.usa@gmail.com or calling 860-201-5706. For more information, visit www.cafta.info.

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:
 - ◇ Trip to Point Jefferson, New York on September 14th. Board the Port Jeff Ferry in Bridgeport to enjoy a trip across Long Island Sound and spend the afternoon in the seaside village of Port Jefferson. This trip will be “do as you please” style. Be prepared for much walking, ambling and strolling while you enjoy the shoreline, quaint shops and delightful restaurants. Bus leaves the Warren Community Center at 8:30 a.m. Cost is \$22 per person. Pack a water bottle and snack or two.
 - ◇ Fall Splendor Vermont Trip on October 1st. This trip will include a tour-hour train ride on the Green Mountain Railroad from Chester to Ludlow with a lunch stop at The Ravens Den Restaurant in Manchester and a visit to the Vermont Country Store. Cost is \$125 per person and includes deluxe motor coach transportation, snacks, prizes, driver gratuity and Green Mountain Railroad ticket.
- ◆ Warren Parks & Recreation are sponsoring a “Picnic in The Woods” on September 21st at the Warren Woods Town Park. Tickets \$15 per person. Call 860-868-7881 ext. 113 for details.

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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.
- ◆ News from Whiting Mill's, 100 Whiting Street:
 - ◇ Northeast Farrier Supply will hold a Fall Open House and Clinic on September 16th.
 - ◇ Visit Candle Wicks, maker of soy candles, at the Connecticut building at The Big E (located in Studio 416 at Whiting Mills)
 - ◇ Art and Soul Studio 502 will have a grand opening on September 24th
 - ◇ Watch for the return of the third Sunday open house in September or October. Visit whitingmills.com for more information.
- ◆ Mad River Lofts held a ribbon cutting and press conference on August 30th to mark the installation of the Mad River Lofts Windows Public Art Project on the river side of Main Street opposite Mad River Lofts Building 2. The first tenants have moved into the space. More are available. For information, visit www.facebook.com/madriverlofts.
- ◆ The American Museum of Tort Law welcomes legendary talk show host Phil Donahue on September 17th from 2-3:30 p.m. as he interviews prominent Constitutional Scholar and Yale Law School Professor Akhil Reed Amar about the Constitution, its history, evolution and why trial by jury was, and is, so important to preserving our democracy. Tickets are \$20 p.p. Audience participation will be encouraged. Visit tortmuseum.org for details.
- ◆ The annual Fall Festival will be held on October 7th. This year's event will include a classic and antique boat show along with antique boat motors and fishing gear. Radio station WZBG will be doing a live presentation from the event and numerous other activities are in the planning stage and will be added to the FOMS roster of activities as they are confirmed.
- ◆ In celebration of the 100th anniversary of the Town of Winchester and in cooperation with Gilbert School, St. Anthony's School, Explorations, the Winchester School System, EDC, Winchester Historical Society and the Friends of Main Street, a time capsule is being organized to be buried in 2017 (to be opened in 2067). Students will be making exhibits for inclusion in the time capsule, which will be on display during the Fall Festival. Additional information can be found on foms.org.

If your community isn't listed and you would be interested in becoming involved, please call the Chamber at 860-482-6586 to find out more about our Membership Committee and its Community Representatives.